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## THE OLD-TIME FIRE.

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- “Talk about yer buildin’s  
That’s het up by steam—  
Give me the old oak fire  
Where the old folks used to dream.
- “The rickety dog-irons,  
One-sided as could be ;  
The ashes banked with ’taters  
That was roastin’ there fer me.
- “The dog on one side, drowsin’,  
Or barkin’ near the door ;  
The kitten cuttin’ capers  
With the knittin’ on the floor.
- “An’ me a little tow head  
By mammy’s side at night ;  
With both my cheeks a-burnin’  
From the red flames leapin’ bright.
- “These steam-het buildin’s make me  
Jest weary fer the blaze  
That was heap more comfortable  
In my childhood’s nights and days.
- “An’ I’d give the finest heater  
In the buildin’s het by steam  
Fer the old-time chimbley corner  
Where the old folks used to dream.”

## P R E F A C E.

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The object of this book is to recall to memory the pioneers of Madison and Hancock counties, Indiana. Among the shuffled cards of time they have been, to some extent, overlooked and forgotten. It will be the present aim to gather up the names and reminiscences of those who first settled in our now grand counties.

It is now about seventy-five years since the first white man settled here. During this period many names have been lost, but, as far as possible, they will be hunted up. We can not afford to lose sight of those who had the courage to come and pitch their tents in these woods, with no roads, no mills, no neighbors, no school-houses—in fact, with nothing but the wild forests that surrounded them on every hand.

The year 1818 witnessed the advent of this noble band on Fall Creek, near the Falls, and later at Anderson. At the latter place was an Indian village, where the natives had cultivated, in their rude way, some land along White River, and where they remained till about the year 1834, when, relinquishing their rights by purchase, they went further west toward the setting sun. About this time immigrants began to arrive quite numerously, and to settle at Perkinsville and on Pipe Creek and in other parts of the county.

What disadvantages and what hardships our pioneers endured will never be fully told. We shall never know by experience what they went through, for those times are past, never to return; but we know in part. They have told their children and grandchildren the old, old story of

their struggles, and we have listened around the blazing fire of wood, or gas, half wondering, half doubting, the interesting recital. We have listened till we could almost see the strutting wild turkey and the rushing, panting deer, or hear the ax resounding in the deep woods and the howl of wolves.

In the course of time, by degrees, the fields widened out, roads were cut, school-houses and mills were built. Settlers came in from Virginia, North Carolina, Kentucky, Ohio, Pennsylvania and elsewhere. The transition from the green woods to our well cultivated fields of 1895 did not come at once, nor without labor and patience. Gradually we have gained the proud position we occupy to-day. As we sit by the polished gas stove and look out on such grand achievements, we sometimes wonder if we are dreaming. If these achievements, wrought within the memory of some living with us to-day, are a wonder to us, what must they be to the pioneers who opened the road and saw the whole transformation!

No, we shall never fully know who were all the actors, what they underwent, and what became of them, yet it is our privilege, yes, our duty, to gather much knowledge of pioneer life and to profit by it. It is only by contrasting the past with the present that we can properly appreciate the vast strides our community has taken during the seventy-five eventful years of its history.

The aim of this little book, therefore, is to notice the more active men and women of our county. Gladly would I give the names of all the pioneers and their noteworthy deeds, but, in so small a work, this will be out of the question. Brief and imperfect as the effort is, I trust that it may be a step in the right direction, and taken sufficiently early to secure many names before they are lost forever.

It will be sometimes difficult to decide who were, and who are, truly, pioneers of the county. The line must be drawn somewhere, and at some definite time. I have

decided, therefore, to make the year 1840 the dividing line. This year of "log cabins and hard cider" was a memorable one in the history of our county. It will be understood, then, that all persons settling in the county previous to 1840 will here be recognized as pioneers.

This arrangement does not, of course, underrate those who came afterwards, and who have contributed greatly to the development of our resources. Ever since the gas era opened, in 1887, vast capital has rushed into the county, and to-day the spirit of progress goes marching on. So the old and the new shake hands over the achievements of the past and the hopes of the future.

## OLD SETTLERS' MEETINGS.

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The custom of holding old settlers' meetings, inaugurated in Eastern Indiana, and many other parts of the country, finally reached Madison county, nearly forty years ago, and has been kept up, with long intermissions. The first one of these of which we have any account was held between Pendleton and Huntsville, perhaps in 1856. It was fairly attended, and a number of old settlers were present. Among those present and taking part I call to mind the following: John H. Cook, Dr. Ward Cook, Adam Dobson, John Markle, David Cattron, Morris Gilmore, William and Thomas Silver, Martin Chapman, E. O. Chapman, Wm. Roach, Samuel D. Irish, John Tilson, O. B. Shaul, "Coon" Crossley, John Boston, Geo. Pavy, Isaac Busby, John Goul, Henry Goul, P. R. Maul, Col. Johnson, N. Hardy, George Pavy, Theodore Walker, B. F. Gregory, Andrew Shanklin, A. B. Taylor, Jacob Taylor, Elijah Williams, George Nicholson, Geo. R. Booram, and A. B. Carroll. The wives of some of these were present, and there were many others whose names I can not call to mind. No record of the meeting having been kept, I write from memory only.

I had then been in the county only one year. This was the first meeting of the kind I had ever attended, and it made a deep and lasting impression on my mind. Many of the persons named above, whom I learned afterwards to respect and love, I first met at this meeting.

Here was my first acquaintance with the late John H. Cook, who was foremost on this occasion. He was a born leader, and would be distinguished in any crowd.

In contrast with his disposition is that of his brother, Dr. Ward Cook, a retiring man, without self-assertion, whose true worth will never be known. Now grown gray and palsied in his profession, he is still strongly attached to his old friends, who delight to do him honor, and all who know him honor and love him.

At this meeting I first met John Markle, who afterwards became my familiar acquaintance, and for years my near neighbor. Strongly devoted to his friends, he hated his enemies as few men could hate. He settled, as a pioneer of Madison county, near Huntsville, in 1823, and served as a member of one of the first juries formed in the county. He reared a large family. He died at Markleville, December 18, 1866, and was buried in the McAllister cemetery.

I think I formed an acquaintance of Morris Gilmore at this meeting, and it continued, with delight to me, till his death, in 1879. His father, Hugh Gilmore, settled, in 1828, in Adams township, just east of New Columbus, on the south bank of Fall Creek. Here, at the same time, came Morris, and near by, he, his wife, and other members of the Gilmore family, are buried.

Adam Dobson was at this meeting, in the noonday of life. His noon came late. Born, in Virginia, in 1796, he is yet living, with his daughter, Mrs. Rodgers, two miles south-west of Pendleton. He came into the vicinity of Pendleton in 1828, has lived in the county sixty-six years, and has been for years a member of the M. E. Church.

Since the above was written, Mr. D. died, November, 1894, and was buried at Pendleton.

William Roach was there, for he never missed an old settlers' meeting, if health would permit his attendance. Rain and storm did not deter him from attending such a meeting, or the funeral of a friend. Oh, how we all loved him, and delighted to hear his stories of early life in the county! He was born in Ohio in 1809, came to Madison

county in 1832, located at Huntsville, and lived in the county till the time of his death in 1893. He and his wife are buried in Huntsville cemetery.

At one of the old settlers' meetings I heard him relate the following "'coon story," as we called it: He went "sparking" on a certain occasion, and remained over night. Upon retiring, he took off his pantaloons, as most people do, and laying them by the bedside, slept till morning. On waking in the morning, he reached for his pantaloons, but they were gone. Where? While he lay there perplexed, with breakfast waiting in the same room, a search was instituted, and the garment found under the house. A sly pet 'coon had pulled the trousers through a small crack in the puncheon floor. He was soon dressed, however, and ate a hearty breakfast as if nothing unusual had happened.

He was a Mason of high standing. At one time he served as Mayor of the city of Anderson, and at another as Sheriff of Madison county. A grand pioneer, with us so long, always on hand, he and his good wife, who loved Masonry as few women do—how we miss them! We must not forget them. Her death occurred December 8, 1887, and his February 11, 1893. Buried at Huntsville.

John Tilson was also at that first meeting, rosy and bright, his face beaming with good nature. What a happy disposition he had! He kept a store in Huntsville for thirty years. He came from Ohio about the year 1840, and died at Huntsville in 1864, little past the meridian of life. He and his wife are buried in Huntsville cemetery.

Isaac Busby was another pioneer who helped to develop Madison county. He was a stern old man, well informed on all subjects, who loved his race, and, being a Universalist, he would have all men go to a better world. He died in April, 1874, and was buried in the Busby cemetery.

There was also Neal Hardy, a sturdy old pioneer,



deserving notice as a good citizen, temperate, industrious and honest. He came to this county, with his wife, from Pennsylvania about the year 1833, and settled two miles east of Pendleton, in the locality known as the Quaker Settlement. He was not a Quaker, but his wife belonged to that denomination. He was a large, fine looking man, and with his own strong hands, and the assistance of his wife, who knew all about pioneer life, he made a farm in the green woods. He was an old time Whig. When the colored orator, Frederick Douglas, was mobbed at Pendleton in 1843, Mr. and Mrs. Hardy cared for him at their own house. Born in Pennsylvania in 1803, Mr. Hardy died November 16, 1869, and his wife died ten years later. Both are buried in the Friends' cemetery, near their old home, where so many old pioneers are sleeping.

So many grand men and women are recalled to memory in this connection that I hardly know where to stop, but I may have more to say about some of them under another head.

For several years during the "seventies," or possibly earlier, Hamilton and Madison counties held a joint meeting on the county line, just west of Perkinsville. They were reasonably well attended from both counties, and, so far as I know, a good feeling was maintained. For some cause the meetings were discontinued, and for eight or ten years none have been held. I suppose that the main cause of their discontinuance was the death of some of the pioneers of this county who were foremost in promoting them.

In this connection I can not forbear mentioning some, now dead but not forgotten, whom I met at these meetings.

James Perkins, always at the front, with a never failing fund of anecdotes, was well esteemed. He came, when a young lad, with his father, William Perkins, to Perkinsville in 1825. He was well acquainted with early life in the county. He loved pioneer occasions, and no one could tell better than he the hardships and disadvantages endured

by the first settlers. His long life was mainly spent at Perkinsville; there he died, loved and respected, in 1884, at the age of sixty-eight years, and in the cemetery there he is buried.

Thomas L. Beckwith, another grand old pioneer, born in New York in 1815, was always on hand when the old settlers met at Perkinsville. At this place he spent the best days of his life. Settling there in 1836, while a young man, he carried on business there nearly, or quite, fifty years, and served as postmaster over thirty years. He was no speaker, but few men knew more than he of early life in the woods. Being well informed on all subjects, it is no wonder that he was held in high esteem in both Madison and Hamilton counties. He was an old time Whig, and he held the office of County Commissioner for several years. He was instrumental in keeping up the meetings at Perkinsville, and I believe none were held there after the death of him and of Mr. Perkins, which occurred about the same time.

I must not forget Jacob Zeller. Though not so old a settler as some others, he came quite early to Perkinsville, and built there the mill, which came to be known far and near. In everything designed for the good of his town and county he was foremost. Though no public speaker, he always attended the old settlers' meetings, and his influence had much to do in encouraging them. He died about the year 1878, and is buried in Perkinsville cemetery.

Among others who were always present at the old settlers' meetings at Perkinsville, and living in that vicinity, were Daniel Goldsburg, Alexander McClintock, Joel White, Joseph Downham, Solomon Neese, Dr. Garretson, Dr. Douglass, A. Davis, Dr. Branch, Samuel Garretson, J. H. Snell, Henry Anderson, W. Lee, John Wise, A. J. Applegate, Matt. Coy, Joel Epperly, Samuel Richwine, Noah Richwine, Levi Benefield, W. H. Benefield, Marion

Davis, A. T. Armstrong, Samuel Shinkle, J. W. Etzler, J. S. Houghman, Noah Waymire, Warren Cole, John Forrest, John Ashby, James McClintock, Samuel Kurtz, A. J. Etchison and Reuben Neese.

One of the best of these meetings was held at Perkinsville about the year 1874. J. D. Stephenson was elected President and T. L. Beckwith Secretary. Among the speakers were W. W. Connor and H. G. Finch, of Hamilton county, and William Roach, Noah Waymire, Chas. Fisher, John W. Forrest and James Hollingsworth, of Madison county.

A meeting held at or near Alexandria in 1873 was also one of the best ever held in the county. It was very well attended, and many good speeches about old times were made. I was not present, and no record of the meeting having been preserved, I am unable to give particulars of it.

Near Frankton, also, was held a meeting of deep interest and fairly attended. Among the old settlers present I call to mind Noah Waymire, Tremulous Beeson, Lanta Roach, J. W. Forrest, James Hollingsworth, Wash King, Jonathan Davis, Francis Sigler, W. H. Quick, Elder C. Quick, Robert Harvey, William Suman, John Hannah, Jonathan Moore and Daniel King.

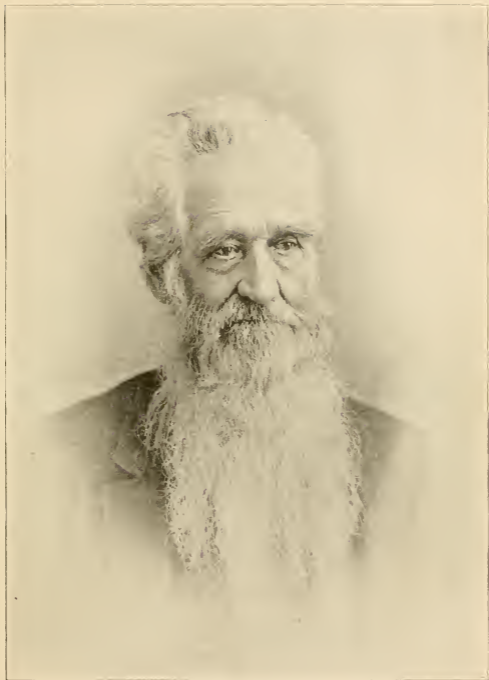
Several meetings have been held in other parts of the county, but I have little information concerning them. I hope that hereafter a better record of such meetings may be kept for subsequent reference. Some names that should have appeared in the foregoing lists have, no doubt, been omitted, but not intentionally.

I have often wondered why those meetings were discontinued at all. They were popular. Both old and young delighted to attend them, and found them a "time for merry-making and for tears." The joy of present friendships was mingled with reminiscences of early hardships, of rude graves where the earliest dead lie buried, of

the house raising, the log rolling, the quilting, and of other scenes of long ago.

This brings the record down to the meeting at Ruddle's Grove, in the suburbs of Anderson, held August 30, 1894. The day will be long remembered as a grand, gala day.

A call had been published in all the county papers, signed by John Hickey, John Somerville, Meredith Stanley, James M. Thompson, Isdell Riggs, Weams Heagg, Frank Watkins, Rufus Williams, Peter Rector, Wm. Cox, Wm. Prather, Wm. A. Mustard, W. A. Wright, Elias Gustin, Thos. Talmage, Daniel Goldsburg, Jos. Hancock, Curran Bell, John Gray, M. D. Harmon, Robert Jones, Patrick Kelly, John D. Mershon and William H. Prigg. When the day finally came, it could not have been fairer, if it had been specially ordered for the occasion. About three thousand persons were present, and the Lapel band furnished excellent music throughout the day. Since the last meeting of this sort, so long a time had elapsed that the people were hungry for another. The old came bobbing over with joy, and the young could hardly retain themselves. About 10 o'clock a. m. the Hon. James M. Farlow, of Frankton, called the meeting to order in a fitting and happy little speech, and introduced Mayor J. H. Terhune, who had been selected to preside during the day. The Mayor, whose four years' term of office was just expiring, was at his best, and he out did himself in an address of welcome, which he may well remember with pleasure. Everything had been so well arranged that, as one man said, "not a cog slipped." Frank Watkins was chosen President of the Association, and J. L. Faulkner Secretary. The old veteran, James Hollingsworth, who, at the age of fourteen years, came here with his father in 1820, was the first speaker. He spoke in his own peculiar style for thirty minutes, holding the vast crowd spell-bound until dinner was announced.



*David Cook; M. D.*

Such a dinner was never spread on this beautiful hillside before. Snow white cloths lay, spread out, upon the green grass, loaded with eatables. Around them gathered old and young to feast and to make merry. In eating, in hand-shaking, in renewing old acquaintances and forming new ones, an hour passed, and at 1 o'clock p. m. the band called the people together by playing "Auld Lang Syne."

The first speaker after dinner was Samuel Myers, so long with us, who spoke thirty minutes to the most attentive crowd I ever saw in a grove. He stood on crutches, and with faltering voice told of early events, and warned the young of the vices of the present day. The people were sad when he finished, for they knew that this was, in all probability, the last time they would ever hear him.

Abisha Lewis, of Markleville, spoke about half an hour. With snow white hair, bending body, and cane in hand, he reviewed the early history of our county and its vast improvements, wrought on every hand. His speech was impressive and full of thought for young and old.

The Hon. David S. Gooding, of Greenfield, Indiana, spoke an hour, to the delight of his many friends. He has been acquainted in Madison county for fifty years. He was in fine trim for the occasion, and entertained the vast crowd with his never-failing fund of pioneer reminiscences. He dwelt at length on the progress we have made since the early day, when, over pole bridges and through slaches, he rode on horseback the circuit of his appointments to hold the courts. Contrasting the past with the present, he warned the people against living too fast, and urged the importance of protecting our county at the polls.

While the occasion was a happy one for the Judge, Charles Fisher spoke some twenty minutes, and was listened to with great attention. He spoke of coming to the county back in the twenties with his parents, and reviewed the past, making comparisons with it and the present.

Hon. James Sansbury spoke thirty minutes, to the

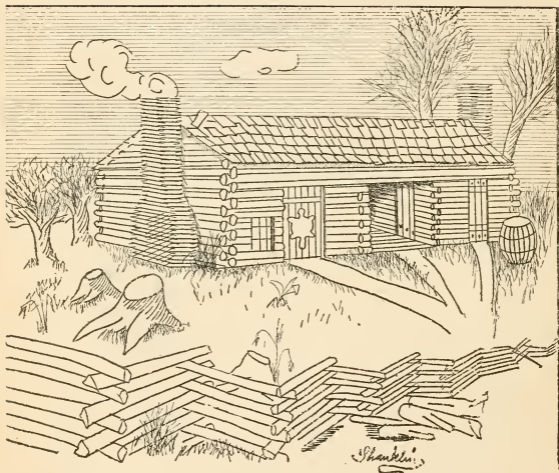
delight of all. His speech was humorous, and he made many happy hits. He came to Anderson in 1850.

Dr. Ward Cook, of Pendleton, after having an interesting letter read by O. H. Blackledge, spoke a few minutes. His voice, though feeble, was heard with delight and sorrow, as all knew it was in all probability his last appearance in public, which proved to be true. For ere a year closed his light went out, December 24, 1894. Oh, what grand words he uttered, and how we will recollect them in the coming years.

Others spoke till late in the day, when the vast assembly began to depart, with a determination to meet annually for years to come. After the appointment of several committees and general "hand-shaking" and "good bys," this, one of the best old settlers' meetings in Madison county, closed to meet August 29, 1895, in Ruddle's grove, Anderson, Ind.

The second annual meeting of the old settlers of Madison county was held at Ruddle's grove, August 29, 1895. The day being very unfavorable, there were but few present. In the absence of the president, Frank Watkins moved that James Hollingsworth act as president for the day, which was carried, and J. L. Faulker secretary.

Although there was not a large crowd, those who attended enjoyed the day delightfully, and it was a success in many respects. Those who spoke during the day were James Hollingsworth, Abisha Lewis, Dr. William Sewman, Dr. Wickersham, William Shanklin, Mrs. Dr. Hilligoss, Mr. Keltner and others. The Pendleton band was present and rendered some delightful music during the day. A committee of three, consisting of C. G. Mauzy, Thos. Harmason and Ed Roberts, was appointed to select officers for the year 1896. At 4 p. m. they reported for president, Samuel Harden; for secretary, J. L. Faulkner; for treasurer, David Conrad. After hand-shaking and many good wishes, they adjourned to meet at the same place the last Thursday in August, 1896, at 10 a. m.



The cabin home of the late John Surber, of Adams Township.  
Built, 1840, and burned down, 1878.



## EARLY SETTLERS OF EACH TOWNSHIP.

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Following will be found the names of the first settlers of the fourteen townships. They are alphabetically arranged, that they may be easily found. It is not claimed that this list embraces all who first settled in each township, but it is thought that most of them who were citizens any length of time have been gathered up and preserved, beginning with Adams and ending with Vanburen :

### ADAMS TOWNSHIP.

Following will be found a list of those who came early to Adams. The list, though not complete, will embrace most of the families who came prior to 1840. The names are alphabetically arranged. Some of the more prominent actors will be noticed under the head of "biographical sketches" in another part of this work. The same rule will apply to all the other townships in the county :

Adams, Abram.	Archer, Samuel.
Adams, Noah.	Archer, Levi.
Armstrong, Henry.	Alford, John.
Bridge, John.	Biddle, Caleb.
Brewer, Levi.	Biddle, James.
Bell, Thomas.	Biddle, Randle.
Birch, Hiram.	Baker, John and family.
Blake, John and family.	Brown, John.
Blake, Abram and family.	Bray, Andrew.
Boram, Jacob and family.	Basicker, Ezra.
Boram, John.	Bell, William.
Boram, Gideon.	Brown, Friend.

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| Coopman, John and family.       | Clark, Barney and family.   |
| Cooper, Isaac (soldier of 1812) | Cory, Abner and family.     |
| Creason, Isaac and family.      | Capp, Michael.              |
| Collier, Rev. J. F. and family. | Cox, William and family.    |
| Cromer, J. A.                   | Chase, Henry.               |
| Cunningham, Sam'l and family.   | Clark, Silvey.              |
| Crowell, Davault and family.    | Clark, Vene.                |
| Cory, Sam'l and family.         | Cooper, William.            |
| Cullipler, Isaac and family.    | Cunningham, Andrew.         |
| Collins, Thomas and family.     |                             |
| Dobson, Henry.                  | Dailey, Cap.                |
| Dobson, Stephen.                | Dailey, Jacob H.            |
| Davis, John and family.         | Dilley, Thompson.           |
| Davis, Ira and family.          | Dilley, Rick.               |
| Ellison, Granville.             | Elsworth, David and family. |
| Evans, Jacob and family.        | Elsworth, John and family.  |
| Elsworth, Andrew and family.    |                             |
| Fesler, Peter and family.       | Fort, William.              |
| Fesler, Jacob and family.       | Franklin, Isaac.            |
| Fesler, David and family.       | Franklin, Edwin.            |
| Fort, Mack.                     | Franklin, David.            |
| Fort, Benjamin.                 | Fry, Joseph and family.     |
| Gilmore, Hugh.                  | Gray, Samuel.               |
| Gilmore, Morris.                | Gray, John.                 |
| Gilmore, William.               | Griffith, Thomas.           |
| Gale, William and family.       |                             |
| Hess, Michael and family.       | Hayes, Godfrey and family.  |
| Hull, Obadiah and family.       | Hodson, Isiah and family.   |
| Huston, Samuel and family.      | Hankins, Thomas and family. |
| Hawkins, David and family.      | Hankins, Joseph and family. |
| Hoel, George W. and family.     | Hardman, Jacob and family.  |
| Hudson family.                  | Hardman, Peter.             |
| Ingalls family.                 |                             |
| Judd, John.                     | Jafrett family.             |
| Judd, Larkin.                   | Judd, Linden.               |
| Judd, James.                    | Judd, William.              |

Justice, Archibald.	Judd, David.
Justice, Hezekiah.	Jones family.
Justice, John J.	Jones, Jonathan.
Jackson, Samuel.	Jones, Peter.
Keller, Madison,	Kesling, Robert.
Keller, Henry.	Kesling, Adam.
Keller, John.	Kesling, Samuel.
Little, Jacob and family.	
Mitchell, Charles and family.	Mitchell, James.
McAllister, Thos. and family.	McClanahan, James.
McAllister, Garrett and family.	McDaniel, Levi.
McAllister, Wm. and family.	McDaniel, Jacob A.
Murphy, Joseph.	McCollough, George.
Madron, Mathias.	Miller, William.
Markle, John and family.	McDaniel, Bryant.
Markle, Jacob and family.	Mogal, Samuel.
Markle, Adam and family.	Malone, William.
Nelson, John Z.	Noland, James.
Nelson, Archibald.	Norman, Stephen.
Nelson, William.	
Perdieu, Ransom.	Poindexter family.
Pool, Solomon.	Prigg, William and family.
Pierson, James.	Prigg, Dr. E. C.
Penn, William.	Prigg, N. H.
Probasco, John (Mex. soldier)	Pendleton, John.
Perry, Silas.	Pendleton, Joseph.
Prichard family.	Padgett, John and family.
Peden family.	Powell, James.
Peden, Joseph.	Pritchard, Samuel.
Peden, Hiram.	Poindexter, R. E.
Pratt, Dr. Joseph.	
Riggs, John and family.	Richards, Manley.
Reger, Rev. Saul.	Rittenhour, Ellis.
Reger, L. D.	Runnels, Peter.
Reger, Manley.	Riggs, Alfred.
Reger, Anthony.	Rice, David.
Rentor, Thornton.	

Scott, Harry.	Sebrell, George and family.
Scott, Duke.	Sebrell, William and family.
Scott, Hayword.	Surber, Joseph and family.
Scott, Elsbury.	Shelton, Jesse and family.
Stanley, William.	Shelton, Thomas and family.
Sargeant, Resin.	Sullivan, John and family.
Stoughton, J. L.	Sawyer family.
Sanders, William and family.	Slaughter, John and family.
Stoler, Michael and family.	Slaughter, James.
Seward, Samuel.	Shields, James and family.
Seward, Joseph I.	Shawver, George and family.
Seward, Francis L.	Sanders, George.
Surber, John and family.	Surber, Joseph.
Surber, Moses and family.	Surber, Henry.
Sloan, William and family.	
Trueblood family.	Teal, John W.
Tucker family.	Titus, Samuel and family.
Talbott James.	
Vanwinkle, Jesse.	Vanwinkle, James.
Vanwinkle, Robert.	
Williams, Ralph, Sr.	Wendell, Fred and family.
Williams, Ralph, Jr.	Wylie, Robert and family.
Williams, Joseph.	Williams, Samuel F.
Williams, Huston.	Wood, Edward.
Williams, Zackariah.	

Among those more prominent have been Thos. Bell, Thomas McAllister, J. W. McAllister, Andrew Cunningham, G. W. Hoole, J. H. Daily, R. Biddle, Dr. Pratt, Nelson Pritchard, Ralph Williams, Isaac Franklin, David Franklin, J. F. Collier, John Boram, R. E. Poindexter, John Huston, William Sloan, Samuel Gray, John Justice and Samuel Williams.

Among those well known in Adams and who came late are Abisha Lewis, S. F. Hardy, Dr. Fussell, James Lewis, C. G. Mauzy, Silas G. Mauzy, Frank Mauzy, Dr. W. P. Harter, James Moneyhun, John Franklin, Calvin Franklin, Ad Forney, George Lewis, Allen Boram, John

Hayes, Dr. D. M. Rider, Dr. S. W. Edwins, Wilson Cory, Solon Walker and Liscum Titus.

### ANDERSON TOWNSHIP.

Below will be found a list of the first pioneers of Anderson township, beginning about the year 1820. Like other points in the county, there will in all probability be left out some names who first came, but it is thought the list is nearly correct. The list will be found to be alphabetically arranged and easy to find the names of those mostly deceased now (1895). Under the head of "biographical sketches" will some of the pioneers be noticed more at length; that is, those who were more prominent and lived long amongst us. In many cases we will give an account of the families, what became of them, when they died and are buried:

Aberton, Willis G. and family.	Allen, John.
Ally, John.	Allen, W. B. and family.
Allen, William and family.	Adams, Robert.
Bennett, Joseph.	Bucco, Isaac.
Berry, John and family.	Brown, Robert.
Berry, Nineveh (Mex. soldier.)	Brothers, Christopher.
Blackledge, Joel and family.	Brown, Warner.
Beard, William.	Bowen, George W.
Craycroft, Bedaker.	Chapman, Nathaniel.
Craycroft, Nathaniel.	Crampton, Dr.
Craycroft, Thomas.	Clark, R. N.
Craycroft, William.	Clark, Alexander.
Craycroft, Reuben.	Clem, Ephraim.
Curtis, William.	Clem, David.
Dewitt, John.	Davis Jonathan.
Dagitt family.	Davis, Charles and family.
Davis, Judge John.	Donahue, Enoch.
Dyson, Saint Clair.	
Elliott, Miles.	Eads, Burkett and family.
Gifford family.	Galamore, John.

Goodeykoontz family.	Gunder, David.
Hunt, Dr. John.	Harpool, David.
Hunt, Dr. William A.	Harpool, Kitt.
Hazlett, James.	Harmason, John and family.
Hall, John.	Harmason, Thomas and family.
Huntington, William.	Hoover, Gary T. and family.
Harbron, family.	Hophis, Isaac.
Hollingsworth, Elias, family.	Hophis, Daniel.
Hollingsworth, James.	Hophis, Alfred.
Henderson, C. D.	Hiatt, Allen.
Hughell family.	Howard, Joseph A.
Jackson, Andrew and family.	Jerry, Able.
Jones, Dr. T. N.	
Kendell, James.	Kendell, John.
Lemon, Thomas.	Lemon, Peter H.
Loubuck family.	Linsey, Nat.
Leasure, Robert.	Landis, Jacob.
Leach, Samuel.	Langley, Jonathan.
Lloyd, Thomas.	Langley, Curtis.
Loveland, L. S.	Longfellow family.
Longacre, Joseph and family.	Lake, Richard.
Longacre, Moral.	
Mennis, Jesse.	Myers, William.
Mess, John.	Makepeace family.
Mershon, W. H. and family.	Merrill family.
Meyers, Samuel and family.	Mattox, S. B.
Mustard, William.	Marks, Stephen.
Pugh family.	Pratt, Asa.
Pittsford family.	Parson, Richard.
Price family.	
Renick, George.	Ryan, D. T. and family.
Renshaw, John.	Robb, Andrew.
Ruddle family.	Ray, William and family.
Roach, William.	Read, Adam.
Russell family.	Ruddle, John B.
Stanley, Jacob.	Stinson family.

Stephenson family.	Shannon, Joseph and family.
Snodgrass, Joseph.	Smith, Seth.
Stanley, Daniel and family.	Siddall family.
Stanley, William.	Sparks, William.
Stanley, John H.	Shinkle family.
Stanley, Merideth.	Salyers, John.
Todhunter, Oren.	Tetherington family.
Todhunter, Charles.	Thompson family.
Tharp, Collins and family.	Tredway, John.
Vannort, Thomas.	Vandevender family.
Vinyard family.	Vanpelt family.
Williams, Robert N.	Westerfield family.
Williams, Augustus.	Wright, Evans.
Williams, Addison D.	Westerfield, Dr. J. W.
Waldron, Nollie (colored).	Wyman, Dr.
Waldron family.	Woster, Robert.
Williamson, David and family.	
Young, William and family.	Young, Isaac.
Young, Christopher.	
Zeke, J. M.	

Among the more prominent men, past and present, who have lived in and near Anderson since 1820, we might mention the following: John Berry, Asa Berry, Andrew Jackson, Dr. John W. Westfield, Evans Wright, William Roach, Dr. T. N. Jones, T. N. Stilwell, M. S. Robinson, James Sansberry, S. R. Burk, Allen Robert, N. Williams, John A. Howard, William Curtis, Collins Tharp, Elias Hollingsworth, Judge John Davis, Samuel Myers, William Myers, Willis G. Atherton, Dr. John Hunt, Dr. W. A. Hunt, Judge Mershon, David E. Croan and Col. William Young.

Those who have represented us in Congress up to 1895 are T. N. Stilwell, M. S. Robinson, William R. Myers, C. T. Doxey and C. L. Henry, of Anderson.

#### BOONE TOWNSHIP.

Following will be found a partial list of those who

came early to Boone township, that is, previous to 1850. There will, no doubt, be left out some names who are entitled to a place here, but if any should be left out, it is accidental, and not done purposely. The list is alphabetically arranged and easy to find. The same rule will apply to all the townships in the county :

Ball, William.	Brunt, William D.
Ball, Stephen.	Brunt, J. A. J.
Brunt, Thomas, and family.	Brunt, James.
Coner, Barney.	Call family.
Clark, Thomas.	Castel, Peter.
Dickey, Samuel.	Doyle, Adam.
Doyle, Dudley.	
Ellis, Bryant.	Eaton, Peter.
Forrest, Rev. J. W., family.	Frances, Micajah.
Freestone, Eli.	Furgason, Killey.
Greenlee, William,	Greenlee, Andrew.
Huff, John.	Hiatt, William.
Jones, L.	Jones, Connor.
Jones, Elliott.	
Kating, Ambrose.	Kauffman family.
Kating, Joseph.	
McMahan, Morgan, family.	McMahan, Enoch.
Moore, John.	
Parsons, J. W.	Perry, J. W.
Petru family.	
Reeves, William, family.	
Sullivan, Thomas.	Schooley, William.
Sullivan, Jefferson.	Smith, Wright, family.
Sebrell, Benjamin H.	Smith, George.
Sebrell, Morgan.	
Tomlinson, John.	Tagard, Andrew.
Thurston, I. F.	
Webster, Robert, family.	Ward, Elijah.
Windsor, Jesse.	



Among those who have been more or less prominent in Boone township are J. W. Forrest, B. H. Sebrell, E. H. Peters, Connor Jones, Wright Smith, George Smith, J. W. Parsons, J. F. Thurston, D. Spitsmesser, Jefferson Sullivan, Thomas Sullivan, Micajah Frances, Dudley Doyle, Ambrose Kating, Andrew Kauffman, E. H. Peters and Cage Smith.

### DUCK-CREEK TOWNSHIP.

Duck Creek was perhaps the last part of the great county of Madison to be settled. The outlook there was for years not very bright on account of the heavy timber and water that had its way there for time immemorial; but at last, perhaps about the year 1840, there was found a few pioneers brave enough to swim out to see if land was in sight, and, like the dove, returned and said there appeared a dry spot here and there. To-day (1895) there is a different outlook. The water is gone, and corn is growing in its place. Roads have been made, and the people here are now contented and happy, so close to the city of Elwood, where there is a market for everything they can produce, a market right at home. It was not so forty years ago, and am glad to note the vast changes here. We owe much to the dauntless few who came here and waded and worked to make Duck Creek what it is to-day, a desirable place to live. Below we give an alphabetical list of those who settled here previous to 1850; that is, all we can get. There will, no doubt, be left out some deserving names, which we very much regret, as it is difficult to obtain them all:

Berryman, Elijah.

Clymer family.

Castell, Thomas.

Dougherty, Isaac.

French, James.

Gray, James.

Cochran, Henry.

Cochran, Thomas.

Frances, Micajah.

Harting family.	Hollingsworth, John.
Harmon, Thomas, family.	Hedrick, William.
Hosier, John.	Hancher family.
Hosier, Malon.	
Jones, William R.	
Lucas, James A.	
Minnick, Anthony, family.	McConnell, Jesse.
Morris, Joel R. (Mex. soldier.)	Mount, Thomas R.
Newkirk, D. B.	Noble, Jonathan, family.
Owens family.	
Petru family.	Parsons, James M.
Reed family.	Reter, A. C.
Sampson, Fielding, family.	Shaffer, James.
Stanley, Asell.	Stewart, Robert.
Trambarger, Jacob.	Tetrick, S. H. (Mex. soldier.)
Trambarger, David, family.	
Wann, Isaac, family.	Waymire, Jacob.
Williams, Stephen.	Wardwell family.
Waymire, David.	Waymire, John S.

### FALL-CREEK TOWNSHIP.

About the year 1820 we find the first settlement was made here, perhaps a year or two before any other part of the county. On or at the Falls the first pioneers camped or pitched their tents seventy years ago. A dozen or so families came here to try their fortunes in a new country. They came from Eastern Indiana, Ohio and Virginia, to a great extent poor or with little means to subsist on. They, however, came to stay, and soon mills, roads and houses were built, and plenty came to them. It took an effort to accomplish all this. There was self-denying and plenty of hard work to do. A few Indians remained here at or up to that time, but melted away till 1834, when the last went to the "setting sun." Fall Creek has kept her place in

the march of progress, and to-day (1895) she is at the head of the procession. Pendleton has grown to be a city of three thousand persons, with its factories, mills and other improvements, that marks our grand county to-day. Following is an alphabetical list of the pioneers of Fall Creek, or as far as we can obtain, far from being perfect we know, but the best is all we have to offer to those who came after us in the grand rush of progression. Following the general list a personal sketch will appear as to a few of those who were in the thickest of the fight :

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|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Anderson, Adam, family.      | Adamson, Thomas, family. |
| Adamson, Enos, family.       | Allen, William, family.  |
| Antrim family.               |                          |
| Busby, Isaac, family.        | Bates, Hezekiah.         |
| Busby, William, family.      | Bordwell, Dr.            |
| Busby, Thomas, family.       | Bates, Daddy, family.    |
| Barnes, Thomas, family.      | Burdett family.          |
| Brown, William, family.      | Busby, John, family.     |
| Brown, James, family.        | Bell, James M., family.  |
| Brackenridge, Hiram, family. | Brown, Martin, family.   |
| Boston family.               | Boram, George R.         |
| Bousman, David, family.      | Bailey, G. W.            |
| Bates, Ralph.                |                          |
| Cox, Israel, family.         | Catton, David, family.   |
| Crawford, Joseph, family.    | Chapman, Martin, family. |
| Clark, Alexander, family.    | Copper, Michael.         |
| Cox, Moses.                  | Crossley, Andrew.        |
| Cook, Dr. Ward.              | Chitwood, John.          |
| Cook, Dr. John H.            | Carter family.           |
| Cook, Lorenzo.               | Corey, Samuel.           |
| Crossley, Conrad.            | Carroll, A. B.           |
| Coony, Archibald.            | Coper, Michael.          |
| Childers, Robert, family.    | Cullifer family.         |
| Craven, Harry, family.       | Corwin, Moses.           |
| Dobson, Adam, family.        | Dobson, Samuel.          |
| Dickey, Phillip.             | Drury, Arnold.           |
| Davis, Baily.                | Dewitt, Urial.           |

Davis, Smith.	Davis, George.
Dalong, Caleb.	Diven, George.
Davis, Elisha.	Davis, Wayne.
Eastman, Joseph, family.	Eastman, Lorena.
Ellis, S. S.	
Ferguson, Samuel.	Fisher, John.
Fisher, David.	Fleming, Daniel.
Fisher, W. H.	Franks, H. B.
Fisher, George.	
Goe, Smith.	Givens, John.
Goul, Henry.	Graham, James.
Goul, John.	George family.
Gun, Jacob.	Goe, Hezekiah.
Gregory family.	Gregory, Adison.
Gray, Benjamin.	Gregory, B. F.
Gray, James.	Guy, John, family.
Hair family.	Hunt, Eleasor.
Hardin, Phillip.	Horn, Dr. John.
Hardin, John.	Hoover, Henry.
Hollingsworth, Elias, family.	Hilman, David Y.
Hamilton, Moses W.	Hazleton, David P.
Hathaway, J. P.	Hardy family.
Howard, Joseph.	Henry, George.
Holliday, Samuel.	Hazleton family.
Irish, James M.	Ireland, John.
Irish, Samuel D.	Ireland, Richard.
Irish, William.	Ifort, William.
Ireland, Alexander.	Ifort, Jacob.
Johnson, Jephtha.	James, Zachariah.
Johnson, Lewis.	James, Jehew.
James, Joshua.	Johnson, Col. A.
Joice, Arch.	Jackson, George.
James, Joel.	Jones, John, family.
Jackson, Griffith.	Johnson, Abel, family.
Kountz, William.	Kinnaman, Conrad.
Killburn, Malap.	Kinnaman, Jacob.
Kinnaman, Soloman.	

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| Linsey, Nut.               | Lewis, Abel.                  |
| Lukins, Allen.             | Lewis, Simeon.                |
| Lukins, Benjamin.          | Longnecker, James.            |
| Lukins, William.           | Lazier, Robert.               |
| Lewis, John J.             | Lemon, Ed.                    |
| Mullendore, Aaron,         | Mitchell, Dr. T. B.           |
| Mills, William.            | McWilliams, W. B.             |
| Maul, P. R.                | McAllister, John.             |
| Manafold, James.           | Mershon, W. H.                |
| Mingle family.             | Masters, Stephen.             |
| McCarty family.            | McCarty, Patrick.             |
| McCartney, Thomas, family. | Morgan, Uriah.                |
| Nelson, Arch, family.      | Norris family.                |
| Neal, H., family.          | Noble, G. D.                  |
| Nicholson family.          | Neff, Jesse T.                |
| Ogg family.                |                               |
| Powell, Bartley, family.   | Prater family.                |
| Pritchard family.          | Pendleton, Thomas M., family. |
| Pavy, George, family.      | Patrick, Palmer, family.      |
| Pavy, Wesly, family.       | Parson, George.               |
| Quinlin family.            |                               |
| Roach, William.            | Rodgers, Jonathan.            |
| Rulong, Alfred.            | Rumler, Peter.                |
| Richard, Wiley.            | Raines, Allen.                |
| Rodgers family.            | Rodgers, Z.                   |
| Richmond family.           | Ryan, Martin B.               |
| Russell, A. E.             | Richards, Manly.              |
| Rodgers, Charles.          | Roberts, Jesse W.             |
| Shaul, Samuel.             | Swain, J. T.                  |
| Shaul, Aaron.              | Snodgrass, Benjamin.          |
| Shaul, John.               | Scott, Duke.                  |
| Sweet, Harry.              | Scott, Elsbury.               |
| Snodgrass, Benjamin.       | Scott, Howard.                |
| Snodgrass, James.          | Shanklin, Andrew.             |
| Stout, David.              | Snell, James.                 |
| Shaw, James.               | Snell, Henry.                 |

Sybert, Henry.	Swope family.
Sybert, William.	Snider, Daniel.
Sybert, Nichols.	Snider, Thomas.
Sybert, Harry.	Shuman, J.
Sybert, Isaac.	Silver, William, family.
Simmons, Samuel.	Silver, Thomas, family.
Simmons, Joshua.	
Taylor, James.	Todd, Miles.
Taylor, Andrew.	Tilson, John.
Taylor, Jacob.	Thomas, Simon.
Taylor, Samuel.	Thomas, Louis.
Thomas, Ben. F.	Teague family.
Ulen, Absalom, family.	Underwood, A. S.
Vernon, Ed.	Vickery family
Wilson, William.	Walker, Harper.
Waltz, Peter.	Wynant, James.
Waltz, Samuel.	Wynant, David.
Williamson, Elijah.	Wynant, Adam.
Williamson, James.	Weeks family.
Williams, William.	Wall, Taylor W.
Walker, Dr. M. G.	Wright, Enos.
Walker, Theodore	Wright, William.
Walker, Judge John W.	Wright, Elias.
Winsell, Judge Charles.	Williams, Caleb.
Zenblin, I. N.	

## GREEN TOWNSHIP.

Perhaps as early as 1821 the first settlers arrived in this part of the county, and settled on Fall Creek and Lick Creek. The people here did not have as hard times to open up their farms as some other parts of the county, for the creeks naturally drained the land to a great extent, but the timber was as heavy perhaps as any place in the county, and this made clearing hard work. Green is not behind in furnishing grand men and women as the pioneers, and we gladly record their names in this volume. We will try and give all the names at our command from 1821 till 1850.

Some of the old timers will be given a sketch further on in this work.

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|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Alfont family.            | Alexander family.       |
| Anderson, John.           |                         |
| Boone, Ovid.              | Bolinger, Anderson.     |
| Bolinger, Elijah, family. |                         |
| Cottrell, Abram.          | Corwin, Moses.          |
| Cottrell, Samuel.         | Chapman, Henry.         |
| Cottrell, William.        | Chodrick family.        |
| Doty family.              | Davis family.           |
| Edmondson, David.         | Edwards, Robert.        |
| Ellis, Evin.              | Ellis, Henry.           |
| Fossett family.           | Fossett, Robert.        |
| Fossett, John K.          | Fry, Enoch.             |
| Gipson, Samuel.           | Goul, Henry.            |
| George family.            | Goul, Christopher.      |
| Gordon, Elijah.           |                         |
| Huston family.            | Holliday, Judge Samuel. |
| Hiday family.             | House family.           |
| Huston, William.          |                         |
| Jones, Isaac W.           | Jones, James.           |
| Jones, Wesley.            | Johnson, Abel.          |
| Kinneman, Hiram.          | Kinneman, Phillip.      |
| Kinneman, Walter.         | Kinneman, Richard.      |
| Kinneman, Zachariah.      | Keefer, George.         |
| Marsh, Samuel.            | McCarty family.         |
| Manifold family.          |                         |
| Nicholson, William.       | Nicholson, Abram.       |
| Nicholson, Samuel.        |                         |
| Patterson family.         | Pettigrew family.       |
| Rick, Martin.             |                         |
| Shaul, Samuel.            | Scott, James.           |
| Shaul, John.              | Smothers, Daniel.       |

Shaul, O. B.	Smothers, John.
Scott, Thomas.	Shanklin, Andrew, family.
Shaul, Josiah.	Savage, Carlos.
Scott, John.	Shanklin, W. V.
Urick family.	
Valentine family.	
Ween family.	Wynn, Eli.
Welcome, John.	Williamson, William.
Welcome, Peter.	Williamson, George.
Whitaker, Thomas.	Williamson, Burrel.
White, Wesley, family.	West, Nemiah.
Wynn, Samuel.	Wilson, Nathan, and family.
Wynn, Jonathan.	
Zion, Benjamin F.	

### JACKSON TOWNSHIP.

Jackson, like all other places, has had its old times, those who came early and endured the toil and privations of the day. About the year 1825 the pioneers first arrived here, along White River, where the Indians had roamed and hunted years before. We will try and give the names of this noble band, "true and tried." They have all, like the Indians, gone to the happy "hunting grounds." But few remain to tell the old story. White, Perkins, Beckwith, Neese, Ashley, Dr. Douglass, Alexander McClintock, Joel White, Cole, Carr, Clark, Pruett, Shetterly and others have gone to their reward. The names of most all the pioneers will follow this prelude to Jackson. Few will, by some hook or crook, be left out, and their names will not appear in this honored "role," but we have done the best we could. Further along in this work a more extended notice will be given some of the more active men, under the head of personal sketches. That is what they are so much deserving of in this little volume, as Jackson has furnished some grand old pioneers, who are sleeping on the hillside of White River, near Perkinsville.



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|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Ashley family.              | Adair family.            |
| Auter, Lemuel.              | Anshultz family.         |
| Apgar family.               | Auter family.            |
| Benefield family.           | Berryman, John.          |
| Blair, Robert.              | Beckwith, T. L., family. |
| Busby family.               | Branch, Dr. C. N.        |
| Cole, A. B.                 | Clark, Dr.               |
| Coy family.                 | Connor family.           |
| Carr, Dr.                   | Clip, Jonathan.          |
| Dyers family.               | Danforth family.         |
| Davis family.               | Davis, Marion.           |
| Epperly, Josel, and family. | Etchison family.         |
| Freel, Benona.              | Falkner, Thomas.         |
| Foland family.              |                          |
| Goldsburg family.           | Garretson family.        |
| Gentry family.              | Gill, George C.          |
| Houghfam, Zachariah.        | Houghman, Dr.            |
| Harless family.             | Hozier, Peter.           |
| Hiday, J. H.                |                          |
| Jarrell, Joseph.            |                          |
| Kinston family.             | Kurtz, Samuel.           |
| Kemp, Henry.                | Kimerling, George.       |
| Kemp, Daniel W.             | Kimerling, Lewis.        |
| Lee family.                 | Likins family.           |
| Miller family.              | Montgomery David.        |
| McClintock, Alexander.      | Males, Joseph.           |
| McClintock, George.         | McClintock, Daniel.      |
| McClintock, James.          | McCord family.           |
| Montgomery, John.           | Miller, Joseph.          |
| Neese, Solomon.             | Neese, Jacob.            |
| Neese, Reuben.              | Newland, John.           |
| Perkins, William, family.   | Prewitt family.          |
| Perkins, James, family.     | Prather, W. B.           |

Robinett family.	Ryan family.
Richwin family.	
Shetterly, Henry, family.	Simmons, Allen, family.
Shetterly, George.	Shinkle, Samuel.
Shelton, Isaac.	Slusher, Jacob.
Snell, James H.	
Williamson, Randall.	Wise family.
Whitehead, Wm., and family.	Webb, Jacob.
Wilson, David.	Webb, Theodore.
White, Joel.	
Zeller, Jacob, and family.	Zinn family.

## LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP.

Away back in the thirties the pioneers of Lafayette did not think they were getting in what has proven to be the center of the county, the heart of Indiana, and the middle of the gas belt; in other words, they "builded better than they knew." At that time things there did not look so flattering, with no roads, no nothing, so to speak, but plenty of water, for it was running in every direction, but not discouraged, this band of pioneers went to work with sleeves rolled up, and, ax and maul resounding in the deep woods, they soon made a start to the grand results of to-day (1895.) To this noble few we owe much, and we can't afford to forget them now in the days of plenty that they inaugurated. Below find the names of most of the first settlers of Lafayette township. Under the head of personal sketches the reader will find a further notice of some of the more active men and women who first came here sixty years ago, most of whom are dead or moved away. We can't afford to forget them:

Ashton, Jacob.

Bailey, George W.

Bodkin, Alexander.

Bevelhimer family.

Brown, William.

Brewer, Levi (Mex. soldier.)

Brown, Lloyd.

Buthby, C.

Bevelhimer, Charles.

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Curtis, William.         | Clem family.            |
| Croan, John.             | Closser, James, family. |
| Clark, Thomas J.         | Craighead, George.      |
| Clock, John.             | Crisman, John.          |
| Elliott, Miles.          | Eaton, Benjamin.        |
| Eads, Burkett.           |                         |
| DeHority, Caleb, family. | Davis, Thomas B.        |
| Davis, John H.           |                         |
| Felty, Samuel.           | Fleming, David.         |
| Free family.             |                         |
| Gooding, David.          | Hollingsworth family.   |
| Gooding, Lemuel.         | Hilligoss family.       |
| Gooding, Robert.         | Harless, David.         |
| Guysinger, Dr. J. S.     | Hilligoss, E. C.        |
| Gilfillen family.        | Harris, George.         |
| Hardcastle, William.     | Hall, Benjamin.         |
| Ileri, Ezra.             |                         |
| Jinks, Reuben.           | Jones, John L.          |
| Jones, Isaac.            | Jenkins, I. N.          |
| Keller, John.            | Kirk, Elsa.             |
| Kirk, William.           |                         |
| Loehr family.            | Lever, Phillip.         |
| Lewis, Nat., family.     | Little, Jackson.        |
| May, Samuel.             | Mead, Henry.            |
| Morris, William.         | Mead, Stephen.          |
| Morell, Amos.            | Mead, John.             |
| Mustard family.          | Mustard, William.       |
| Margart, John.           | Mustard, George.        |
| Moore family.            | Mustard, Enos.          |
| Matchett family.         | Michaels, John.         |
| Mills, Henry.            | Montgomery, Samuel.     |
| Noah, Lisander.          | Newton, Jacob.          |
| Ooton, Jordan.           | Osborn, Isaac.          |
| Ooton, John.             | Odam, David.            |
| Peniston family.         |                         |

Rie, Henry.	Raines, Azalia.
Ridgeway, John.	Raines, George.
Simmons, Allen.	Smelsor family.
Snelson, Isaac P.	Stanley, Thomas.
Skinkle family.	Scott, Hamilton.
Sigler, Daniel.	Songer, Jasper.
Smith, Alexander.	Shaw, William.
Samuels family.	Shaw, Jacob.
Taylor, Matthew.	Trotter, Wash.
Thompson, Rev. W. A.	Thomas, E. D. R.
Thompson, George.	
Vanmeter, Joseph.	Vanmeter, Dr. I. N.
Vasbinder, Phillip.	
Wilson, George.	Wier, Jesse.
Wilson, Reed.	Wilson, Thomas.
Wier, James.	

### MONROE TOWNSHIP.

The names of the pioneers of Monroe township will be found below, or those who settled here prior to 1850. All the names will never be known, but, as far as can now be obtained, are given alphabetically. Of the more prominent of the township a further account will be given, under the head of personal sketches. Here, as well as other parts of the county, some names will no doubt be left out, but is not done purposely, but as many of them as we could obtain are given, that their names may not be lost to those who come after us. The hardships they endured will never be quite known to us. It is right that we cherish their names. Could some of them return to-day and witness the vast changes those sixty years have brought, what a surprise to them it would be. Alexandria, from a little village, has grown to a city. Railroads, manufactories and other advantages have in their own good time come. Nearly all the first settlers are gone. They look not out on those changes; they hear not the whistle of the engine.

as it rushes past, as they sleep in their quiet homes in the cemeteries of the township :

Austin, David.

Bowers, David.

Black, Frederick.

Bell, Thomas.

Banks, John.

Chamness, Micajah

Castle, Jacob.

Castle Samuel.

Culbertson, Elijah.

Cree family.

Davis, Baxter.

Davis, Eli.

Edwards, Peter, family.

Ellis, Wylie.

Finnmore family.

French family.

Fuller, Perry.

Griffin family.

Harris, Moses.

Hall, Joseph, family.

Hicks, William.

Jones, Joel.

James, Morgan.

Lee, Hildra.

Lee family.

McCown, Thomas.

Morgan, James.

Miller, Abraham.

Maynard family.

Norris, Aquilla.

O'Bryant, Nathan.

O'Bryant, Stephen.

Booker, Dr.

Brunt, John.

Baker family.

Brown, Rudolph.

Conner family.

Costle, Peter.

Carver, Barney.

Chitwood, John.

Cree, Robert H.

Draper, Joseph.

Ellis, Evin.

Ellis, Jesse.

Fuller, Andrew.

Furgason, S.

Hughes family.

Hinshaw, S. B.

Hannah, R. H.

James, Janis.

Lowrey, Nathan.

March, George.

Moffitt family.

Morland, Thomas.

Norris, Stephen.

Osborn, David.

Pickard family.	Panster family.
Perry, Dr. J. W.	Pickard, Thomas.
Perry family.	Price, Jacob.
Russell family.	
Spencer, Dr.	Scott, D. M.
Scott family.	Schwim, Peter.
Schwim, Jacob, family.	Smith, Warren.
Samuels family.	
Tomlinson family.	Tomlinson, Nathan E.
Vermillion family.	
Williams, Joseph.	Westerfield, Dr. Cyrus.
Williams, Jesse.	Wollen, James.
Williamson, Elijah.	Wilson family.

#### PIPE-CREEK TOWNSHIP.

The Pipe Creek settlement was known in the early settlement of the county, and many were not slow in winding their way to that part of the county; and no wonder, for there was much to encourage the pioneer here at an early day, and which proved true all along those sixty-five years, and from a handful of poor families it has grown to immense proportions. Elwood, a city of 8,000 souls, with its countless manufactories peering in every direction, is a contrast that makes one rejoice who loves Madison county. The broad fields have grown and spread out as far as the eye can reach, compared with the little "truck patch" of 1830. Frankton has not been lost in the shuffle by any means. On the contrary, it has become the fifth place of importance in the county. Here, as elsewhere, the first settlers are gone, but we will remember them in our further march to progression.

Following are the names of most of those families that came here fifty and sixty years ago. Glad to record this honored roll, and regret very much that some names will be lost sight of, but this is the best that can be done in this



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little effort to preserve the names of the early settlers of Pipe-Creek township:

Armfield family.	Adair family.
Beeson, James.	Burton, John.
Beeson, Tremulous.	Broyles family.
Benefield family.	Brown, Neely.
Chamness, Micajah	Cannaday, Caleb, and family.
Chamness, Peter.	Caloway, Dr., family.
Chamness, Jacob.	Chalfant family.
Chamness, John.	Chamness, Jobe.
Dwigins, Elijah, and family.	Douglass, Dr., family.
Dehorty, Dr. J. M., family.	Davis, B. F.
Dwigins, Hezekiah.	Deboy family.
Denney, Benjamin.	
Etchison family.	Etchison, James.
Etchison, Walter.	Ebbert, W. H.
French family.	Frazier, Jesse.
Granger family.	Gough, John.
Howard, Samuel.	Hillis family.
Howard, John A.	Hunter family.
Hunt family.	Hagerty family.!
Jerrell, Joseph, family.	Johnson, Edmond, family.
King, Wash, family.	King, William.
King, Daniel, family.	Kidwell family.
Lane family.	Little family.
Mills, Isaac, family.	Montgomery family.
Miller, Joseph, family.	McElfresh, Henry.
Minor, Richard, family.	Moore, Isaac.
Montgomery, Samuel.	Moler, Ransom P. (Mex. sol.)
Moore, Thomas.	
Owens family.	
Plummer, Henry, and family.	Perry, Aaron.
Roach, Lomty, and family.	Rulong family.



Reader, Jonathan, and family.	Ripley, James (Mex. soldier.)
Ring, Elijah.	
Sigler family.	Shipply family.
Sheppard, Jacob.	Simmons, Mark.
Shell, William.	Snider, S. D.
Starkey family.	Savage, C. A.
Taylor, William, family.	Tharp family.
Waymire family.	Waymire, Daniel.
Wood, Alexander.	Webb, Minor, family.
Waymire, John S.	Wilson, David.
Waymire, Noah.	Wells, Peter.
Waymire, Elliott.	Wright family.

### RICHLAND TOWNSHIP

Was not slow in settling, as so many advantages were there held out, such as good soil, fine timber, stock water, and nearness to the county seat. No wonder the pioneers seeking homes flocked hither in an early day, and to-day (1895) there is no better place to live than Richland. We thought this before gas was given us, but now so much the better. The following are some of the names of the early pioneers, beginning about the year 1830 to 1850. They are given alphabetically. It is not claimed we have them all, but it is thought most of them have been gathered up and preserved for those who may look over the well cultivated fields and wonder who it was that cleared up the virgin soil. They came, did their work, and are gone, most of them to their reward, and many are buried in the various cemeteries of the county, unconcious of the marvelous improvements that have taken place during these fifty years. Some of the more active men of this township, as well as others, will be noticed more at length under the head of personal sketches in this work :

Ashcraft, Peter.

Bowers, Joseph.

Bennett family.

Brewer, Stephen.

Bronenburg, Jacob.

Beal, Zeak.

Burton family.

- Beal family.  
 Broner, Joseph.  
 Carl, James.  
 Croan, David S.  
 Chambers family.  
 Craycraft family.  
 Connor, John.  
 Dillon, Joseph, family.  
 Eppard family.  
 Falkner, Jesse.  
 Falkner, Samuel.  
 Falkner, James.  
 Garrison, Sims, and family.  
 Garner, William.  
 Hiatt, Dudley.  
 Holston, J. R., and family.  
 Heagy, Weams, family.  
 Jones, Isaac.  
 Kiger family.  
 Langly, Jonathan.  
 Langly, Curfis.  
 Lamb, Caleb.  
 Moffitt family.  
 Mundren family.  
 Moore, Zirni.  
 Moore, John.  
 Mills, Gideon.  
 Macy, William.  
 Nelson, Benjamin.  
 Nelson, Sol.  
 Patterson, William.  
 Parker, Archibald.  
 Pence, Abram.  
 Pence, John.  
 Pence, Samuel.
- Bronenburg, Michael.  
 Bodell family.  
 Coburn family.  
 Curtis, William.  
 Chambers, Hiram.  
 Coburn, John.  
 Chambers, G. W.  
 Dunham family.  
 Eshelman family.  
 Fosnot family.  
 Finnemore, Matthew.  
 Fuller, J. H.  
 Gilfillen, Thomas.  
 Hancock, Joseph, family.  
 Holston, Joseph A.  
 Lower, Christian, family.  
 Lower, James.  
 Maynard family.  
 McNear, Andrew.  
 Mathis, John.  
 Maynard, James.  
 McClosky, William.  
 Mabbett, Anthony.  
 Nelson, John.  
 Nordyke, Abram.  
 Pence, Jesse.  
 Patterson, George.  
 Peck, Alexander.  
 Pesants, Daniel.  
 Pursell, J. B.

Pence, Adam.	Parker, Archibald.
Radcliff, Jesse.	Radcliff, Joel.
Sellers, Isaac, family.	Stephens family.
Shinkle family.	Sutton, Henry, family.
Smith, Charles.	Stanton, Hiram, family.
Tappen family.	Thornburg, Thos., and family.
Tanner, Christopher.	
Vermillion family.	
Walker, B. F., family.	Wilson, Abram, family.
Wilson, William, family.	Walker, Benjamin, family.

### STONY-CREEK TOWNSHIP.

The following is a list of the early pioneers of Stony Creek, or at least a part of them, who came between the years 1825 and 1850, as near as can be obtained. Fishersburg was the only town for years. Here all the trading was done, and it was the center of all business till Lapel sprang up, just across the creek, now a little city within itself. The pioneers of this part of the county I do not think had as hard a time as at some other points, for the reason that they were better off, not so poor, and did not have so many things to contend with. Plenty has always been with these people almost from the start, and with this start they have lost nothing. I will try and give the names of those who came and helped make Stony Creek what it is to-day (1895), one of the very best in the county, and where, let us hope, plenty may always dwell. The reader will find the list alphabetically arranged and easy to find. In another place I will give more at length a notice of some of the more active in the history of Stony-Creek township:

Anshultz, John.	Aldred family.
Anshultz, Phillip P.	Apgar family.
Andrson family.	
Busby, Thomas.	Busby, Isaac.
Busby, Samuel.	Bodenhom, David, family.

Busby, Andrew.	Barrett, James.
Busby, John.	
Conrad, David.	Cecil family.
Conrad, Mathias.	
Delawter, Jacob, family.	Dewitt, James.
Delawter, Jonathan.	Dewitt, Barney.
Delawter, Levi.	
Ellis family.	Elston family.
Fisher, Charles.	Ford, James.
Fisher, Warren.	Ford, Benjamin.
Fisher, Samuel.	Ford, John.
Fisher, Benjamin.	Ford, William.
Fisher, John.	Freel, Benonia.
Gwinn, James.	Gather family.
Gwinn, Harvey.	Gwinn, Jesse.
Gwinn, Laban.	Gilmore, George.
Gwinn, John.	
Hawkins family.	Hunsinger, Jacob.
Hanger family.	Hunsinger, Daniel.
Hunsinger, Israel.	Huffman family.
Hunsinger, Edwin.	Hass family.
Hunsinger, William.	
Johnson, John J.	Johnson, Benjamin F.
Kynett, Dr.	Kellum family.
Lawson family.	Lemon, Ed.
Lutz family.	
Milburn family.	Milburn, Isaac.
Moore family.	Martin, James, and family.
McDole family.	Manis family.
Nicholson, Calvin.	
Passwater family.	
Reddick family.	Rodgers, Z.
Rambo family.	
Sears, George W.	Studly, Datus, family.

Schuyler family.	Shetterly family.
Shoul, W. W.	Sylvester family.
Simpson family.	Stanly, William.
Wolf, I. G., and family.	Wise family.
Woodward family.	

## UNION TOWNSHIP.

Little Union must not be lost sight of in this work, for it had its first settlers as well as other parts of the county. Union in its history is interesting. The first people that lived here I do not know anything about. Their names are a blank, but they were here, for they left their mark, which I hope time will never wipe out, the "mounds." They are silent, yet speaking. Then came the Indians, who hunted, fished and raised corn along White river till about the year 1820, when another race came. They came to stay, and I will give the names of the most of those who first came to Union township from 1820 to 1850:

Adams family.	
Bronenburg family.	Bronenburg, John.
Bronenburg, Fred, Sr.	Bronenburg, Jacob.
Bronenburg, Fred, Jr.	Bronenburg, Carl.
Bronenburg, Henry.	Bodel family,
Bronenburg, Michael.	Burtner, Joseph.
Cornelius family.	Corsum Samuel (Indian.)
Chambers family.	Cummins, John, and family.
Cash family.	Carter, John D.
Diltz, William, family.	Diltz, John M.
Diltz, Martin.	
Falkner family.	Free, William, family.
Fuqua family.	
Gustin, Amos, and family.	Goodwin, Dr.
Henley family.	Henley, Joene.
Henley, John.	
Isnagle, Solomon.	Isnagle, Jacob.

Johns family.	Jewell family.
Kesling, John.	
Leathers, John, family.	Landry, Simeon.
Langly, Curtis.	
Makepiece, Amasa.	Makepiece, Bradley.
Makepiece, Allen.	Makepiece, Ransom.
Makepiece, Alfred.	Miner, James and Amasa.
Makepiece, George.	Myers, Sol.
Noland, Bazelton, family.	Noland, William W.
Noland, Daniel.	Neely, Bassell, family.
Noland, John.	
Richardson, John, family.	Richardson, Ransom.
Rozell, John.	Richardson, A. J.
Russell, Henry.	Ratcliff, John.
Suman family.	Shaffer, David, family.
Shiner family.	Sawyer family.
Snider, Solomon.	Shaffer, Berryman, family.
Sands family.	Smith, Joseph.
Simms, David B.	
Tucker family.	Tira, John.
Tucker, G. W.	Tira, Griffith.
Tucker, David.	Tira, Elijah.
Weddington, Samuel.	Williams, James Aaron.
Woods, James.	Wampler family.

#### VANBUREN TOWNSHIP.

The first settlers of Vanburen came here about 1836, down to the year 1850. The list, though not complete, is thought to embrace nearly all, now mostly dead. Some will, no doubt, be overlooked and lost sight of in the shuffling of the cards of time. This was a dreary part of the county in 1836, and a few hardy pioneers had much to contend with. Little by little a great change has come. To-day (1895) Vanburen is blossoming like a rose. Good roads and well cultivated fields are everywhere to be found, and plenty has certainly come to the people here. To the

old pioneers we owe much, and it is right that we should cherish and perpetuate their names. Monuments and slabs tell where many of them are sleeping in the various cemeteries of the township.

Below will be found an alphabetically arranged list of those grand old men and women who first came to this part of our now grand county. In another part of this work will be found a more extended notice of some of the pioneers of this township, under the head of personal sketches :

Allen, Reuben.	Allen, Hiram.
Allen, Harrison.	
Blades, James.	Broyles family.
Baker, Phillip.	Brown, Pryor.
Cramer, Phillip, family.	Camplin, Abijah.
Culbertson, David.	Cree, John.
Cartwright, Thomas, family.	Cox, Isaac U.
Brouse family.	
Davis, Jacob.	Dobson family.
Finnemore family.	Farmer, Uriah.
Fear family.	Fossett family.
Gordon, Thomas.	Garrett, D. C. V.
Heritage family.	Harris family.
Hudson family.	Hughes family.
Hundly family.	
Ingalls, Alexander, family.	Ice family.
Jones, Louis K.	James, James.
Kelsey, William.	Kelsey, John.
Moore, George.	Moors, J. S.
Moore, Aquilla.	McMahan family.
Marsh, James D.	
O'Bryant, Stephen.	Oldfield, James.
Palmer, Hiram.	Plow, Henry, and family.
Painter family.	Palmer, John.

Robinson family.

Ray, Charles.

Shields, John.

Thurston family.

Webster, Robert, family.

Williams, Aaron, family.

Zedaker, J. M., family.

Robb family.

Smith, J. W.

Thorn family.

Wood family.

Webb, Jasper.





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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

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Following will be found some biographical sketches of some of the more prominent persons who have figured in the history of Madison county, some of whom are deceased, while others are living and yet acting their part of the "drama" of life. Whether living or dead, it is our desire to do them nothing but justice and deal in facts rather than fancies. There will be no "gushing," useless praises that disgusts rather than pleases those who may care to read them. Most of whom we write came early to the county. We will rather fall below than above the merit so justly deserved in the many trying scenes they passed through. It would be hard, indeed, to overstate what they underwent. Our best efforts and time have been given to this part of this work, to try to find out who it was, and when it was, that came to our county, and to write of them in a deserving way, that their names and their deeds may not in the shuffling cards of time be lost for all time to come. Some of whom we write we were personally acquainted with. Some had passed away before we came to the county, but whether acquainted or not, it shall be our aim to write of them truthfully as we saw them or learned of them, as the case may be:

### DAVID BOWERS.

This old pioneer of Madison county was born on the 12th of July, 1811, in Pike county, Ohio, son of Solomon Bowers, of Virginia. His mother's name was Deborah Lyton, also of Virginia. David Bowers came to Madison

county, Ind., a poor young man, with a strong will and hands to make a start in the then new country. This was in 1834. He soon found a helpmate in the person of Susan Edwards, daughter of Peter Edwards, who settled near Alexandria, Ind., in a very early day, perhaps as early as 1828. Susan was born in Wayne county, Ind., in 1813, and died December 31, 1849. She is buried at the old cemetery south of Alexandria. Mr. and Mrs. B. were married in 1835. They had one son, Andrew, who was born on the 8th day of August, 1846. He married Martha Moore. David Bowers again married Ellen Reed in 1853. The following are the names of the children by this marriage: Henry P., born March 13, 1855. Susan, married to Thomas English, resides near Summitville, Ind. James E., born January 1, 1856, married Josephine Baker. Elizabeth, born March 15, 1858, married Joseph Beatson, August 21, 1880. Mr. Beatson was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, June 14, 1858. David W., born in 1860, married Nancy Brown, and resides in Delaware county, Ind. Mrs. Ellen Bowers died in 1864, and is buried at the old cemetery near Alexandria. She was born in Rush county, Ind. Mr. Bowers was again married, September 12, 1867, to Mary Noble, daughter of William Noble, also a pioneer of Madison county. She was born in Fayette county, Ind., June 25, 1829. Her mother's name before marriage was Catharine Castle. One child was born of this marriage (Nathan), who died at the age of five years. He is buried at the Odd Fellows' cemetery, south of Alexandria. Mr. Bowers entered eighty acres of his land in 1834, and has added many acres since, till he has two or three fine farms. He has been an industrious, sober citizen, and is held in high esteem by his fellow-citizens who have known him so long. At one time he resided one mile and a half southeast of Alexandria, but now the town has grown almost to his door. The railroad from Alexandria to Muncie passes near his home. A strong Democrat all through life and a

liberal gentleman. In 1874 he bought my first book, and I am indebted to him for many favors shown me from time to time. In person Mr. Bowers is about five feet eight inches high, fair complexion, heavy set, inclined to be fleshy, and will weigh near two hundred pounds.

### ROBERT W. WEBSTER.

Mr. W. was born in the State of Delaware on the 15th day of January, 1814. He was married to Rebecca W. Fisher, September 23, 1834, in Delaware, where she was born on the 24th day of October, 1817. The family came to Fayette county, Ind., in 1836; remained there three years, when they moved to Madison county, Ind., Boone township, west of Summitville, where they settled, in 1839, in the then new county. Here in the woods the earnest struggle for a home began; a hard fought battle, but victory came, as it always does, to the courageous, faithful soldier. Plenty came at last to bless this interesting family long before Mr. W. died, which event occurred January 7, 1892, full of years and honor. Mrs. W. is yet living. She is the daughter of Henry Fisher. Her mother's name was Eliza Williamson. Mr. Fisher died in Delaware; Mrs. Fisher in Madison county in 1874. The following are the names of Robert W. Webster's family: Daniel W., born in Delaware, April 14, 1836; married Eliza J. Ball February 18, 1864. She died September 4, 1875; is buried at the Deadman cemetery. Henry W., born in Fayette county, Ind., February 22, 1838; died in 1857, and is interred at Deadman cemetery. James E., born April 27, 1839; died November 22, 1874. He was married to Frances Noble. William W., born February 2, 1841; married Samantha Inglis, daughter of Alexander Inglis, one of the pioneers of Vanburen township, Madison county, Ind. Robert B., born November 27, 1842; married Martha Baker, sister of Dr. B. Baker. Celia A., born August 10, 1846; married D. W. Beck. Eliza J., born February

5, 1849; deceased. George W., born June 14, 1851; married Ollie Vinson. Noah, born September 7, 1855; died April 14, 1867; is buried at the Deadman cemetery. Rebecca was born April 9, 1861, and married Joshua C. Vinson. Mr. Webster resided several years in Boone township before he came to Vanburen township, in 1864. They first settled in Boone township in 1839. Mr. W. was an honest man, highly respected by all who knew him, strong and well fitted for pioneer life. He is also buried at the Deadman cemetery. The family are members of the M. E. church. We can't afford to forget this pioneer family.

### JOEL COOK, M. D.

Dr. Cook was born in Hancock county, Ind., on the 3d day of March, 1855, son of Dr. Daniel Cook, of Fishersburg, Ind. His mother's name was Elizabeth Walker, daughter of Seth Walker, one of the pioneers of Hancock county, Ind. Dr. Cook was married to Mary A. Osborn, December 25, 1878. She was born in Rush county, Ind., February 21, 1859, daughter of Jonathan and Elizabeth Osborn. Names of children: Bertha, born November 13, 1879; Wayne H., born September 18, 1881; Caroline R., born November 27, 1883; George H., born May 15, 1886; Stanley V., born October 14, 1888; Herbert D., born February 11, 1891. This is an interesting family, and reside in Orestus, Madison county, Ind., where the Doctor has a good practice. He attended lectures in Louisville, Ky., in 1879, and soon located as above stated. Success and long life to them.

### WILLIAM E. HERRITAGE.

Mr. Herritage is a Hoosier by birth, having been born in Wayne county on the 12th day of March, 1828; came to Madison county, Ind., October, 1843, and settled a short distance south-west of Summitville, where he now resides. He owns five hundred acres of choice land and a splendid

house, and enjoys the confidence and esteem of those who have known him so long and well. He was married to Eliza A. Vinson on the 4th day of March, 1852. The following are the names of his children: George W., Mary E., Albert L., Oliver M., and Willie L., who died, aged twenty-six years, and is buried at the Vinson cemetery. Mrs. Heritage was born in 1829, died March 28, 1885, and is buried at the Vinson cemetery. Mr. H. was again married to Mrs. Hannah A. Weaver, daughter of Micajah Chamness, one of the pioneers of Madison county, Ind. She was born May 27, 1842. Mr. and Mrs. Heritage are members of the Christian Church. Mr. H. has been a hard worker all his life, and will no doubt die with the harness on, if I am allowed the expression. He is a live Republican. I wish this couple long years to come.

### JESSE VERMILLION, SR.,

One of the grand old pioneers of Madison county, Ind., was born in Virginia, June 5, 1804, and came to Lawrence county, Ohio, when a young man. He was married to Catharine Justice when about twenty-five years of age. Came to Madison county in 1836, when the county was very new and but little developed. He, with strong hands, went to work in the green woods and distant neighbors with a determination to make a farm. He succeeded, and at his death, February 8, 1892, was in possession of eight hundred acres of land, and was among the wealthy men of Monroe township. About the time he began to live in his new home his wife died, and is buried at the Holston cemetery. The names of the children by this marriage are Chauncey, Samuel, Uriah C., Elizabeth and Cynthia, the last two deceased. Mr. V. was the second time married to Mary Morrow. One child was born to them, Sarah C., married to Daniel Tinker, and resides in Lapel, Ind. Elizabeth was married to Thomas Meredith, both deceased. On the 7th day of April, 1856, he was again married to

Mrs. Rhoda Rutherford, who died September, 1894. She was born May 10, 1824, in the State of Indiana. Chauncey was born in Ohio, May 12, 1834; married first to Miss Pence and the second time to Nancy Maynard. U. C. married Marry Morrow. Jesse Vermillion, Sr., was made a Mason many years ago at Chesterfield, Ind., and practiced its many noble teachings. In person Mr. V. was full six feet high, strong and well made, well fitted for a pioneer life, which he filled long and well. He settled five miles south-east of Alexandria and ten miles north-east of Anderson, just in the south edge of Monroe township. He was a Democrat of the Jeffersonian school. He will long be remembered as one of the best men who had the hardihood to enter the wild woods of Indiana. He was a Baptist many years. He was respected in life and lamented in death.

Mr. Tinker died since the above was written.

#### BARNABAS MAYNARD, SR.

Mr. Maynard, son of Moses Maynard and Sarah Greenstreke, was born in Kentucky on the 7th day of April, 1813. He was married to Lucinda Fuller in 1833, who was born in Kentucky in 1814. Came to Madison county, Ind., in 1834, and began life in the woods under many disadvantages, being poor, but with a strong will to make a start in life. Mr. Maynard died in September, 1889, and buried at the Holston cemetery, near the old home. Moses Maynard, father of Barnabas, also came early to Madison county with his family. He died June 18, 1874. His wife, Sarah Greenstreke, died in 1846. Both are buried at the old cemetery known as Holston. The following are the names of Barnabas Maynard's children: Jacob, born in Kentucky, May, 1834; Chrtstopher, born in Indiana, January 26, 1836; Siannia, born November 20, 1838; Martha, born February 16, 1840; Rebecca, born May 19, 1842; Johnson II., born February 4, 1844; James, born October

29, 1845; Nancy, born January 12, 1847; Lewis C., born November 15, 1849; John A., born December 1, 1850; Lucinda and Barnabas (twins), born January 19, 1855; William Anderson Buchanan, born March 11, 1857; Lucas Darling, born July 7, 2860. Nancy was married to Samuel Vermillion; Lucinda to Ed Loumas; John A. to Rosa Nelis, and resides in Anderson; Barnabas to Isabelle Etchison; Siannia to Joseph Elswarth; he died April 20, 1890, is buried at Mt. Pisgah cemetery; Rebecca married first to James Woods and then to Rev. Benjamin M. Zion, and resides in Anderson, Ind.; Martha was married to John Swindell and James to Julia Smith. Jacob died July 4, 1858; Christopher died October 1845; Johnson H. died September 23, 1845; Lucas Darling died September, 1878; William A. died January 4, 1858. All the deceased are buried at the Holston cemetery, near the old home. This is one of the largest and most interesting families of the county. About one-half are dead.

Mr. B. was a Mason of long standing, but not a member of any church. He was always temperate and honest in his long life, a Democrat of the Jackson school, and a hard worker all his life.

Mrs. Maynard is yet living. She was born April 14, 1814, is a Baptist, and a member of the church near her house. She is much devoted to her family and friends, and has a good word for all. They reside about eight miles north-east of Anderson, Ind., and four miles south-east of Alexandria, in Monroe township.

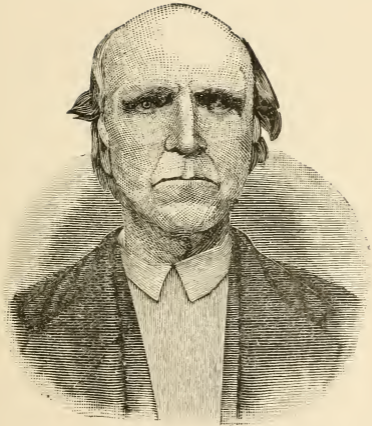
Moses Maynard was born in North Carolina in 1767, and came to Kentucky soon after marriage, in 1788. Mrs. Lucinda Maynard's father's name was John Fuller. Her mother's name was Mary Frell.

Moses Maynard lived to 107 years of age; is buried at the Holston cemetery.

#### CHARLES FREDERICK HENN.

Mr. H. was born in Baden, Germany, on the 26th day





WILLIAM SLOAN, SR., ADAMS TOWNSHIP (Dec'd.)

of November, 1824, and received a collegiate education there before he came to America, in 1851. He first came to Dayton, Ohio, and then to Indianapolis, where he stopped only a short time, when he came to Perkinsville, Ind., where he worked at his trade, tailoring, for near twenty years. The last ten years he has been living on his fine farm, three miles south of Frankton, where he divides his time farming and tailoring. He is a fine gardener and fruit grower, and has as fine an orchard as you will find in the county. On the 18th day of May, 1853, he was married to Mary L. Gardner. She was also born in Germany, December 13, 1835. She came to America in 1839, first to Buffalo and then to Dayton, Ohio. Mr. H. is an accomplished scholar, and was for several years book-keeper in his native land. He speaks German and French fluently, and is well informed on the history of his native land. He is a dear lover of liberty, and no wonder he longed to come to America, the home of the free and brave.

The following are the names of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Henn: Ernestine, born March 27, 1861; was married to Wesley Wise, August 28, 1879. Albert, born April 9, 1867; was married to Sidna Balser. She was born in Tipton county, Ind., February 13, 1871. Both children were born in Perkinsville, where the family resided from 1853 to 1882, when they moved to the farm. Mr. H. is a Republican, but neither he nor his wife belong to church. His father's name was Jacob Henn.

Mr. Charles F. Henn graduated honorably in 1842. He was an industrious scholar, and stood at the head of his class. In the old country, when a young man, he loved liberty so well and had such a hatred for tyranny and oppression that he joined a party of soldiers, who could not stand oppression, and arrayed themselves on the side of liberty. They, however, were overpowered and disbanded, and he soon sought America.

## CHAUNCEY VERMILLION,

Who resides four miles north-west of the city of Anderson, was born in Lawrence county, Ohio, May 12, 1834. He is the eldest son of the late Jesse Vermillion, of Monroe township, Madison county, Ind., who came to the county in 1834, when Chauncey was less than a year old. Chauncey has been a citizen of the county since that time, and is well known as an upright man. He was first married to Amanda Pence, on March 10, 1856. She died April 30, 1861, just a few days after the late war begun. She is buried at the Hagey cemetery. Two children were born of this marriage, Mary and Amanda. Amanda is married to Mr. Al Curtis, Trustee of Richland township. Mr. V. was the second time married to Esther Kiger, November 10, 1864. The following are names of the children: Allie, Willis W., married Miss Broadbent, John, Elmer and Cora, single, at home.

Chauncey Vermillion is a brother of U. C. Vermillion, Samuel Vermillion, Elizabeth and Cynthia and half brother of Mrs. Sarah C. Tinker, of Lapel, Ind. His mother's name before marriage was Cynthia Justice, who died about the year 1850.

Mr. Chauncey Vermillion is one of the substantial men of Madison county, and a free thinker and voter. He has a fine farm four miles north-west of the city of Anderson, where, let us hope, he may live long and prosper. In 1874, when I published the first history of Madison county, he bought one of my books, and I have known him quite well since. He is an every-day man, honest and reliable, and you always know where to find him. At this writing (1895) he is just in the prime of life, when the follies of youth are past and the thoughtful hours are at hand. Many years ago he joined the Masonic order. Though not an active member, he practices its noble teachings with his fellow-man. His father, Jesse Vermillion, was born in

Virginia, June 5, 1804, and died February 8, 1892. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Vermillion are buried at the Holston cemetery in Richland township.

### ISAAC P. OSBORN.

'Squire Osborn was born in Wayne county, Ind., June 21, 1824, son of William Osborn. His mother's name before marriage was Naomi Edwards. Mr. Osborn was first married to Sarah L. Neese, daughter of Jacob Neese, an early settler of Madison county, Ind. This event occurred December 22, 1850. She died November 5, 1855. Their children's names are Andrew J., born October 26, 1851, married to Mary A. Kirkham, and resides in Logansport, Ind.; Sarah A., born November 16, 1854. Mr. Osborn was again married to Sarah A. Carter in Delaware county, Ind., October 16, 1861. She was born in Athens county, Ohio, October 8, 1832. She was first married to Joseph Ginn on the 7th day of March, 1850. He died in April of the same year. Mrs. Osborn's father's name was George Carter, and her mother's name Mary Wilkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Osborn came to their home in Madison county, Lafayette township, in 1861, where they now reside, seven miles north-west of Anderson, Ind., and two miles north-west of Florida, which is their post-office. Mr. O. served the citizens of his township four years as Justice of the Peace to the general satisfaction of the people there. He is a well informed gentleman and well posted on the history of the county. For the past ten years he has been greatly afflicted with rheumatism, so much so as to require a cane to walk with. He has a fine farm on the railroad leading from Cincinnati to Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Osborn belong to the Christian Church, and are held in high esteem by all their friends. Mr. O. has traveled extensively, and is a fine conversationalist, as well as Mrs. Osborn. Call and see them at their home in Lafayette township.

## CHARLES A. McCLEAD.

I do not wish to forget the one whose name heads this sketch, one of the prominent men of Madison county. He was born in Washington county, Pa., on the 19th day of February, 1820, son of Lewis P. McClead, of New Jersey. His mother's name was Mary Brown, also of New Jersey.

Mr. Charles A. McClead was married to Phebe Carver, December 18, 1843. Came to Madison county, Ind., in 1848; resided in Ohio several years; then in Pennsylvania several years; then at New Orleans. He came to Madison county when it was comparatively new. He has developed a fine farm out of the green woods and erected good buildings, and has on his farm all the improved implements to operate it with. He is also engaged in stock raising; in fact he is at the head of improvements of all kinds. He owns near three hundred acres of land in Monroe township, where he now resides. Mr. McC. is well known throughout the county, and could have any office he desired, but has always declined to accept, preferring to live a private life and attend to his farming interests. He is a Democrat of the Jacksonian school, well informed on all subjects, a constant reader, does his own reading and thinking, and you always find him firm in his convictions of right. He is in person rather square built, of florid complexion, about five feet ten inches high, and will weigh two hundred pounds.

The following are the names of his children: Emily, married to Bazel Thomas; Amanda, single, at home; Francis M., married to Delila Brown; Mary, married to W. H. Russell (deceased), second time to Ed Johnson; Ellen, married to Nathan McMahan; Newton (deceased), buried at the Carver cemetery; Olvie, Miner, Martin L. and Lucy.

Mr. McClead lives five miles north-west of Alexandria and three miles north of Orestus.

## NOAH RICHWINE.

Mr. R. is one of the progressive farmers of Jackson township, Madison county, Ind., son of Gideon Richwine, one of the pioneers of that locality. His mother's name before marriage was Elizabeth Rader, both living (1893) in Frankton, Ind. Noah was born in Wayne county, Ind., January 14, 1841; came with his parents to Madison county in 1848. Mr. R. owns 240 acres of choice land in Jackson township, where he has lived since he was seven years of age. He was first married to Elizabeth Shell, daughter of Isaac Shell, who was also an early settler of the same township. This event occurred in 1861. She died April 27, 1870, and is buried at the Shell cemetery, aged twenty-two years and five months. Children born of this marriage: Marcellus U., born October 2, 1862, married to Martha McCord; Maranus E., born February 11, 1865, married to Maggie Lykins. Mr. R. was again married to Sarah Etchison, daughter of Douglass E. Etchison. Her mother's name was Mary A. Foland. The event of his second marriage was on November 20, 1870. She was born October 23, 1848. Children's names by second marriage: Luella F., born November 10, 1871, married to William W. McCord; Charles N., born October 22, 1873, died September, 1874, buried at Shell cemetery; Cora M., born February 15, 1875, at home; Herman D., born April 26, 1886, at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Richwine belong to the M. P. Methodist Church, and are among the best citizens of the county. He is a Democrat, and served as Trustee of Jackson township from 1884 to 1886. He is fond of hunting, and is a capital shot, and has some trophies of the field in his home. One, a fine deer's head, mounted in good style, adorns one of his rooms.

This family, though industrious, finds time to read and reflect. The table is covered with choice books and papers. To show their taste in this line, they have bought three

of my books, for which they have my thanks. They reside ten miles north-west of the city of Anderson and four miles south-west of Frankton, their post-office.

### LEWIS S. SUMMERS.

Mr. S. was born in Henry county, Ind., April 10, 1846; is a son of Samuel and Susan Summers. Her name before marriage was Wright. Lewis was married to Mary L. Austin, in Bellville, Ill., January 4, 1866. She was born November 16, 1849, daughter of Geo. Austin. When a lad of eight or ten years, Lewis, with his parents, moved to Madison county, Ind., where his parents died, highly respected.

The following are the names of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Summers: Samuel E., born August 14, 1870; died August 3, 1889; buried at Alexandria, Ind. Bertha E., born July 20, 1873; died November 2, 1889. Olevia G., born October 23, 1875; died October 14, 1891; buried at Marissa, Ill. Daisy E., born February 28, 1879. Roscoe I., born April 1, 1881.

Mr. Summers entered the Thirty-fourth Indiana Regiment, Company E, Capt. Jones, at Anderson, Ind., 1863, and was discharged at Indianapolis in 1865. Mr. S. is a staunch Republican. He and his wife are Methodists. Resides eight miles north-east of Anderson, in Richland township.

### ALEXANDER S. WOOD.

Mr. Wood was born in Scotland on March 2, 1831, son of John Wood. He came to America in 1849, first arriving at Philadelphia. From there he went to New Jersey in 1852. In 1859 he came to Madison county, Ind., where he lived up to his death, December 27, 1892. He is buried at Eldwood, Ind. He was married to Elizabeth Sterzendach, October 6, 1859. She was born in Butler county, Ohio, February 14, 1840. Her mother's name was Eliza Heller.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Wood's family: George A., married Minnie Ball; Elizabeth I., married Elias Todd; John A., resides in Alexandria; William P., resides in Elwood; Caroline E., single; Ellen J., married to William Waymire; Earl E., at home.

Mr. Wood served twelve years as Justice of the Peace, was a devoted Mason, and a Democrat. The family live midway between Alexandria and Elwood. He was the first merchant in Dundee, and highly respected in life and lamented in death.

### BENJAMIN COPPER.

Mr. Copper was born in Lawrence county, Pa., on the 15th day of November, 1842, son of Alexander and Elizabeth Copper. Benjamin Copper was married to Nancy J. Austerlitz, August, 1868. She was born in Switzerland county, Ind., in 1853, died August 23, 1873, and is buried at the Perkinsville cemetery.

Mr. Copper learned the shoemaker's trade at Alfont, Ind., and has for many years been working at his trade at Perkinsville, Ind. August 1, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, Twelfth Indiana volunteers, Col. Link, under Capt. James Huston. He served three years faithfully, and was in several hard fought battles, such as Richmond, Ky., Vicksburg, Mission Ridge and Atlanta, in all twenty-two. He was discharged at Washington, D. C., June, 1865, at the close of the war. Mr. C. is proud of his war record, and it is certainly a credit to one who was so long and faithful in his country's cause. He is a Republican, and a member of the G. A. R. at Lapel, Ind.

### JAMES W. JARRETT.

Mr. Jarrett, son of William Jarrett and Barbara Smith, was born on Lick Creek, Madison county, Ind., March 15, 1833. He was raised on a farm there, and this has been his chief occupation through life. He was married to



Dica A. Nibarger, daughter of Jacob S. Nibarger and Lucinda Harris. Mrs. Jarrett was born May 2, 1850, and married on the 20th day of December, 1876. Soon after marriage they moved to Monroe township, Madison county, six miles north-west of Alexandria, Ind., where they now (1893) reside.

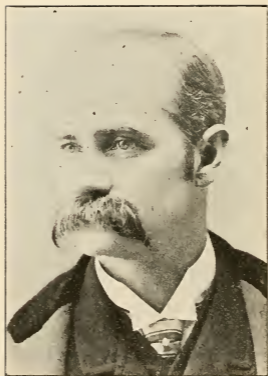
Mr. Jarrett entered the army August 14, 1862, Company B, Eighty-ninth Indiana volunteers, at Pendleton, Ind., Capt. Sam Henry, Col. Hervey Craven. Served three years, and was discharged at Mobile, Ala., July 19, 1865. He was in the following battles: Munfordsville, Nashville, Pleasant Hill and Yellow Beona.

The following are the names of the children: Evaline, married to Sherman Myers, resides in Yorktown, Ind; Ora M., married to A. Hudson; Clara, Louis V., Elener, Henry R. and Vessie R. The family belongs to the U. B. Church. Mr. J. is a Republican. One child died in infancy, and is buried at the Moss cemetery, six miles west of Anderson.

### LENNOX GOODING.

Among the good men of Lafayette township, Madison county, Ind., I do not wish to forget Mr. Gooding, for in 1874, when I first met him at his pleasant home, eight miles north-west of Anderson and three miles south-east of Frankton, he bought one of my first books, and I have been acquainted with him ever since. He was born in that grand old State, Kentucky, March 9, 1829, son of Samuel Gooding. His mother's name was Martha Hinton, who was also born in Kentucky. He was married to Martha Calahan, September 11, 1851. She was born in Fleming county, Ky., April 2, 1827. They came to Madison county in 1853, where they have since resided, and where they own a fine farm, under a good state of cultivation.

The following are the names of the children: John D., born August 16, 1852, married to Emma Tyner, and



HON. JOHN H. TERHUNE,  
Ex-Mayor Anderson, Ind.

resides in Anderson. He is deputy Sheriff under W. W. Vandyke. Margaret, born January 8, 1857, married to Isaac Bronenburg. James R., born November 2, 1859, married to Sarah Rife, daughter of Daniel Rife, of the same township. Mr. and Mrs. Gooding are members of the Methodist Church. He is a Democrat.

### LEVI DELOUGHTER

Is a son of Jonathan Delouhter, who came to Madison county in a very early day. Levi's mother's name before marriage was Elizabeth Whitmore. Levi was born April 21, 1843, and was married to Phebe J. Anderson, May 23, 1870. She was born July 23, 1847, daughter of William Anderson, who died July 3, 1864. Her mother's name was Sarah Kassalt, who died April 13, 1891. Both are buried at the Woodward cemetery.

The following are the names of the children of Levi and Phebe J. Delouhter: Charles O., born January 16, 1872. Laura A., born May 23, 1873. She was married to John Badgly, September 8, 1891. William E., born March 13, 1874; died July 26, 1874. John F., born October 8, 1878. Harry, born July 19, 1885. Elmer W., born September 15, 1887.

Mr. D. owns a large tract of land in Stony-Creek township, where he has a fine farm and splendid buildings on it. He has been actively engaged in farming and milling for many years, and is among the active men of the county. He resides six miles west of the city of Anderson, on the Midland railroad.

### JOHN D. MARKLE.

When I went to Markleville in 1859 I first met Mr. Markle, who was then young and active, and one of the strongest men of my acquaintance. Soon after he moved to Monroe township, three miles east of Alexandria, where he made a fine farm out of the green woods, and where he

died May 6, 1892. He was married to Sarah J. Adams January, 1853. She was born, as well as John D., in Madison county. She was born January 13, 1835, and died June 21, 1888. Both are buried at the Walker cemetery, in Monroe township. Mr. Markle was born near Huntsville, Ind., December, 1829, son of the late John Markle, who was among the first men to come to Madison county. He died December 19, 1865. He and his wife are buried at the Walker cemetery, in Adams township. Mr. John Markle's wife's name was Sallie Allen, who died in 1861.

The following are the names of Mr. John D. Markle's children: John W., married to Retta Biddle, June 28, 1891. He was born October 3, 1854, and died, 1894. Robert I., born January 3, 1855; died April 21, 1882, and is buried at the Walker cemetery. Henry H., born March 4, 1857; married to Nora Perry, and resides in Frankton, Ind. David J., born November 8, 1858; married to Miss Barrett. Samuel E., born August 20, 1860; married to Emma J. Painter; resides in Alexandria, Ind. Charles C., born December 4, 1861; single. Thomas B., born January 12, 1864; married to Mellissa Broyles. Daniel C., born May 14, 1865; single. Coryell, born December 17, 1872; died October 13, 1874; buried at Walker cemetery. Frances A., born September 27, 1868, and died November 17, 1881. Noah M., born May 10, 1870; single. Lucy B., born May 14, 1874; single. Jennette, born May 14, 1875; single. One died in infancy. All of this large family were born in Madison county. This is one of the best families I ever was acquainted with, who loved and respected their parents, and helped make the farm. The family are Democrats throughout.

#### WYLIE ELLIS.

Mr. Ellis was born in North Carolina on July 12, 1821, son of James Ellis. His mother's name before marriage

was Margaret Phillips. He was married to Sarah J. Oldfield in Madison county, Ind., November 9, 1851. She was born June 1, 1831, daughter of William Oldfield. Her mother's name before marriage was Celia Williams. Mr. Ellis came to Madison county in 1848, settling in Monroe township, four miles north-west of Alexandria, where he now resides, and has a pleasant home. The following are the names of the family: William Thomas, born September 1, 1852; died August 22, 1892; buried at Alexandria, Ind. Oliver, F., born August 29, 1854. Ira, born May 27, 1856. Albert, born June 24, 1858; died July 27, 1862; is buried at Lilly Creek cemetery. Willis S., born August 17, 1861; married to Gertrude Hinshaw in 1889, daughter of Seth Hinshaw, of Alexandria, Ind. He served six years as County Superintendent of schools of Madison county, Ind., from 1887 to 1893, when he was appointed deputy Secretary of State by W. R. Myers, and moved to Indianapolis in January, 1893. James C., born October 18, 1864; died April 15, 1890; buried at Alexandria, Ind.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis are members of the Christian Church, and very highly respected in Madison county, where they are well known. Mr. E. is a Democrat. I am glad of the acquaintance of this enterprising family.

#### THOMAS P. BALLARD.

Comrade Ballard resides seven miles north of the city of Anderson and three miles south of Alexandria, near the railroad. He is a son of Aaron Ballard. His mother's name before marriage was Nancy Pierson. Thomas P. was born December 7, 1836, just in time to make a capital soldier of 1861-5, which he did, joining Company D, Thirty-fourth Indiana volunteers, Capt. Joshua Fussell, Col. Jones. He was in several battles, among which was Palmetto Ranch. He was discharged at Brownsville, Texas, in 1865, after serving his time out.

The following are the names of his children: Viola S., married to Peter McGill; Aaron, dead, and buried at

Alexandria ; was married to Mary V. Wilson ; John R., married to Allie Cooper ; Mattie A. married to J. M. Thomas ; Nancy A., married to John H. Peck ; Robert H., at home ; Margaret E., at home ; Odella, at home ; Mary I., Thomas P. (deceased), and Raymond B. Mr. and Mrs. B. belong to the Newlight Church. He is a member of the G. A. R. at Alexandria, Ind.

### GEORGE ROBINETT.

George lives in Jackson township, Madison county, Ind., eight miles west of the city of Anderson, on the north bank of White river, overlooking the beautiful valley between him and Hamilton, on the opposite side of the river. Mr. Robinett was born February 14, 1839, son of Lemuel Robinett. He was married to Cynthia Miller, daughter of Joseph Miller, in 1866. She was born January 1, 1849. Her mother's name was Almira Morris before marriage with Mr. Miller. The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Robinett's children: John W., born November 16, 1867; died May 25, 1888; Lillie B., born October 6, 1869; George O., born September 18, 1874; died in infancy; Lydia D., born October 19, 1882; Georgie, born October 13, 1886.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinett belong to the M. E. Church, and are highly respected wherever known. Mr. R. is a good farmer, having lived on a farm all his life. He is a Democrat, and has been all his life, and has no reason to regret it. I have known him since 1874. He bought one of my first books in that year.

### ABSALOM P. CROSS.

Mr. Cross was born in Rush county, Ind., December 4, 1834, son of Pleasant Cross and Rebecca Jeffries. A. P. was married to Ann Thomas, daughter of Philander Thomas, July 29, 1860, in Rome, Ill. The following are their children's names: Elwell L., born October 25, 1862;

Louis E., born March 2, 1870; Worth L., born October 22, 1882.

Mr. Cross is a staunch Democrat and a tip top man; has a fine farm three miles south of Alexandria, in Monroe township. He belongs to the order of Red Men, Shingle Maly tribe, No. 110, at Alexandria. He was drafted to go to the late war of 1861-5, but was not able for duty, and returned home to the peaceful pursuits of life, which is more congenial to his notion of things. He is well informed on subjects and a fine talker. His wife is a lady of fine qualities, and has a host of friends.

#### WILLIAM PRATHER.

Among the prosperous farmers of Stony-Creek township, Madison county, Ind., I do not wish to forget Mr. Prather and family, where I have often been hospitably entertained. In 1874 Mr. P. bought one of my first works, and I have known him quite well since. He was born in Wayne county, Ind., January 12, 1832, son of Nathan Prather, who came to Madison county in 1834, and who was born in Virginia. His mother's name was Jane Low. She was born in North Carolina, but was married to Mr. P. in Wayne county, Ind. William Prather's wife's name was Sarah Gwinn, daughter of James Gwinn, who came to the county in an early day. She was born September 23, 1839. Her mother's name was Mary Huntsinger, who died May 12, 1860, and is buried at the Woodward cemetery, in Madison county. Mr. Gwinn was born in West Virginia, February 11, 1811. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Prather were married in Madison county, Ind., October 23, 1864. The following are the names of their children: Madison, born May 7, 1867; married to Cory Alexander. Sylvester G., born March 20, 1869; at home.

#### JESSE PECK.

This grand old pioneer of Hamilton county, Ind., was born in Ross county, Ohio, September 22, 1822, son of

William Peck. Jesse Peck came to Hamilton county, and settled near Strawtown, on White river. On the 11th day of September, 1845, he was married to Jane Gillen. She was born in Ross county, O., August 9, 1826; came to Madison county in 1855, and settled in Richland township, eight miles north-east of Anderson. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Peck were active members of the M. E. Church for years, and, after coming to Madison county, united with the society at Wesley Chapel, near their home, and always attended that church, and were pillars to that early and well known church in Richland township. Mr. Peck was a Republican, but quiet and not offensive, though determined in his notions. He died April 7, 1867, and is buried in the Anderson cemetery. Mrs. Peck died May 11, 1889, and is also buried at the Anderson cemetery.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Peck's children: Catharine, born September 4, 1847; married to John C. Matthews. Mary A., born November 12, 1849; married to James Laws. She is deceased and buried at the Anderson cemetery. Sarah M., born December 13, 1851; single. William H., born September 24, 1854; deceased and buried at Anderson cemetery. Alexander M., born September 2, 1855; married first to Ida Blackledge. She died April 3, 1887, and is buried at Anderson cemetery. He was again married to Mrs. Sarah E. Piper, daughter of Jesse Hall. Alice J., born April 15, 1858; deceased and buried at Anderson cemetery. John H.; married to Nancy A. Ballard. Thomas, born February 14, 1863; deceased and buried at Anderson cemetery. Jesse F., born November 14, 1864.

### JOHN HICKEY.

One of the grand men I desire to notice in my book is the one whose name heads this sketch. Mr. Hickey was born in Wiclow, Ireland, in the year 1825. His early years were spent on a farm, near his native home, where



he laid the foundation for industry and economy that has characterized the man since. In the year 1849 he came to America, first settling in Chester county, Pa., where he remained five years. Here he met his wife, or who proved to be soon after, in the year 1851. She was a grand, good woman, and proved to be all through her life. Her name was Marie Cavanaugh. Soon after marriage, in 1853, this worthy couple came to Anderson, Ind., poor and but little of this world's goods, but plenty of nerve and vim to make a grand effort for a start in the world. This effort was made, and with the result that always comes to those who practice strict industry and economy, as Mr. and Mrs. Hickey did, as many of the citizens of Anderson and vicinity will readily testify. Mr. and Mrs. H. began life in their new home, Anderson, in a small way, keeping a groery and restaurant. In this business they continued for some fifteen years, when they bought a farm just south of the city, and here erected a home that continued until the death of Mrs. Hickey, January 11, 1894. This was a sorrowful day for Mr. H. and their many friends, their delightful home broken up forever.

When gas was discovered in Anderson, Mr. Hickey, stirred with a desire to see his adopted city grow in importance with the surroundings, determined to make out of his farm an addition to Anderson, which he did in 1888, called Avondale. Several acres were platted and laid out and improved, till it is to-day (1894) one of the most desirable additions to the city.

During those fifteen years of the married life of Mr. and Mrs. Hickey prosperity came to them, and their home was surrounded with all that goes to make one pleasant. After the death of Mrs. H. he desired to set apart a portion of his estate for charitable purposes, and several acres, including the home, were given for that purpose. Early in the summer of 1894 he founded what is known as St. John's hospital, to be under the care of the Sisters of



HON. M. M. DUNLAP,  
Mayor Anderson, Ind.

Mercy, but is not confined to the Catholic Church strictly, and to-day (1894) commodious buildings are being erected for the treatment of the sick and unfortunate. When the buildings are completed and the surroundings fitted up it will be one of the most delightful and healthful locations that could possibly be selected. Had Mr. H. studied all his life how to give a portion of his ample means that might result in good, he could not have chosen a better field than this laudable enterprise. His enterprise does not stop here, for he has always taken great interest in what was going on. He built what is known as the Hickey House, on Meridian street, near the Big Four depot, that will also stand as a lasting monument to his enterprise.

Mrs. Hickey lived to see the little village of Anderson become a city of twenty thousand people; her home, once in the country, built up all around with houses and manufactories, railroads built and hundreds of improvements she little dreamed of when she arrived here in 1853. No children were born to them, but in the future there will be children that will rise up and bless their memories.

#### ALEXANDER M. PECK.

Among the active and progressive young men of Madison county I do not wish to forget Mr. Peck, son of the late Jesse Peck, of Richland township. Alexander M. was born in Tippecanoe county, Ind., September 2, 1855, and when a few months old came with his parents to Madison county, where he has since lived. He was first married to Ida Blackledge, daughter of James Blackledge. She died April 3, 1887, and is buried at Anderson cemetery. His first wife's children's names are Chester F., born August 8, 1880; Nellie J., born January 10, 1883; Jesse M., born May 11, 1885. Mr. Peck was married the second time to Mrs. Sarah E. Piper, daughter of Jesse Hall, of Monroe township. She was born August 14, 1856. They were married August 26, 2888. The names of the children by

this marriage are John A., born June 6, 1889; Claude A., born June 10, 1891.

Mr. and Mrs. Peck belong to the M. E. Church, and stand high in their locality.

### SHADRACH FURGASON.

Mr. F. was born in Ross county, Ohio, August 9, 1825, son of Eli F. Furgason. His mother's name before marriage was Catharine Gates. Shadrach Furgason was married to Mary Furgason in 1855. She was born in Green county Ohio, January 5, 1825, daughter of Clark Furgason. Shadrach Furgason came to Madison county, Indiana, in 1855, and settled in Monroe township, two miles south of Alexandria. Mr. and Mrs. Furgason were married by the Rev. Granville Moody. Children's names are Albert W., born in Green county Ohio; died February 11, 1858. Oliver M., died March 12, 1861. Harry G., born April 2, 1863; married to Amanda Ross. Sarah E., born November 13, 1865. James E., born September 30, 1869; married to Maud Rhoton.

Mr. Furgason is a Republican, and stands deservedly high in his locality and throughout the county. He owns a good farm two miles south of Alexandria, in Monroe township, near the railroad running from Anderson to Alexandria; also near the line connecting these places. Mr. F. is a well made man, near six feet high, and florid complexion.

### PETER HOSIER.

Mr. Hosier resides on his splendid farm, seven miles north-west of Anderson, on the north bank of White river. He was born in Rush county, Ind., November 9, 1834, son of Malon Hosier. His mother's name was Nancy Gossnell. He was married to Sarah J. Cunningham November 19, 1855, daughter of George Cunningham, one of the early settlers of Madison county. Mrs. Hosier was born in Madison county November 21, 1829. The following

are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Hosier's children: Nancy, born September 12, 1856; married to William Parsons; resides in Madison county. Malinda, born January 24, 1858; married to Samuel Wise; resides in Madison county.

Mr. Hosier is a good farmer, and has made it a success, and lives at home. He joined the Masonic order at Perkinsville, Ind., October, 1862, and is also a member of the Chapter and Council. He is also a member of the I. O. O. F. at Perkinsville. Mr. H. is a strong Democrat. His father died, October, 1888. Mrs. H. died in 1881, and is buried at Perkinsville cemetery. Mrs. H.'s father died, August, 1861, and is buried at the Coy cemetery, in Jackson township. Her mother died, January, 1861, and is also buried at the Coy cemetery.

#### JOHN W. ETSLER.

John Ex, as we call him, was born in Indianapolis, September 16, 1838. His father's name was Lloyd Etsler. His mother's name was Hannah Vessell. John W. was married to Rebecca A. Carr, November 4, 1869. She was born in Hamilton county, Ind., January 17, 1847. Their children's names are Charles P., born September 1, 1870; Laura, born June, 1872; Walter C., born May, 1874.

Mr. Etsler learned the shoemaker's trade in the city of his birth, and in 1855 came to Perkinsville, Ind., and started a shop, and has ever since carried on there. During the late war of 1861-5 he enlisted in Company D, Fifty-eighth Indiana volunteers; was in the battle of Nashville, Tenn. He was discharged at Louisville, Ky., in 1865. I have known Mr. E. since 1874. A capital, good fellow, whose acquaintance I highly prize. A live Republican, industrious, and a splendid workman. Don't fail to call and see John when in Perkinsville, whose latch string is always out to his many friends.

#### JONATHAN DELOUGHTER.

Mr. D. was born June 1, 1845, son of Mr. Jonathan

Delouhter, one of the pioneers of Madison county, Ind. His mother's name was Elizabeth Whitmore. He was married to Elizabeth E. Johnson, daughter of J. J. Johnson, December 6, 1868. Mr. Johnson died October 9, 1892; is buried at Pendleton. Mrs. Jonathan Delouhter was born in Rush county, Ind, September 27, 1851. The following are the names of their children: John J., born February 14, 1871; William M., born January 2, 1873; Dessie E., born March 19, 1877, Bertha, born September 25, 1881; James L., born April 21, 1884; Walter A., born May 28, 1886; Maggie P., born July 3, 1889.

Mr. D. owns a fine farm of 132 acres, five miles west of Anderson, in Stony-Creek township, where he has resided since 1870, and erected a fine, substantial brick house soon after. Mr. and Mrs. D. belong to the Christian Church, and stand high among their fellow-citizens. He is a good, practical farmer, and has his farm in good order. He is a Democrat, and attends strictly to his own business. Mr. D.'s father died in 1886. His mother died July 27, 1870. Both buried at the Woodward cemetery.

#### HON. MANSON U. JOHNSON.

Mr. Johnson, one of the active young men of Madison county, Ind., was born in Randolph county, Ind., October 20, 1864, son of Joseph Johnson, of Vanburen township, who came to Madison county from Randolph county some twenty years ago. When young Manson was a mere boy here in the district schools he laid the foundation for a more extended and useful education. At the age of sixteen years he entered the higher schools at Marion, Ind. Afterwards he attended school under the tutorship of Prof. W. M. Croan, also a Madison county boy, but now president of a high college at Lincoln, Nebraska. About this time Mr. Johnson had decided to make teaching his avocation, and at once prepared himself to teach, and passed a successful examination to procure a six months' license, and

began his first school. He afterwards taught several successful schools in Vanburen and adjoining townships. Obtaining a three-year license, he step by step rose higher and higher, till he was elected County Superintendent of the schools of Madison, September, 1894, and at this writing is at the head of the schools of his adopted county. He previously attended the college at Bloomington, Ind., for a term of years. On the 11th day of September, 1880, he was married to Miss Alice E. Thone. Two children were born to them, Lena C. and Mabel M. Mrs. Johnson, a grand, good woman, died of consumption, August 27, 1891, just entering strong womanhood and usefulness.

At one time Mr. Johnson had charge of the Acton, Ind., schools, having graduated at Bloomington September 11, 1890. He has made social science a special study, and is a deep reasoner and writer. During the days of college and teaching he found time to publish a book, entitled "The Tariff," a valuable work of six hundred pages, that reflects credit on him. The book has had an extensive sale, and is in the libraries of many of his friends of the State and elsewhere. After the death of his wife he made his home in Marion county, and was elected as a representative of that county to the State Legislature in 1892, and served creditably to all concerned.

Mr. Johnson is a fine speaker on the stump, and his eloquence has charmed and profited many who have heard him. He is a Democrat of deep convictions of its reliable principles, taught by Jefferson, Jackson and others down the line of this grand old party. See his portrait on another page of this work.

### JAMES M. ANDERSON,

Son of Samuel S. Anderson, and grandson of John Anderson, one of the pioneers of Hamilton county, Ind. Samuel S. Anderson was born in Hamilton county in 1836. Mrs. S. S. Anderson was born in Madison county, Ind.,

daughter of George McClintock. James M. Anderson was born in Stony-Creek township, June 7, 1862; married to Viola Wolf, daughter of William Wolf. Her mother's name was Isabel Gwinn. Viola was born July 23, 1862. They were married March 13, 1884. The following are the names of their children: Hanson H., born October 13, 1887; Willis S., born April 6, 1889.

Mr. Anderson was elected Township Trustee in 1888 over Jasper Huffman by a majority of five votes, and in 1890 re-elected by a vote of two. He was elected a Democrat, to which he has always acted. Both Mr. and Mrs. A. belong to the M. E. Church, and are highly esteemed all over the county. Their home is in Stony-Creek township, six miles west of Anderson.

#### GEORGE GILMORE.

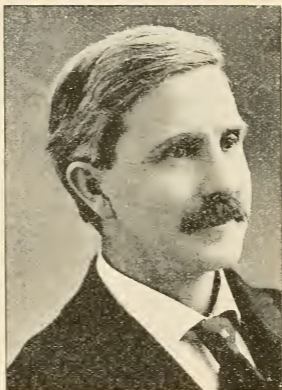
Mr. G. resides five miles west of the city of Anderson, in Stony-Creek township, and owns one of the prettiest farms in the township, and has erected substantial buildings thereon. His brick house is a model of beauty, inside and outside, with a beautiful lawn on the north side and a handsome garden and fruit orchard on the east. In fact, the hand of taste has been displayed here in every direction. Mr. and Mrs. G. moved here in the woods some thirty years ago, then in the prime of life, and their best energies have been put forth to make this grand home. They have been successful in their efforts, but it has cost toil and money, and at times the surroundings looked dark and dreary. Little by little the fields grew larger, the timber disappeared, fruit trees were planted, vines trained, flowers came, and to-day as I write this poor sketch their home is a paradise on earth.

Mr. Gilmore was born in Adams township, Madison county, Ind., on a bright May morning long ago, the 13th, 1830, son of Morris Gilmore, who came from Virginia in 1829, settling on the south bank of Fall creek, one mile east of New Columbus, and where he died December, 1879.



He was born in Virginia January 2, 1804. His wife, Elizabeth Blazier, was born in Gallia county, Ohio. She died March, 1881; both buried at the old Gilmore cemetery, near their old home, where Grandfather Hugh Gilmore and wife are also buried. Hugh Gilmore was killed while clearing off the cemetery, December 27, 1834. Mrs. Hugh Gilmore died February 19, 1833. Mrs. Geo. Gilmore was born in Pennsylvania October 28, 1831, daughter of Jacob Fesler, who came to Madison county, in 1843, and died March 3, 1882. His wife, formerly Margaret Culp, died February, 1869. Both are buried at the old Baptist cemetery, west of New Columbus.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gilmore were married in Madison county, Ind., July 16, 1853, by Saul Reger. The following are the names of their children: Jacob, born May 7, 1854; married to Mary A. Smith. Elizabeth, born February 16, 1859; married to George McClintock. Norris, born January 10, 1868; married to Mary L. Abbott. Mary, born September 30, 1871. Mr. and Mrs. G. belong to the M. E. Church, and are held in the highest esteem wherever known. Mr. G. is a Republican, and lost a brother (Morris) in the army. The following are the names of his brothers and sisters: Hugh, Phillip, Roman, Van, John and Morris (twins), Elizabeth, Reve, Mary M. and Eveline L. The following are the names of Mrs. Gilmore's brothers and sisters: George, Elizabeth, Sarah A., Mary, Rebecca, John H. and Hiram. Of the former family the following are deceased: Hugh, Morris and Phillip. Of the latter, George, Rebecca and John H. Roman Gilmore married Miss Hess, daughter of Michael Hess. Van married Miss Wagoner. John first married Miss Vanwinkle; second time a daughter of Mr. Gwinr. Mary M. married Harvey Hollenbeck. Evaline L., single. George Fesler married Mary Davis. Rebecca married James Slaughter. David married Mrs. Dr. Bare. Sarah A. married W. H. Rumler, and one married Samuel Gray.



HON. CHARLES L. HENRY.  
Member Fifty-fourth Congress. Elected November 6, 1894.  
Resides at Anderson, Ind.

## JACOB KOEHLER.

Mr. Koehler was born in Butler county, Ohio, May 12, 1834, son of Adam Koehler; mother's name was Margaret Fenter; came from Germany in 1839. Jacob was married to Martha J. Teple, April 10, 1872, in Ohio. Her father's name was William Teple. Mrs. Margaret M. Koehler died at her home, five miles north-west of the city of Anderson, October 20, 1889, and is buried at the Anderson cemetery. The following are the names of their children: Maggie M., born November 18, 1872, in Butler county, Ohio; died in infancy. Charles, born 1873. Minnie B., born December 15, 1874. Florence M., born December 30, 1875. Myrtle A., born March, 1872. Mary A., born July 21, 1878. Chester C., born February, 1881; died October, 1881; buried at the Moss cemetery. Grace E., born July 4, 1883. Mrs. Koehler was born January 9, 1852, in Ohio.

Mr. Koehler enlisted in the One Hundred and Sixty-seventh Ohio Regiment, Company K, in 1864, at Hamilton, Ohio, Capt. D. K. Zeller, Col. Thomas Moore, and was discharged September 8, 1864. He is a staunch Republican, and was nominated on the ticket for Sheriff in 1878, and ran many votes ahead of the ticket, but was defeated. He joined the Masonic order in 1868 at Hamilton, Ohio, and loves its teachings.

## NATHAN F. YOUNG.

Mr. Young resides in Perkinsville, Ind., where he has lived for several years. He was born in Huntington, N. J., July 9, 1833, son of Peter Young. His mother's name before marriage was Ollie Conover. Nathan came to Madison county Ind., in 1842. He was married to Elizabeth Anderson, daughter of William Anderson. She was born in Hamilton county, Ind., in 1843, died May 8, 1868, and is buried at Perkinsville. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Young by this marriage, Josephine, married to

O. N. Tranbarger; Ansell, married to Miss Baughman; resides in Kansas; Cynthia A., single; Thomas, single. Mr. Young was the second time married to Louisa Anderson, in April, 1869. Two children were born to them (twins), George E. and Edwin E. They reside in Indianapolis.

Mr. Young enlisted in Company E, Eleventh Indiana regiment, early in 1865, and was discharged July 26, 1865, at Indianapolis. Mr. Y. is a carpenter by trade, and politically a Republican. In the army he was on duty at Baltimore, Md. His Colonel, Daniel McCauley, Captain, John McCauley.

#### WILLIAM MILTON KING.

Among the live, progressive men of Madison county I do not wish to forget Mr. King, who resides three miles south of Alexandria and four miles west of Gilman, in Monroe township. He came to this place in 1874, and in 1892 erected a fine dwelling house on his well cultivated farm, where he has things all in good shape. He is the son of Daniel King. His mother's name before marriage was Mariah McAllister. The family lived in Rush county, Ind., where Milton was born, August 10, 1830. On January 13, 1867, he was married to Cynthia Norris, daughter of the late Stephen Norris, one of the pioneers of Madison county. Her mother's name was Elenor Noble. Mrs. King was born June 29, 1831. Their children's names are Willard P., Daniel S. and Mariah and Elenor, twins.

Mr. King is a Democrat, an active citizen, and alive to the best interests of his county. I trust this family may live long to enjoy their bright, sunny home.

#### DAVID WINDSOR.

Mr. Windsor resides midway between Alexandria and Gilman, and near the Lake Erie railroad, in Monroe township. He was born in the old tar State, North Carolina.

July 12, 1840. His father's name was W. W. Windsor. His mother's name before marriage was Sarah Day. Mr. and Mrs. David Windsor were married February 6, 1886. She was born in Madison county, Ind., December 27, 1846, daughter of John G. Wilson. Her mother's name was Susan Busby, daughter of Isaac Busby, an early settler of Madison county.

David Windsor and wife have no children, and are highly respected members of society, and also of the Baptist Church at Mt. Pisgah. Mr. Windsor enlisted in Company D, Thirty-fourth Indiana volunteers, October, 1864; was in the battle of Palmetto Ranch, but mostly on post duty; was discharged at Brownsville, Texas, October 14, 1865. His captain's name was Joshua Fussell, Col. Jones. They have a pleasant home, where they welcome their many friends.

#### IRA F. MILLER.

Mr. Miller resides in Gilman, Monroe township, Madison county, near the Delaware county line. He came here in 1875, where he and his father, Jacob Miller, operated a general store for several years. His mother's name before marriage was Harriet Worley. Ira F. was married to Josie Heagy, October 13, 1886. She was born June 20, 1857, daughter of Weams Heagy, ex-Treasurer of Madison county, and one of the foremost men in the county, where he has resided so long.

Mr. Miller is a staunch Democrat, an active man, and is identified with Gilman's best interest, where he owns a fine farm. Mrs. Miller is a fine conversationalist, and is very popular among her many friends. No children have been born to them.

#### THOMAS WHITEHEAD.

Tom lives in Perkinsville, near where he was born, on the 26th day of March, 1848, son of William Whitehead,

who was born in Pennsylvania in 1814; died March 25, 1881, near Perkinsville. Thomas' mother is yet living in Perkinsville. Her former name was Sarah Miller, born in Columbus, Ohio. Thomas was raised on a farm, but he has been deprived of the use of his limbs, and has nearly all his life been a cripple. He has given his attention to the study of the horse and his diseases, and is a successful surgeon in that line. Tom is a fine fellow, and has nothing too good for his many friends. Though afflicted, he looks on bright side of things, and believes in the end all matters will be righted up. A Democrat of the strictest kind. Call and see Tom when in Perkinsville.

#### WILLIAM L. JONES.

Mr. Jones was born on Lick creek, Green township, Madison county, Ind., July 13, 1841, son of Wesley Jones, one of the early settlers of that locality. William L. Jones was married to Lavina Guy, daughter of Vansant Guy, in 1850. They had one child, Charles B., born September, 1874; died in 1880; is buried at the Menden cemetery, in Madison county. Mrs. Jones died January 5, 1876, and is also buried at Menden. Mr. Jones was the second time married to Mrs. Margaret J. Cripe, daughter of Thomas Wilson, of Lafayette township, Madison county, March 10, 1887.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones now reside seven miles north of Anderson, near the railroad. Mr. Jones enlisted in the Second Indiana Cavalry, Company D, Capt. Conwell, December, 1863, and served till the close of the war; was mostly in the wagon and transportation department in the South-west. Is a Republican, and belongs to the G. A. R. at Anderson. Mrs. Jones was born in 1848, in Madison, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. Jones stand deservedly high wherever known.

#### REUBEN NEESE.

Mr. Neese resides in Perkinsville, Ind., and is engaged in keeping a general store there, and is postmaster there,

since 1889, when he was appointed as a Republican. He is a son of Jacob Neese, who was an early citizen of Madison county, Ind. His mother's name was Sarah Moore. Reuben Neese was born in Madison county, January 24, 1847, and was brought up on a farm, with a practical education; was married to Clara Neese, April 12, 1866. They had one child, John S., born July 26, 1868; died February 18, 1891; buried at the Neese cemetery, in Jackson township. Mr. Neese commenced business in Perkinsville in 1889 in the old stand of Thomas Beckwith. In 1882 he associated with him Oscar Henn. Mr. Neese is a member of the order of Red Men, No. 134, at Perkinsville. Mrs. Neese was born September 30, 1843.

#### WILLIAM BALL.

Mr. Ball was born in Fayette county, Ind., April 22, 1822, son of Dr. D. B. Ball; mother's name was Rachel Denman. She was raised in Georgia; Dr. B. in Pennsylvania; buried at Lick Creek cemetery, in Rush county, Ind. William Ball was married to Mary McCreary January 21, 1847, daughter of Robert McCreary; mother's name was Selina Saxon; married by Richard Nash, in Rush county, Ind. Children's names: Caroline, born January 9, 1848; married to Solomon Call. Prudence A., born February 18, 1851; married to Andrew Greenlee. Robert E., born April 1, 1859; married to Edith Runion.

Mr. William Ball came to Boone township, Madison county, October, 1854, where he now resides and owns a fine farm and good buildings, and is highly esteemed wherever known. He and his wife are members of the Baptist Church at New Harmony, near their home, and have been for many years. Thanks to this family for kindness at their hospitable home. Mr. Ball resides about three miles south-east of Rigdon and two miles south of the Grant county line, and eighteen miles north of Anderson, Ind.

## ELI FURGASON.

Mr. Furgason was born in Highland county, Ohio, July 24, 1840, son of David Furgason and Annie Gates, and was married to Sophia Lyons January 26, 1871, by George Jenkins. She was born October 20, 1852. Her mother's name before marriage was Rachel Woods; father's name William Lyons. Mr. Furgason enlisted in Company A, Second Ohio Heavy Artillery, June, 1863; was in many hard fought battles, such as Strawberry Plains, Cleveland and others; was discharged at Nashville, Tenn., August, 1865. He came to Madison county in 1865, and resides three miles south-east of Alexandria. He is a Republican. Children's names: John E., born November 10, 1871; Mary A., born December 3, 1873; Emma B., born August 20, 1878; Albert P., born March 7, 1880; George, born February 27, 1883.

## REV. ITHAMER V. McCARTY.

Mr. McCarty was born in Hancock county, Ind., on the 25th day of October, 1853, son of B. F. McCarty, Sr., who came to Hancock county from Tennessee about the year 1840. His mother's name before marriage was Angelina Cook, daughter of Joel Cook, Sr., who came from Virginia in 1830, and settled on upper Sugar creek, Brown township, where he lived and died in 1870. He was born in Virginia in 1795. Joel Cook's first wife's name was Nancy Farley. She died in 1835, soon after they came to the State. Rev. McCarty was married to Etta Whiting, January 31, 1883. She was born February 16, 1866. Her mother, formerly Sarah G. Willis, died at Anderson, Ind., February 9, 1893, and is buried at the Anderson cemetery. Etta's father, Jerry Whiting, was born in Wayne county, Ind., March 8, 1821. They were married in Laporte, Ind., August 1, 1854, and soon after came to Madison county, where they have resided ever since.



B. F. McCarty, Sr., was for many years a prominent man in Hancock county, where he served twelve years as Justice of the Peace, to the entire satisfaction of the people there. He has been a resident of North Anderson since 1878. Was born in Tennessee May 20, 1820.

Rev. Ithamer McCarty attended school and received a good common education, and early in life joined the U. B. Church. In 1889 he was duly licensed to preach, and has been thus engaged since that time. He is a good speaker and quite well informed on the scriptures; has had good success, and is gladly received wherever sent to labor. Mr. McCarty in person is about five feet seven inches high, of fine appearance, and a splendid fire-side talker, as well as able in the pulpit. He has preached successfully at Marion, Wabash, Pendleton, and Anderson. I have known him from boyhood, and can attest his worthiness as a citizen and minister of the gospel. He is a brother of John, Joel, Benjamin F., Jasper N., Sarah J. and Nancy Wisheart.

#### ADAM GISSE.

This old veteran first saw the light of day in the grand State of Pennsylvania on the 15th day of February, 1824. Came to the State of Indiana in 1852, where he has since resided. He first came to Connersville, where he resided till 1857, when he became a citizen of Madison county, where he now (1893) resides, at Mudsack, a town on the Lake Erie and Western railroad, four miles west of Alexandria. Mr. Gisse was first married in Pennsylvania in December, 1849, to Sarah Morgan. She was born in Pennsylvania in 1826, and died there in 1851. He was again married to Ruth McKinnan in 1858. She was born in Kentucky in 1840, and died August 28, 1871; is buried at Pendleton. The following are his children's names: Emma Alice, born 1859; died 1862; buried at Pendleton. Ida E. L., born August 26, 1891; married to Henry Gerland; he was born in Cincinnati, O., resides in Kentucky.



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Elizabeth K., born September 26, 1879. John, born July 15, 1865, in Pendleton.

Mr. Gisse enlisted in Company A, Nineteenth Indiana Volunteers, "Iron Brigade," July 5, 1861, Captain A. I. Makepeace, Colonel Sol Meredith, and was in the following battles: Gainesville, Gettysburg, Fredericksburg, Bull Run, Pittsburg Landing, Laurel Hill, Panamaka, Chickamauga and Mine Run. He was discharged at Petersburg, Va., September 12, 1864. On the 26th day of July, 1873, he was married to Mary Cox. Mr. G. is a well posted man, a great reader, well informed on all subjects, and a carpenter by trade. He served four years as Justice of the Peace, and is a Democrat of the Jacksonian school. In person he is rather under medium size, active for a man of his age, and has good features. He is full of life and enjoys good company. Call and see the old comrade.

#### URIAH C. VERMILLION,

Son of Jesse and Catharine (Justice) Vermillion, was born in Indiana on August 2, 1841. He received a good common education at the schools of his day, and has devoted his time and talents to farming, his chosen occupation, and in which he has been successful. He has a large tract of land, on which he has erected good buildings. He has all the improved machinery with which to operate his broad fields. He is also identified in the banking business at Alexandria and Anderson; is a devoted Mason, and strongly attached to this ancient order, and a Democrat of the first water. Mr. V. was married October 1, 1862, to Mary Morrow, who was born April 30, 1845, in Ohio. She died May 26, 1877, just in the prime of life. She is buried at the Holston cemetery.

The following are the names of their children: Jesse L., married to Cary Swank, daughter of D. W. Swank, of Anderson. Jesse is largely interested in the bank at Anderson, and has been book-keeper many years, where

he has the confidence of all. He was born August 7, 1864. Rozetta, born July 26, 1869; died October 6, 1869. Alonzo, born March 14, 1869; died September 13, 1871. Vesper A., born February 26, 1871. Eddie F., born December 30, 1874. The deceased members are buried at the Holston cemetery, Richland township.

Uriah C. Vermillion is a Democrat and was made a Mason at Alexandria in 1874. He resides ten miles north-east of the city of Anderson and five miles south-east of Alexandria. He is a brother of Chaney and Samuel Vermillion and half brother of Mrs. Daniel Tinker, of Lapel, Ind. I am indebted to U. C. for many acts of kindness.

### JOSEPH DOWNHAM.

In writing the pioneers I must not forget Mr. Downham, one of the sturdy farmers of Jackson township, Madison county, Ind., who resides about one and a half miles north-east of Perkinsville, on the north bank of White river. Here he owns a fine farm, a part of which is bottom land and a portion high ground, overlooking the river. Here Mr. D. has been living some thirty-five years, or the best days of his life, being just in his prime when he settled here in 1858. He was born in the State of Delaware, December 17, 1829, in Kent county. On March 2, 1859, he was married to Sarah Lykins. She died August 11, 1859, and is buried at the Perkinsville cemetery. He was the second time married to Charlotte Holloway, February 2, 1860. She was born July 1, 1844. Her father's name was E. Holloway; her mother's name before marriage was Nancy Justice. Children's names: Mary A., born March 10, 1861; married to John Carty; resides in Hamilton county, Ind. Joseph, born September 19, 1862; died April 28, 1864; buried at Perkinsville cemetery. Charles, born July 5, 1864; married to Della Thomas; he died April 6, 1893. Lizzie, born October 30, 1866; married to Sherman Carey. John and James, twins, born April 28, 1869. James

died December, 1871. Mr. Downham's father died in 1891. Mrs. Downham died in the State of Delaware in 1884.

Joseph Downham, the subject of this sketch, is a high minded, honorable gentleman; does his own thinking and reading, and is a fine fire-side talker. He is liberal in his dealings with the people, and a fine thinker on all subjects.

### MRS. NANCY ECKHART.

Among the comparatively few women I will write of in this work I can not forget Mrs. Eckhart, who I knew in life and, with many others, lament in death. She is sleeping in the beautiful cemetery at Anderson, where her husband erected a suitable monument to her memory. She possessed many of the noble traits of a true christian woman, which she was. Her funeral was one of the largest ever seen in Anderson. She left an influence behind that will not soon be lost, but, like the perfume of the choicest flowers, come to remind us that her life was not spent in vain.

Nancy Swift was born in Henry county, Indiana, August 28, 1857, daughter of the late Ham Swift. When quite young she came with her parents to Anderson, where she lived up to the time of her death, July 29, 1893. She was married to John Eckhart October 14, 1883, with whom she lived happily during their wedded life. They had one child, Mabel L., born in 1884. Mrs. E.'s funeral was preached at the Christian Church in Anderson by Elder Shoemaker to a large concourse of people.

### WASHINGTON PETTIGREW,

Though not strictly speaking a pioneer, came when the county was just beginning to develop into what it is now. He first settled on Fall creek, about five miles south-west of Pendleton, on what was then known as the Col. Johnson farm in 1850. Here he lived till his death,

September 29, 1877, and is buried at the Beech Grove cemetery, some two miles north-west of the old farm. His was known as one of the best farms in Madison county, and to-day stands second to none, made so by his hard work and untiring industry. Here he erected good buildings and lived at home for many years before his death. He was born in Rockford county, Va., November 15, 1801; was married to Mary Parson in 1825, who was born October 20, 1807. Following are the names of their children. The four oldest were born in Virginia, the rest in Green county Ohio: John, born September 17, 1826; married to Sarah Jones April 14, 1853. Samuel, born February 15, 1828; married to Mary J. Cofield; he died in 1873; buried at the Jones cemetery. Hettie, born in 1830; married to Benjamin Folk. George, born in March, 1831; married Elizabeth Williams; he died in 1883, and buried at Beech Grove; she is also dead, and buried at the Crossly cemetery. Jane, born in 1832; married to John H. Cottell; she died in 1878; is buried at Beech Grove cemetery. William, born in 1833; married to Ellen Miller; she is dead and buried at Pendleton. David, born June 11, 1837; married to Rebecca Parsons in Ohio in 1858; she was born in Ohio August 26, 1837; reside on part of the old farm. Francis M., born June 22, 1839; married to Nancy Nicholson. Nancy, born May 6, 1840; married to Harper Parsons. Robert, born May 13, 1843; married to Sarah Summers, July, 1869; she is dead and buried at the Nicholson cemetery. Robert was again married to Elizabeth McNatt; reside in Anderson. He was in the late war, Company I, Forty-third Indiana regiment; discharged at Indianapolis September 22, 1865. Elizabeth, born February, 1845; married to Joseph Chitwood; reside in Missouri. Isabel, born February, 1848; married to Freeman Murry; reside in Fortville.

Mr. Pettigrew was a strong man, honest as the day was long, and raised a large family, who are industrious

and hard working people. He was a Democrat of the old school. Mrs. P. died February, 1892, and is also buried at the Beech Grove cemetery.

### HENRY WAGGY,

One of Madison county's grand old pioneers, was born in Pendleton county, West Virginia, March 16, 1814, son of Abraham Waggy, who was in the Revolutionary war. Henry Waggy came to Madison county, Ind., in 1838, and settled four miles south of Anderson, where he died the 10th of August, 1893. No man ever stood higher than Mr. W., and was an industrious, temperate man all his life. He made a fine farm out of the green woods, and at the time of his death was in fine circumstances, owning several hundred acres of land near where is buried, at what is known as the Waggy or Wilson cemetery. Mr. W. was married to Martha Wilson in 1840. She was the daughter of Dempsy Wilson, born in North Carolina September 31, 1823, and came with her parents to Madison county when a girl in her teens. She died August 12, 1859. The following are the names of the children born of the first marriage: William, born July 10, 1841; married to Margaret Brothers; both dead; he died July 6, 1892; buried at the Whetstone cemetery. He was in the war of 1861-5; in the One Hundred and Thirtieth Regiment Indiana infantry. Ellen, born in 1843; died in infancy. Dempsy, born in 1845; he was also in the late war, Company B, One Hundred and Thirtieth Indiana volunteers. Sarah E., born in 1847; died at the age of sixteen years; buried at the Wilson cemetery. Mary, the youngest child by his first wife, born about 1866; single. Milla M., married to O. C. Myers; reside in Indianapolis.

In 1861 Henry Waggy was married to Ellen Gustin, formerly Ellen Dunbar, by whom he had one daughter, Ida, born in 1864; married to Newton Cartright. Mr. W. was a strong war man, and gave up his two sons to the

army. He lived to see the war closed and many grand improvements come to his adopted State; came poor and grew up with the county; loved freedom, hated slavery, and was first, last and all the time one of our best, noble men. He was an old Whig and then a Republican.

### WILLIAM JOHNS,

One of Madison county's best as well as earliest men, of Union township, I gladly notice in the Pioneer. Mr. Johns died October 13, 1888. He was married to Catherine Glodfetty. She was born in Summerset county, Pa., October 6, 1819; died November 17, 1876. The following are the names of their children: Margaret J., born April 9, 1842; married to David B. Sims; he died February 23, 1883. William E., born January 17, 1844; married to Nancy Dunham, October 14, 1867. Thomas A., born July 21, 1853; married to Delphine Sims March 26, 1876. She was born May 13, 1853, in Shelby county, O. Catherine, born August 3, 1855; married to John N. McGriff on the 4th of July, 1875.

The following is a notice taken from an Anderson paper at the time of Mr. John's death, and also a eulogy delivered by Hon. W. R. Myers:

#### ANOTHER LANDMARK GONE.

Last Monday, William Johns, who for more than half a century has been a resident of this county, died from the effects of a cancer. For the past eighteen months he has been suffering from the effects of it, but only within the last ten weeks has he been confined to his room.

The funeral services were held at the family residence in Richland township. A large concourse of friends and neighbors, especially of those who struggled and labored with Mr. Johns in the early settlement of this county—the pioneers—were present to pay their last respects to one of their number. Many friends were present from Delaware county.



The interment was at the old Bronnenberg cemetery, near Chesterfield. At the grave Mr. W. R. Myers delivered the following eulogy, which we publish by request :

MY FRIENDS : We are assembled here in the abode of the dead to discharge the last sad rites the living can pay to the departed. I am here at the earnest and last request of the deceased. William Johns was born in Bedford county, Pa., September 10, 1814. His ancestors on his father's side were Welsh. In 1816 his parents moved to Licking county, Ohio. In 1830 the family moved to Madison county, and settled on what has for many years been known as the McClenehan farm, which is within a mile of this cemetery, at which place his father died in 1833. He was then apprenticed to the blacksmith trade in Anderson. At the end of his apprenticeship he packed all his worldly goods in a handkerchief and walked to Licking county, O., and spent a year working at his trade. In 1836 he established himself in a blacksmith shop of his own in Chesterfield, where he conducted the business until 1845, when he abandoned the anvil for the plow, and purchased the farm where he has since lived, and where by industry and economy he has accumulated 420 acres of land, and a corresponding amount of personal property. When he came to Indiana the place we stand was a wilderness, and the Red Men were still disputing for the mastery with their pale-faced foes. This spot was then on the frontier, far removed from the comforts of civilization. There were no churches, no schools, no highways. His opportunities for an education were meager, and he received but little instruction in the elementary branches. In these days wrestling, foot racing and log rollings, house and barn raisings, were the sport and pastime of the day, and he participated in them all with the zeal of a young athlete. He was thrice married. By his second wife, whose maiden name was Catherine Glodfetty, he had four children, two girls and two boys, all of whom survive him. By his first and third marriages he

had no issue. He lived to see all his children comfortably and happily situated in life, and was the recipient of their tender care during his long and painful illness. For more than fifty-five years he has lived in this county. You all know him. Many of you have been the recipients of his kindness. He had his frailties and his foibles, and who of us all have them not? If none but those who are without blemish were permitted to participate in these last offices, this poor tenement of clay that held his immortal spirit until the worms and the fowls of the air had devoured it. Therefore let us wrap the mantle of charity over his weaknesses and remember only the good qualities which he possessed. He was an obliging neighbor, an indulgent, loving father, a good husband, and a generous friend. He paid his debts. He respected and obeyed the laws of the land. A community of such men as William Johns has been for thirty years past would be a poor locality for a lawyer. The Sheriff and Constable would find their vocation gone. Locks and bolts, window fastenings and watch dogs would be a useless expense. Policemen and night watchmen could sleep without endangering the lives or property of any one. Their services would not be required. For many years he was a member of the M. E. Church, but for the past twelve years he has not been affiliated with any church. He became what the world is pleased to call a skeptic. What of it? We are not here to discuss theology or approve or disapprove of any man's religious belief. If all men are to be judged by the rule laid down by many professors of religion, heaven is not yet a very populous locality. Though all that walk the earth to-day are but a handfull as compared with the innumerable hosts that slumber in its bosom.

I have known the deceased from my earliest recollections. To me he was always genial, affable and kind, always a gentleman, and as such I shall always remember him. He lived to a ripe old age. He witnessed many

solemn and wonderful changes in this county, and the whole country. He is gone. His bright eye is dimmed, his tongue is silenced, and his hands are cold in that mystery of mysteries which we call death. The warm heart that throbbed with love for humanity has ceased its vibrations. Should not such scenes as this humble human pride? Should it not arouse our souls to a keener sense of responsibility and our duty to the Creator? Soon, very soon, we too shall follow him. His life work is ended. Whether for weal or woe is not for frail, erring mortals like us to judge. We leave his immortal soul to the God of the universe, to Him who notes the sparrow's fall and tempers the wind to the shorn lamb, believing it to be impossible for Him to err, and commit his body back to Mother Earth from whence it sprang. Whatever may be our individual beliefs, such scenes as this must of necessity impress us of the uncertainty of the tenure of life and the certainty of death. The poet sings in a rhapsody of words, "It is not all of life to live nor all death to die." This we believe is true, and our own judgment and conscience teach us that it is safest and best to live well. It is more pleasant to live from day to day with the smiling approval of our own conscience than to be constantly haunted by misgivings and remorse. Let us all strive to live within the compass of the golden rule, doing from day to others as we would have others do unto us. Let us so live that when our summons comes to join the innumerable caravan that moves to the pale realms of shade, where each shall take his chamber in the silent halls of death. We go not like the quarry slave scourged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed by an unfaltering trust, approach our grave like one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams.

#### JAMES HUDSON

Was born in Trimble county, Ohio, March 29, 1811; was married to Eloner Colgon July 3, 1833, in Henry



· MRS. MARY E. WESTERFIELD, ANDERSON, IND.



JOHN W. WESTERFIELD, M. D., ANDERSON, IND.

county, Ind. She was born in Kentucky, April 23, 1813. James Hudson died January 20, 1883; buried at Mt. Pisgah cemetery. The family came to Monroe township, Madison county, in 1835, and were among the first settlers, and the first to organize a Christian church in their new home. Mrs. Hudson at this writing is eighty-two years old, and makes her home with her son, Thomas, near Mt. Pisgah Baptist church, five miles north-east of Alexandria, near where she has lived so long.

The following are the names of James and Eloner Hudson's children: John, born May 5, 1834; deceased, and buried at the Cassell cemetery. Thomas J., born October 15, 1857; married to Elizabeth Vinson, daughter of Elisha Vinson. She was born in Wayne county, Ind., May 3, 1838; married July 30, 1863. His children's names are as follows: Eliza E., born April 30, 1864; died May 5, 1884; buried at Mt. Pisgah cemetery. Sylvester, born May 8, 1865; died October 31, 1865. Chester W., born November 24, 1866; died November 24, 1872. Arthur, born December 29, 1873; at home. The fourth child of James and Eloner Hudson was Christopher C., born June 9, 1840; deceased. Wilson, born May 2, 1842; resides in Iowa. Mary A., born March 8, 1844; died August 15, 1883; buried at Vinson cemetery. Sarah U., born May 18, 1846; died January 2, 1877; buried at Mt. Pisgah cemetery. Joseph P., born June 26, 1850; died July 2, 1851.

Thomas J. Hudson, who gave the above, resides near the Mt. Pisgah Baptist church. He and his wife are members of the Christian church, and are held in high esteem by all their friends. The family stands high, and is well known throughout the county. He is a Democrat of the olden time. Mrs. Eloner Hudson died, May, 1895, aged eighty-two years.

#### LEMUEL K. JONES,

Son of Henry Jones, was born in North Carolina, September 20, 1826; married to Sarah Kenyon, January 6,

1853. She was also born in North Carolina, May, 1833. Came to Madison county, Ind., in 1847; commenced life poor in the woods in Vanburen township, two miles west of Summitville, where the family now reside. By hard work and economy Mr. and Mrs. Jones have succeeded beyond expectation, and have a fine farm and splendid house in which to end their days in peace and quiet. They belong to the Baptist Church, and their home is always open to the ever welcome minister. Mr. J. is an old-time Democrat, and honest all through life. The following are the names of the children born to them: Sarah H., born December 13, 1853; died December, 1860; buried at the Vinson cemetery. Ellen, born in 1855; died November, 1858. Rhoda T., born in 1857; died September, 1860. All buried at the Vinson cemetery. Joel A., born October 22, 1869. Minta E., born January, 1875. Effie E., born September 10, 1877.

I first met Mr. Jones in 1874, when canvassing for my first book, History of Madison County. He bought one, and I have known him since. I am glad to remember the family in the Pioneer.

#### JOHN McALLISTER.

Mr. McAllister was born in the State of Virginia in the year 1819; came with his parents, William and Belena (Frazier) McAllister, in 1830, at the age of about ten years, and was raised on a farm, which was his delight. He was a splendid man, honest and strict in business matters as you will find one in ten thousand. His wife's name before marriage, in 1842, was Miss L. Galbreth. She was born in Tennessee in 1821, and was a grand, good woman. She was widely known and unusually liked by all who knew her. The family went to Nebraska in 1884, where they died, Mrs. M., July 4, 1888, and Mr. M., August, 1892. Both are buried there.

Mr. and Mrs. McAllister had a host of friends in Madison county, where they lived so long and were known so

well, and where Mr. M. served his fellow-citizens in many responsible places, serving as County Commissioner for several years. He was all through life a Mason and practiced its teachings. He was liberal in his views, and was a Universalist in faith. No man ever lived in Madison county whose word was better than his, and a true friend to all. I am glad to notice this worthy couple in the Pioneer, who are sleeping in the far away West.

Following are the names of their children: Koreen, born September 10, 1843; married to Wilson Cory in 1862; died in 1886; buried at the Anderson cemetery. Emily, born January 18, 1845; married to James C. Poindexter in 1864. He died January 25, 1878; was born in Virginia, April 11, 1836; was in the late war, Company K, Eighth Indiana volunteers, serving as Sergeant, Lieutenant and Captain; children's names, Cora, Charles, Nettie and Maud. Carshena, born March, 1847; married to Jane Booram; reside in Markleville. She is a daughter of the late John Booram. Balema, born in 1849; married to Cassady Manning; he is deceased. Decatur, born in 1851; died in 1872; is buried at Pendleton. Mary E., born in 1853; married to Wilson Cory; reside in Adams township. John J., born in 1858; married to Miss Roth. She is dead. Walter, born in 1865; died at the age of two years; buried at the McAllister cemetery. John McAllister was a brother of Garrett, James and Thomas, the first two dead. The latter lives in Harris, Mo.

#### WILLIAM S. GALE, SR.

This old pioneer of Adams township, who came to the Fall Creek settlement in 1833, was born in Pasapatak county, N. C., October 14, 1798, and died in the same locality January 2, 1881; is buried at Mechanicsburg, Ind., two miles east of where he lived sixty years. Mr. Gale was married in 1820 in Richmond, Ind., to Panina Small, who was born there in 1792. She died about the year



1873, and is also buried at Mechanicsburg. When Mr. and Mrs. Gale came to Madison county the country was new, and they had a real struggle to make a start. They succeeded, however, and plenty came to their door many years before the death of either, for they lived together fifty-three years. The following are the names of their children: John, born in 1821; lived to be three years old. Mary, born in 1823; married to Larkin Judd; she died in 1856; buried at the Mechanicsburg cemetery. Elizabeth, born in 1825; married to Samuel Mogal. She died in 1892; buried at Mechanicsburg. Eliza, born in 1827; married to Washington Morgan; married the second time to Benjamin Mogal; reside in Missouri. William S., born October 9, 1829; married to Mary Brown. She died March 11, 1892; buried at Wilson cemetery, three miles south of Anderson. Eight children were born to this family. Nancy, born in 1832; married to Andrew Mogal. Sarah, born in 1835; married to Benjamin Mogal. She died in 1859; buried at Mechanicsburg cemetery.

William S. Gale was an old-time Whig, afterwards a staunch Republican, and for many years a member of the M. E. Church. He was an industrious man, and cleared up and made a farm out of the green woods, assisted by his devoted wife. Their home was about three miles west of Mechanicsburg, in Henry county, and their farm near the county line of Madison county.

I am indebted to William S. Gale, Jr., for the above history, who was only three years of age when his parents came to the county. He has resided here ever since. He is a member of the Baptist Church, and held in high esteem wherever known. I am glad to give this family a notice among the early settlers of Madison county.

#### JOHN FATTIC.

Mr. Fattic, though not strictly a citizen of Madison county, is so closely allied to it by many circumstances

that I almost feel like he ought to be. However, as he has lived most of his life in sight of the county, and obtained his good wife in it, he is at least a "brother-in-law" to us. He was born in Showendon county, Va., October 29, 1830. He was married to Malinda Davis August 27, 1851. She was born September 7, 1828. She is the eldest daughter of the late John Davis, of Adams township, one of the grand old men, whose memory we all revere. He was born in North Carolina, April 13, 1800, and came to the county of Madison about the year 1826. He was married to Mary Jackson in 1825; also born in Virginia in 1805. Mrs. John Fattic is a sister of Maxey, Henry, Tana, Clarinda, James H., William, Laurana, Mary A., John and Betty. Clarinda, Laurana and William are deceased. John Davis died in 1881; buried at the McAllister cemetery. Mrs. Davis died June 27, 1847; buried at the McAllister cemetery. Mr. D. was again married to Mary Creason. She died February 11, 1884; also buried at the McAllister cemetery. Both members of the Baptist Church.

The following are the names of the children of John Fattic, all born, I think, in Henry county, near Mechanicsburg: Mary A., married to C. B. Swain; Henry A., married to Jennie Keesling; William B., married to Sarah Keesling; Dr. John B., married to Florence Victor, of Cincinnati, Ohio, an accomplished lady.

Dr. Fattic is a graduate of the highest medical schools of the country, and stands high among all medical men throughout Eastern Indiana. He located in Anderson in 1890, soon after graduating, and at once entered into a good practice. He was appointed in 1894 on the United States Pension Board of Examiners at Anderson.

Mr. John Fattic, whose name heads this sketch, I first met in 1860, and whose acquaintance I highly prize. He is upright, honest, and counts his friends by the hundred. He owns a farm near Mechanicsburg, Henry county, where he has lived all his married life.

## JOSEPH HANCOCK.

It is with pleasure I write of Mr. Joseph Hancock and family, who have lived so long in Madison county, and of his ancestry, so long and interesting. He lived many years in Richland township, nine miles north-east of Anderson, where he owns a fine farm and "sunny home," and where his best days were spent in hard work, and where his children were born. He is one of our best farmers and stock raisers, or was during his more active days. For the past seven years he has lived in Anderson, where he owns several pieces of property and parcels of land. He and his worthy wife are living alone on Nichol avenue. The children are all married and have homes of their own. Mr. Hancock was born in Wayne county, Ind., on the 5th day of January 1831, son of John Hancock, who was born in Ohio, March 8, 1804. His mother, Elizabeth Pollard, was born in Kentucky in 1807, and married in 1826 in Wayne county, Ind. She died October 30, 1857, and is buried at the Heagy cemetery. Mr. John Hancock died March 13, 1886, and is buried at the Heagy cemetery, in Richland township. Mrs. Joseph Hancock, formerly Esther A. Fountain, was born in Maryland, June 13, 1830. Her father's name was George Fountain. Her mother's name before marriage was Mary Dodd. They came to Madison county in 1830. Mr. Fountain died November 3, 1854. She died in 1877.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hancock were married August 7, 1851. Children's names: Sarah A., born February 7, 1853; married to Judge Alfred Ellison, and reside in the city of Anderson. John L., born December 3, 1854; married to Mary E. Lawler in 1876. Mary E., born May 27, 1857; married to F. M. Jones in 1881. William W., born March 10, 1860; married to Hulda Bronenburg in 1882. Joseph C., born February 22, 1863; died December 25, 1865; is buried at the Heagy cemetery. James L., born April 14, 1866; married to Jane Bronenburg in 1887.



MR. AND MRS. ALLEN SIMMONDS.

Martha R., born September 17, 1868; married to Thomas Bronenburg in 1885. The following are the names of Mr. Joseph Hancock's brothers and sisters: Nancy D., married to Daniel Badgely; reside in Blackford county, Ind. Ruth, married to Martin D. Pence; reside in Kansas. Pollard S., married to Sarah J. Jones. He died, and is buried at the Heagy cemetery. George W., married to Rebecca Vermillion. Fanny and Rebecca, twins. Fanny married John Vermillion; both deceased. Rebecca died in infancy. The following are the names of Mrs. Esther A. Hancock's brothers and sisters: William, Elizabeth, Edward, James, Nathan, John and Washington. Elizabeth, Edward, John and Washington are dead. John was killed at the siege of Vicksburg in 1864. He was a member of Company H., Sixty-ninth Indiana Volunteers, and a gallant soldier.

Following will be found a sketch of Mr. Hancock's ancestry, written by a lady in her eighty-fourth year:

ELWOOD, IND., April 21, 1891.

*Mr. Joseph Hancock:*

SIR—I will give you a sketch of our foreparents, beginning with my grandmother. Her maiden name was Mary Bush. She married a man by the name of Wallace. Four children was the increase, two boys and two girls. Their father was killed by the Indians. She then married Hancock, the fruits of which was one son, Joseph Hancock. His father was also killed by the Indians. Her third husband was Lewis Castleman. He died, and grandma died a widow at the age of one hundred and six years. My father, Joseph Hancock, was born in 1758. He enlisted and served seven years in the Revolutionary war. He married Catharine Baltimore. She was the mother of twelve children. They all lived to be married but three. Mother died in 1816; father died in 1834. Sister Elizabeth married Levi Bain; Nancy married Benjamin Warren: Joseph married Susan Milman; they both died in 1820:

one of their sons, Ephraim M., lived to marry and went West; Mary married Samuel Taylor; Catherine married Abraham Covault; Sophia married Vergil Gilvir; Naoma married William Martindale; John married Elizabeth Pollard; Cynthia married Jonathan Reeder. The result of this marriage was eleven children. Ten lived to marry, and the offspring is forty-two grandchildren, between seventy and eighty great grandchildren, and two off the fourth generation.

Now I will go back to the Wallace children. One, a young man, was taken prisoner by the Indians. He ran away and got back to his people at Fort Bedford. Two weeks from the time he got back he was captured again, and it was supposed he was burned at the stake. The other brother was also a prisoner for some time, but got his freedom. Of the girls, Barbara married Henry Simmons. I don't know much about their family. Mary married Mike Watson. They had two sons and six daughters. Rebecca married Jeremiah Allen; Nancy married John Strode; Mary married Mike Conway; Barbara married Charles Rowe; Sallie married Mattox; Ruth married Samuel Pollard. You see your father's grandmother is your mother's great grandmother, Wallace and Grandma Hancock.

I have run the line on Grandma Hancock and father's side, and this is on mother's side. Grandma Baltimore's first husband's name was Stotts. They had six children. The Indians came upon them and killed her husband and took her and her six children prisoners, and drove them off to their towns, where her children were scattered, and she never knew what became of them. She was finally sold to the French, when she and nine others ran away. They had to hide during the day and travel at night. There were but two ever got through to the fort, grandma and a comrade. After this she married Baltimore. The fruits of this union were a son and daughter, Catherine Baltimore,

my mother, and Phillip, my uncle. After Grandpa Baltimore's death, her third husband was father's half brother, one of the Wallace boys, Grandma Hancock's first husband's son.

I close at this, and if you want any more light on the subject of your kind just let me know, or if you can tell who all are your kind let me know.

CYNTHIA REEDER.

### AMASUEL RAINS,

One of the grand old pioneers of Lafayette township, Madison county, I do not wish to forget. I first met him at his home there in 1874. He was for years a very prominent man there and wealthy citizen. He was born in Fayette county, Ind., June 15, 1817, son of Jacob Rains. Zail Rains, as he was called, was married to Mary Elliott in 1837; came to Madison county in 1840. He died January 16, 1879. Mrs. Rains died September 17, 1869; buried at the Hartman cemetery, in Richland township. The following are the names of their children: Martha J., married to Samuel Smith. Jacob F., died November 6, 1887. He was married to Mary Roadcap. William H., died in 1876. He was married Hannah Free. John B., married to Elizabeth Foster; Hiram M., married to Elizabeth Roadcap; Sarilda A., married to Columbus Foster; Leonard M., born August 2, 1852; married to Sarah E. Free, October 25, 1873; resides in Anderson. Mrs. L. M. Rains was born November 9, 1855. Joseph A. was born February 10, 1855; died January 15, 1856.

Mr. Zail Rains was the second time married to Mrs. Cynthia A. Clark, August, 1871. He was a member of the Newlight Church, and a staunch Democrat. He will long be remembered as a grand pioneer of Madison county.

### THOMAS McALLISTER.

Judge Thomas McAllister was born in Mason county, West Virginia, May 21, 1825. His father, William McAllister, was born in Kentucky in 1788, but moved to Virginia

in childhood, where he was reared and married. His wife, Bellana Frazier, was a native of Virginia. He held a commission in the war of 1812, and held several local offices in his county of trust and profit. The family removed to Indiana in the fall of 1835, and settled in Madison county. There the father died in February, 1864, having lived upon the same farm for twenty-nine years. Our subject grew to manhood in Madison county, and received a good common school education. He was there married, in 1849, to Miss Mary J. Poindexter, a native of West Virginia, and daughter of Josephus Poindexter. This lady was born February 12, 1827, and died May 5, 1882. After his marriage, Thomas farmed in Madison county until 1856, and then removed to Sullivan county, Mo., buying a place slightly improved, upon which he still resides. He now owns 350 acres of land, 300 in the home place, all fenced and improved, and also fifty acres of timber land in another tract. He lives in a good, new house, and is one of the successful and prosperous farmer citizens of the county. In July, 1861, he enlisted in the Twenty-third Missouri Volunteer Infantry, and served his country until discharged at Atlanta, Ga., September, 1864. He enlisted as a private, but, before his discharge, had been promoted to Orderly Sergeant. At the battle of Pittsburg Landing he was taken prisoner, and held about six and half months, six weeks being spent at Montgomery, Ala., and the rest of the time at Macon, Ga. He was paroled from there and taken to the hospital at Portsmouth Grove, R. I., where he remained until the spring of 1863. The same year he joined his regiment at Gasconade, Mo., and served in Missouri, chasing "bushwhackers," &c., until the spring of 1864, when he joined Sherman on his march to the sea. July 17, 1864, he was wounded in the right shoulder, and taken to the hospital, where he remained until September, when he went to Atlanta. After being mustered out at that place he returned home.



Previous to the war the Judge was a Democrat, but since that time he has been identified with the Republican party. His first public office was that of Township Collector, which he filled two terms. The office of Justice of the Peace he has also filled two terms. In the fall of 1878 he was nominated and elected County Judge, the duties of which office he faithfully discharged one term. In March, 1885, he was married to Margaret Mairs, a native of Virginia, and daughter of Dr. Joseph Mairs, formerly of Virginia. He is now holding his second term of Township Trustee in a Democratic township.

The Judge has reared a family of six children. Josephus, married, now living with his family in Milan, county seat of Sullivan, being elected Recorder of Deeds in the fall of 1894. William, who died in 1883, aged twenty-six years, leaving a family. Thomas O., married, and living in Ida county, Idaho. Madbum, wife of S. S. Millege; Lois, wife of J. L. Taylor, of Hermann, Oregon; Sidney, wife of W. M. Reger, living in Sullivan county. Judge and wife are members of the M. E. Church. The Judge is a member of the Masonic order.

### JOHN M. ZEDAKER.

This old, sturdy pioneer of Madison county was born near Dayton, Ohio, in the year 1808, son of John Zedaker. His mother's name before marriage was Catharine Noland, born near Sidney, Ohio, in 1812. Married in Ohio in 1834; came to Madison county in 1841, and settled in Vanburen township, west of Summitville, in the woods, with few neighbors in that early day. Mr. Zedaker had a hard time as well as other early settlers. The ground was covered with a dense growth of timber, and covered with water, but they had come to stay, and, with sleeves rolled up, a fight in earnest began. Mr. Zedaker died in 1875, and is buried at Mt. Pisgah cemetery, with other members of the family.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Zedaker's children: Martha, John W., William and Daniel M. Daniel M. was born June 17, 1842; married first to Elizabeth Payne. She died September 17, 1871, and is buried in Delaware county, Ind. They were married January, 1867. He was the second time married to Nancy A. Morris on November 30, 1876. She was born September 30, 1852. Names of D. M. Zedaker's children: Clara Belle, born November 1, 1881; Ora A., born August 16, 1885. The parents of Mrs. Mary A. Zedaker were born in Ohio in 1822. There was born to Mr. and Mrs. Elizabeth Zedaker one son, James A., December 22, 1867. Mary J., daughter of John M. Zedaker, married to Charles Crouse. Sarah E., married to Dr. W. T. Estus; reside in Muncie, Ind. Druzella died April, 1872; is buried at the Robe cemetery. James N. resides in Marion. Phillip A., married to Amanda Hazlebaker; reside in Summitville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Zedaker were members of the Christian Church, and will long be remembered as worthy pioneers of Madison county, where they lived so long. Mr. Z. was County Commissioner from 1852 to 1856.

#### ESTA M. MAKEPIECE.

I wish to remember Mr. Makepiece in the Pioneer, for he was born in Anderson, June 30, 1846, on the present residence of Major Doxey, then owned by Esta's father, Alfred Makepiece, one of the pioneers of Madison county, and who will be so remembered by many who read this sketch. The Makepiece family came to Chesterfield in 1820, and has been quite prominent ever since. The grandfather, Amasa, a very worthy man, came from Massachusetts. His sons are as follows, now all dead, I think: Allen, Alfred, George, Ransom, Bradley, Hayden and Amasa. Girls are Elizabeth, Julia, Laura and Harriet. Thomas Makepice, the father of Amasa, senior, was born in England, and settled in Massachusetts in 1666. Amasa,

senior, was born in Massachusetts, November 29, 1777, and on May 18, 1800, was married to Elizabeth Babbett. He died February 18, 1848. She died June 18, 1858; both buried at Chesterfield, Ind., where most of the children are buried, as well as grandchildren. Alfred Makepiece, father of Esta, was a useful man, active, and owned and controlled a popular hotel and mill at Anderson.

The subject of this sketch has been somewhat of a rover, but at last it seems he has settled in Augusta, Kansas, where his fellow-citizens elected him to the office of County Clerk of Butler county, November 6, 1894. He resided in his native county, Madison, State of Indiana, till manhood. In 1862 he enlisted in Company H, Nineteenth Indiana Regiment, and served a term of years, being only fifteen years old at first going out. He afterwards enlisted in the One Hundred and Thirtieth Indiana Volunteers, and served two years. On returning home he engaged in the milling business at divers times and places. He learned the printer's trade, and at one time could set type with any of them. Mr. Makepiece was in some twenty-five battles during the war, and was discharged a short time before the war closed on account of disability. He was married to Sophia Goodwin, of Yorktown, Ind., in 1875. They have two children. Myrtle, born in 1876, a graduate of Augusta schools. Charles, born in 1887, in Kansas.

Mr. Makepiece moved to Augusta, Kansas, in 1876, and has served in several public capacities, Marshal, Justice of the Peace and Clerk. Glad he has succeeded so well in his new home. He is a brother of Allen, Horace B., Alvin I., Samuel D., Mrs. William Bennett, Charles, Laura, Delila and Lutitia.

#### NOAH WAYMIRE.

I am glad to notice Mr. Waymire, one of the early settlers of Madison county, and to this end I wrote to his



TIMOTHY METCALF, SUMMITVILLE, IND.,  
County Commissioner, Elected November 6, 1894.

son in Kansas and received a history of the family, as there was none left in Madison county to give the desired information. Mr. Waymire and family were among the first families in the county, and occupied a warm place in the hearts of many of the older residents, and consequently in writing up the Pioneer I could not afford to forget this interesting family, now in the West, that is, those who are alive. I recollect Mr. Waymire quite well. The first time I ever saw him was at an old settlers' meeting in Madison county, at which time he said "when he and his wife came to Madison county they were poor, and he concluded to raise children," and how well he succeeded you may judge from the splendid letter from Judge Waymire. This letter I know will be read with interest by many people of Madison county and elsewhere. Mr. W. was a large man, light complexion, and hair inclined to redness, a man well fitted for a pioneer life.

The following is Judge Waymire's letter :

MOUND CITY, KAN., Dec. 27, 1894.

*To S. Harden, Anderson, Ind.:*

DEAR SIR—Sometime since I received a circular letter from you, by my son at Pleasanton, Kansas, directed to Joseph, or any of the Waymire family, asking for a sketch of Noah Waymire. As I am the oldest of the children of Noah Waymire, the circular letter was mailed to me.

Noah Waymire, deceased, was born January 23, 1810, in Montgomery county, Ohio, eight miles north of Dayton. In the spring of 1811 his father, with family, moved and settled in the eastern part of the Territory of Indiana, in Wayne county, where he grew up to manhood. He was married to Mary Howard, who was born in Wayne county, Ind., January 1, 1815, she being a daughter of John Howard, of said county. After their marriage they lived in Wayne county for about one year, and then moved to Fountain county, Ind., where they lived for five years.

They then moved to Madison county in the spring (April 3d) of 1836, where he began making a home for himself and family by clearing off a farm in that wilderness country, where he lived and raised a family of fourteen children, all living to be men and women, and marrying and having families of their own. Eleven of their children are still living. Five of his sons served their country in the late war. The names of his children are as follows: Jacob, John, James, Martin, Sarah Ann, David, Joseph, Rachel, Washington, Hiram, Margaret E., Martha, Emily Jane and Winfield Scott Waymire. James, Martin and Rachel are dead.

In 1881 Noah Waymire moved with the remnant of his family, consisting of his aged wife and two daughters, Margaret and Emily Jane, and located in the city of Pleasanton, in Linn county, Kansas, having sold his farm in Madison county, Ind., where he had resided for about forty-five years. Noah Waymire had been a member of the M. E. Church for about forty-five years at the time of his death. He died September 4, 1884, at his home in the city of Pleasanton, aged seventy-four years, seven months and twelve days. His wife, Mary Waymire, had been a member of the M. E. Church for about forty-nine years at the time of her death, which occurred August 8, 1888, aged seventy-three years, seven months and eight days.

The foregoing sketch is taken principally from record, especially the dates, and I think I have given you about all that is necessary to be given, all at least that you asked. I might perhaps have entered a little more into detail of their lives and matters connected therewith, but do not care to do anything of that kind, hoping the short sketch I have given you will be satisfactory. I remain yours truly,

JACOB WAYMIRE.

AARON WILLIAMS,

Another of Madison county's grand men, was born in Union county, Indiana. January 5, 1819, son of Anthony

Williams and Eloner Fordice. Aaron was married to Matilda Bowers October 19, 1843. She was born February 8, 1821, in Darke county, Ohio. They were married at New Castle, Ind. Mr. W. learned the tanning business, which he worked at most of his life at Middletown, Ind.; also at Chesterfield, Alexandria, and last at Summitville. He came about the year 1844, and to Vanburen township in 1846, where he died March 20, 1887. About the year 1879 he commenced the mercantile business, which he followed up to the time of his death. On his first arrival at Summitville he started a tanyard, which he operated for years. He was elected and served as Justice for several years. Mrs. Williams died January 24, 1892. Children's names: Henry, born August 2, 1844; died June 20, 1850. Josephine E., born April 5, 1846; married Stephen Finnamore; reside in Texas. Leander S., born January 20, 1848; married Hannah J. Johnson; reside in Summitville. Mary J., born September 24, 1849; married C. C. Adams; reside in Summitville. Harriet E., born September 4, 1852; died December 16, 1863. John M., born November 24, 1853; married Josie D. Vinson; reside in Alexandria. Lucinda C., born November 15, 1855; married Joseph B. Thawly; reside in Summitville. Zerilda M., born June 20, 1858; married John C. Allen; died July 24, 1884. Lauretta died at the age of fourteen years.

Mr. Williams was an honest man, and as such I am glad to record him as one of the pioneers of Madison county. The family will so be remembered. The deceased are buried at the Vinson cemetery, one and a half miles south-west of Summitville. Mr. W. was an old-time Whig, and after 1856 a strong Republican.

#### AQUILLA MOORE.

I would not forget Mr. Moore among the pioneers of Madison county, for he is one from away back, coming with his father, Geo. Moore, as early as 1836, and to-day is one

of the very few men who came here that early. He has lived constantly in Vanburen township since 1836. He was one of the first merchants of Summitville, and long its postmaster. He was the first man in Vanburen to vote the Free Soil ticket in 1848, for James G. Burny. Mr. Moore was born in North Carolina, May 26, 1819. He was married to Amanda H. Robb, who was born in Kentucky, August, 1821. They were married in Vanburen township, June 27, 1839. Mrs. Moore's father's name was Robert Robb; mother's name before marriage was Elizabeth Hillis. Mr. Moore's mother's name before marriage was Sarah Burk. All are buried at the Music cemetery, near the north line of Madison county.

The following are the names of Aquilla Moore's children: Columbus W., born October 9, 1840; died in 1870. May D., born December 7, 1842; married to Druzilla Zedaker. George W., born March 13, 1845; married to Louiza McMahan; reside in Summitville. Mary A., born August, 1848; died August, 1865. Elizabeth H., born in 1850; died in 1860. James B., born November 16, 1858; married to Jane Parker.

I am glad to notice this worthy pioneer family, which was among the first to come to this part of the county. Mr. and Mrs. Moore stand deservedly high among all the people of Vanburen township. They have lived to see Summitville grow to the fourth town in the county, and Vanburen from the green woods to one of the best townships in our now grand Madison county.

#### ISAAC U. COX

Came early to Madison county, and from first to last was identified with its best interests. He was born in Decatur county, Ind., December 20, 1821, son of Isaac Cox and Welty Austin, that being her name before marriage. Isaac M. Cox was married to Mary C. Smith, August 7, 1845, in Madison county, daughter of Joseph Smith, who



was an early settler near Pendleton, Ind. She was born January 12, 1829, in Decatur county, Ind., and was quite young when she came to Madison county. She resides at Summitville, is a well preserved woman and well informed. Mr. Cox died, July 15, 1881, and is buried at Mt. Pisgah cemetery, near where the family lived, in Vanburen township, since 1850. He was elected and served several years as County Commissioner, to the entire satisfaction of all. He was a devoted Mason and loved its noble teachings, and practiced the same. He was a strong Democrat. The township was new when he settled there, and out of the green woods he made a fine farm by hard labor and industry. He died a little past the noon of life, respected by all.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Cox's children: James M., born January 12, 1847; resides in Frankton, Ind. Sarah F., born April 17, 1851; married to L. B. Bear; reside in Summitville. Rebecca J., born September 29, 1854; married to Nathan Call; also reside in Summitville. Mr. C. has served as Treasurer of Madison county. William A., born November 25, 1858; married to Amanda Lee; reside in Alexandria. Joseph P., born February 6, 1862; died January 17, 1878; buried at Mt. Pisgah cemetery. George A., born July 9, 1865; married to Annie Huston; second time to Mary Cramer; reside in Hoopstown, Ill. Mr. Isaac M. Cox was reared a Quaker.

#### SAMUEL F. WILLIAMS,

One of the grand men of Madison county, was born in the State of New York, July 10, 1808, son of Henry Williams. His mother's name was Electa Waterberry. He was married to Miss Price, who was born in Virginia, November 28, 1814. Her father's name was Abijah Price. Her mother's name before marriage was Rachel Gilbreth. Mr. S. F. Williams was married in Wayne county, Ind., March 10, 1840; came to Madison county in 1833 or 1834, first settling at Huntsville, and then at the Falls at Pendleton, where he worked at Irish & Co.'s flouring mill for

sometime. In 1851 the family moved to New Columbus, five miles east of Pendleton, where Mr. W. died, November 18, 1864. During his stay at New Columbus he studied law, and was admitted to the bar at Anderson. He was Justice of the Peace for several years in Adams township, and was appointed by Governor Morton Notary Public. He was a well informed man, a staunch Republican, and loved the Union and the boys who went to defend it in 1861.

The following are the names of Mr. Williams' children: Franklin, born August 30, 1842; killed in the army at Rolla, Mo., and is buried there. Henry, born October 16, 1843; died in infancy; is buried at Huntsville, Ind. Henrietta, born September 20, 1846; died in 1852; buried at Columbus, Ind. Emmon, born June 1, 1848; married to Mary L. Myers. She was born in Pennsylvania, June 27, 1837; married in Pennsylvania, June 20, 1871. Names of children: Hannah A., born in Pennsylvania, January 10, 1873; died October 31, 1894; is buried at New Columbus. Martha, born November 16, 1875; died in infancy. Mary C., born in Pennsylvania, June 25, 1877. George, son of S. F. Williams, was born January 25, 1850; died December 18, 1853. Mark, born June 2, 1852, died June 18, 1873. Edwin, born March 30, 1853; died in infancy. Mary E., born January 7, 1855; died September 23, 1863.

Mrs. Samuel F. Williams resides in Anderson, returning to Madison county some few years since, after an absence of several years in Missouri. She is a well preserved lady of eighty-two years, and well informed about the early history of Madison county, where she lived her best days, and where she desires to sleep at last beside her husband at New Columbus, their home for years, where they were highly respected years gone by. Mr. and Mrs. W. have been members of the Christian Church.

#### ABRAHAM COTTRELL

Was another of the grand old men that found his way to

the new county of Madison in the year 1823, and settled on both Fall and Lick creek, near the junction, and opened and operated a farm up to his death, April 29, 1889. He was born in Virginia, June 11, 1803. Married to Susan Hilderbrand, October 12, 1823, in Union county, Ind. She was born in Virginia, June 29, 1803. I am glad to write of this grand old pioneer and his family. He was indeed a grand man, a typical pioneer, strong, hardy and honest. With sleeves rolled up he went to work to make a farm between the two creeks. He erected a cabin, whetted his ax, and soon the maul sounded up and down these streams, until the light of the sun was let in. Soon a better house was built, and neighbors came, and plenty soon followed, as a reward for frugality and honesty. Mrs. Cottrell died November 22, 1862, and is buried at the Chapman cemetery, near the old home. He was an old-time Whig and then a Republican. No man ever lived in Madison county that loved his country better than Mr. Cottrell. He was a great reader, and well posted in the affairs of the Government.

The following are the names of Mr. Cottrell's children: Mary A., born May 14, 1824; married to Abram Gardner; he died March, 1894; buried at the Hiday cemetery. Elizabeth, born July 13, 1826; married to Jesse Pilkenton; he died in 1890; buried at the Fort cemetery. John H., born October 10, 1829; resides near the county line, in Green township. He was first married to Jane Pettigrew. She died in 1880, and is buried at the Beech Grove cemetery. He was the second time married to Margaret Anderson, September 19, 1880. She was born near Pendleton, July 17, 1837. (Mr. Cottrell was in the Twelfth Indiana Volunteers, and served three years. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. lodge and G. A. R., and a staunch Republican.) Hester, born July 12, 1832; married first to John Gardner. He died in the army in 1861. She was again married to James Clark. William, born January 29, 1834; married



JUDGE HERVEY CRAVEN, PENDLETON, IND., (Dec'd.)

to Margaret Williams. Both deceased, and buried at the Chapman cemetery. Lydia, born May 11, 1836; married Carlos Savage; reside in Pendleton. Abram, born March 17, 1839; died in infancy, August 10, 1840. Samuel P., born November 24, 1840; died in the army, March 7, 1862, at Fort Donalson. He was in the Eleventh Indiana Volunteers. Thomas J., born September 22, 1843; married Marry Scott. He died June 15, 1883, and is buried at the Chapman cemetery. His wife died in Missouri.

#### DR. WARD COOK.

It gives me great pleasure to write of this grand old man and doctor, one who has been with us so long in our infancy. The pioneer life of Madison county would not be complete without a sketch of his life and work during a period of fifty years. As a citizen he filled his place well. He was in his make up of a retired nature, but his counsel was always in demand. A Democrat of the old school, never failing in the belief that pure Democracy was good for the people. He was for years a member of the M. E. Church, and, as in other walks of life, he was counselled and advised with when matters of importance came up. As a physician I will hardly be able to tell of his great work during his long residence in Madison county. He has traveled day and night over the little roads here in an early day, when there was no way to go but on horseback. His practice extended over a portion of Madison, Hancock and Hamilton counties, Pendleton, of course, being the center. No man or doctor has ever lived in the county who has left such a record as Dr. Ward Cook. His going in and out before the people here has only taught us to love him in life and lament him in death.

Following will be found a sketch of his life, taken from a medical journal, published after his death, which gives more at length his life and character. His last appearance in public was at the old settlers' meeting; held in August,

1894, and in that vast assemblage no one was more gladly listened to than he. With a falling voice he held the people still-bound for thirty minutes, after which he had read by a friend a paper, the closing paragraph of which will be found in the piece taken from the medical journal, referred to above, and the closing what I wish to say about him.

I am indebted to his son, Dr. John W. Cook, of Pendleton, for the piece referred to above, a son devoted to his father seldom if ever equalled :

DEATH OF DR. WARD COOK, OF PENDLETON.

Dr. Ward Cook was born in Monroe county, West Virginia, October 9, 1808, and died of pneumonia at his home in Pendleton, Ind., December 24, 1894, aged eighty-six years. He was the sixth of six living children of the Rev. Jacob and Isabella Cook, his father being a Methodist minister, ordained by Bishop Asbury, May 20, 1793. After attending the country school of his native State until seventeen years of age, he spent two years at Maxwell Academy, East Tennessee, an institution under the patronage of the Presbyterian Church, where he said he learned hic, haec, hoc and other things. In 1829 he farmed and taught school, and in 1830 studied latin and geometry with his old preceptor, John H. Vawter. In 1831-2 he studied Greek, and in the summer of 1832 gave private literary instruction to a class of young men in Bedford county, Virginia, near Liberty, in sight of the far-famed Peaks of Otter. In the fall of 1832 he came to Indiana on horseback, traveling a distance of about 500 miles in thirteen days. The Thirteenth District Medical Society had a meeting that fall at Pendleton, and as he had read medicine some in connection with his other studies, he made application, was examined, and granted a license, which was dated October 20, 1832. In the spring and summer of 1833 he practiced medicine at Anderson, Madison county, Ind., and in the spring of 1834 took a trip to Virginia and back on horseback, practicing during the summer and fall

of that year at Pendleton. In the spring of 1835 he again returned to his native mountains, and continued to practice there until the winter of 1838-9, which he spent in Cincinnati attending the medical department of the Cincinnati College, and graduated in the spring of 1839, his diploma bearing such imperishable names in the annals of medicine and surgery as Gross, Drake, Parker, Harrison, McDowell, etc., all long since gone to their account.

Returning to Virginia, he continued to practice at Red Sulphur Springs, when in the summer of 1842 he was united in marriage with Mary J. Harvey, daughter of James Harvey, of Red Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. On the night of September 13, 1848, his house caught fire and was destroyed, together with its contents, he himself sustaining such injuries in trying to extinguish the flames as to nearly cost him his life. This event determined his course again to the West, and arriving at Pendleton, March 24, 1849, he formed a partnership with Dr. Madison G. Walker, and immediately entered into practice.

In June, 1851, he lost his oldest son, James Harvey; April, 1857, his second daughter, Virginia, and in March, 1868, his oldest daughter, Ellen. In 1866, April 4th, he suffered the greatest loss of his life in the death of his beloved wife, Mary J. Cook, leaving him the care of four little boys, John, William, Oliver and Ossian, the eldest thirteen and the youngest two. He never remarried, and continued the practice of his profession until a few years ago, when on account of the infirmities of age he gave it up. He loved the labor of his calling, ministering to the sick and afflicted, and at all times working diligently for the up-building of his profession and the elevation of the medical standard. He had many times been elected president of the Madison County Medical Society, and was a member of both State and county organizations at the time of his death. His professional life covered a period of fifty-seven years.

Dr. Cook had been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for almost fifty years, and in a paper which he read at a meeting of the old settlers of Madison county at Anderson last August are found following closing words:

I trust, through the infinite mercy of God in Christ Jesus, I have a well-grounded hope of a blessed immortality, and when I think of the many near and dear friends that have crossed the flood before me and waiting on the better shore to welcome me, it detracts very much from the reluctance and undesirability of dying. No need of practicing the healing art there—

“No chilling winds or poisonous breath  
Can reach that healthful shore—  
Sickness and sorrow, pain and death,  
Are felt and feared no more!”

### CURTIS LANGLEY

Was born February 6, 1806, in Randolph county, N. C., son of Jonathan and Ruth Langley, formerly Ruth Hale. The family first came to Madison county in 1828, settling on Kilbuck, near the Henry county line. Curtis Langley was married to Naoma Gustin, August 22, 1838, in Chesterfield, Ind., by the late Armasa Makepiece, daughter of John and Jane (Howe) Gustin. She was born November 22, 1819. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Langley's children's names are as follows: John, born October 9, 1839; married to Susan Tabor; the second time to Neal Russell; reside in Barrett, Wisconsin. Hannah J., born September 1, 1842; died in infancy; buried at Chesterfield. Mary A., born February 20, 1845; married to Isaac Tappen; reside in Anderson. James C., born February 20, 1847; married to Nancy B. Mockamore; reside in Galesburg, Wisconsin. Thomas C., born December 11, 1850; married to Mary E. Credge, daughter of the late Samuel Credge. She was born in Fayette county, Indiana, in 1855. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Langley reside three miles south of Anderson. They were married May 16, 1879. Sarah J., born March



28, 1853; married to John Hull; reside six miles south of Anderson. Perry R., born August 30, 1855; married to Florence Coopman; reside in Franklin, Ind. Betheny M., born February 26, 1858; died at the age of six years; is buried at the Chesterfield cemetery. Catharine S., born November 1, 1860; married to John Maddron, December 21, 1879. He is deceased, and buried at the Whetstone cemetery, four miles south of Anderson. Curtis A., born February 6, 1863; died in infancy; buried at the Whetstone cemetery. Mr. Curtis Langley died August 22, 1875, and is buried at the Whetstone cemetery. Mrs. Langley was married to Jonas Whetstone in 1880. He died in 1891, and is also buried at the Whetstone cemetery.

I am glad to give this pioneer family a sketch in this work. Mr. Langley was a well posted man, well informed, and a minister of more than local note. He was formerly a Dunkard, but the last years of his life belonged to the Christian, or Newlight, Church, as well as his wife, who survives him, and at this time resides in Anderson. Mr. L. was in person about five feet eight inches high, stoutly built, with light hair and complexion. He will long be remembered as one of Madison county's best as well as earliest citizens, and all the time a Jacksonian Democrat.

### JOSEPHUS POINDEXTER

Was born in Virginia, February 19, 1798, son of James and Mary Poindexter. He was married to Sidney Connor in Virginia, February 7, 1824. She was born in Virginia, September 3, 1807. Came to Madison county in 1836, settling in Adams township, where all the children were born except five. The family, which is a very large one, was among the best that came to Madison county and early became identified with its best interest. Mr. P. served many years as Justice of the Peace in Adams township, where he died, May 30, 1858, and is buried at the Busby cemetery, in Fall-Creek township. Mrs. Poindexter died near Alexandria, November 5, 1892, and is buried at the

Walker cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Poindexter were in faith Universalists and Jacksonian Democrats.

The following are the names of their children: Robert E., born in Virginia, September 18, 1825; resides in Indianapolis; thrice married. Mary J., born in Virginia, February 12, 1827; married to Thomas McAllister; reside in Missouri. Lewis T., born June 2, 1828; died at the age of twenty-years; buried in Virginia. Joseph, born April 29, 1830; married to Mary M. Giles; reside in Muncie, Ill. Virginia, born July 31, 1832; married to William Busby. She died in Illinois. Margaret, born April 29, 1834; married to John M. Sloan; reside in Madison county; born in Virginia, as well as all the above. James C., born April 11, 1836; married to Emily McAllister, daughter of John McAllister. James C. died January 25, 1878; was married April 24, 1864; born in Virginia. Harriet, born in Indiana, December 28, 1840; married to John C. McAllister. He died in Illinois. She was the second time married to W. W. Hilton. Nancy E., born May 16, 1843; died November 15, 1851. Charles J., born November 27, 1845; died in infancy. Eli, born in Indiana, May 4, 1838; married to Mary E. Boughman. She was born January 8, 1845. Their children's names are: Wallace, married to Allie Potts; reside in Madison county; William and Calvin. Eli Poindexter resides in Delaware county, Ind., six miles north-east of Alexandria. Thomas B., born November 8, 1846; married Sidna Elmore. She was born March 11, 1852; married July 17, 1870; reside five miles north-east of Alexandria. One child, Odiska, born October 16, 1871; married to William Wisheart. Edwin, the youngest of the Poindexter family, was born November 15, 1851. He married Mary McQuary. He died in Missouri, December, 1893.

The father of Josephus Poindexter was born November 6, 1765; his mother, Mary Thompson, May 21, 1764. Married, 1704; died in 1833.

## DANIEL STANLEY

Was born in North Carolina in 1799, and was married to Elizabeth Perkins, February 15, 1820, in Ohio. She was born in Ohio in 1804. They came to Madison county, and settled four miles south-east of Anderson, where all the family were born except John and George, who were born in Ohio. Daniel Stanley died December 11, 1877. Mrs. Stanley died March 14, 1885. Both are buried at the Whetstone cemetery. He was seventy-seven years, eleven months and two days old. She was seventy-five years, eight months and twenty-six days old.

The following are the names of their children: John, born December 5, 1821; resides in Anderson. George, born June 5, 1824; died in Missouri. Annie, born February 23, 1826; married George Elsworth; reside at Mulberry Grove, Ill. Elizabeth, born May 4, 1828; married first to John Harmason; second time to John Wilson; reside four miles south-east of Anderson. Milton, born December 27, 1830; went to Missouri. Rebecca, born December 8, 1832; married to Caleb Vandevender; died in Missouri. Eli, born December 10, 1833; resides in Missouri. Alfred, born February 1, 1836; married to Sarah Rector in 1858; reside in Anderson. Mary, born March 11, 1838; married to William Makemore. Nancy, born May 24, 1842; married to Moses Brothers; reside in Anderson. Malinda J., born February 22, 1845; married to James Childs. He is deceased.

The family was quite well known in Madison county, and was among the early families to come here. The old folks lived to see vast changes in their new home in the woods.

## BIRKETT EADS.

This old pioneer first looked out on this beautiful world on the hills of old Virginia, August 23, 1798, and remained there till he was married to Eliza Collins, May 27, 1819.



MOSES D. HARMON, ANDERSON, IND.  
Recorder of Madison County, Elected November 6, 1894.

She was born in Virginia, August 6, 1800. Soon after this event Mr. and Mrs. Eads bid farewell to the land of their birth and came to Kentucky. Here they remained for several years, where three or four of the older children were born. About the year 1830 they removed to Henry county, Ind., and there lived till 1835, when they came to Madison county, where they lived till death. Mr. Eads died August 11, 1866, and is buried at the Anderson cemetery, near where he settled. Mrs. Eads is also buried there.

Mr. Eads on first coming to Madison county worked on the canal between Anderson and Alexandria, in 1836-7. He was a strong, uncompromising Democrat, and took an active part all his life. He was elected Sheriff in 1856 and County Recorder in 1860, serving in all eight years, to the entire satisfaction of all. He will long be remembered as an active man in the history of Madison county. He was at the time of his death the best known of any man in the county, except perhaps William Roach and Nin Berry.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Eads' children, all dead at this time (1894) except John and William H. John resides in Anderson and William H. in Mt. Aetna, Ind. The first born was Amanda, March 15, 1820; married to Samuel Smith. She died April 11, 1847; buried at the Nelson cemetery, in Richland township. Edward C., born November 24, 1821; died March 7, 1840; buried in Henry county at the Mt. Pleasant cemetery. Oscar, born February 3, 1824; married to Ann Johnson. She died June 28, 1859; buried at Anderson. Aletha, born December 17, 1825; married to Reuben Rederthford. She died January 13, 1874; buried at the Nelson cemetery. Lewis, born July 9, 1830, in the State of Kentucky; married to Elizabeth J. Gitt. She was born June 18, 1831, and died March 9, 1874. He died January 18, 1880, and is buried in Cass county, Ind.; she at Peru, Ind. John, born in Henry county, Ind., February 10, 1833; married to

Mary Anderson, November, 1856. She was born August 22, 1832; reside in Anderson. William B., born March 30, 1828; married to Rachel Wamsley; reside in Huntington county, Ind.

Mrs. Birkett Eads lived several years after Mr. Eads' death. Perhaps she died in 1878. The exact time I failed to get. She was a large woman, and was well known by all the older people of Anderson. Mr. Eads was for years an active Mason, and served in all the chairs of Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 77, Anderson. Both Mr. and Mrs. Eads were members of the Christian Church. Three or four children died in infancy, and are buried at the Nelson cemetery.

I am indebted to John Eads for the above history of this pioneer family.

JOHN DAVIS,

One of the grand old men of Adams township, Madison county, was born in Pasapatack county, N. C., April 13, 1800. Married to Mary Jackson (also born in North Carolina) in 1825. She was born in 1805. They came to Madison county in 1827. Following are their children's names: Maxey, born in North Carolina in 1828; married to Loustay Gilmore; reside in Adams township. Mary M., born in Indiana about the year 1829; married to John Fatic; reside near Middletown, Ind., father and mother of Dr. Fatic, of Anderson. Henry, born about 1832; married to Susan C. Justice, daughter of Archibald Justice; reside in the State of Washington. Tana, born about 1834; single; resides on the old home, one mile north of Markleville. Clarinda, born in 1836; died April, 1870; is buried at the McAllister cemetery. James, born March 13, 1838; married to Susan Eppard. She was born June 17, 1847; married April 29, 1869; reside near Markleville. William, born May 25, 1840; married to Eliza Collins (formerly Eliza Walker.) William died in Kansas, October 16, 1894; buried at Valley Falls. Lurana, born in 1842; married to Solon Walker. She died; buried at the McAllister

cemetery. Mary A., born in 1846; married to Archibald Bray; reside in Adams township.

Mrs. Davis died June 27, 1847, and is buried at the McAllister cemetery. Mr. Davis was again married to Mary Creason. Two children were born to this marriage. Elizabeth, married first to J. R. Cole. He died. The second time to Eli Hartzell; reside in Adams township. John, born in Adams township; married first to Emma Hardy; the second time to Alice Guard; reside one mile north of Markleville. Mr. John Davis died in 1881. Mrs. Davis died February 11, 1884. Both are buried at the McAllister cemetery. Both were Baptists, and among the first people of that locality. Long may their memory live.

### JOSEPH H. RIDER,

One of the rising young men of Madison county, who lives four miles south of Anderson, was born in Wayne county, Ind., November 2, 1852, son of Dr. D. M. Rider, of near Ovid, Ind., where he practiced medicine many years. Joseph's mother's name before marriage to Dr. D. M. Rider was Miss Howard. She died, April, 1884. Joseph was married to Sarah E. Cooper, August 29, 1871, daughter of the late Isaac Cooper, one of the pioneers of Adams township, born in Virginia in 1795, and came to Madison county in 1830. Her mother's name before marriage to Isaac Cooper was Cynthia Blake. Isaac Cooper was in the war of 1812. Mrs. Cooper is yet living (1895.)

The following are the names of the children of Joseph H. and Sarah E. Rider: Lineas L., born June 18, 1873; died September 10, 1874; buried at Mechanicsburg, Ind. Gertrude, L., born March 6, 1876.

Mr. Rider is a Democrat, and served as deputy Sheriff under the late Randall Biddle. He is a progressive farmer and pushes his work; is a free thinker, and not a member of any church.

Brothers and sisters of Mrs. Sarah E. Rider: William, Hannah, Mahala, Hiram, Isaac, George and Retta. Retta is deceased, aged twenty-two years. Mrs. Rider was born on the farm where the Indians were killed in 1824.

#### DAVID PITTSFORD

Came with William Pittsford, his father, to Madison county in 1827, and settled on what is known as the French farm, one mile west of the "Mounds," where the family resided many years. William Pittsford went to Missouri, and died there in 1860. Mrs. William Pittsford died in Madison, Ind., in 1870; is buried at Anderson cemetery. Her name before marriage was Betsy Bodle. The family came from Licking county, Ohio, to Clark county, Ohio, and from there to Madison county, Ind. The following are the names of William and Betsy Pittsford's children: David, born in Clark county, Ohio, March 24, 1824; Nancy, Polly, Isaac, Isabel and Sallie. Polly died in 1874; Isaac died in 1889.

David Pittsford, the one whose name heads this sketch, was a mere boy when he came to Madison county, and lived here till February 7, 1889; is buried at the Anderson cemetery. He was married to Phebe Stanley, July 22, 1855. She was born in Madison county, September 4, 1833, daughter of William Stanley. Her mother's name before marriage was Sarah Miller. The following are the names of their children: William, born May 3, 1856; resides in Anderson. Amelia, born December 12, 1857; married to John Stanley. She died in Kansas in 1888. She was a teacher, and a grand, good woman. She is buried at Anderson. Frank, born April 2, 1862; married to Ollie Bennett. She was born in Delaware county, Ind.; reside on the old farm, two miles south-east of Anderson. Three children died in infancy.

Mrs. David Pittsford was married to Erasmus Fifer, November 14, 1893. He was born in Virginia, March 6,



1818, and they reside on Pitt street, Anderson. He is a Christian minister.

David Pittsford, like all the Pittsford family, was a large man, strong, and well fitted for a pioneer life. He was among the first to help organize a county fair in Madison county. A Republican of the strongest kind, and belonged to the Christian Church. He will be remembered as one of Madison county's best as well as oldest citizens. Glad to give him a notice in the Pioneer.

### HENRY SMITH

Was born in Maryland in 1819, and married to Isabel Pittsford, December 6, 1849. She is a daughter of the late William Pittsford. She was born June 28, 1831. The following are the names of their children: Elizabeth, born December 19, 1850; married to Robert Stanley; reside in Danverse, Ill. James, died in 1887, aged twenty-seven years; buried at Anderson. Barbara, born in 1852; married to Jesse Null; reside in New Paris, Ohio. Nora, born in 1854; married to N. M. Connor; reside at Rosewood, Ohio. Sylvester, born in 1859; married to Elizabeth Spaulding; reside on the home farm. John J., born in 1862; married to Jennie Null; reside in Anderson; a tip top man, a hard worker, and enjoys life in the fullest. Henry, born in 1864; died at the age of twenty-four years; buried at Chesterfield.

Mr. Henry Smith died May 3, 1864. Mrs. Smith was married to William Vandrender, June 29, 1875. He was a son of Phillip Vandrender, one of the pioneers of Madison county. William Vandrender was a prominent man and Democrat. He died at his home, four miles south of Anderson, December 16, 1891, aged sixty-eight years; is buried at the Wilson cemetery. His first wife was a daughter of Dempsey Wilson. She died, May 26, 1873; also buried at the Wilson cemetery. Mrs. Isabel Vandrender, like all the Pittsforths, is large, and has underwent many

hardships. A sister of David, Isaac, Polly Allen, Nancy and Sallie.

### PROFESSOR JOSEPH SWAIN

Is a son of Wolson Swain, of near Pendleton, an early settler there, who came from Pennsylvania back in the forties, and settled in what is known as the Quaker Settlement. Here Joseph was born and raised on a farm. He went to the common schools of that locality up to the age of eighteen years, when, not satisfied with such advantages afforded at such schools, he attended college, and graduated in the highest honors, and at once became one of our best educators in Indiana, and to-day (1895) is president of the college at Bloomington, Ind., where he enjoys the highest confidence of all as a citizen and educator. He is broad in his views. His training and reading has always tended to make him such. In person he is dignified, full six feet tall, and at once is pointed out as a man of mark. He is retired in his make up, and at once commands the highest respect wherever he goes. Below will be found a letter from him, which will be read with great interest by all:

#### A STUDENT.

The ideal student is not a snob in any sense of the word. He is not dependent upon his good or bad looks, on the part of his hair, the style of his eye-glasses, the cut of his coat, the size of the head of his cane, or the shape of his boot. Neither is he dependent upon the size of his muscle, the distance he can jump, his speed in running, the curve of his ball, or his agility and strength in foot-ball. He does not take pride in the number of young ladies who have fallen victims to his wiles, nor in the number of parties and receptions which he attends, and in his general popularity. Nor does he become a book-worm, spending all his time and energy trying to make excellent grades, thereby becoming a mere machine and a drudge. He is not quick to point out the faults of his fellow-students, nor

decry their work in order to exalt his own. He does not flaunt in the face of others his new religious discoveries. Nor does he propose to reform the world at a single stroke. He is not dyspeptic physically or mentally. He does not allow any habit to become his master, or any one to own his conscience. He is not a flirt, a shirk or a dude. The best thing about genuine youth, says Hall, is that it can not and will not interest itself in what it feels to be formal, trifling, dry, insincere, or of less than the highest worth. These, and many more things which might be mentioned, he is not, but he is not wholly a negative creature. There are many positive points in his character.

He is neat in dress and easy in manner. He enjoys the best society and the best entertainments. He knows enough music and art to be able to appreciate the best music and the finest pictures. He loves nature and knows the best books. He is interested in everything. He has the power to master any subject to which he may turn his attention, and early selects some one narrow field in which he proposes to make himself an authority.

He is fond of out door sports, but looks upon them only as a means of recreation, in order to put himself in condition for the more serious duties of life. He is systematic in his work, having regular hours for study, pleasure and recreation, and allows nothing to interfere with his work. He has high ideals of morals, and does everything in his power to make the moral standard of the university higher than it has ever been before.

He has high standards of work—always a higher standard than he has been able to reach, and becomes higher each day and year. He is independent in thought and in action, without being dogmatic and self-centered. He is a severe critic of himself and charitable toward others. He is always seeking favors for others, and prefers to honor a friend rather than to receive honor. He is interested in church affairs and in the study of the Bible.



H. C. RYAN,  
Attorney, Anderson, Ind.



HOWELL D. THOMPSON,  
Attorney, Anderson, Ind.



JUDGE ALFRED ELLISON,  
Anderson, Ind., Elected in 1892.



JOHN L. FORKNER,  
Ex-County Auditor, Anderson, Ind.



GEORGE W. WHELOCK,  
Anderson, Ind.

In a word, he uses every means at his command to cultivate to its highest capacity every good and precious gift with which he has been endowed. "Every healthy, youthful soul has a strong and eager curiosity which bad pedagogy alone can kill." It circumventates like a vine to find some Jacob's ladder up which it can climb.

JOSEPH SWAIN.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY, 1895.

EDWARD VERNON,

My old-time friend, must not be overlooked in the Pioneer. He was born in Chester county, Pa., November 16, 1816, (just the age of his adopted State, Indiana), son of Abram Vernon and Mary Bailey, born respectively, May 30, 1774, and May, 1794. Edward Vernon was married to Hannah Rodgers, October 15, 1840, daughter of Benjamin Rodgers, one of the pioneers of Madison county. Mrs. Ed Vernon was born in Pennsylvania, November 17, 1822. Mr. Vernon settled about two miles east of Pendleton, where he has resided the past fifty years, and where he began life almost in the woods, and by hard work has made a fine, productive farm, where to-day (1895) he enjoys life to perfection in his declining years. On the 24th of October, 1851, he lost his wife, a noble woman, who came to the front and helped make their home. She was a Quaker, and held in high esteem by all who knew her in life. She is sleeping in the Quaker cemetery, near her home, where her last days were spent. The following are the names of the children born to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon: Elizabeth E., died in infancy. Abner R., born December 28, 1843; married to Jemima Harris; reside near Menden, Ind. Mary E., born December 31, 1847; married to Noah Haines; reside on the pike midway between Pendleton and Markleville. Sarah A., married to Cassius Jacobs; reside in Fall-Creek township. She was born January 21, 1850. Mr. Vernon was the second time married to Ruth A. Davis, daughter of Thomas and

Rachel Davis, born in Henry county, Ind., July 27, 1829; married January 18, 1855. To this marriage the following are the children's names: Abram, born February 11, 1856; died in infancy. Hannah E., born November 13, 1857; died in infancy. Thomas D., born May 25, 1859; died in infancy. Esther P., born April 8, 1862; married to Isaac Woolman. Rachel D., born December 19, 1864; married to Herry Foust. Charles E., born July 21, 1866; married to Nancy Miller. Anna R., born January 20, 1868; single. Fanny S., born December 4, 1871. Ruth A., born March 17, 1877; both died in infancy.

Mr. Vernon's wives and children are buried at the Quaker cemetery. Mr. V. has always been a friend to humanity; was an old-time Whig, and since 1856 a strong Republican. He is a liberal man, both as regards politics and religion; a free thinker, enjoys life to the utmost, and looks on the bright side of things generally. About forty years ago I first met Ed, and will remember him as an honest man and true friend. Mr. V.'s second wife died March 17, 1877.

### JOHN HALL.

Son of Joseph Hall and Octaine Hook, was born in Ohio, February 6, 1825, and came with his parents to Monroe township, Madison county, in 1841. On May 4, 1848, he was married to Miss Davis, daughter of Baxter Davis, one of the early settlers of that locality. She died December 11, 1872, near Alexandria. Mr. Hall was the second time married to Mattie M. Miller, who was born in Perry county, Ohio, October 28, 1845; married November 26, 1873. Children's names: Alice, born December 12, 1874; J. W., born September 1, 1876; Mattie, born May 4, 1878; Joseph II., born September 20, 1880; Charles J., born March 2, 1884; died March 7, 1887; buried at Mt. Pisgah cemetery. Carrie G., born April 21, 1890.

Joseph Hall, father John Hall, died March 28, 1869. Mrs. Joseph Hall died in 1874. Mrs. John Hall's parents

died in Ohio in 1893; buried at the Bethel cemetery, Perry county, Ohio.

John Hall commenced life on a farm, and was at one time one of the largest land holders in the county. He engaged in the milling business at Anderson, and built up a fine trade at what is known as the Killbuck Mill, and for several years operated it, and improved it to one of the best mills in the county, and is to-day so considered. About the year 1880 he sold out and bought a part of the old Pettigrew farm, in Green township, where he now resides, one of the first farms in that locality. Mr. Hall is a progressive man and farmer; raises one hundred bushels of corn to the acre (in 1894). He is a Republican, and I think a free thinker; does his own reading and votes accordingly. His father, Joseph Hall, was one of the prominent men of near Alexandria, and the family stands high. His brother, Jesse Hall, of Monroe township, is one of the best farmers in the county. I am glad to notice this family in my work. Perhaps no man in the county is better known than John Hall.

#### THORNTON RECTOR,

A grand old pioneer of Madison county, was born in North Carolina, December 25, 1804. He was married in Wayne county, Ind., in 1825, to Nancy Little. She was born there April 18, 1810. Soon after marriage they came to Adams township, two miles north of New Columbus, on Sugar Fork, and there the family resided for many years, and made one of the best farms in that locality. Mr. Rector entered his land and died on it. He was a very strong man, and did as much hard work as any man that ever lived in the county. The Rector family will long be remembered as one of the first on Sugar Fork. 1 He was a Jeffersonian Democrat of the olden time.

The following are the names of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Rector: Elizabeth, born September 10, 1826;

married to Meredith Stanley. She is deceased; buried at the Gilmore cemetery. Jacob, born October 14, 1827; married to Elizabeth Hoppis. He was in the army; died in 1886. Mary A., born June 28, 1829; married to John Stinson. Peter, born October 13, 1832; married to Mary E. Howard; reside on Fall creek, Adams township. Isaac, born March 21, 1835; died at the age of ten years; buried at the Gilmore cemetery. Henry, born June 27, 1837; died at the age of thirty-four years; buried at the Gilmore cemetery; died in 1874; single. Sarah, born December 25, 1840; married to Allen Stanley in 1858; reside in Anderson. Charity, born June 28, 1842; married to John Stoler. Nancy J., born May 6, 1844; married to John Harmason; near Anderson. Alcy R., born December 1, 1846; married to George Poor; she is dead. Jessie L., born January 15, 1855; single. Mr. Rector died December, 1877. Mrs. R. died in 1885. Most of the family are buried at the Gilmore cemetery. All the children were born in Madison county.

#### JOHN HARMASON, SR.

This old veteran came to Madison county in 1836. He was married in Belmont county, Ohio, in 1823, to Parlia Minor. The four oldest children were born in Ohio. The Harmason family settled about two miles south of Anderson, where Mr. H. entered eighty acres of his land. Here he and his good wife began life, with four small children, in the woods, and by strict economy and industry they succeeded in making a grand farm, where the rest of the children were born. Mr. Harmason died September 5, 1877. She died June 19, 1869. He was seventy-four years, eleven months and six days old. She was sixty-five years, three months and eighteen days old. Both buried on the old farm.

The following are the names of Mr. Harmason's family: David, died in 1871, at the age of forty-eight years; lived on the home farm. William, born February 15, 1824;



married three times; first to Miss Vandevender, second to Mag Merrick, and third to Emily J. Felty; all dead. Clark, married to Emma Caswell; reside in Colusa, Cal. Emily, married to Meredith Stanley. She died; buried on the home farm. Thomas J., married to Maria Whetstone; reside two miles south-west of Anderson. Allen, married first to Elizabeth Evans; second time to Mrs. Sparks, in 1880, daughter of Hayward Scott; reside three miles south of Anderson. She was born January 4, 1855. Mirror J., married to Mary Butler; resides in Colusa, Cal. She is deceased; buried at the Wilson cemetery, four miles south of Anderson. John, born May 4, 1840; married to Nancy J. Rector; reside one and a half miles south of Anderson, on part of the old home farm. Mrs. John Harmason, Jr, was born May 6, 1842; married September 11, 1863.

John Harmason, Sr., was, a few years after the death of his wife, married to Mrs. Benjamin Wilson, who survived him. Mr. Harmason was one of the hard working men of Madison county, and lived to see it much developed. A Democrat of the old school, and a grand old-timer of Madison county. Glad to give the family a sketch in the Pioneer.

#### CONRAD CROSSLY,

One of the grand old pioneers of Madison county, was born in the State of Virginia, January 1, 1799. He was married to Elvira Lain. She was born in 1807. Soon after marriage they came to Indiana, and settled near Pendleton in 1820, where they made out of the green woods one of the finest farms in the county, and where the family was born. He died, March 12, 1869. She died, August, 1891. Both buried on the old farm, three miles south-west of Pendleton. No family or house was better known than the Crossly. Here the old and first settlers gathered in the early twenties. Nothing too good to give or lend a neighbor was their motto, and in sickness, their kindness was unbounded. Mr. and Mrs. Crossly will live in the

memory of the coming generation as noble hearted pioneers. Some of their children died young, and are buried on the old farm.

The following are the names of their children: Sarah, married to James Brown; both dead; buried at the Mendon cemetery. Virginia, married to James Manifold; reside near Mendon. Corydon W.; resides in Ingalls. Margaret, born July 22, 1843; married to Daniel Propps, December 3, 1866. Warren F., born February, 1846; married to Sarah Guy; reside near the old farm. Lou C., married to Samuel Propps. She is deceased; buried on the old farm. Daniel W., born April 4, 1850; married to Martha P. Parsons; reside in Pendleton. She was born in North Carolina, July 13, 1852; married, January 5, 1871. One child, William H., born in 1872; single.

I am glad to give this interesting family a notice in the Pioneer, as few came as early as they among the advance guard of a grand army that came to our county. Mr. C. was an old-time Whig, a free thinker, and did not belong to any church or order. He was present and a guard at the hanging of the Indian murderers near Pendleton in 1824. Mrs. C. was for many years a consistent member of the Methodist Church. In person Mr. C. was of light complexion, some six feet high, and would weigh perhaps two hundred pounds at his best. A pleasant talker, and full of early time reminiscences, which he delighted to relate. Long may the memory of this family live. Mr. James Manifold died October, 1895.

#### DAVID CATTRON.

Mr. Cattron was born in Chester county, in the State of Pennsylvania, February 10, 1808. He was married to Rebecca Vernon, January 12, 1832, in Pennsylvania. She was born, July 22, 1808. Moved to Wayne county, Ind., in 1837, and to Madison county in 1839, settling about four miles east of Pendleton, where their home was till broken

up by the death of Mr. Cattron, November 10, 1895. He is buried at the Quaker cemetery, two miles west of where he resided so long. Mr. Cattron was a grand, good man, and loved and respected wherever known. He was one of the best farmers in Madison county. His delight was to make his calling honorable and profitable, in both of which, as far as he was concerned, he succeeded. He was industrious, honest, and his word was good, and in his death Madison county lost one of its best citizens.

The following are the names of Mr. Cattron's children: Margaret, born in Pennsylvania; married Abner Thomas; died in Kosciusko county, Ind. William, born in Indiana, February 27, 1841; married Mrs. Josie Hamlin, who was born in Ripley county, Ind., in 1847; reside on the old home farm. Jane, born in 1843; married W. H. Lumis; reside adjoining the old farm. Sarah, married Isaac Brown; reside in Pendleton. Lucinda E., married William Pyle, reside in Indianapolis. Eliza A., married John Turner; reside near Clarksville, Ind. Three of their children died when quite young.

Mrs. Rebecca Cattron, the widow of David, is yet living (1894), at the advanced age of eighty-six years. She, like Mr. C., is worthy of notice as being a true pioneer of Indiana, coming soon after marrying to Wayne county, and for the past forty-five years a resident of the Quaker Settlement. Her life has been consistent of a true christian woman. She, with her husband, came with strong hands to the then new county of Madison, settled almost in the woods, and commenced the battle of life in earnest. They succeeded and plenty come to bless them in their old age. I am glad to give this worthy family a notice in the Pioneer, and to rejoice that David and Rebecca came and lived among us so long, and to leave behind them lessons of industry and frugality that marked their long lives.



HON. M. U. JOHNSON,  
Superintendent County Schools, Madison County, Indiana.

## JOSEPH DRAPER,

One of the substantial men of Monroe township, Madison county, was born in Virginia, December 17, 1828, son of Thomas and Mary (Turner) Draper. Joseph Draper was married to Nancy Ewing, March, 1855, daughter of James Ewing, born in Kentucky, August 29, 1829. She died September 19, 1855, and is buried at the Barrett cemetery, near Knightstown, Ind. Mr. Draper was the second time married to Elizabeth Stephens. She was born in Rush county, Ind., September 3, 1841; married November 21, 1858. She died September 21, 1859, and is buried at Alexandria. One son was born to this marriage, Isaac S., born September 10, 1859; died March 1, 1874; buried at Alexandria. Mr. Draper was the third time married to Anna Siler, June 15, 1863. She was born in Rush county, Ind., March 29, 1839. Her father's name was Jacob Siler. Children born of this marriage are: May E., born in Madison county, July 20, 1864; married to Grant Stephenson; Martha J., born December 19, 1865; married to Wm. Blake, August 12, 1894; Peter T., born August 8, 1867; married to Elizabeth Thurston, October 12, 1891; reside in Monroe township; John W., born June 18, 1869, single (1895). Mr. Joseph Draper resides five miles east of Alexandria, where he owns a fine farm, well cultivated. He owned at one time five hundred acres of choice land in Monroe township. He and his wife are industrious and have the confidence of the people where they have so long resided, since 1862, when they came from Rush county, Indiana, and settled in the then new county. Mr. Draper has always been a stanch Republican and he and his wife belong to the Christian church. Their home is one of plenty and they delight to entertain their many friends. Peter T., their son, who is a teacher of long experience, lives near the old folks. Thanks to the family for kindnesses received. Mr. Draper's parents came to Rush county, Indiana, in 1833. He died December, 1873. She

died June, 1875. Buried at the Walnut Grove Cemetery in that county.

### ALEXANDER INGLIS,

One of Madison counties best men, was born in Davis county, North Carolina, September 20, 1819. On August 31, 1843, he was married to Mary C. Baker. They moved to VanBuren township about the year 1838, where they resided up to the time of their respective deaths. Mrs. Inglis died July 19, 1889; Mr. Inglis, September 20, 1891. Buried at Mt. Pisgah cemetery, about 1 mile southwest of of their old home. The family was one of the best as well as the earliest of that part of the county. Mr. Inglis was for years elected trustee of VanBuren township, and filled other places of trust among his early neighbors. The following are the names of their children: Hannah E., born October 1, 1845; married Thomas H. Vinson; Phillip M., born July 30, 1847, died May 8, 1852; Thomas N., born March 24, 1849; married to Susan Powers, daughter of David Powers. She was born in Madison county, Indiana, May 13, 1854; married August 16, 1874. Childrens' names: Ida C., born July 1, 1875, is a fine musician and teacher; Orlan B., born November 10, 1877; Ora T., born October 5, 1855. The family reside two miles west of Summitville, Indiana, on the line dividing VanBuren and Boone townships. Mr. Inglis is a good farmer, well posted on general subjects, takes time to read, does his own thinking, is a Republican, and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Mary J., fourth child of Alexander Inglis, was born April 29, 1851, died June 19, 1852; Samantha C., born April 26, 1853, married to William Webster and reside in VanBuren township. John A., born November 4, 1855; married to Sarah Hannan, daughter of James Hannan. She was born in Franklin county, Indiana, November 22, 1862; married Nov. 26, 1887—one child, Mary E., born

December 12, 1888. Syntha E., born August 15, 1858; married George Allen. She died December 14, 1878. William J., born November 7, 1861, married to Ida Thurston, daughter of Samuel Thurston, born May 28, 1865; married December 3, 1885. Childrens' names: Raymond, born July 13, 1890; Edna L., born December 12, 1891; John S., born April 22, 1887, died August 8, 1889. Glad to notice this family, who were one of the most prominent in the county.

#### ISAAC W. JONES,

One of the early pioneers of Green township, I wish to remember in this volume. He was the son of James Jones, who came to the Lick Creek settlement quite early, about the year 1830, when the subject of this sketch was about four years old, having been born in Greenbriar county, Virginia, September 19, 1827. Isaac lived in Green township for many years, where he stood high among all the older people of Green. He was elected County Commissioner in 1864 and served a term of years to the entire satisfaction of the people who elected him to that responsible place. In 1858 he was married to Susan Boone, daughter of Ovid Boone, another early settler of Madison county. Susan was born in 1831. Her mother's name, before marriage to Mr. Boone, was Ruth Baltrice. Isaac Jones' father died in 1864, and is buried near Alfont, Indiana, near the old home. The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac W. Jones' children: Mary R., born in 1859, married to Richard Hidy; the second time to Samuel Baker. Florence M. and Willie, both single, at home (1894). Mr. Jones was elected to the above office as a Democrat. In 1890 the family moved to the city of Anderson, Indiana, where they now (1894) reside.

#### STEPHEN NORRIS.

Mr. Norris was born in Ohio in 1804, and died in 1878. He came with his parents to near Connersville,

Indiana, when quite young and the family resided there for several years. Mr. Stephen Norris was married to Eleanor Noble, who was born in Tennessee in 1806, and died March 3, 1888. They were married about the year 1825 and ten years later (1835) came to Madison county, Indiana, settling in Monroe township, three miles southeast of Alexandria, where Mr. Norris lived many years, loved and respected by all who knew him. He was a useful man and clever gentleman, and did not belong to any church. He is buried at Alexandria, Indiana. The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Norris' children: Sarah, married to James Meredith. She is dead and is buried in Alexandria cemetery. Cynthia A., married to Milton King, who resides three miles southeast of Alexandria. Mary E., married to Joel Jones. He was born in North Carolina about the year 1830; died January 8, 1892, and is buried at the Mt. Pisgah cemetery. He was a grand, good man, a member of the Baptist church, as well as his wife, who survives him and resides one and one-half miles south of Alexandria. Mr. Jones first married Rhoda Cree, a daughter of the late John Cree and sister of R. H. Cree, deceased. Lewis Norris, married to Miss Nottingham; Elvessa L., married to Alexander Painter, reside in Summitville, Indiana. William Huey, died at the age of fourteen years, and is buried three miles south of Alexandria, Indiana.

#### HON. ANDREW J. BEHYMER.

I first saw Mr. Behymer in the year 1874. He was teaching school in the wilds of Duck Creek township, Madison county. He was then a young, smooth-faced man. Since then I have known him quite well and always admired him as one of my very best friends in Madison county. Sometimes I almost wish he had been born here, but where a man is born makes but little difference. As the Irishman said: "If a man is born in a stable, it does



not follow that he is a horse." Jack was born in Mt. Holly, Ohio, on the first day of March, 1850, just in the middle of the Nineteenth Century. What a grand time to be born. Should he live to be fifty years old he could not have lived in a more interesting period. In 1851, Mr. William Behymer, his father, moved to Rush county, Indiana, where Jack received his education in the common schools of that county. Ten years later, in 1861, the family moved to Grant county, Indiana, near Rigdon. Here a farm was leased and a fierce struggle began. The family was poor but industrious. It was on this farm that A. J. Behymer toiled long and hard with the other members of the family until better times came. After Jack would work in the clearing during the day, he would read and study at night, not by the gas-light, but the hickory torch furnished him light to study by. Here Mr. B. laid the foundation for a better education and afterward attended the higher schools, and stopped not until he had fitted himself for teaching.

While on the farm in Grant county he and his brother Perry cut timber and hauled it to market, and this was about the first money he could call his own. On this farm he underwent hard work and toil unknown to the young men of 1895, and be it said to his credit, he has risen high among his friends from poverty almost, if I may be allowed the term, for it is no reproach to any one, and certainly not to him. In 1862 his father enlisted in the army, and thus additional responsibility rested on him and his brother in caring for the family for three years. And when their father returned home from the army the boys turned over the farm in good shape and out of debt.

About the year 1871 Mr. B. commenced teaching, having obtained a twelve months license and continued teaching several years, when he attended Normal School at Lebanon, Ohio, with his valued friend, R. J. Hamilton, at one time County Superintendent of the schools of Mad-

ison county. After returning from Lebanon, he with his brother, Perry, traveled west and visited the principal cities in Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, etc. After returning he again taught school in Madison county. On the 19th day of March, 1874, he was married to Mary E. Thrasher, of near Rigdon, Indiana. Soon after marriage they moved to Kokomo, where he taught thirteen months. In 1877 they moved to Tipton, Indiana, where he engaged in the real estate business for some time with ex-County Auditor Robert W. Wright. His next venture was in the journalistic field at Elwood, Indiana, where he purchased the Review and Free Press and consolidated them into one paper called the Elwood Free Press, that was a credit to him, as he ably edited it for several years and gave it a standing it did not have before, and it is to this day one of the best papers in the county. In 1890 he sold the Free Press and entered the real estate business again, as the boom was on, and Mr. B. did his part to make Elwood what it is to-day, the second city in the county, a city of 10,000 souls, and which he delights to call his home.

In 1892 he was nominated for Joint Representative for the counties of Madison, Grant and Tipton, and was triumphantly elected in November of that year over his competitor, Hon. Charles Mahan. During the canvass of 1892 Mr. B. developed fine qualifications as a speaker and debater, fitting him for the session of the Indiana Legislature which convened the following January. In this session Jack was placed on several important committees, and filled his place with credit to himself and satisfaction of the citizens he represented.

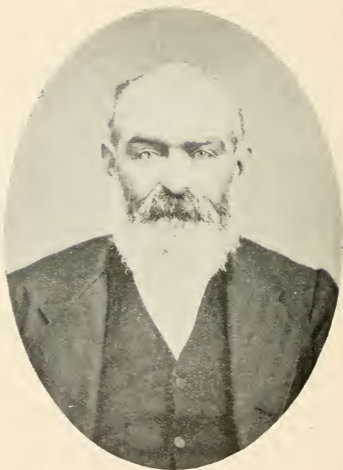
In politics he is a Jackson Democrat and delights in the name, and is able to defend that grand old party in which he has battled so long and hard. On the 25th day of August, 1890, his father died from the effects of a wound received in the army. His mother resides in Rigdon, Indiana, near the old home. I am glad to write of my old

friend Jack and say a good word for him, and record the fact that it is possible in this land of the free to rise from obscurity to prominence by industry and sobriety. Mr. B. is a brother of Perry, an attorney of Elwood, and of J. O. Behymer, of the Tipton, (Ind.,) Times, both of whom are like Jack—stalwart Democrats.

#### MATHIAS MADDRON.

Mr. Maddron was one of the pioneers of Adams township, coming as early as 1833, and settled in what is known as the "Carolina" Settlement, south-west of New Columbus. Mr. Maddron was born in Pasapatack county, North Carolina, September 22, 1806. He was married to Lurena Clark, sister of Barney Clark, another old settler of Adams. She was also born in North Carolina on January 5, 1809, and they were married there in the year 1820. Four years later they came west with little of this world's goods when they arrived, but by industry and frugality obtained quite an estate and lived to enjoy the fruits of their early labor. Mrs. Maddron died in 1863. He died November 23, 1887. Both are buried in the old cemetery just west of New Columbus and near their old home. Mr. Maddron was a strong man and helped much to make this county what it is to-day. He as well as his wife endured hardships the people of to-day (1895) know but little about, and I am glad to notice them in my work, among others, who first came to Madison county. Mr. M. was an honest man, a hard worker, and a member of the Christian Church. Mrs. M. did not belong to any church.

The following are the names of the children: Lurana, born in Virginia in 1830; married to Miles Gray, and both are dead. She died in 1863, and is buried in the old Baptist cemetery near New Columbus. Rebecca, born in Indiana in 1834; married to Jeremiah Cullipher, and they reside four miles south of Anderson. Miles, born January 21, 1836; resides in Anderson. He is a member of the Masonic Order and is a well informed man. I am indebted



JOHN J. JUSTICE,  
Born in Ohio in 1826, died near Markleville, Indiana,  
August 14, 1895.

to him for the history of the family. Sarah, deceased. Mary M., married John Fort; he is dead. She resides in Kansas. Emily, married to Samuel Tibets, resides in Indianapolis. Nancy, married to John Vanmeter, resides in Anderson, Indiana. William R., died at the age of four years, and is buried with the other members of the family. John A., married to Samantha Langley, is deceased. He died in 1882 and is buried at the Whetstone cemetery. Joseph, born in 1852. Mathias Maddron was an old-time Democrat and will long be remembered as one of the Pioneers of Madison county and the "Carolina" Settlement.

#### WILLIAM BENEFIELD.

I am glad to give the Benefield family a notice in the Pioneer. A family of no ordinary note. A family that furnished four sons for the Union army. A glorious record. A pioneer family of Jackson township. A family that were strong, active men, full of that vim and determination that was so much required in the early settlement of the country. I was not acquainted with the parents, that is Mr. and Mrs. William Benefield, but quite well with the boys, and it is with extreme pleasure that a page or two is given for a notice of them—two of whom are sleeping in Southern soil, baptised with Union blood. One of the family has kindly furnished a sketch of the family, which I know will be read with great interest by all. Mr. and Mrs. William Benefield are buried at the Perkinsville cemetery, near where they lived so long. Levi is buried at Howe, Nebraska, where the family moved back in the early seventies, and where they now reside. Isham resides in Tennessee, where he moved in 1893.

William Benefield was born August 14, 1806, near Mt. Sterling, Kentucky. He was married November 9, 1826, in Wayne county, Indiana, to Cynthia A. Kidwell, a daughter of Rev. Jonathan Kidwell, a Universalist minister of some renown, who was a great debater, having

joined in discussion with Parson Brownlow and Benjamin Franklin. He was founder of the Cincinnati *Star* and *Philomath Encyclopedia*.

William Benefield moved from Wayne to Madison county, during the year 1834, and settled in the woods, three miles north of Perkinsville on Pipe Creek, and made one of the finest farms in the county. He died at this place, November 6, 1870, his wife having died December 27, 1854. He was a large, powerful man, and reared a large family of strong, healthy children, whose names are as follows James M., born May 27, 1827; died September, 1848. Robert S., born October 28, 1828; died April 10, 1862; was in the Union army, and lies buried at New Madrid, Missouri. Jonathan, born December 18, 1821; died in the Union army and lies buried at New Iberia, Louisiana. Rebecca A., born December 8, 1831; died in Madison county, Indiana. Levi, born October 5, 1833; died in Noral, Nebraska, 1892. Leander J., born October 10, 1835; died in Madison county Indiana, April 5, 1855. Isham Benefield, born September 14, 1837. Enlisted in the 34th Indiana Volunteer Infantry and was discharged in the spring of 1862 on account of disabilities contracted from camp exposure, while at Camp Wiskliff, Virginia. At present he resides in Harriman, East Tennessee, where he is engaged in the real estate business.

William H. H. Benefield, born September 14, 1842, is the youngest son, and enlisted in Company G, 17th Indiana Volunteers. April 22, 1861, in the first three years' company raised in the county. He served to the end of his term and was discharged June 20, 1864. After the war he was engaged with T. T. Beckwith in the mercantile business in Perkinsville, Indiana, the firm being known as Beckwith, Cole & Co.

In the spring of 1869 he moved out into the green woods on a farm of 240 acres, four miles east of Perkinsville, on the Anderson and Perkinsville Turnpike, just

south of where Myers postoffice now is. In the course of a few years he cleared up and improved one of the finest farms in the county, which stands to-day as a monument to his industry. But owing to a series of misfortunes, over which he had no control, such as hog cholera, barn and saw mill burning, sickness, etc., (his wife having to undergo treatment for disease of the eye for over four years), all these, together with the panic of 1873, caused him to have to give up the model farm he had labored so hard to save.

In August, 1888, he got an appointment under the Harrison administration in the United States Indian Service, at the Omaha and Winnebago agencies. After the election of Cleveland, he resigned, (*note*) was not relieved, and went to Harriman, Tennessee, and engaged, with Isham, in the real estate business, but the panic again knocked him out, and he came back to old Madison county and settled in the town built upon the rocks—Pendleton. In November, 1894, he was elected Justice of the Peace of Fall-Creek township, and at present is known by the good people of Fall Creek as such. He was married to a daughter of Joel Epperly, a pioneer of Jackson township.

### QUINCY VAN WINKLE.

While we are noticing to a great extent the old people of the county, we must not altogether forget the deserving. Especially those who have worked their way up to places of importance through their industry and perseverance. Perhaps there is none more worthy of notice than the one whose name heads this sketch.

It gives me delight to record the progress that this young man has made, especially in railroad circles, that being his chosen avocation. A Madison county product, born on Fall Creek, in Adams township, son of the late James Van Winkle, who came quite early to that locality, but since 1852 has resided in the city of Anderson, where

young Van Winkle went to school and laid the foundation for future usefulness. He was married to a lady in Indianapolis by the name of Annie Allison, who was born in that city, and they have their residence there, though his duties call him away much of the time.

James Van Winkle, the father of Quincy, was born in Preble county, Ohio, in 1809, and was married to Cassandra Prigg, daughter of Judge William Prigg, an early settler on Fall Creek, and at one time Associate Judge of Madison county, Indiana. Mrs. Van Winkle was born near Dayton, Ohio, in the year 1813, and soon after marriage she and Mr. Van Winkle came to Madison county, about the year 1834. Seven children were born to them, four dead and three living; W. W. Van Winkle, born in 1837, of Summitville, Indiana; Mrs. Elizabeth Young, of Alexandria, Indiana, and the subject of this sketch.

Mr. V. died August 29, 1888. Mrs. V. died at Anderson, March 22, 1857. Both are buried at the Anderson cemetery. Mr. V. was an old-time Whig and afterwards a Republican. A beautiful rustic monument marks the graves of Mr. and Mrs. Van Winkle, at the Anderson cemetery. The following are the names of the deceased children of Mr. and Mrs. Van Winkle: Amanda, born October 11, 1844; died February 8, 1859. Berilda, born August 24, 1837; died in 1860. Sarah M. (Britney), born January 7, 1842; died February 28, 1862. All buried at the Anderson cemetery.

Below will be found a sketch of Mr. Quincy Van Winkle, taken from the Anderson papers of May, 1895, which will be read with deep interest by those who have watched the rise and progress he has made. About the year 1876 Mr. James Van Winkle was married again to a widow lady of Anderson, who yet survives. Judge Prigg was born in Maryland in 1790; died in 1876. Mrs Prigg was born in 1794; died in 1871. Both are buried at the Mechanicsburg cemetery in Henry county, Indiana. They



came from Dayton, Ohio, in 1834, and settled on Fall Creek, near the line dividing Henry and Madison counties :

Quincy Van Winkle, Superintendent of the Big Four road, is an Anderson boy and began work in the Bee Line office in Anderson under direction of John W. Pence, of this city, who was then agent at Anderson.

Mr. Van Winkle has occupied his present position since March 1, 1893. He was formerly Superintendent of the St. Louis Division, and had occupied a number of places with old companies, when he resigned to go to St. Louis as General Superintendent of the Terminal Road Association of that city. His successful management of this property attracted the attention of President Ingalls, of the Big Four, and after the retirement of Joseph Ramsey, Jr., as General Manager of the Big Four, he was selected as General Superintendent.

Mr. Van Winkle is forty-four years of age, having been born January 16, 1851, in Madison county, Indiana. He was educated in the common schools of Anderson, Indiana, and at the age of ten years began his railroad career as messenger boy and general utility lad about the office of the Indianapolis, Pittsburg & Cleveland road, now a part of the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati & St. Louis. It is an odd fact that Mr. Van Winkle has practically grown up with the roads which have consolidated from time to time into the present Big Four system. He has been away from the fold but a very few years. From 1865 to 1867 he was news agent on the road, and has been employed consecutively as follows: From 1867 to July 1873, a clerk in the station at Anderson; from July, 1873, to December, 1873, agent at Pendleton; from December, 1873 to 1877, chief clerk in the Superintendent's office; from 1877 to 1878, agent at Union City; from 1878 to 1881, general yardmaster at Indianapolis and agent at Mattoon, Illinois; 1881 to December, 1882, trainmaster at Indianapolis; December, 1852, to January, 1884, agent at East St. Louis; January, 1884, to September, 1888, agent and division freight agent at Indianapolis; September, 1888, to January, 1892, Superintendent. All of these positions were on the C., C., C. & St. L. From Jan-

uary 1, 1892, to March 1, 1893, he was General Superintendent of the Terminal Road Association at St. Louis.

Mr. Van Winkle is entering upon one of the most prosperous years of his railroad life. The system is showing increased earnings over the previous year of excessive depression and the property has been handled economically in his hands.

### THE PARIS FAMILY.

This large family of twelve children, ten boys and two girls, came from Kentucky to Shelby county, Ind., in 1825, where they lived several years, and where a part of it is buried. The mother and six boys came to Madison county in 1850. Mrs. William Paris died many years ago, and is buried at the Wilson cemetery, four miles south of Anderson. The children were all born in Kentucky. The following are the names of their children who came to Madison county: Dr. William, Dr. Benjamin, Dr. Absalom, Lorenzo, Lloyd, Stephen, Allen and John. All the family are deceased. Dr. William was a noted man in Madison county for years, a fine doctor and a preacher of note, as well as Absalom and Benjamin. William died in Prosperity in 1865. The following are the names of his children: Oliver was in the war of 1861-5. He is dead; married to Amanda Brown. John went to Colorado; married Miss Conaway. Ellen, married to Jesse Harris; went to Arkansas. She is dead. Mary J., married to Marshall Bonner. She is dead. William, resides in the Indian Territory. Julia, married David Craig; reside at Lima, Ohio. James, deceased. Francis, married to Dr. Kirby. She is dead. Isabel, born in 1849; married to Thadeus Hill; reside in Anderson. He is a blacksmith.

William Paris was the second time married in 1864 to Fanny Campbell. One child was born to them, Ida, who resides in Anderson. He was the first time married to Elizabeth Kellin. She died in 1863. He and wife and most of the deceased children are buried in the old ceme-

tery at Anderson. His second wife died about the year 1866.

Absalom Paris was born in Kentucky in 1812 and died in 1870. The following are the names of his children: William M., married to Mary to Ashby. Samuel, single. Mary S., married to Alexander Carson. John, married to Mary Poor. The Paris family was a large one and of fine talent; could preach and pray, sing or doctor, as the case might require.

#### WILLIAM GALE, JR.

Mr. Gale was born in Richmond, Ind., October 9, 1829, son of W. S. Gale, who came to Adams township, Madison county, back in the thirties, when the subject of this sketch was eight or ten years of age. Mr. Gale, Jr., was married to Mary J. Brown, September 2, 1855. She was a daughter of Robert Brown, and was born in 1838; died March 11, 1892; is buried at the Wilson cemetery, four miles south of Anderson. She was a noble woman, and for many years a member of the Missionary Baptist Church at Union church, in Adams township, as well as her husband. He has been a member near fifty years; was baptized by the late J. F. Collier.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Gale's children: R. Clinton, married to Dora Stanly. Ephraim E., married to Nancy Keller; reside in Hancock county, Ind. Margaret L., married to Perry Hull; reside on Fall creek, in Adams township. Both belong to the Baptist Church. Vicus P., married to Laura Cady. Lorenzo D., married to Emma Stohler. Eddie, married to Ida Noland, daughter of William Noland. Carrie C., married to Cord Hoppes. Loran, single (1895.)

Glad to notice Brother Gale and family in the Pioneer, as he is one of the old-timers in Madison county.

#### LISCOM TITUS,

One of the rising and prosperous young men of Madison county, Indiana, is the one whose name heads this



JOHN STARR,  
Elected Sheriff of Madison County, Nov. 6, 1864.

sketch. He was born in Adams township, January 22, 1863, when the Rebellion was at its height. His father, Samuel Titus, came to the county about the year 1845. He was born in New Jersey in 1814. He was married to Eliza Seward, daughter of James Seward. She was born in Ohio, April, 1824. They were married in 1842. Mr. Titus died June 9, 1886. Mrs. Titus died January 15, 1870. Both are buried at the Collier cemetery, in Adams township. Both were members of the Missionary Baptist Church.

Liscom Titus was married to Martha F. McDaniel, daughter of Jacob A. McDaniel, on the 16th day of February, 1888. She was born in Hancock county, Indiana, August 9, 1870. The following are the names of the children born to Mr. and Mrs. Liscom Titus: Oscar O., born January 26, 1889. Zella M., born November 4, 1891. Justin E., born December 7, 1893.

Mr. Titus owns a fine farm two miles south of Markleville, where he devotes his time to agricultural pursuits. He is a well informed gentleman, and was elected Trustee of Adams township in 1894. He is a cultured man, and does his own reading and thinking. His wife is a lady in all that word means.

#### ANDREW T. GREENLEE.

I am glad to notice Mr. Greenlee in my work. He is one of the young, progressive farmers of Boone township, three miles north of Orestus, where he owns a fine farm in a high state of cultivation; in fact he is a model farmer, and resides in one of the best farming districts in the county. Mr. Greenlee was born in Kanawha county, West Virginia, September 29, 1847. Came to Madison county, Ind., October, 1852. He is a son of William and Harriet Greenlee. He was married to Prudence A. Ball on the 18th day of January, 1872. The following are the names of their children: Carl, Annie, Carrie, Harry,

Donald, Mary and Esther. Mrs. Greenlee is a daughter of William Ball. She was born February 18, 1851. Her mother's name before marriage was Mary McCray, born in 1837. Mr. Ball was born April 22, 1822. Both members of the Baptist Church at New Harmony.

Andrew T. Greenlee is a member of the Christian Church and a Republican. Glad to give this worthy family a sketch in the Pioneer, and trust they may live long and prosper.

#### THE SURBER FAMILY.

This sturdy pioneer family came to Adams township, Madison county, from the Kanawha River, West Virginia, about the year 1828, and settled on Lick Creek. The older set consisted of five brothers and three sisters, as follows: John, Moses, Henry, Joseph and James. Margaret, married to J. F. Collier; Nancy, married to Carbon Jackson; Anna, married to Edward Adams, all deceased. John, the oldest, whose cabin home appears in this work, settled on the south bank of Lick Creek, two miles south of New Columbus and five miles east of Pendleton. He was born about 1800 and died in 1873, and is buried at the Busby cemetery. He was, it is said, the strongest man that ever lived in Madison county, well fitted for a pioneer, which he was in every sense of the word. He came strong and determined to make a home, which he did, by hard work and industry. He told the writer he cut and split five hundred rails in a day, and walked two miles each way. He was as strong as two ordinary men, yet as gentle as a child. If he liked you, he could not do enough for you. He was kind to the poor newcomer. John Surber and family will long be remembered as a pioneer family on Lick Creek.

His first wife died about the year 1846. He was again married to Parmelia Wagoner. Three children were born to this marriage. The following are the names of the children by his first wife: Riley, Andrew, Mrs.

Manley Reger, Mrs. Isabell Riggs, William Harvey, Mrs. Melissa Shelton, Mahala, Susan. Andrew, Joseph, Minerva and Maggie, are deceased. William Harvey resides in Seattle, Washington. Mrs. Manly Reger, on the county line dividing the counties of Madison and Hancock. Mrs. Isabel Riggs resides three miles south of Anderson, Indiana. All the children were blessed with a fine physique, strong and active.

Of John Surber's brothers and sisters I might say Moses was for many years a Justice of the Peace, away back in the Thirties. He died about the year 1876. Margaret Collier, formerly Margaret Blake, a grand, good woman, was born in Virginia, August 29, 1805. She died in 1894, and is buried at the Collier cemetery, in Adams township. Mrs. Adams died in California. Mrs. Jackson died near Logansport, Indiana. To the second marriage of John Surber, there was born: Susan, Joseph and Margaret, all of whom are deceased, as well as their mother, who died in Marshall county, Indiana, in 1893.

#### HON. ROBERT H. CREE.

Mr. Cree was born in Ohio in 1820, and came with his father, John Cree, to Pipe Creek when a young man, perhaps in 1839. At the age of twenty-five he was married to Sarah E. Marshall. The following are the names of their children, now mostly dead and buried at the Mt. Pisgah cemetery, near their old home: Mary J., died August 21, 1863. She was about twelve years of age. James M., died in 1849. George M., died April 2, 1882. John M., died October 22, 1887. He was married to Miss Walker. Armita, married to Calvin Dean; reside in Fairmount, Ind. Lucien A., died April 2, 1884, aged twenty-seven years. He was married to Mary A. Norris. She resides in Anderson. Florence, married to Robert Polk. She is also dead. Cal L., married to Josephine McCown; reside in Alexandria, Ind. Robert H. Cree, the father, died

November 26, 1876, aged fifty-six years. Mrs. Cree died August 9, 1871, aged forty-nine years.

The Cree family was highly popular and influential. Mr. Cree was elected to the State Senate in 1875 from the counties of Madison and Grant. He served his fellow-citizens there with fidelity and ability. He died soon after his term was ended. He was a Republican and polished gentleman, one of Madison county's best citizens. He owned a fine farm on Pipe Creek, near the Mt. Pisgah Church, where he and his wife died, as above stated.

Robert H. Cree's father, John Cree, was born in Pennsylvania about the year 1794. He was married in Ohio to Elizabeth Smith. She was born in Virginia in 1797. He died in Monroe township in 1868. She died December, 1888, aged ninety-five years. Both are buried at the Mt. Pisgah cemetery. Among their children were Robert H., Mrs. Ellen Baker, Rhoda, Victorine, Elias, John and Mark.

#### THE BRUNT FAMILY.

The pioneer history of Madison county would be very incomplete without a notice of the Brunt family. They came early to Boone township, and at once became identified with its best interests. They were moral, and their influence was always on the right side. They became identified with the Christian Church, and the parents, Thomas and wife, lived and died honored members, and their influence went out and lives to-day. Of the family of Thomas Brunt the following have been more or less active and useful men: J. A. J. Brunt is one of the largest land-holders in the county, and connected with the banks of the county for years. He is unmarried. William D., long a resident of Madison county, was Trustee of Boone township for several years, and a preacher of some note. John R. resides in Anderson. He is a well informed man and a public speaker of note, and a true friend to the honest toiler. Mrs. Swindell, an accomplished lady. The



other members I know but little about. The following is a sketch of the family by John R. :

Thomas Brunt, one of the pioneers of Boone township, was born in Currituck county, North Carolina, September 22, 1807, and was married to Sarah Rich Lee in Roan county, North Carolina, April 23, 1829. Removed to Rush county, Indiana, in 1831, and from there to Madison county in the spring of 1836, locating in what is now Boone township, where he bought from the Government a tract of land, which became known as the Brunt homestead. His experience was much the same as befalls pioneers. No roads, only such as he made, miles to a neighbor, cutting out a few acres of the wilderness on which to raise truck for his family, and contending with wild animals and birds for a portion of the crop. He and his neighbors gave the names to the streams and townships that they bear to-day. He was known as a thoroughly honest man, and was a leader in his neighborhood, and was elected to various local offices, with more labor and responsibility than pay. He served twelve years as County Commissioner with honor to himself and profit to the county. He was a consistent member of the Christian Church. He passed to the other side December 31, 1879, where his beloved wife had preceded him January 18, 1869, both with a firm faith in a better life.

Ten children blessed their union. William D., born March 2, 1830; married to Adaline Reynolds; lives in Nemaha county, Nebraska. James A. J., born February 2, 1832; single; resides in Madison county, Ind. Elizabeth Ann, born January 21, 1834; married Jonathan M. Noble; died in Kansas March 31, 1893. Nathan Lee, born January 5, 1837; died April 1, 1846. Lydia Jane, born September 25, 1840; married William A. Swindell.

James Brunt, an early settler of Boone township, was born in Currituck county, North Carolina, March 13, 1772, where he married Sarah Harris. Their ancestors came

from England in 1663. They left North Carolina, December, 1829, and settled in Rush county, Indiana, January 22, 1830, and in Madison county in 1837, where he died August 13, 1865, aged ninety-three years and five months. His wife died May 31, 1853, aged eighty-two years, eleven months and four days. They raised to adult age three sons, Thomas, John and William, and three daughters, Lydia, Nancy and Polly. Polly married John Moore and Lydia Wright Smith, both pioneers of Boone township. Nancy, born March 28, 1800, never married, and is now living near the century mark in age. Lives in Richland township. Sarah Ellen, born January 20, 1843; married E. E. Black, and lives in Summitville. John Rich, born July 29, 1845; married Lois C. Vanlaningham in Kansas, where he resided twenty-five years. Now lives in Anderson. Samuel Ferebee, born January 20, 1849; married Loucrecia Wilson, and died May 10, 1883. Mary Francis, born February 28, 1852; married Joseph Hudson, and lives near Orestes. Richard Harris, born October 6, 1856; married Dora Runyan; after her death, Ellen Thomas; lives in Boone township.

The following letter was received from W. D. Brunt, which will be read with interest:

PERU, NEBRASKA, November 5, 1895.

S. HARDIN—*Dear Sir*:—Yours received. Will say I suppose my brothers can give all the dates of our family as well as I can. I was born March 2, 1830, in Davie county, North Carolina. My father emigrated to Rush county, Indiana, in 1831, and remained in Rush county until 1836 or 1837. He then removed to Madison county and settled in Monroe township, near where the Deadman cemetery now is. Remained there one summer and then moved to Boone township, where he had purchased 240 acres of land, on which he lived until the time of his death, which occurred December 31, 1879.

When we first settled in Boone township our nearest neighbor was three miles away. The stock all run in the woods and got fat on the wild pea-vine. We moved into a pole hut;

we called it a camp. We lived in that until father erected a log house. We then lived in that until in time it had served its purpose and was replaced by a better one. In those days wild game was plenty, such as wild deer, turkey, wild-cats, wolves, panthers, bears, with some Indians and plenty of rattle-snakes. The first Sunday school I and my brother attended we walked three and a half miles. It was taught in a log cabin, and David Austin was the Superintendent. Mother taught us to spell and read before we ever saw a school house. The first school we attended was in a log cabin, and was taught by my uncle, W. H. Brunt. We attended district school from four to six weeks in a year. Sometimes we walked three miles and thought it no hardship. The spring I was of age I was elected constable of Boone township and served two or three years.

I was married March 10, 1853, to Miss Adaline Reynolds, late of Virginia, and to our union eight children were born. All of our children died of consumption. My wife and I united with the Church of Christ in August 1856, and are still members of the church.

Respectfully,

W. D. BRUNT.

HON. DAVID E. CROAN,

One of the grand, good men of Madison county, I do not wish to overlook in the "Pioneer." He was born in Ohio in 1823, and was a son of John Croan, who was an early settler of Madison county. On December 25, 1848, he was married to Rebecca A. Vanpelt, who was born in Miami county, Ohio, September 15, 1830. She is the daughter of the late Judge Uriah Vanpelt, who was born in Ohio in 1802, and died June 4, 1846. He is buried in the Anderson cemetery. Her mother's name was Almira Daugherty, who was born in Ohio in 1809, and was married to Uriah Vanpelt in 1829. Afterwards to George Smith, in 1854, who was born in Virginia in 1799. He died October 13, 1861, and is buried at the Funk cemetery in Richland township. Mrs. Smith is yet living (1895) in

Anderson. Mr. Uriah Vanpelt served as Associate Judge in Madison county from 1842 to 1846.

Mr. David E. Croan, when married, was comparatively a poor man, but through industry and economy became quite well off at the time of his death—January 31, 1885. He is buried at the Anderson cemetery, with the deceased members of the family, and where a handsome monument is erected on the family lot. Mrs. David E. Croan died October 29, 1892, on the farm, three miles north of Anderson, on the Alexandria Pike. Mr. Croan also died here. The family resided here for many years, where Mr. and Mrs. C. settled in the early part of their lives, and where they had carved out of the woods, one of the handsomest farms in the county and erected splendid buildings, the admiration of the passers-by. Mr. C. was a progressive farmer, fully up to the times in all things, and possessed of a fair education. He represented Madison county in the State Legislature in 1865-6, as a Democrat, to the satisfaction of the people whom he represented.

Mrs. Croan was a noble woman, and an active member of the Christian Church for years. Her life was surely a success. She died at the noon of life, beloved by all. The following are the names of their children, of whom most of them are deceased and sleeping in the beautiful cemetery in Anderson: Telitha, born July 29, 1850; died May 25, 1853. Emma J., born February 5, 1852; died March 13, 1858. William M., born July 23, 1853; married to Jesse F. Myers, October 11, 1878. He served as County Superintendent of the schools of Madison county in 1882-3. Established a college at Shanendow, Iowa, and was its president for several years. Afterwards established a similar institute at Lincoln, Nebraska, until May, 1895, when he removed to Anderson, amid the friends of his youth. Joseph D., born in 1855; married to Miss — Dillon, daughter of the late Joseph Dillon, one of the pioneers of Richland township, Madison county. Mr.

Joseph D. Croan early in life joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, and studied for the ministry, and is a member of the North Indiana conference. Mary, married to Albert Dillon, is deceased. Nora, married to John Noland, resides on the home farm on the Alexandria pike. Allia, born August 12, 1860: died January 23, 1882. Anna, born —, married to Henry J. Vanpelt; resides in Thorntown, Boone county, Indiana. Glad to give this interesting family a sketch in the Pioneer.

### AQUILLA NORRIS.

'Squire Norris was a prominent citizen of Monroe township, Madison county, Indiana, for many years. He was born in Ohio in 1825, and came with other members of the Norris family, to near Elwood, back in the forties. He was married to Martha Starkey, daughter of William Starkey, May 24, 1851, near Elwood, Indiana. She was born in Pennsylvania, November 4, 1823. Mr. Norris died September 20, 1896, and is buried at the Holston cemetery.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Aquilla Norris' children: Louisa, born in 1852; married to David Milspaw; reside in Anderson. Jasper, born 1854; married first to a Miss Cox, and the second time to a Miss Richardson, daughter of A. J. Richardson, of near Chesterfield, Indiana. Amanda, born in 1855; died in 1860. Laura A., born in 1857; died June 12, 1885, aged twenty-eight years. Jennie, married to David Nuding; reside in the city of Anderson, Indiana. May A., born August 28, 1862; married to Lucius A. Cree, son of Hon. R. H. Cree. He died April 2, 1884, and is buried at Mt. Pisgah cemetery, four miles north-west of Alexandria, Indiana. May A. was married to Mr. Cree in 1881. Two children were born to them: Harry and Edith, born respectively November, 1881, and March, 1883. Mrs. May A. Cree resides in Anderson with her mother. Martha L., born

September 5, 1864; married to Lewellen H. Vindege, resides in Anderson.

Aquilla Norris, father of 'Squire Norris, was born July 4, 1763, and died February 16, 1854. His wife, Hannah, was born in 1783, and died November 15, 1866. Both are buried at the Holston cemetery. Mrs. Martha Norris is a sister of Judge James Starkey. The family was quite prominent in and about Elwood, (formerly Quincy), Indiana. 'Squire Norris served many years as Justice of the Peace in Monroe township. He did not belong to any church. Mrs. Martha Norris is a member of the regular Baptist Church.

#### ALLEN SIMMONDS,

One of the pioneers of Lafayette township, was born in Franklin county, Indiana, November, 1812. He was the son of William and Nancy (Kiger) Simmonds, early settlers of Franklin, Fayette and Rush counties, Indiana. The father of Allen Simmonds was born in Maryland in 1791, and died in Rush county, Indiana, in 1830. Mrs. Nancy Simmonds, mother of Allen, was born in Ohio in 1793, and died in 1889, at the advanced age of ninety-six years, and is buried in Tipton county, Indiana. Miss Louisa Lower was born near Eaton, Ohio, March 18, 1811. Her father, Jacob Lower, was born in Pennsylvania, and died at Noblesville, Indiana, June 16, 1853. Her mother, Nancy Price, was born in Ohio, and died in Iowa, May 28, 1863. Mr. and Mrs. Allen Simmonds were married in Fayette county, Indiana, July 28, 1833, by the Rev. William Patterson, who died near Indianapolis in 1850.

Mr. and Mrs. Simmonds came to Madison county, Indiana, in 1839, where he had entered eighty acres of land the year 1838. Here in the woods this worthy couple began life in earnest, without money, neighbors, or in fact anything but plenty of grit and pluck, that has character-

ized them all their lives. They lived, on their first arrival to Lafayette township, in a rail pen till a house could be built which was done as soon as possible, with the help of a few kind neighbors, and they moved into it, thinking they were at home. A little clearing was the next thing. Rails were made and a little log stable built, and then hard work set in and continued all through their life, or at least until they were obliged to quit on the account of old age. They saved in their early struggles and at last plenty came, and they had obtained, through hard work and economy, 446 acres of choice land in the western part of Lafayette township, where they now reside, surrounded by some of their children, who yet survive, and where they enjoy the confidence and respect of all that know them.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Simmonds have nearly all their lives been members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and at their house, when there was no church building, meetings were held in their cabin home. It is now sixty-two years since this couple were married, and fifty-seven years since they came to Madison county. What a long time. Sorrows and joys have come and gone in those years. If any one would look upon this couple to-day (1895) they would not ask the question: "Is life worth living?"

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Simmond's children. Six living and five deceased. The two first were born in Fayette county, Indiana; Margaret J., born August 1, 1834; married to Jacob Ashton, and resides in Madison county, Indiana. Nancy A., born August 21, 1837; died October 31, 1838. William E., born May 20, 1840; married to Margaret Sutton, who is dead. He was again married to Almira Lethler. James A., born February 11, 1842; married to Sarah Parson, daughter of Samuel Parson. She died in 1892. Sarah E., born July 12, 1844; died January 24, 1863. Rebecca, born May 15.

1846; died January 5, 1859. Jacob E., born April 18, 1848; married to Malvina Penniston; reside on the old farm. Mary E., born April 8, 1850; married to John Riley. Martha Isabelle, born October 1, 1852; married first to Taylor Clevenger, who is deceased; the second time to Milton Parker; reside on Indian Creek, in Lafayette township. Elsa L., born December 7, 1855; died July 11, 1860. The deceased members of the family are buried in Lafayette township, except the two first named. William resides near the old home. James A. resides in Anderson. I am glad to give this worthy pioneer family a notice in this work, and trust that nothing but happiness may attend them through life.

### JUDGE ELI HODSON.

Mr. Hodson was born in North Carolina in 1805; came to Madison county in 1824. He went back, however, to Ohio, where he remained a short time, when he returned to Indiana, settling in Henry county, near the line of Madison county. Here he lived till 1843, when he became a citizen of Madison county till his death, 1879. Mr. Hodson was a son of George Hodson, who came early to Fall Creek. He was also born in North Carolina, and married Miss Powell there at the close of the last century. This worthy couple died many years ago, and are buried at the Tucker cemetery, on Sly Fork, near their old home. Mr. Eli Hodson was twice married, first about the year 1826, to Lyda Hart, who was born in 1807. She was the mother of three children—Polly, John E. and John D. John E. is deceased and buried at the Tucker cemetery. After the death of Mrs. Hodson Eli was married to Cyutha Alshire about the year 1832. She was the daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth (Hoppis) Alshire. They are both deceased and buried at the Tucker cemetery. Mrs. Cynthia Hodson was born in Gallia county, Ohio; died in 1890; buried at the Tucker cemetery. Two children were born of this mar-



riage, Isaac N. and Eli. I. N., born in 1836, married to Martha Seward, daughter of the late Samuel Seward; born in Rush county, Indiana, as well as her mother. Mr. and Mrs. Isaac N. Hodson reside on Fall Creek, Adams township, near the Hodson homestead. Eli Hodson was born on Fall Creek, Adams township, December 28, 1838. He was married to Lucinda Meeker, who was born in Henry county, about the year 1838.

Eli Hodson, Sr., and his sons are Democrats, and he was as such elected Associate Judge in 1846, and served several years creditably to all concerned. In 1860 he was elected Commissioner of Madison county, and served two terms, to the entire satisfaction of all. Mr. H. was reared a Quaker, but later joined the Christian Church, and was closely connected to the cause. In his death the county lost one of its best citizens. In private or public life he was honest and sincere, a true friend, jovial and well informed on all subjects. I am glad to give this pioneer family a notice in this work. The name of Hodson must go along with the early history of Madison county.

### SETH SMITH,

One of the early attorneys of Anderson, was born in the State of Massachusetts December 11, 1814. He had the advantage of a good common education at the schools of his native State, and graduated at Amherst College in 1836. Soon after he determined to come west and seek a location to practice law, and in 1839 came to Anderson, and soon obtained a fine practice for those days. There were for his associates at the bar Judge Richard Lake, John Davis, R. N. Williams and William O'Neal, all able men and all dead except Lake.

In March, 1842, Mr. Smith was married to Sarah D. Jones, sister of Enoch and Spicer Jones. She was born in Pennsylvania, August 29, 1819. She died in Anderson, February 1, 1874. Mr. Smith died February 12, 1852.

Both buried at Anderson cemetery. The following are the names of their children: Edward, born September 2, 1843; died in infancy. Thomas E., born February 13, 1845; married to Adaline Martin, April, 1870; reside in Anderson, where Mr. S. has been engaged in the grocery business all his active life, and has few, if any, equals in the county. Gertrude E., born February 23, 1843; married to Capt. Ethan Allen, July 7, 1868. He was in the army and served three years faithfully. He died near Anderson, August 1, 1879; born August 26, 1837; buried, as well as three sons, in the Anderson cemetery. He was the son of the late W. B. Allen, who died January 8, 1882. Mrs. W. B. Allen died December 7, 1879; both buried at Anderson cemetery. Electa H., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Seth Smith, was born August 24, 1851; married to D. C. Jones. She died November 11, 1881; buried at the Anderson cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Smith were members of the Baptist Church. Glad to give this early family a notice in the Pioneer.

#### C. R. REEVES,

Son of Hon. B. F. Reeves, of Hancock county, Ind., was born near Warrington, that county, May 3, 1864. He was raised on a farm, and received a good common education at the schools of Warrington. At the age of eighteen he went to Knightstown, Ind., and learned the art of photography, and located in the city of Anderson in 1887, where he operates one of the best art galleries in Central Indiana. He was married to Cecile Turner, October 16, 1887. She was born in Randolph county, Ind., May 17, 1870. They reside in Park Place, or Ruddle's Heights, where they have a fine residence. Mr. and Mrs. Reeves belong to the Christian Church in Anderson. He belongs to the Knights of Pythias, and was a charter member of the lodge at Knightstown.

#### WILLIAM SAUNDERS.

One of the pioneers of Adams township, Madison

county, Indiana, was William Saunders. He was born in Pennsylvania about the year 1805, and was married to Catharine Fesler in Pennsylvania in 1832. She was born in 1797. Came to Madison county in 1840, where they resided until death. Both died in the year 1875. He in August, she in July; buried at the Lutheran cemetery at New Columbus. Both were Lutherans. Mr. S. was a splendid farmer, an honest man and a sturdy, old-time Democrat. The Saunders' were formerly from Germany.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. William Saunders' children: John, died in infancy. Jacob, married to Mariah Shawver; both dead. George, married to Lucinda Judd. He died in 1862, and is buried at the Lutheran cemetery, at Ovid, or New Columbus. She died in 1856, and is buried at the Gilmore cemetery. Elizabeth, married to Elsbury Scott. He died 1892. She is living (1895); four children were born to them; all living. There was born to George Saunders five children, three dead and two living. Their names are as follows: John, William, George, Jacob and Hiram. George, married to Elizabeth Stohler, daughter of Michael Stohler. They were married June 29, 1875, and reside near Ovid, Indiana. Seven children were born to them—five boys and two girls. George, like his father and grand-father, is a Democrat. Mrs. William Saunders was a sister to Peter, Jacob, and David Fesler.

#### AARON WARNER BROWN,

One of the pioneers of Madison county, I find the one whose name heads this sketch. He was born in Maryland in the year 1812, son of Stephen Brown. He was married to Louvina Clark in 1837 in the State of Ohio, where she was born in 1815, daughter of Samuel Clark, an early settler of Belmont county, that State. In 1839 Mr. and Mrs. Brown decided to come west, and in the fall of that year landed in Madison county, three miles south-east

of Anderson. In and in the vicinity of Anderson this couple resided till Mr. Brown's death in 1863. He died in Anderson, and is buried in the old cemetery. Mrs. Brown resides in Anderson to-day (1895), hale and hearty for one of her age. She is well posted on the early events of the county, knows all about pioneer life and the trials and hardships of a frontier life.

The following are the names of the children born to Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Warner Brown: William, born December 17, 1839; married to Julia Hardy; reside in Delaware county, Ind. Stephen, born July 2, 1842; died in 1877. George W., born July 4, 1843; married to Mattie Whitaker. She died in Illinois in 1875. George is a fine workman in his line, painting and paper hanging; resides with his mother in Anderson. Samuel, born July 17, 1846; married to Sarah Hutchison; reside in Anderson. Sam is a fine business man, and a gentleman three hundred and sixty-five days in each year. If you want any fresh fish call on him. Eliza, born February 5, 1848; married first to William Snell; the second time to Elias Petty; reside in Anderson. Henry Clay, born January 12, 1852; married to Ada Ulin, daughter of A. M. Ulin, one of the pioneers of Madison county. Charles, born May 7, 1857; married first to Anna Ham; second time to a lady in Indianapolis, where they now reside. Two other children born died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Warren Brown were members of the M. E. Church for years.

### WILLIAM STANLEY,

Son of John H. Stanley, was born three miles southeast of the city of Anderson, Madison county, Indiana, in 1842. He was raised on a farm, which has always been his delight. He received only the advantages of the common schools of the county, but has made the best possible use of his education, and I have often wondered how he has so wonderfully succeeded, for he to-day is one of the

best posted men and speakers our county has ever produced; an able advocate of the People's party for the past ten years, or in fact since its organization. No man is better informed on our monetary system than Mr. Stanley, and, whether in a private talk or public debate, he is at home on his chosen theme. He was chosen in 1894 to make the race for County Commissioner by his party, and received a very flattering vote in November of that year. When about twenty-four years of age he was married to Miss Tucker, by whom he has had eight children born to them. In 1894 he bought four hundred acres of choice land in Green township, with a fine brick house on it, and has to-day a model farm of the county, six miles southwest of Pendleton. During the war of 1861-5 he enlisted in Company F, Thirty-fourth Indiana Volunteers, and served three years faithfully and well.

Mr. Stanley is one of our progressive farmers, fully up to the times, has all the improved implements on his farm, and good crops is the result, if the season is at all favorable. He is a great reader, takes the papers, and reads them, and is a pleasant fire-side talker, as well as public speaker. Call and see him when in Green, for the latch-string is always out and plenty within.

### ANDREW JACKSON.

I could not think of writing up the pioneers of Madison county, Indiana, without noticing Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jackson, both early and long honored citizens. Mr. J. was born in Clermont county, Ohio, in 1801, and was married to Amelia Blanchard, in Ohio, May, 1820. She was born in Pennsylvania in 1801. They came to Madison county, Indiana, in 1827. Mr. J. at once became prominent in the county, and as early as 1830 he was elected Sheriff of the county. In 1833 he was elected Treasurer, and in 1807, Clerk of the Court, and in 1845 represented the county in the Lower House. In 1857 he

was elected Senator for the counties of Madison and Hancock. To all of the above offices he was elected as a Democrat, and filled all of them with credit. Later in life he was elected Justice of the Peace. All this time Mr. Jackson was extensively engaged in milling and farming, and at one time was quite wealthy. No man in the county enjoyed the entire confidence of the people more than Andrew Jackson. He died April 23, 1878. Mrs. Jackson died December 15, 1876. Both are buried in the Anderson cemetery.

The following are the names of the children born to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jackson: James M., born in Ohio about the year 1821; married a Miss McAllister, daughter of John McAllister. He resides in Arkansas. Jane, born in Ohio in 1823; married to Jacob Zeller; both deceased, and buried at Perkinsville, Indiana. David B., born in Ohio in 1825; married Susan Craycraft. He died June 26, 1884, and is buried at the Anderson cemetery. Enoch M., born in Preble county, Ohio, January 3, 1826; married to Mary J. Hilman, December 15, 1850. She died September 23, 1861, and is buried in the Anderson cemetery. He was married the second time to Fanny Burns, December 16, 1874, and the third time to Sallie Boone, in 1878. He died in Anderson, March 29, 1888. Matilda, born in 1828 in Indiana; married to Frank Sparks; both died in 1886 and are buried in Tennessee. Belinda A., born in Indiana, and died aged eleven years. Mary A., born in Indiana in 1830; married to Ralph Clark. He died June 1, 1874, and is buried at the Anderson cemetery. Eliza, born in Indiana, June 25, 1833; married to John Sabin, February, 1857. He died December 16, 1883, and is buried at Anderson. Charles G., born in Indiana in 1835; married to Mary Shelly. He died in 1859 and is buried at the Anderson cemetery. Caroline, born in Indiana in 1837; married to E. C. Bliven in 1861, and now reside in Anderson. Martha, born in Indiana in 1837; married to

Sanford Raddish; reside in Richmond, Indiana. Two or three children died in infancy. Mrs. John M. Sabin resides in Anderson. She was married in 1857. Her childrens' names are: Margaret A., married to Oliver Hayes; Barton W., single, and Martha C., born June 17, 1855; married to J. H. Finnesay, in April, 1891, and reside in Anderson. He was born in Ohio, March 29, 1867; reside in Anderson, Indiana.

### THOMAS MOORE AND FAMILY.

Mr. Moore is one of the few men that lived and died on the land he entered. Besides this, the family is a noted one, and has other interesting features. Twelve children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore. All lived to man and womanhood, most of whom have been called to fill responsible places in their respective localities. Joseph A. was for years Clerk of the Tipton County Court, elected in 1874; Thomas R., Sheriff of Madison county; Matt, deputy Sheriff and detective for the Pan-Handle Railroad. One or two others have served as Justice of the Peace. Five out of the eight have been or are now members of the Masonic lodges of the county. Three of the daughters, after having married well, are widows to-day (1895).

Mr. and Mrs. Moore first settled in Pipe-Creek township, Madison county, about the year 1839, on the county line, three miles west of Frankton and four miles south of Elwood. Here in the new county a life of toil and hard work began, four of the oldest children having been born in Virginia before they came to Indiana. Mr. M. was born in Virginia in 1799, son of Isaac Moore, the mother's name before marriage being Babbitt. She was also born in Virginia in 1809. They were married in Virginia in 1829, and moved to Wayne county, Ind., in 1838, where they stopped a short time before they decided to move farther west to Madison county. Mr. Moore died on the

old home farm, July 30, 1877, in the seventy-eighth year of his age. He, as well as other members of the family, are buried at the Pleasant Hill cemetery in Tipton county, near the old home. Mrs. Moore died August 23, 1883; also in the seventy-eighth year of her age. Mr. and Mrs. Moore were members of the United Brethren Church, and were held in high esteem where they lived so long.

The following are the names of the twelve children: John, born in Virginia in 1830; resides in Hamilton county, Ind. Letha, born in 1832; married to Arch Anderson. He is deceased. She resides in Elwood. Julia, born in 1833; married to Iradell Wright, who was Commissioner of Tipton county for years. He is deceased. She resides in Elwood. William J., born in 1834; married to Sophia Brown; reside in Hamilton county, Ind. Joseph A., born in Wayne county, Ind., in 1835; married to Angeline Armfield, who was born in Henry county, Ind., October, 1839. Joseph belongs to the Masonic order; his wife to Eastern Star degree; reside in Tipton. Alfred, born in Wayne county; died June 2, 1856, aged twenty-three years, seven months and eleven days. James L., died March 6, 1865, aged twenty-seven years, ten months and eleven days. He was married to Louiza Kidwell; she died in 1873. Thomas R. and Jane (twins), born May 13, 1841, in Madison county. He was married first to Sarah J. Gronendyke, February 12, 1863; second time to Lydia A. Pogue. He resides in Elwood; was four years Sheriff of Madison county. His first wife died October, 1871; is buried at Elwood. Jane was married to John DeHority. He died in 1880; is buried at Elwood. Isaac, born in 1845; married to Sarah Polly. He died in 1874, aged twenty-nine years, three months and twenty days. Maranda, born in 1846; married to John Allman. She died September 25, 1867, aged twenty-one years and nineteen days. Madison, born September 4, 1849; married to Eliza Barton, September 1, 1874. She was born in Middletown, Ind.,



March 24, 1851, daughter of William Barton. They reside in Anderson. Mrs. Moore is a christian lady of many virtues.

Mr. Thomas Moore's father, who also came to Madison county, whose name was Isaac, died in 1853, aged ninety-four years. His wife died in 1855, aged ninety-two years. Both buried in Frankton cemetery.

### MILTON RUDDLE.

I do not wish to forget Milton Ruddle and family in the "Pioneer." Mr. R. was born in Bourbon county, Kentucky, on the 18th day of August, 1828. He was a son of John B. Ruddle, who was an early settler of Madison county, Indiana. John B. Ruddle's wife's name before marriage was Jemima Bell. The family first settled in Wayne county, Indiana, until 1833, when they came to near Anderson, where Milt. has resided ever since. On the 23rd day of December, 1856, he was married to Ellen Coburn, a daughter of the late Joseph Coburn, whose wife was Margaret Nelson. Mr. Coburn died in 1875. Mrs. Coburn died in 1861. John B. Ruddle died in 1834, soon after coming to Madison county. He is buried in Wayne county, Indiana. Mrs. Ruddle died in 1851, and is buried in the Anderson cemetery.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Ruddle's children: Margaret, born in February, 1859; she died in 1878, aged about twenty years. William, born in 1859; married to Miss A. Moore; resides in Park Place. Athaliah, married to William Carroll; reside in Park Place. Benny, married to Samuel Millspaw. Daisy, born in 1877, single, at home.

Mr. Ruddle owns a fine farm just north-east of Anderson, and in 1891 built a fine residence overlooking the city and Park Place. The latter was laid out by him in 1891, and consists of 150 lots. This is a beautiful place, and is situated between his house and the river. On the

heights just west of his residence is the Ruddle Grove, so well known by all the people as one of the handsomest spots in the county, and where the annual Old Settlers' meetings are held, as well as other gatherings.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruddle are among the highly respected people of Madison county, where they have lived so long. He is a Mason and delights in its noble teachings. Mrs. R. is noted for her charitable and lady-like deportment in all the relations of life. Am glad to say a word about them in this work.

#### JOHN G. RICHARDSON,

One of the pioneers of Union township, Madison county, Indiana, was born in North Carolina in 1796. He came to Highland county, Ohio, in 1815, where he met and married his wife, her name being Retta Burton. In 1832 they moved to Madison county, Indiana, on "Sly Fork," where they settled in the woods and lived to make a fine farm. Mr. R. lived until Nov. 9, 1889. Mrs. R. is yet living (1895) at an advanced age, she having been born at the beginning of the present century—1801. Mr. R. delighted in hunting in his early manhood, and there was plenty of game in Madison county when he first came. He was a strong, bold pioneer, fond of fun and frolic, and died a boy, though near 100 years of age. A Democrat of the Jeffersonian school, devoted to his family and friends. I am glad to notice this old couple in this work, and to know that their names will not be lost in time to come.

The following are their children, seven in number: Ransom, married to Miss Little; both deceased. He died November, 1890, she in 2893. A. J. Richardson, born in Highland county, Ohio, Sept. 28, 1827; married to Margaret I. Judd in 1854. He died in November, 1873, and is buried at the Tucker cemetery. Mary E., married to John M. Jester in 1863. He was born in Clermont county, Ohio, October 27, 1838. They reside on the home farm.

W. H. Richardson, born in January, 1844; married to Miss Catharine Poor, December 18, 1861. She was a daughter of the late George Poor. They reside five miles south of Anderson.

Four members of the family are deceased: Caroline, married to Daniel Bryant; both dead. Lizzie D., married to Jerry Gustin; both dead, and both are buried in Sullivan county, Indiana. Two children died in their infancy.

#### DR. JOHN W. WESTERFIELD.

Dr. Westerfield was one of the early settlers of Anderson, coming when it was a mere village, in 1838, and where he lived up to the time of his death, September 29, 1895. All those long years he was closely allied in all its growth until it became a city of 20,000 inhabitants. He was born in Preble county, Ohio, June 1, 1816, and was just as old as his adopted State, which he loved and lived in so long. In 1828 he removed to Fayette county, Indiana, with his parents, and in 1834 to Rush county, Indiana. He read medicine in Rushville, Indiana, and prepared himself for the practice. In 1838 he came first to Anderson, where he practiced for several years and kept a drug store in connection. On March 17, 1842, he was married to Mary E. Bussell, who was born in Kentucky, October 14, 1824. One son (John) was born to them, January 31, 1843. He died July 23, 1852, and is buried at the Anderson cemetery.

Mr. W. was elected School Commissioner in 1843, and in 1846 County Auditor. He was at one time associated with the Anderson Foundry and Machine Works, of Anderson, Indiana, and was its Secretary and Treasurer for several years. When the Anderson Cemetery was organized he was made Superintendent and Treasurer, and remained so until death.

Early in life Dr. Westerfield, after years of research and deep study, became what is known as a Modern Spir-

itualist, and at once became the head and front of that church, the acknowledged leader and father as well. At the organization of the Spiritual Camp Ground, at Chesterfield, Indiana, he was elected President, and was such at the time of his death. All along he was a valued member and gave liberally of his means to further the doctrine he loved so well.

He was known far and wide as a liberal, kind-hearted man, a deep thinker, loved not only by the Spiritualists, but by all, and especially by the people of Anderson. He will long be remembered by us all as a pioneer, doctor and private citizen. His funeral was preached by Mrs. Colby Luther, who paid a handsome tribute to his memory to over one thousand persons, who had gathered to pay their respects to one who was deserving respect in life and honor in death.

His wife, all through this long journey—fifty-three years—was worthy of such a man. She shared his joys and sorrows, and stands to-day (1895) as one of the grand women of Madison county and the great State of Indiana. See the portraits of Mr. and Mrs. Westerfield on another page of this work.

### JOSEPH FINNEMORE, SR.

Mr. F. was born in Ross county, Ohio, February 25, 1816. He married Sarah A. Griffey in 1836 in Ohio. She was born in Ohio August 21, 1822, daughter of David and Lydia Griffey. Mr. G. was born in North Carolina; Mrs. G. in Virginia. Soon after Mr. and Mrs. Finnemore were married they came west, and settled at Alexandria, or where Alexandria is now. This was in 1836, when but few houses were built there. Mr. F. was the first smith there, and laid out a portion of the lots in that now busy city. He was among the first in the work to make things go in and about their new home. He died February 25, 1872, on his birthday, being fifty-six years old, just in the



MAJOR SAMUEL HENRY,  
Born near Eden, Indiana, in 1838, killed in Missouri,  
November 1, 1864.

prime of life. His wife died July 5, 1882. Both buried at the Alexandria cemetery, he being the first buried there in what is known as the I. O. O. F. cemetery. They were both members of the Christian Church.

The following are the names of their children: John A., born May 1, 1838; married to Lydia Holland, August 16, 1858; reside at Solome Springs, Ark. Lydia A., born April 19, 1841; died in infancy; buried at Alexandria. Martha J., born May 12, 1842; married to William G. Kelly, February 9, 1862. She died in 1868. Sarah A., born December 19, 1844; married to Wesley Johnson, June 10, 1860. She died June 3, 1882; buried at Alexandria. Daniel M., born October 7, 1847; died October 17, 1848. Frederick, born October 23, 1849; married to Maggie Jarrett, December 4, 1875; reside at Alexandria. William W., born March 18, 1852; married to Mary A. Thompson, October 4, 1873. He was Marshal of the city of Alexandria from 1892 to 1894; resides in Alexandria. Joseph, born February 21, 1856; married to Emma Reese, November 23, 1881. She was born at Richmond, Ind., July 18, 1859. She is a lady of fine attainments. Mr. F. is contractor for carrying the mails to and from the post-office to the railroads from 1895 to 1899. Her resides in Anderson. Alice, born August 14, 1859; married to L. M. Howard, February 25, 1879; reside in Alexandria. Charity, born April 3, 1864; married to James O'Donnell. He died October 27, 1884; is buried at Alexandria.

Mr. Finnemore, Sr., was a member of the order of I. O. O. F., and among the first. He was a brother of Stephen Finnemore, an early citizen of Madison county.

## JOHN COBURN.

I want to say a few words about Mr. and Mrs. Coburn, early settlers of Madison county, Indiana, for they are deserving to be remembered in this or any other pioneer work. Mr. Coburn was born in Warren county, Ohio,

December 30, 1818. He was married to Charity Maynard, January 20, 1838. She was born in Pike county, Kentucky, August 20, 1829, and is yet (1895) living. Mr. Coburn died April 13, 1870, and is buried at the Anderson cemetery. Mr. Coburn was an active man here for over forty years, having been a large trader in stock, and was elected County Commissioner, as a Democrat, in 1866, and served eight years. He was a charter member of Chesterfield Masonic Lodge. He was an active Mason for years. No man was better known than Mr. Coburn.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Coburn's children: Rhoda, born March 17, 1838; married to John J. Pence. Died in 1891, and is buried in the Anderson cemetery. Alfred, born December 13, 1842; was Marshal of Anderson for several years. He was married to Elizabeth Pence, who resides in Anderson. He died in 1890, and is buried at the Catholic cemetery in Anderson. Amos, born July 24, 1843; has been connected with the police force of Anderson for twelve years. See his portrait and sketch on another page of this work. Francis M., born October 6, 1846; married to Elizabeth Clodfelter; reside in Anderson. He has also been connected with the police force of Anderson. William, born May 15, 1848; died at the age of six years. Catharine, born October 27, 1850; married to Lafayette Pence; reside at Paxton, Ills. Joseph W., born May 22, 1853; married to Mary Wampler. She died in 1895, and is buried at Chesterfield, Indiana. Weams, born November 7, 1855, single. Rowley, born February 7, —; died at the age of seven years and is buried near Prosperity, Madison county, Indiana. Caroline, born October 6, 1860; died at the Holston cemetery at the age of eighteen years, and is buried in the grave of her sister, Sarah, who died the same day. They died in 1878. This is in brief the story of one of the largest as well as the earliest families of the county.

## TIMOTHY METCALF.

Mr. Metcalf was born in Wayne county, Ohio, August, 1843, son of David Metcalf. His mother's name before marriage was Catharine Jewell. Mr. Metcalf came when ten or twelve years of age with his parents to Madison county, where he has resided up to date (1895). He now resides in Boone township, near the Grant county line, and about six miles north-west of Summitville, his post-office, where he owns a fine farm, which he delights to cultivate. In 1864 he was married to Lydia E. McMahan, daughter of Enoch and Elizabeth (Smith) McMahan. The following are the names of the children: David E., married Megra Nelson; Enoch H., married Eva Runyan; Albert J., Lizzie (deceased) and Kate.

Mr. Metcalf was elected County Commissioner of the northern district of Madison county, October 8, 1894, and took his seat (made vacant by Joseph Howard) December, 1895. He was elected as a Republican, with which party he has always acted. It is a compliment to be thus honored to a seat on the board of one of the best counties in the State. He resides right in the middle of the gas belt, where everything is supposed to move, and he is keeping up with the procession. He moved on his farm in 1864, and has made many improvements, has good buildings and the home under a good state of cultivation. Mrs. Metcalf comes from a good family. Her parents were Methodists of long standing. I was at their home in 1874, and was kindly entertained by them. They are both dead. Mr. Metcalf is a brother of Stephen Metcalf, of Anderson, well known in Madison and adjoining counties, having been editor of the Anderson Herald and postmaster of Anderson for four years. In person Timothy Metcalf is well made, florid complexion, strong and active. Glad to notice him and family in the Pioneer.

## ABRAHAM ADAMS.

I could not well write the pioneer life of Madison



county without saying something about the Adams family. Abraham Adams came to Madison county in 1823 and settled near New Columbus (Ovid), on the hill just south of town, now the residence of Mr. Scott. Mr. Adams was born in Virginia, October 10, 1767. He was married to Catharine Swartzbinder, in North Carolina, in 1791. She was born August 21, 1769.

When Mr. and Mrs. Adams first came to their new home in the west their neighbors were few and far between, and no roads, school houses, or anything that looked like living. But they had come to stay and rolled up their sleeves and went to work in the green woods. Soon neighbors came, roads were "blazed out," and signs of civilization came in time. The township (Adams) was named after him. He died January 1, 1846, just in the prime of life, after seeing considerable progress made in his locality. He is buried at the Gilmore cemetery, where his wife is also buried. She died September 23, 1853. They lived on Fall Creek, where the Indian murders took place in 1824, and where Sawyer, Bridge and Hudson were hung for it at Pendleton in 1825. How could I forget or neglect to notice such a family that lived in the new and stirring times of 1824-5.

The following are the names of the children of Abraham Adams and wife: Jemima, born March 11, 1792; married to Daniel Adams. She died near Anderson in 1855. Elizabeth, born August 11, 1793; married to Resin Sargent. She died in 1868 and is buried at the Tucker cemetery in Adams township. Mr. Sargent is also deceased. They were married in 1818. John, born June 10, 1799; married to Rebecca Hinkle; died in Oregon. They were married in 1820. Nancy C., born November 17, 1801; married to Stephen Noland. She died in Illinois in 1877; he died in 1884. They were married in 1820. Sarah, born August 23, 1804; married to Jacob Little. He died in 1862, she in 1888, and both are buried

at the Tucker cemetery. Jesse, born March 23, 1808; married to Sallie Fisher. She died in Illinois in 1875. He is living (1895). Catharine, born October 11, 1811; married to John H. Williams, January 2, 1832; he died September 7, 1847; born in 1806, and is buried at the Gilmore cemetery. She is still living (1895) and the only one. She resides with her son near Markleville, Indiana. The following are the names of her children: Isabel, married to W. F. Blake. They reside near Alexandria, Indiana, and were married in August, 1853. Martha C., married to Washington Fort, and they reside near Fortville, Indiana. Francis M., married to Martha Hodson. She died in 1894. Amos H., married to Mary Eppard, and they reside just west of Markleville, Indiana. Esther, died about the year 1866, aged twenty-five years. The last one of the children of Abraham Adams was named Abraham, who was born July 5, 1814. He was married to Elizabeth Lanham, both of whom are dead.

This is a short sketch of one of the early families of our now grand county, four of whom were born in North Carolina, and three in Ohio. Francis M. and Amos H. Williams, sons of J. H. and Catharine Williams, are both prominent men in middle life in Adams township, where they have resided all their lives. Marion has served as Trustee and Amos H. as Justice of the Peace. Both are Democrats and valuable citizens.

### JAMES SHAWVER.

Mr. Shawver was born on Fall Creek, six miles south of Anderson, January, 1839, son of George and Charlotte (Hinton) Shawver, who were early settlers on Fall Creek, away back in the thirties. They came from Pennsylvania, and were pioneers. James Shawver learned the shoemaker's trade, and worked at it for several years, but of late years has been engaged in the saloon business at Alexandria and Anderson. He was married to Isabel

Bates, April, 1866. She was born in Pendleton in 1850, daughter of the late Heseiah Bates, who died at the advanced age of ninety years.

Mr. Shawver enlisted in Company K, Eighth Indiana Volunteers, September 5, 1861, and was in many hard fought battles that the gallant Eighth participated in during the war. He was discharged August 28, 1865, his term having expired. His Captain was L. D. McAllister and Colonels Shunk and Benton, respectively.

Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. James Shawver—Charles, born June 9, 1872; married to Mary Connors, April 24, 1895; reside in Anderson, and is associated in business with his father. Grace, born September 9, 1883. Mrs. S. is a lady of many fine qualities and a member of the Christian Church in Anderson, their home. Mr. S. is a member of the G. A. R. Charle's wife was born in New Castle, February 19, 1873.

#### CALEB CANNADAY.

The above family is one of the interesting as well as one of the largest in our county. Members of the family came from Scotland to South Carolina at the close of the last century and where Caleb and his father were born. Caleb was born in 1804, and came to Union county, Indiana, where he was married to Martha Dwiggins in 1827. She was born in 1807, but came with her parents to Madison county in 1834. Caleb died in 1860, and Mrs. Cannaday December 22, 1888. Both are buried at Frankton, near where the family settled in 1836, where their nearest neighbor lived two miles away. This was on the west bank of Pipe Creek, just west of the town of Frankton. Mr. and Mrs. Cannaday were industrious and comparatively poor when they came to the new county and settled on Pipe Creek, but they had come to stay, and by industry and frugality plenty soon came to them and the new settlement soon filled up. School houses of the modest kind were built, but they served their day as well as other

pioneer associations. Caleb Cannaday and wife lived to see vast improvements come and were foremost in all the advancements that came during their life-time. They were honored members of the Christian Church and their influence for good lives to-day, though they sleep on the banks of their Pipe Creek home.

The following are the names of their children: Margaret, born in Rush county, Indiana, February 3, 1829; married to Joseph Sigler in April, 1847. Mr. S. was born in Virginia, December 12, 1820, and was for eight years Auditor of Madison county. He was a member of the Christian Church. He came with his father, David Sigler, to Pipe Creek, in 1837. Joseph died in 1892, and is buried at Anderson. His widow resides in Anderson. Harrison, born in Rush county, Indiana, May 2, 1830; married first to Elizabeth Howard, second time to Victoria TenEyke in September, 1867. He is an extensive farmer and stock raiser and was also engaged in banking at Anderson and Frankton. He and his wife belong to the Christian Church in Anderson, their home. Minerva, born in 1831; married to Jehu Tharp. They reside in Frankton, Indiana. David, born February 11, 1833; married to Margaret Hizer in 1855; reside in Frankton. Josiah, born November 11, 1835; married to Mary Roach in 1860, daughter of Lanty Roach. Albert, born in 1837, and died in 1861. He was twenty-four years old, single, and is buried at Frankton. Mary, born in 1840; married to W. R. Stoker, a prominent farmer living near Frankton. Both belong to the Christian Church. Mr. S. was born near Dayton, Ohio, January 23, 1830. He has been Trustee of his township and is a prominent Republican. William O., born in August, 1845; married to Sarah E. Townsend in August, 1888. He is a prominent doctor at Frankton, and has a fine practice. John E., born March 22, 1847; married to Amelia Quick, September 1, 1870. She died July 15, 1874. He was married the second time

to Alice T. Boys, daughter of Dr. Elias Blount. She, as well as J. E., are members and workers in the Christian Church at Anderson, their home. Mr. C. served eight years as County Auditor and practiced medicine two years at Mechanicsburg, Indiana. He is now in the furniture business at Anderson. Nathan, born in 1849; married to Lizzie Furgason, and the second time to Anna Connor; resides on the old farm.

The family is a remarkable one. Two are doctors, one a banker, one served as Auditor, and one son-in-law, Joseph Sigler, served as County Auditor eight years. David, Nathan and Josiah are successful farmers. W. R. Stoker served as Trustee for years of Pipe Creek township. Margaret, Harrison, Minerva, David and Josiah were born before the family came to Madison county. Albert, Mary, William O., John E. and Nathan were born in Madison county.

#### DANIEL WINDSOR.

Mr. W. resides midway between Alexandria and Gilman and near the Lake Erie Railroad, in Monroe township. He was born in the old tar State, North Carolina, July 12, 1840. His father's name was W. W. Windsor; mother's name before marriage was Sarah Day. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Windsor were married February 6, 1886. She was born in Madison county, December 27, 1846, daughter of John G. Wilson. Her mother's name was Susan Busby, daughter of Isaac Busby, an early settler of Madison county. Daniel Windsor and wife have no children, and are highly respected members of society, and also of the Baptist Church at Mt. Pisgah.

Mr. Windsor enlisted in Company D, Thirty-fourth Indiana Volunteers, October, 1864, and was in the battle of Palmetto Ranch, but mostly on post duty. He was discharged at Brownsville, Texas, October 14, 1865. His Captain's name was Joshua Fussell, Colonel Jones. They

have a pleasant home, where they welcome their many friends.

### JUDGE WILLIAM H. MERSHON.

Judge Mershon was born in Middlesex county, New Jersey. October 28, 1798. Came to Dayton, Ohio, in 1829, and was there married to Mary J. Bourn in 1829. She was born in Massachusetts in 1811. Mr. M. while there was engaged in the fur trade with Preston Ewing, visiting many of the outposts of the then new country. In 1832 he moved to Pendleton, Indiana, where the family lived till 1851, and where all the children were born except Harry, who was born in 1856 in Anderson, where the family lived until it was broken up by the death of the parents, who died respectively as follows: Mrs. M. in 1864 and Mr. M. in 1874. Both buried at Anderson.

In 1842 Mr. Mershon was elected Probate Judge, and served seven years. In 1840 he was District Deputy for taking the fifth census of the United States for Indiana. He was a charter member of Madison lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, No. 44, at Pendleton. Elected County Auditor in 1852, and served four years. He was elected as a Democrat, that he was, and one of the Jeffersonian school, to which he was strongly attached. All along his long citizenship he was faithful to the trusts confided to him, and late in life was elected Justice of the Peace for his adopted city of Anderson.

The following are the names of their children: John D., born July 11, 1834; resides in Anderson. He is a fine mechanic, and at one time member of the City Council of Anderson; was married to Mary Finnell in 1849. William H., born in 1837: died at Pendleton in 1886, and is buried there. Mary F., born in 1839; married to Hon. W. R. Myers. She died, February 21, 1892; a grand lady and loved by all. She is buried at the Anderson cemetery. Mr. Myers was born in Ohio, October, 1836. Has served in Congress and Secretary of State three times. Emily,

born February 7, 1842; married to Robert Worth in 1860. He died, July 8, 1882, and is buried at Anderson. He was born in Ohio, June 24, 1836. Cynthia, born in 1846; married to Rause Murray. She died in February, 1866, at Anderson. Alice, born in 1849; married to Henry Kesler. She died in 1878; is buried at Anderson. Nora, born August 3, 1851; married to Charles Altbie; reside in River Side, California. Harry, born in 1851; married to Cora Fox; reside in Tipton, Indiana. A large and interesting family that will be remembered for time to come.

Mr. Mershon was educated at Princeton, New Jersey, and was an architect of ability, a polished gentleman, and well posted on the early affairs of our Government. He was in early life connected with the Episcopalian Church, and as such devoted all his life, but of later years was not a member in active relation.

Mrs. John D. Mershon is a minister of the gospel and a woman of ability. She preaches over considerable territory, and is well received. She was born in Virginia in 1849, and was married to Mr. Mershon in 1865.

### LEVI McDANIEL.

How could I write the pioneer life of Madison county without noticing Levi McDaniel and family, that I have known so long in Adams township, where I first met Mr. McDaniel in 1859. He was then strong and active, living near the Hancock county line, two miles south-west of Markleville. He was born in Gallia county, Ohio, in 1823, but came with his parents to Adams township when quite a young lad, perhaps as early as 1830. In 1843 he was married to Elizabeth Shelton, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Carter) Shelton. She was born in Ohio in 1827, and also came with her parents to Adams township in an early day. Mr. McDaniel was a Mason of long standing; was made a Mason at Pendleton in 1850, and a charter member of Rural Lodge, No. 324, at Markleville, in 1864. He was

a fine mechanic, industrious, and a good farmer, which was his delight. He was a Universalist in faith, and, above all, the noblest work of God, "an honest man." He died in Markleville, March 15, 1895, from the effects of a fall.

The following are the names of their children: Mary, born in 1845; married to Sol Creason. She died in 1873; buried at the Walker cemetery. Malintha, born in 1847; married to John Varner. He was in the war of 1861-5; reside in Markleville. Cyrus, born in 1849; married first to Ellen Brewer; second time to Amanda Jones, daughter of Charles Jones, of Wabash county, Indiana. Lusina, born in 1851; married to Aaron Seward, son of the late F. L. Seward. Aaron was born in 1847 in Madison county; reside in Anderson. Preston, born in 1853; died in 1873; buried at the Walker cemetery. John, born October 4, 1855; married to Malinda L. Hammers. She was born in Henry county, June 26, 1855; married June 21, 1874. He is a carpenter, and resides in Anderson. Luzina, born in 1857; married first to Wilson Younkings; second time to Aaron R. Davis; reside in Muncie. Paul, born in 1859; died in 1879; buried at the Walker cemetery. Morrison, born in 1861; married to Rebecca Eppard; reside in Adams township. Eletha, born in 1863; married to William Gray, son of Samuel Gray. Catharine, born in 1865; married to Lincoln Huston; died, November, 1894; is buried at the Walker cemetery.

#### HARRY T. BEVIN.

It is a pleasure to write of those as deserving as the one whose name heads this sketch and his wife. Mr. B. was born in Dayton, Ohio, June 12, 1868, and is a son of William H. and Lovina (Chrildland) Bevin. On the 7th day of March, 1894, he was married to Lizzie Fox, a daughter of William C. and Lucinda (Basicker) Fox. She was born in Madison county, Indiana, June 20, 1872. Anderson, Indiana, is their present home, where Mr. B. is



employed by the Jung Brewing Company, of Cincinnati, Ohio, as their agent here, and has been for the past three years. Mr. B. is the right man in the right place.

Mr. and Mrs. Bevin have a host of friends whom they delight to make welcome at their home. On the 6th day of June, 1895, their home was made glad by the advent of twins, a boy and girl, named Chester and Esther, who are the father's pride and the mother's joy. Mr. B. is a member of the Red Men's order, No. 57, at Anderson, in politics, a Republican, and in religion, a free thinker.

### HARRISON ALLEN.

Among the prominent families of VanBuren township, Madison county, Indiana, I must not forget that of Harrison Allen. Mr. Allen was born in North Carolina in 1814, and was a son of Richard Allen, also of North Carolina. Richard Allen and family came to Wayne county, Indiana, in an early day (1826), where they resided until 1845, when they came to Madison county, Indiana. Harrison Allen was married first to Jane Campbell, in Wayne county, Indiana, in 1845. She was the daughter of Abraham Campbell and was born in Virginia in 1816. She died in 1872. Mr. Allen died in December, 1884, and both are buried at the Vinson cemetery, near their old home.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell, parents of Mrs. Harrison Allen, came to Wayne county, Indiana, early in life and died there. Mrs. C. died in 1872. Originally the Allens were from Wales; the Campbells from Ireland. In 1845, when Harrison Allen came to VanBuren township, it was a new county and undeveloped. They, however, came to stay, and went to work, determined to make a home, which they did successfully, and reared a large family. Mr. and Mrs. Allen lived to see great improvements come, and a thriving village (Summitville) built up almost at their door.

The following are the names of their children: Abraham, deceased. Elizabeth, deceased. Mary J., deceased. Sarah L., deceased. Almira, married to George Thompson. James, deceased. George, married to Cynthia E. English; deceased. John R. Calvin H., born November 6, 1839; married to Ada Weaver in 1879. He served four years as Auditor of Madison county; reside in Anderson. Joseph O., deceased; buried at the Vinson cemetery. Mr. Harrison Allen was the second time married to Miss Vickory. She resides in Summitville.

### THE VANDYKE BROTHERS.

In writing up persons of Madison and Hancock counties one could hardly afford to forget the boys whose name head this sketch, James F., John, Wallace W. and Robert Bruce. The last two are twins. The father, Andrew E. Vandyke, was an early citizen of Rush county, Indiana, where J. F. and John were born. The twins, W. W. and R. B., were born in Huntington county, Indiana. Andrew E. Vandyke was married to Sarah Seward, daughter of James Seward, about the year 1842. Mr. V. died at Markleville, Indiana, April 1, 1867; born June 12, 1825. Mrs. V. was born February, 1826; died February, 1880; married in 1842. They are buried at the Collier cemetery in Adams township. He was a fine blacksmith, and all the boys are the same.

James F. Vandyke was born April 12, 1845. He was married to Frances L. Padgett, December 16, 1863. She was born near Markleville, June 19, 1845. James is a fine smith, and works on Ohio avenue, Anderson. The children's names are Charles C., died in infancy; Netta, married to Jehu Griffith; Elias, William, Arthur H. and Lee. Mrs. Frances Vandyke's parents were John and Louiza Padgett. He died about 1852. Mrs. P. is yet living (1895), aged seventy-six years.

John Vandyke was born about the year 1847. He

was first married to Polly Judd; the second time to Miss Walker, of near Eden, Indiana, daughter of the late Rev. Miles Walker. John V. is a smith, and resides in Markleville, Indiana. His first wife died in 1892, and is buried at the Collier cemetery. She was a grand, good woman, and a member of the Baptist Church.

Wall and Bruce, as we call them, were born October 5, 1854. Wall was married to Miss Troy, daughter of Christopher Troy, of Hancock county, Indiana. She died in 1888, and is buried in Richland township, Madison county. He was the second time married to Miss Nibarger in 1891. Reside in Anderson. Wall was elected Sheriff of Madison county in 1892, and served two years. He was renominated in 1894, but defeated by John Starr a few votes. Elected a Democrat, as all the Vandykes belong to that party. Children's names by his first wife, Christopher and Blanche.

Bruce, as well as all the rest, is a blacksmith, but the last seven years has been janitor of the Madison county court-house in Anderson, a place he has filled long and well. He was married in Sheldon, Illinois, July, 1874, to Elizabeth R. Umensetter, who was born in Jennings county, Indiana, in 1859. Their children's names are Sada, Harry R., Grover C. and Albert. Reside in Anderson.

#### HON. JAMES M. HUNDLEY.

It gives me great pleasure to write of my esteemed friend, Mr. Hundley, of Summitville, Indiana. I first met him in the wilds of VanBuren township in 1874, when and where he was teaching school, and where he taught long and well; a fine educator and teacher. He was born in Clinton county, Ohio, July 6, 1848. A grand time to be born, just at the close of the Mexican war and the discovery of gold in California. He, with his parents, came west and settled in Grant county, Indiana, in 1854; worked on the farm till 1863, when he enlisted in the army, and served till July, 1865, at the close of the war.

Mr. Hundley received a good common education in the schools of Grant and Madison counties, and attended the higher schools at Anderson and Marion. He taught school ten years, then in 1883 commenced reading law, and was duly admitted to the Anderson bar March, 1883, since which time he has practiced law in Grant and Madison counties with good success. He has an office at Summitville, where he resides. Mr. Hundley's father was born in Virginia; his mother in Ohio. Though poor, there was no better family than the Hundley.

In 1894 James M. Hundley was elected as a Joint Representative to the Indiana Legislature from the counties of Madison, Grant and Tipton, and served his constituents with fidelity and ability. Elected as a Republican, which he is, as well as his father. Mr. H. is a prominent member of the G. A. R., and has a warm grasp for the boys in blue. In a note from him he speaks of his mother in words of the greatest respect and veneration. No better commendation than this. Glad to say a word of Mr. Hundley. He is married, but his wife's name I did not get.

### ROBERT COLLIER,

One of the active, progressive young men of Madison county, I wish to remember in the Pioneer, son of the late Phillip and Margaret (Judge) Collier, of Adams township. Robert was born in the extreme south-east part of Adams, November 6, 1866. He received a good common education, and has devoted his time to agricultural pursuits. He was married to Sue Wilkinson, November 28, 1891. She is the daughter of Joseph and Rosanna (Clark) Wilkinson. She was born in 1870; died January 2, 1894. One child, Hallam W., was born May 10, 1893; died May 17, 1894.

Robert Collier joined the Missionary Baptist Church in 1886, and has been a faithful, active member of Union church ever since. An active Republican, and on the right side of all questions. His father, Phillip Collier, was born

in Ohio in 1826; died March 12, 1887. Mrs. Phillip Collier was born in Ohio in 1832. They were married, May, 1855. Mrs. Robert Collier's father, Joseph Wilkins, was born in 1846. His wife was born in 1848; married November 14, 1868.

### JOSEPH SHANNON,

Another of the pioneers of Madison county, was born in Ross county, Ohio, in 1809. Came to Madison county with his father back in the thirties, and settled east of the now city of Anderson, near the "Mounds." He learned and worked at the carpenter and cabinetmaker's trade, and for years made the furniture that the settlers used in early days, which would not compare with the polished furniture of to-day, but would last much longer. In 1834 he was married to Matilda Harpool. In 1833 he joined the M. E. Church, and all his life was a true and faithful christian. He was a fine singer and leader of the early calls in and about Anderson. He was fond of the gun, and was at home in deep woods and brush of Madison county. Deer, wolves and other wild animals trembled when he was in pursuit. In 1842 he built and lived in a house where the jail now stands. In 1842 he killed a large deer on the bank of White river, near the beautiful Park addition. It fell in the river, and was fished out and divided among the neighbors of that locality, among whom were William Sparks, Gary Hoover and others.

The following are the names of the children born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shannon: Daniel, who died of milk sickness in 1842. Thomas, who resides on Fifth street, Anderson. Smith D., who resides in Indianapolis. The wives of the Shannons were buried in the old cemetery at Anderson, on Twelfth street, now built over, and the exact spot is not definitely known.

After the death of Joseph Shannon in 1842 Mrs. Shannon was married to James Johnston, of near Perkinsville, where Thomas lived up to 1862, when he enlisted in Com-

pany D, One Hundred and First Indiana Regiment, and served till the close of the war. On October 17, 1866, he was married to Aletha Shelley, of New Castle, Indiana. In 1870 he moved to his farm, three miles west of Anderson. In 1872 he moved back to Anderson, No. 107 Fifth street, where he now (1895) resides.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shannon have three children, as follows: Benjamin, Richard and Thomas. Mr. S. the past several years has traveled extensively for a wholesale grocery house, and is a fine salesman, extensively known, and a fine conversationalist. He is a member of the G. A. R. Post at Anderson. He was born where the jail now stands, July 29, 1838. A member of the Travelers' Association.

### JOSHUA CHAPPELL.

Mr. S. is not, strictly speaking, a pioneer of Madison county, Indiana, but came in 1860, and settled two miles west of Anderson, where he died April 22, 1871. His wife, formerly Sarah Carter, died March 23, 1873. Mr. and Mrs. Chappell were born in Yadkin county, North Carolina, about the years 1806 and 1808; married in North Carolina, October 17, 1827. Came to Henry county, Indiana, in 1850, where thirteen of the children were born, one being born in North Carolina before they came to Indiana.

Mr. Chappell was a very popular man in Henry county, where his best days were spent. He was elected Sheriff of the county in 1844, and served four years, to the entire satisfaction of all. Elected as a Democrat. There were seven boys and seven girls; all dead but three girls and two boys, Charles D. and Clem L. The boys reside in Anderson. Clem L. was born in Henry county, November, 1842; married to Julia Hazelbaker, May 28, 1868; one child (Alice) born to them, August 26, 1869. Of the three girls living are Mrs. Dr. Sullivan, of Iowa, Mrs. Carter,

of Lagrange, Indiana, and Mrs. Goodlander, of Muncie, Indiana.

### MOSES D. HARMON.

In 1874 I first met Mr. Harmon, who was then teaching school in the slashes of Duck-Creek township, Madison county, Indiana. Mr. H. has taught successfully in Madison, Grant and Tipton counties for a score of years. He was born in Tipton county, Indiana, just west of the city of Elwood, then Quincy, on September 5, 1848, a grand time and place, just as gold was discovered in California and the epoch of the gas belt of 1887. He is a son of the late William P. Harmon and Mary (Leeson) Harmon, early settlers of Tipton county, Indiana, and who were born in North Carolina, in 1806.

Moses D. Harmon was married to Inez Clendenen, daughter of Huston and Elizabeth (Thompson) Clendenen formerly of Elwood. Mr. H. attended the common schools of the county and attended Butler University at Indianapolis, where he further prepared himself for teaching. He is a member of Quincy Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 200. He has served in all the school offices of Elwood, and was elected Trustee of Duck Creek for two years. He was elected County Recorder of Madison county November 6, 1894. Mr. H. is a splendid gentleman, belongs to the Christian Church, and is a staunch Republican. Long may he live to record the interests of Madison county, Indiana. He resides in the city of Anderson. See his portrait on another page of this work.

### SANFORD M. KELTNER.

Mr. Keltner I am glad to notice in my work, a prince of tip top fellows, who has been identified with the public schools of Anderson for the past ten years. He received a good education that has well fitted him for the law and school matters. He has taught school in many parts of Indiana, and was at one time clerk in a general store in

Terre Haute, Indiana. In 1880 he came to Anderson, where he now (1895) resides. He studied law in the office of Robinson & Lovett, and was at one time associated with that firm, previous to Mr. Robinson's death, in 1891. He is a member of the K. of P. He was married to Alice Cakefair, who was born in Fayette county, Indiana. Two children were born to them, Ruth and May. Mr. K.'s father's name is Joseph C. Keltner, born in Ohio in 1817.

Mr. Sanford Keltner was brought up under many disadvantages, and has all his life relied on his own exertions, and has succeeded admirably. Is a Republican of the first water. He is a safe attorney, and has his cases well in hand before going into open court. He resides on the north-east corner of School and Thirteenth streets, Anderson. A polished gentleman at home, at school or at the bar. Long may he be thus.

#### WILLIAM BARTON.

Mr. Barton was born in Franklin county, Virginia, June 10, 1826. At the age of five years he came with his parents to Middletown, Henry county, Indiana. Here he went to school and attained a fair business education and learned the wagon-maker trade, which he carried on in Middletown until 1850, when he moved to Quincy, now Elwood, Indiana. He was first married to Malissa Bristol, who was born near Middletown, Indiana, in 1830; daughter of Benjamin Bristol. She was the mother of three children: Eliza J. Moore, of Anderson; Mary C. Kelly, of Alexandria, and Charles. She died in 1856 and was buried at the Showalter cemetery. William Barton was the second time married to Sinia J. Harmon in 1857. She was born in Wayne county, Indiana, in 1837. She died in Elwood in 1869. She was the daughter of William P. and Mary (Leeson) Harmon.

The following are the names of the children of this family, all born in Elwood, Indiana: James M. Barton,



born October 29, 1859; married to Anna R. Ewing, April 12, 1886. She was born in Ohio December 17, 1858, daughter of Ebenezer and Elizabeth (Dennis) Ewing, of Anderson. He has a fine business education, and has filled many important places in several county offices, as well as in banks at Elwood and Alexandria. He is a tip-top gentleman and a Democrat, and has resided in Anderson for the past ten years. He is a fine penman and book-keeper. Emma, a twin of J. M., was born October 29, 1859. She died October 22, 1880; buried at Elwood, Indiana. Laura A., married to Isaac T. Boyden; reside in Elwood, Indiana. Minnie J., married to John R. Grant; reside in Elwood. Bertha M., married to George Washburn; reside in Logansport, Indiana. Lasina F., married to Emery Orbough; live in Elwood. Maud M., married to Otto Ford. Josephus died in infancy.

All through life William Barton was an active, industrious man, and for years after moving to Elwood was engaged in business and operated the firstware house there, now known as the Harting warehouse. He had the first safe in Quincy, now Elwood, and at his death had \$20,000 in cash in it. Mr. B. at one time was one of the wealthy men of the county, and no man living or dead can say he ever wrongfully took five cents from any one. He was a Democrat of the Jacksonian school and in faith a Universalist. I first met Mr. Barton in Elwood in 1874, when he bought one of my first books, and it is with great pleasure that I write of him and his family. I am indebted to James M. Barton for many of the above dates. This family will long be remembered as one of the highest respectability and worth. Long may their memory live. Mr. James Barton and Mr. and Mrs. Ewing reside in Anderson, Indiana. Mr. E. was for many years one of the business men of this city, but of late lives a retired life.

## THE MAKEPEACE FAMILY.

The name of Makepeace is identified with the earliest history of Madison county. The first Makepeace came to this country from England in 1637, and settled in South Boston, Massachusetts. Amasa, Sr., with his family, was the first of the family to move to the far west. He came to Ohio in 1820, and lived two years with all of his family except his two eldest sons, Allen and Alfred. They pushed on to Madison county, Indiana, that year, and their father and the balance of the family removed to Chesterfield, Madison county, (then a dense wilderness) in 1822, and lived there till his death, February 28, 1848, aged seventy-one years. He was postmaster of the village for over twenty-five years. He married Betsy Babbitt, May 18, 1800, in Norton, Massachusetts. She lived to the age of seventy-five, and died, June 18, 1858. Their children were Elizabeth, Allen, Alfred, Ransom, Julia, Hayden, George, Bradley, Laura, Harriet and Amasa. Elizabeth, born June 26, 1801; died about 1865. Allen, born September 28, 1802; married Nancy Shimer. Their children were Allen, Quincy and Elvira Jane, who married John E. Corwin, and lives in Middletown, New York.

Allen and Alfred were the first in the county. They peddled articles suited to the Indians for awhile, and then started a store at Chesterfield, where Allen died about July 10, 1870. At his death he was the wealthiest man in the county, worth about \$300,000. He was respected by all who knew him. His wife died several years later.

Alfred Makepeace, born in Norton, Massachusetts, November 3, 1804, settled in the Indian village (now the city of Anderson) in 1823, and lived there until his death, 1876, except about two years, 1833 and 1834. All of his children, except Alonzo and Horace, were born in Anderson, and they were born at Pendleton, near the falls of Fall Creek. Alfred married Hannah Irish on a farm, about two and a half miles east of Anderson. She was

born in 1810 and died in 1857, loved by all who knew her. Alfred was a merchant, farmer and miller, and at one time was the second wealthiest man in the county. He owned quite a number of farms, residences and business in and around Anderson, and if gas had been struck at Anderson forty years ago his wealth would have been far ahead of any one in the county, for he owned the Hickey farm. (The writer picked brush and helped clear the land where the first gas was struck, and the farm is now a part of Anderson, and Hickey is wealthy from the purchase of that farm from him.) He also owned the seventy-two feet, south-east corner of the public square; also the north-east corner, clear down past the Major Doxey residence, in 1859. He married Mrs. Elizabeth Clawson, near New Castle, Indiana. She still lives in Logan, Kansas. With the breaking out of the war in 1861 he met some reverses, but at his death, in 1875, he still had considerable property left, and in 1876 his nine children met in Anderson for the first time in sixteen years, and divided the property without trouble or litigation. Had all held to what they got until now they would have done well, for it all increased in value after gas was struck in 1887. The children of Alfred were Allen L., Alonzo I., Horace B., Laura M., Ardelia A., Letitia A., Samuel D., Esta A., Charles M. and Carey L.

Allen L., born in Anderson in 1827; died in 1891; lived in the county all his life; married twice; first wife was Mary J., daughter of William Sparks, and had by that marriage several children, living in different places. Two of the sons, Will and Charles, live at the present time in Chicago. Both are printers. The writer does not know the name of his second wife, by whom he also had several children. He was an Odd Fellow.

Alonzo I. was born at Pendleton in 1833; has lived in Anderson ever since except while in the army. He is in the hardware business at the present time, and is in good

financial circumstances. He married Margaret Robinson, sister of the late Col. M. S. Robinson, in 1868. They have two children, Frank and Hallie. Both married and live in Anderson. Hallie married Thomas Stillwell, Jr., son of the late lamented Thomas Stillwell, well loved and respected by all who knew him. They have one child, a little daughter. Alonzo enlisted as Second Lieutenant in Company A, Nineteenth Indiana, in 1861, and was in several hard fought battles in the Department of the Potomac. He was promoted to Captain of the company. He was captured in the first day's fight at Gettysburg. His company, regiment and brigade (Iron Brigade) were almost annihilated. His company went into the fight with about forty men, and there were but seven for roll call the next morning. The rest were killed, wounded or taken prisoners. He was taken to Libby Prison, and helped do the tunneling so much spoken of, in which General A. D. Streight had charge. He was a prisoner for twenty months in Libby, Columbia and Charleston. When captured he weighed about one hundred and seventy-five pounds; when exchanged he weighed about one hundred and twenty. After coming home he went into the hardware business, and is still in it. He was elected Sheriff of Madison county in 1886 on the Republican ticket by over three hundred and fifty majority. The county was then seven hundred to nine hundred Democratic. He is still in good health, and expects to live to a good, ripe old age. He belongs to the Odd Fellows and G. A. R.

Horace B. was born in 1834, near the falls of Fall Creek at Pendleton; went with his father to Anderson in 1835, and spent his boyhood days there. He married Lou C. Gregory, of Pendleton, in 1858. They resided in Pendleton nearly two years, and then moved to Anderson. He was in the retail dry goods business at the north-east corner of court-house square at the breaking out of the rebellion in 1861. He assisted in raising Company A of

the Nineteenth Indiana, of which his brother Alonzo went out as Second Lieutenant, and Major Charles T. Doxey was Orderly Sergeant, as well as many other gallant Anderson boys. In August and September, 1861, that gallant, brave, generous and loyal citizen, Thomas N. Stillwell, sacrificed his banking business to organize the Thirty-fourth Indiana (Morton Rifles). It was organized in camp at Anderson, and did gallant service during the war, and was in the last battle for the Union at Palmetto Ranch, Texas, in 1865. Horace enlisted as one of the leaders of the band, Second Lieutenant, and was with the regiment until mustered out by order from Congress, mustering out regimental bands, September, 1862. After being home for awhile he re-enlisted as Second Lieutenant in Company C, One Hundred and Tenth Indiana, and remained with the regiment until it was mustered out. H. B., like a great many other young men, made a great sacrifice in going into the army; gave up a good business and left a pleasant home for the tented field to help save the Union and flag. In 1865 he moved to Indianapolis, and was connected with the wholesale trade on Meridian street for about twenty-eight years, fifteen of which was as a commercial traveler. At the election in November, 1894, he was elected Township Trustee for Center township, Marion county, Indiana, for four years, on the Republican ticket, by 1,923 majority. His predecessor was elected four years before by 1,923 majority on the Democratic ticket. Horace belongs to quite a number of secret organizations, some of which are the C. T. A., G. A. R., K. of P., N. U., J. O. A. M. and P. O. S. of A. He cast his first vote in 1856 as a Republican, and he is still of the same faith.

Lura M. was born in Anderson in 1835, and spent her girlhood there. She was married in 1856 to Will H. Mays, and now lives in Los Angeles, California. They have three children living and two dead. Her husband was in

the Thirty-fourth and One Hundred and Thirtieth Indiana Regiments.

Ardelia A. was born in Anderson about 1837 or 1838. She married William Bennett, and now lives near that city. They have three children.

Lutitia A. was born in Anderson in 1840. She was married to Elder Emery Clifford. Reside in Anderson.

Samuel D. was born in Anderson about 1843, and lived there until he enlisted in the Thirty-fourth Indiana Regiment in 1861; mustered out in 1866. He married a few years later, and now lives in Westfield, Illinois, and is publishing a Republican newspaper in Ashmore, Illinois. They have several children. He is an a 1 band teacher.

Esta A. was born in Anderson about 1847 or 1848. At the breaking out of the war he went with his brother Lou in the Nineteenth Indiana for over a year. When he came home he enlisted in the One Hundred and Thirtieth Indiana, and served long and faithful. He married a few years later to Mrs. Sophia Goodwin. They have lived in Butler county, Kansas, several years. He is at present Clerk of the courts of Butler county, and lives in Eldorada. He was also a Justice of the Peace for a number of years. Elected to the offices by the Republicans. They have several children.

Charles M. was also born in Anderson about the year 1851 or 1852. For the past twenty years he has been in almost every State in the West, and is at the present time in Kingfisher, Oklahoma. He never married. He had an interest in some Colorado gold mines at one time. He is now in the real estate business. He is a fine musician, and an a 1 band teacher. He has probably taught more bands in the West than any other teacher. He was leader of the celebrated Cow-Boy Band of Larned, Kansas, that went to Washington City when Harrison was inaugurated as President 1888.

Ransom, the third son of Amasa Makepeace, was

born in Norton, Massachusetts, in 1806, and emigrated to the county in 1822, and died in Delaware county, Indiana, in 1843. He married Sarah McClanahan. She is still living in Daleville, Indiana, aged eighty-four years. They had three children. Alvin lives in Indianapolis. Lucinda lives in Kansas. Oliver died in Iowa, in 1848.

Julia, the fourth child of Amasa, was born in 1808, and died in 1812.

Hayden, the fifth child of Amasa, was born in 1811, and died in 1843. He left one son, Willard, who died a few years ago, leaving two children, Cora and Sherman. Sherman is at present Justice of the Peace at Chesterfield, Indiana, and owns the old homestead of his great grandfather, Amasa.

George, the seventh child of Amasa, was born in 1813. He married Margaret McClanahan, and always lived in Chesterfield, after coming from the East in 1822. He died several years ago, and his wife died in 1894. They had six children, most of them now living. He followed merchandizing with his brother Allen in Chesterfield for a great many years.

Bradley, the eighth child of Amasa, was born in 1815, and lived in Chesterfield until 1875, when he moved to Anderson, where he died a few years ago. He married Rachel Dilts. She is still living in Anderson. They had no children.

Laura, the ninth child of Amasa, was born in 1818, and died in 1851 in Chesterfield. She married Simeon Landry. They had several children. Some are living in Anderson at the present time.

Harriet, the tenth child of Amasa, was born in 1824, and died in 1827.

Amasa, Jr., the eleventh child of Amasa, was born in 1827 in Chesterfield, and always lived on the old homestead. He died in 1877. Never married.

The above was written by H. B. Makepeace, of Indianapolis.

### JOSEPH JOHNSON.

Mr. J. was born in Randolph county, Indiana, June 16, 1842. He was married to Elizabeth Allen, who was born in Hancock county, Indiana, in 1832. They married in 1862. Mr. J., though not a pioneer of Madison county, came to the north part of the county, where he settled in VanBuren township, which was new and undeveloped. He came there in 1869 and commenced to make a fine farm, and if you was to see it to-day (1895) you would not wonder when I say he succeeded. He owns nearly two hundred and fifty acres of choice land, three miles east of Summitville, and in 1892 he built a fine brick dwelling, which is among the best in the county. He has his large farm in a state of fine cultivation. A grand, good farmer, and one of the substantial men of Madison county. He is a Democrat of the olden times and a member of the Baptist Church, as well as his wife, who is a lady and worthy to be mistress of so good a home.

Children's names: Manson U., born September 16, 1864; Superintendent of the schools of Madison county. The oldest daughter married Mr. Beeson. Jesse married to A. B. Sanders. Daniel M., William, Etta, married to Ezra Webster; Amanda, John R. and Della A.

### JOHN TITUS,

One of the young and progressive farmers of Madison county, I wish to remember in the Pioneer, son of the late Samuel and Eliza (Seward) Titus. John was born near Markleville, Indiana, in a splendid time, about the middle of the nineteenth century (1850), and was raised on a farm, and that has been and yet is his avocation. He resides one-half mile south of Markleville, on the Knightstown pike, where he owns a splendid farm (formerly the William Sloan farm), where he has just completed one of



the best dwellings in the county; finely situated and the surroundings are good; in sight of three churches, two school-houses and near the railroad, and everything that goes to make a desirable home. He was married to Lizzie Midkiff. John's father, Samuel Titus, was born in New Jersey, 1814, who was married to Eliza Seward in 1842. She was born near Cincinnati in 1824. She died January 15, 1870. Mr. T. died June 9, 1886; both buried at the Collier cemetery, near their old home. Brothers and sisters of John Titus: Jane Little, Charity Ham, Anna Dairow, Ruth McCarty, Adelaide Ham, Lizzie Titus, Clara Titus, Riley Titus, and Dr. Charles Titus, of Warrington, Indiana.

#### ALLEN BOORAM.

My friend Booram I have known from his boyhood days. He was born about the year 1850, just south of Markleville, Indiana, son of the late John Booram, who was born in Virginia in 1817; died in 1884; buried at the Collier cemetery. He was married to Margaret Hedrick in 1839. She is yet (1895) living. Allen received a good education and taught school several years. About 1872 he was married to Jennie Kirk, who was born about the year 1852 in Pennsylvania. He was elected County Commissioner November, 1894, over Eli Hodson. He was the first Republican to fill this office for years, and is to-day (1895) serving to the entire satisfaction of the people who elected him. A man of fine business qualities, that eminently fit him for so important a place. He has a fine farm south-west of Markleville, and ten acres just south of Markleville, where he has a delightful home on the pike and near the railroad, which is in sight of three churches, two school-houses and many other conveniences that make his home desirable. In his make-up he is retired, not seeking notoriety, and when elected it was a clear case of the office seeking the man. In religious notions he is a

free thinker. A Mason of high standing, as was his father before him.

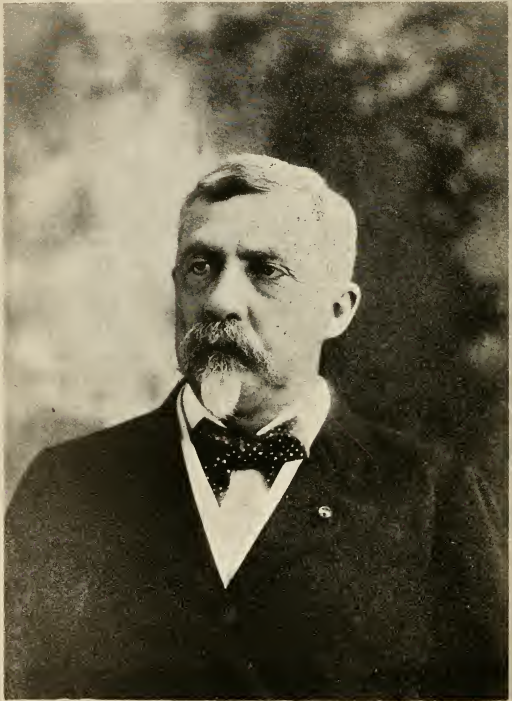
His grandfather, Jacob Booram, was born in Virginia in 1781, and died near Markleville in 1856. Mrs. Jacob Booram died near Markleville, aged ninety-five years; both buried in the Collier cemetery. Glad to give Allen a notice in the Pioneer.

### THE BRONENBERG FAMILY.

To write the pioneer life of Madison county, Indiana, without mention of the above family would be like visiting Massachusetts and not seeing Boston. The elder, Frederick Bronenberg, came when a young man from Germany to Ohio with his wife, both of whom were born there about the year 1784. Mr. and Mrs. B. remained a few years in Ohio, where three or four of the older children were born. About the year 1819 or 1820 they started to move to Illinois and got as far as Madison county, where Chesterfield now is, or in that locality, perhaps near the "Mounds." Here one of the children was taken sick and died, and they decided to go no farther west. A piece of land was entered and the family remained there till it has become numerous, both in Madison and Delaware counties, and to-day (1895) the family down to the fifth generation own thousands of acres of land. The family has all those years been among the foremost in the county. The elder Bronenberg was a tanner and started the first tanyards in the county, which he operated near Chesterfield for years, up to perhaps 1840. He died in 1853. Mrs. B. died a few years previous; buried on the Bronenberg farm in Union township, near the town of Chesterfield. This burial place is a private one and is known as the Bronenberg cemetery.

The following are the names of the children, part of whom were born in Madison county, Indiana: Frederick, Jr., born in Ohio about the year 1814; is living (1895).

His wife, Hulda, died in Anderson in 1888; is buried in the Bronenberg cemetery. The following are the names of their children: William, died in the army in 1863. He was in the Sixty-ninth Indiana Volunteers. Ransom, married Miss Seward, daughter of Joseph I. Seward; reside on the "Mounds" farm, the old home of Frederick, Jr. Tude, single, at home in Anderson. Cal., single, at home. This family is Republican, and, as the other members of the family, are quite well off. John, the second child, settled on the edge of Delaware county, Indiana, where he lived till his death about the year 1875. He raised a large family, who live in Madison and Delaware counties. Mrs. Carl Nelson, who lived many years in Madison county, was finally killed, it is said, by Manis, near Terre Haute about the year 1880. Jacob, lived many years in Richland township, four miles north-east of Anderson, where he owned four hundred acres of choice land. He moved to the city of Anderson about the year 1882, where he died in 1891. His wife died in 1893. They are buried in the Anderson cemetery, where a fine granite monument marks their resting place. He was a Democrat, and served several years as County Commissioner. Among his children are Henry J., Samuel, Mrs. Thomas East, Mrs. Jackson and Sant. Henry owns one thousand acres of land just south of Chesterfield, and also served as County Commissioner for four years and twenty years as Trustee of Union township. He was married near Chesterfield to Miss Falkner; both living (1895). He is known as a modern Spiritualist and has given liberally to the society. Michael, the first child of the family, was born in Madison county in 1821; resides in Richland township, where he owns a choice farm on Killbuck. Carl resides on the old homestead, where he lives in peace and plenty. He is also a Spiritualist, and has given largely of his means and land to the State spiritual camp ground, located on his farm just north of



HON. CHARLES T. DOXEY,  
Ex-Member of Congress, Anderson, Indiana.

Chesterfield. He is a liberal gentleman, free thinker and a Democrat. He has been married twice. Of his children I know but little. One daughter married Mr. Cromer, who has a fine farm and family and is a teacher of note. He was born in Delaware county, Indiana. The Bronenberg family was among the first to settle in the county and of the highest respectability. Am glad to give them this sketch in my book.

### THE IRISH FAMILY.

James Irish came to Madison county, Indiana, in 1823, and first settled between Anderson and the "Mounds," on what was afterwards known as the Kendall farm. The family remained here a few years, when they removed to Pendleton and located at the Falls. Here James Irish and Samuel D. Irish, his son, built and operated a woollen and grist mill for years, up to the death of Samuel D., which was in 1868. James Irish, after living in the county near fifty years, went to Texas, and died there about the year 1861, aged seventy-six years. His wife died in Pendleton many yaars ago. Among the other children of Mr. and Mrs. James Irish were William and James.

Among the more prominent of this large and early family was Samuel D., a grand, good man, who did so much for Pendleton and Madison county, where he lived nearly all his life, for he was quite young when his father came to the county, perhaps fourteen years of age. It is of him and family I wish mainly to write. He was all his life connected with mills, and at one time the best known of any man perhaps in the county, if we except Nin Berry. He was twice married. His first wife died many years ago. She was a splendid lady, and indeed a pioneer.

The following are the names of the children born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel D. Irish: Virgil, deceased; Mrs. John Snelson, deceased; Volney B., lives in Anderson; James M.; Oliver, deceased; William, deceased; Ira, lives

in Pendleton. Volney, James M., William and Oliver were in the war of 1861-5. Samuel D. Irish was married to Mrs. Reed about the year 1850. She and Mr. Irish are buried at the Pendleton cemetery, as well as other members of the family.

Samuel D. Irish was at one time quite wealthy, and stood high among all classes of people. He was good to the poor new-comer, and his memory will live for time to come. He was an old-time Whig, then a Republican. He was all his active life a devoted Mason, and was made so at Indianapolis as early as 1840. He was a charter member of Madison Lodge, No. 44, at Pendleton, and for many years its presiding officer in the east, where the writer received the Sublime degree at his hands in 1857. He was a free thinker, and I think a Universalist in faith. No better family than that of the Irish, a pioneer family that is closely associated with the early history of Madison county. In person Mr. Irish was five feet eight inches in height, square built, dark complexion, and well informed, especially on Masonry, his delight. Several of his sons were fine musicians, and all well informed men. The three older sisters of Samuel D. Irish, daughters of James, were married to Alfred Makepeace, Garrett McAllister and James McClanahan, all deceased.

I am sorry to give so poor a sketch of so good a family, but it is the best I can do under the circumstances.

#### ULYSSES A. LEWIS.

Al, or Pete, as we sometimes call him, is the eldest son of the late James M. Lewis, and grandson of the venerable Abisha Lewis, of Markleville, formerly of Rush county, Indiana. James M. Lewis was born March 5, 1846, in Rush county. He was married to Eliza W. Gilmore, June 8, 1865. She is the daughter of William Gilmore, one of the pioneers of Adams township. She was born there November 26, 1845. James died in 1892.

He was at his death one of the substantial men and traders of the county.

Al was born near Markleville, Indiana, in 1868. He married Miss Ford, daughter of Isaac and Mariah (Williams) Ford, about the year 1869. They reside near Markieville. Mr. Lewis is engaged in the live stock trade and farming, an active, rising young man, that I have known all his life. He is a fine judge of stock, and a lover of fine horses, especially if they can "go." He, like his father, is a Republican of the stalwart kind, but not a member of any church. Mrs. Allie Lewis was born in Markleville about the year 1869 or 1870. Two or three children have been born to them, but their names I did not get. The following are the names of Mr. Lewis' brothers and sisters: Essie, Cora L., Ida M., Ross M., James E., Mabel D., George F. and Hazel M. Cora L. and Mabel D. are deceased.

### JAMES K. JOHNSON.

Mr. J. came from Pennsylvania about the time of the gas discovery at Anderson, 1887, where he has since lived. The first two or three years he was engaged in gas fitting and plumbing, but of late has given his time and attention to sinking gas wells, and perhaps sunk more wells in Madison and adjoining counties than any other man. In 1893 he built a splendid residence on Walnut street, near Ohio avenue, and has one of the handsomest homes in the city. He is a clever gentleman, fairly well informed on all subjects, and can see as far in the ground as any one. Mr. J. was born about the year 1860, and is just in his prime to-day (1895), just in time to engage in his chosen avocation. He has an interesting family, but I am unable to give any of their names. We lived neighbors to them in 1888, on Pearl street, and am glad to give the family a short sketch in my work.

## SAMUEL D. IRISH.

Samuel D. Irish was born in Rensselaer county, State of New York, near Albany, the State capital, in about the year 1806, living there until eight years of age, when, with his parents, he removed to Licking county, Ohio.

In early manhood he learned the business of woolen manufacturing, carding, spinning, dyeing, cloth dressing, etc., in the town of Zanesville, Ohio; also flour milling. Later, in Licking county, Ohio, about the year 1830 or 1831, he became interested, with his father, in the milling business at the falls of Fall Creek, near Pendleton, Madison county, Indiana. At this time was erected a large flouring mill at the Falls on the south side of the creek. This, at that time, was the center of the custom milling of the county. Later he built a saw mill and a building in which wool carding, dyeing and cloth-dressing was done. About this time he married a Miss Phillips, of the Welch Hills, near Granville, Licking county, Ohio. Of this wife two children were born, Virgil P. and Olive A. Mrs. Irish departed this life in 1834. In the latter part of the year 1836 the subject of this sketch was again married to Miss Jemima A. Baker, daughter of Aaron Baker, of Newark, Licking county, Ohio. Of this union there were born five children, viz: Volney B., Oliver E., William O., James M. and Ira A., of which Volney, James and Ira are still living.

In 1839 Samuel D. Irish bought his father's interest in the Falls Mills and woolen factory and the mill tract, including one hundred and sixty acres of land. Being sole owner now, he run the business successfully until 1843, when he sold out to his brothers, William and James D. Irish, and purchased the mill property of Samuel Ireland, known as the Lower Mills, of Pendleton; later known as "Our Mills," which were built in 1847. In 1850 he repurchased the Falls Mills and tract, and built a large woolen



factory on the site of the old carding-house, in which any and all kinds of woolen goods, including blankets, etc., were manufactured. These mills were run by members of his own family, some in one department and some in another, and managed very successfully by the father as superintendent of all departments.

In January, 1854, Jemima A. Irish, the second wife, departed this life, leaving her husband and five children. In the latter part of the year 1854 he again married to Mrs. Eliza Reid, of Anderson, Indiana. There were no children by this union.

Mr. Irish was of a very enterprising turn, and did a great deal toward developing Madison county, especially the southern portion. He was an enthusiastic railroad man, and was for all enterprises tending to the development of the whole country. In politics he was identified with the Whig party until the birth of the Republican party, to which he belonged until the day of his death, which occurred April 14, 1864. He was buried under the auspices of the Masonic order of Pendleton, of which he was Master for many years. He was also a prominent member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Was not identified particularly with any church or creed. Generous hearted, open handed, as many a poor soldier's family can testify. During the war, while husbands or the heads of families were at the front, many a barrel of flour has found its way to the needy without their knowing whose hand bestowed it.

At the beginning of the war, in 1861, five sons volunteered to assist in putting down the rebellion, leaving none at home but the youngest son, Ira A., and John Q. Reid, a step-son, to assist in managing the business.

Death came before the war closed, and thus ended the life of one of the most prominent and best known men of Madison county. Buried at Pendleton.

## PHILLIP HARDIN.

Mr. H. was born in Pennsylvania about the year 1810. Came when a young man to Huntsville, Indiana, and carried on wagon-making for several years. He was married about the year 1833 to Mary Alfonte. The family resided in Huntsville many years. Mr. H. died at the age of sixty-nine years. Mrs. H. died twenty years later at the age of eighty-one years. Both buried at Huntsville.

Children's names: Lou, born in 1834; married to Dr. Slack, of Yorktown, Indiana; both dead. Kate, born in 1836; married to Grand Clark in 1856; reside in Hancock county, four miles south of Pendleton. Maggie, married to B. F. Aimen; reside in Pendleton. Ben was born in Pennsylvania; served four years as Commissioner of Madison county. Charles V., born in 1838; married to Miss Marsh; reside in Fortville. He was in the Twelfth Indiana Volunteers in 1861-5, and served as postmaster at Fortville four years. John, married to Miss Kirk; reside in Missouri. He was in the Second Indiana Battery three years in the war of 1861-5; born in 1840. Evaline, born in 1842; married to Mr. Hurst; reside in Huntsville. A good family, and I am glad to give them a sketch in the Pioneer. Mr. H. was a brother of the late John Hardin.

## ABIJAH COX,

Son of William Cox, was born in Ohio, December 4, 1847, and was quite young when his parents came to Fall Creek, four miles west of Pendleton. Abijah was married to Ann McCarty, November 12, 1881. She is the daughter of the late Patrick McCarty, who was born in Ireland about the year 1814. Mr. C. is a farmer, and resides on the old William Cox farm, formerly the Samuel Jackson farm, in Fall-Creek township. Abijah Cox is a brother of Tunis, William P., Martha F., Isaac W. (dead), Jasper N., Robert and Wesley T. William Cox, father of Abijah, was born in Ohio, October, 1821; married to Martha A.

Preston in 1845. Mrs. Cox was born in Ohio in 1826. Came to Madison county in 1850.

Glad to notice this family, one of the highest respectability and worth. William Cox, Sr., was many years Commissioner of the county. Elected as a Democrat, to which party all the sons belong. Mrs. McCarty, mother of Mrs. Abijah Cox, is yet living (1895) on the old farm, three miles north-east of Pendleton.

### GARRETT McALLISTER, SR.

Mr. M. was born in the State of Virginia in 1815. Came with his father, William McAllister, to Adams township about the year 1830, south-west of Ovid. He was married to Mariah Irish about the year 1845. She is the daughter of James Irish, one of our early settlers of near Anderson; afterwards at the falls of Fall Creek. She was born about the year 1817; died in 1889. Mr. McA. died, April, 1864. Both buried at the McAllister cemetery in Adams township.

Mr. McAllister was one of the grand men of Madison county, of unsullied honesty and integrity, and a Mason of high standing. No man stood higher than Garrett McAllister. He was a brother of John and Thomas McAllister and nephew of John, Thomas and Garrett McAllister. He was a Democrat of the olden school. The two sons born to Mr. and Mrs. McAllister are: Burt, born in 1845; resides on Lick Creek, on the old Robert Wylie farm, in Adams township. Austin W. resides on the home place, formerly the Saul Reger farm; also on Lick Creek. A. W. was elected County Assessor in 1892, and fills his office to the entire satisfaction of the people. The father, Garrett, was a splendid farmer, and it is said he produced on his farm the largest yield of wheat ever raised in Adams township. It is with great pleasure I write of this family.

### DRS. JOHN AND WILLIAM A. HUNT.

The Hunt family came from Wayne county, Indiana,

to near Huntsville, Indiana, quite early in our history, back, perhaps, in the thirties. The father and mother of the doctors were William and Elizabeth Hunt, who are buried at Huntsville. They came from North Carolina, and were born there. Dr. John Hunt was born, January, 1817, and read medicine, and his life was mainly devoted to the practice. His best years, perhaps, were spent in Madison county, in Anderson and Lafayette township, where he resided several years. About the year 1860 he moved to Spiceland, Henry county, Indiana, and resided there several years, when he went to Springdale, Arkansas, where he died, July 23, 1894. He was first married to Miss Bird, who died in 1855, and is buried at the Huntsville cemetery. One son, Benton, lived to the age of twenty-four years. He is also buried at Huntsville. Two or three other children were born to this marriage, but died young. He was the second time married to Hester McAllister, daughter of John McAllister, Sr., about the year 1858. One child was born to them, Henry G., who, with his mother, lives in Arkansas. John Hunt was an active man, a fine doctor, and at one time Treasurer of Madison county; also in the State Legislature. A polished gentleman, well informed, of fine physical make-up, light hair and complexion. He has a host of friends in Madison county, who will remember him as long as they live. He was a Democrat and a free thinker.

William A. Hunt was born in 1822. He also studied medicine, and his best days and mind were given to it. A splendid doctor, of fine make-up and florid complexion; also a Democrat, and perhaps the best posted man that ever lived in the county on geology. At his death he had a fine library and collection of specimens, now in the county collection, hid away in the high school building, a shame to his memory. His boyhood days were spent at Huntsville, and received a good education, and graduated in the medical schools of the country. He taught school

in his younger life. At the age of twenty-five he was married to Sarah C. Wright, daughter of William Wright, who was also an early citizen of Huntsville. This was in 1847. She was born in Milton, Indiana, August 9, 1827. She died in Anderson in 1888, and is buried there. Three children were born to them. Dr. M. Volney, married to Ada Andrews. She died, July 23, 1877. Dr. John W., married to Etta Brickly, daughter of Dr. W. P. Brickly, in 1873. Both are fine physicians, and reside in Anderson, and have a fine practice. The third son, William A., died in Anderson, October 7, 1877, at the age of twenty-six years, and is buried at Anderson.

Dr. William A. Hunt was a member and father of the Madison County Historical Society, and all his life, after its organization, was its honored president; a Democrat, and member of the Masonic order. He loved its noble teachings. He was a well read man, and had his mind stored full of useful knowledge. He died in 1890. Drs. John and William A. Hunt will be remembered by the early citizens of Madison county, where they lived and practiced medicine so long.

#### THE MYERS FAMILY.

Samuel Myers was born in South Carolina on November 12, 1812, but when quite young went with his parents to Clinton county, Ohio. Here he was first married to Rebecca Cather in 1835. Miss Cather was born February 18, 1816. Two children were born here in Ohio: Jasper C. and William R. In 1839 the young family came west and settled in Madison county, four miles west of the village of Anderson, on White River. Soon after coming here Mrs. Myers died, May 10, 1839. Jasper C. was born in Ohio in 1836. He now resides in California (Bakersfield). He was married late in life to Mattie Cather, daughter of Robert Cather, an early settler of Madison county. William R. was born in 1838. He received a good education; taught school; served as

County Surveyor ; elected Secretary of State three times ; elected to Congress and served two years with ability ; elected as a Democrat ; a brilliant speaker, of high social standing. He was married to Mary F. Mershon in 1860. She was born in Pendleton and is the daughter of Judge W. H. Mershon, an early and prominent citizen of Madison county. Second time married to a lady in Indianapolis in 1894.

Captain William R. Myers was in the late war of 1861 and 1865, and served long and well in the Eighth Indiana Volunteers, Company K, and afterwards in the Forty-seventh Indiana Volunteers, Company G, serving as Lieutenant and Captain. In 1865 he was discharged and returned home. He read law and was admitted to the bar at Anderson in 1866. His wife, a grand, good woman, died in 1892 ; is buried at the Anderson cemetery, where a suitable monument marks her resting-place. Mr. Myers was elected Secretary of State and to Congress as a Democrat, to which party he is fondly attached ; resides in Indianapolis.

After the death of Mrs. Samuel Myers in 1839 he was, in the year 1840, again married to Elizabeth Cather, to whom the following children were born : Theresa C., Mary R., Clara S. and George H. He was married to Miss Boxley, of Hamilton county, Indiana, about the year 1880 ; reside four miles west of Anderson, Indiana. Oliver C. was married to Miss Waggy, daughter of Henry Waggy, an early citizen of Madison county ; reside in North Indianapolis. Martha S., Frank, Endora K. and Jesse F., who was married to Professor W. M. Croan (son of the Hon. David E. Croan), a fine educator and late professor of Shenandoah College, Iowa.

The deceased members of Samuel Myers' family are : Theresa C., Mary R., Clara S. and Endora K. One of the girls married Dr. Adamson, one Captain Hiram Vandevender and one Hon. Byron H. Dyson.

When Samuel Myers first came to Madison county he was a poor man, and through his boyhood days, being left an orphan, he had a trying time, but success came at last through toil and patience. He lived many years on his fine farm of two hundred acres just east of the city of Anderson, but for the last ten years he has resided in Anderson, where he died in 1894; is buried at the Anderson cemetery. During his residence in Madison county he was called on to fill many places of trust and importance, and for nearly fifteen years served as Trustee of Anderson township. He was an old-time Whig and later a Republican. In all the relations of life Mr. Myers was true to the trust confided so long in him. He will be remembered as one of Madison county's oldest and best men. His second wife preceded him to the life beyond in 1892 or 1893.

#### THE McALLISTER FAMILY.

This large and influential family came to the Lick Creek settlement in Madison county about the year 1828 or 1830. There were four brothers and three sisters, all of whom raised large families and are scattered over a vast territory. The paternal grandfather was born in Virginia about the year 1765. His name was Garrett McAllister, the front part of which has been pretty well kept up. He was married in 1787 to Miss Craig. Soon after they went to Kentucky to reside, but she soon died and is buried there. He went back to Virginia and was the second time married to Miss Sprowel, to whom were born five children. The first two, James and William, were born of the first marriage. James, the first, born in 1789, never came to Madison county, but died many years ago in Virginia. He was married to Miss Frazier. She is also dead and is buried in Virginia.

William, born 1792, was married to Belena Frazier. She died in Madison county about the year 1854. He

died in 1862 or 1863; both buried near New Columbus. Following are the names of the children by his first wife. His second wife was Mrs. Mary Tibets. Garrett, born in 1816; married to Mariah Irish. He died in 1864, she in 1889; buried at the McAllister cemetery. John died in Nebraska in 1892. Thomas lives in Missouri. Mrs. Duke Scott also lives in Missouri. Mr. Scott died in 1894 in Missouri. John served as County Commissioner for several years in Madison county.

Thomas McAllister, born 1794, third son of Garrett; married to Margaret McGrady. She died in 1891. He died in 1853; both buried at the McAllister cemetery. Children's names: James G., John W., Annie E., Martin V., Mary H., Robert, Clifton and Charles. The last three were in the war of 1861 and 1865. John W. was Sheriff of Madison county in 1874 at the time of his death. Annie E. and Charles are also dead, as well as James G. Thomas McAllister was a very prominent man. He served in the Indiana Legislature many years and was a member of the State Senate at the time of his death.

John, fourth child, born in 1795; was married to Hester McGrady. She died in 1885. He died in 1858. He served as County Commissioner many years; both buried at Anderson. Children's names: Elizabeth A., married to Silas Busby. May M., married to Dr. Joseph Pugh. She died about the year 1849, he in 1895. Malinda, married to James Jackson; reside in Arkansas. Thomas W., lives in California. Francis, married to Jesse Read; both dead; buried in Henry county, Indiana. James M. (the only Jim) was married to Hester Free in 1856; reside in Anderson, Indiana. His children's names are: Robert, Thomas, Cad, Hester and Dal, the last two deceased. James was born in 1834 on Lick Creek, Madison county, Indiana. Hester Foster died in 1894. Dal died in 1892, aged twenty; both buried in the Anderson cemetery. Hester, married to Dr. John Hunt; reside in



Arkansas. He died there in 1893. John G., deceased. Augustus S., died in Memphis, Tennessee.

Fifth child, Garrett, born 1799; was married to Elizabeth McGrady. He died in 1854, she in 1856; buried near New Columbus. Children's names: America, dead; James G., Susan, Mary M., John C., Lorenzo D., Corydon, William and Emazetta. Susan, John C. and America are deceased.

The sixth child, Susan, born in 1797; married to Martin Brown. He died in 1856. She is also dead (time not known). Children's names: Mary A., Lorenzo D., Susan, Harriet, Emily, Elizabeth, Martin, Louiza and Garrett W.

The seventh child, Anna, born in 1799; married to John Jones. He died about the year 1850. She died about the year 1870, aged eighty-five years. Children's names: Harriet (dead), Jonathan, Morris (dead), Abijah, Davis, Ann, Mary and Paul and John, twins.

The eighth child, Mary, born in 1801; married to Robert Wylie. Both died in Missouri at an advanced age. Children's names, of whom four were in the late war of 1861-5: Jane A., Mary, Thomas, Andrew, Rankin, Harry and Madison.

The McAllister family in the main are, or was, Democrats and Universalists. A grand family, of high social standing, and I am glad to write of them as one of the pioneer families of Madison county.

Among the more prominent of the McAllister families have been Thomas and John, sons of William, the former Judge of the court in Missouri, and the latter Commissioner of Madison county for years; John W., son of Thomas, was Sheriff of Madison county several years; Lorenzo D., son of Garrett, was Captain of Company K, Eighth Indiana Volunteers, during the war of 1861-5; Augustus C., son of John, was for several years a successful attorney at the Anderson bar. He died just in his prime in Memphis,

Tennessee, about the year 1881. Austin W., son of Garrett, Jr., has been County Assessor for several years; born in 1855. Those in the army were Lorenzo D., Robert, Clifton and Charles. Dr. Martin Brown, a well-known doctor in Madison county, lives in Summitville; Garrett W., formerly a druggist in Anderson (deceased); Ward Roach, an attorney at Franklin, Indiana.

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#### EARLY RECOLLECTIONS OF PENDLETON.

MR. HARDEN—*Sir*: My father had come to Pendleton in 1824, but did not bring his family there until June, 1830. He met us, mother and four children, of which I was the eldest. We came by public conveyance from our home in old Virginia to Boonsboro, West Virginia, where father met us with a two-horse carriage. We came from New Castle to old Uncle Billy Williams' (father of Mrs. Lucinda Hardin), and there we had to stop until father came down to town and had the windows put in our house and the door hung, when he came after us. As we drove up the hill he said here is Pendleton. I looked to see the town, and where the Universalist Church stands now was a large double log cabin, owned and occupied by Major McCartney, son-in-law of old Mr. Pendleton, for whom the town was named. On the east side of the street was another log cabin, in one end of which a school was taught by Alfred Kilgore, brother of Judge David Kilgore. On the west side of the street, where George Cole's home is now, was a small log house, used and owned by a man named Arch Joyce, in which he kept a grocery, with some whisky, which was generally well patronized every Saturday afternoon, and generally ended in a fight, and the next house was ours. It sit back in the yard, as is to-day the house owned by Mrs. Mary Lukens, then the brick store, which was built and owned by my father, and on the east corner, across the street, was a stable, in which father kept his horse, the same now where the hotel stands, and on the south-east corner, now owned and occupied by Mrs. Lu Silver Taylor, was the logs to build a hewn log house for old Mr. Pendleton. It was all the church there for three years.

We had no drinking water in the place except what was brought either from what was called the "Spout Spring," out on what is now, I think, owned by the heirs of Joel Clark, and occupied by Newt Armstrong, or across the creek, from a spring on the farm owned at that time by Aaron Shaul, now by Mrs. Josephine Stephenson. There was no church in the place, but services were held in the room where school was taught, until Grandpa Pendleton's log house was built, and after that it was used for that purpose until the first church was built, just where the present one now stands, and the first was round logs, just a cabin. There was not a fence of any kind in the place, and no sidewalks.

Soon after we had moved there the citizens began to talk of a public well, the same that is now there on the corner, and a man named Adam Anderson was hired to dig it, and at the corner of the brick store of an evening they all sit around, and the hat would be passed to collect all that was given to pay the well digger the next day, and if there was not enough, Mr. Anderson would wait until the next evening, and the well was covered up. We had preaching once in four weeks by the regular circuit rider, as the same preacher had to preach at Anderson once in four weeks, but Uncle Frank Richmond and Stephen Masters, two local preachers, who lived on their farms a short distance west of town, preached for us, and we had Sabbath-school also. On the corner where the brick house of Mrs. Dr. Stephenson now is was a cabbage garden, owned by Jacob Mingle, who kept tavern in a one-story log cabin where David Clark now lives, and where James Smether's house now stands was a double log cabin, the home and drug store of Dr. Boardwell, son-in-law of Mr. Pendleton.

The large double cabin where Major McCartney lived, on the lot where the Universalist Church is now, was used as the court-house, for the county seat was then in Pendleton, until 1834, when it was moved to Anderson, at which place there was at that time no court-house either. Major McCartney's family being a large one, they had beds in both rooms, but they were taken down while court was in session. The county seat was moved to Anderson, as that was said to be more in the center of the county. Our home and Robert Leasure's were the

only frame houses in the place. Our house, although but a story and a half, had a sleeping room up stairs, which was used for the hired girl and the children, but, small as it was, it often was used by Mrs. Mingle, the landlady across the street, for some of her boarders, as her house was a one-story log cabin. There was no house west of Dr. Boardwell's until we come to the Mill place, and there was an old cabin standing there, but in the bottom, across the creek, on the farm owned and occupied by Elijah Williams, stood three or four log cabins, forming a distillery, owned and run by Charley Mitchell, in which whisky enough was made to keep Arch Joyce's barrel from getting empty. Saturday was the great day of the week. The town was full then, and generally ended in a fight between two families named Ricks and Ogg, who never met only when they came to town on Saturday.

Our school-house at that time did not look like the present school-house of to-day. Our seats were slabs and boards, some wide and some narrow, and the children with different kinds of books. Generally a class would consist of four; not more than that. Children came from farms adjoining town, as there were very few in the place large enough to go. Charley Mitchell, who owned and lived on what is now the Williams farm, Aaron Shaul, William Bell, Adam Dobson and Ivan P. Snider sent their children; also Uncle Frank Richmond and Stephen Masters. Uncle Adam Dobson was at that time on the farm now owned and occupied by Ira Irish. Uncle Adam afterwards moved to the farm on which he lived so long, near the cross roads, which at that time had a log cabin on it, occupied by Zeke Garrison. It was then thick woods to town from there.

Colonel Abel Johnson bought the corner lot next to Mr. Mingle, upon which he had a small hewn log house put up, into which he put a small stock of goods, so then there were two stores in the town of Pendleton. Old Mr. Pendleton's large log house was by this time completed, into which they had moved, and from this time was used as a church until the regular church was built, where the present one now stands. Just before my father moved his family there, or near about the same time, Thomas Silver, an older brother of William

Silver, had come to Pendleton, and traded for the falls mill and other lands near there, some below town, upon which he had another mill built. He then proposed going into the dry goods business with my father, he owning part of the goods and father owning part of the mill property, but the partnership did not last long, as he became again owner of the mills and father of the store. The Falls mill was run by a man named Perkins, I think. Mr. Silver sold the mills to Samuel Irish and his father, May 31st, the next year after we moved there.

Jesse Boston, his family, and his brother's wife and her family, moved to Pendleton. They came by public conveyance to Cincinnati, then to Pendleton by wagons, with the exception of Mrs. Boston, who drove what was called at that time a carry-all, just like the delivery wagons of to-day. Mr. Boston bought Mr. Mingle's property, and the tavern changed landlords. Mr. Boston then built a large two-story and a half hewn log house to take the place of the log cabin that stood there. Mr. Boston being a shoemaker, brought his apprentice with him, and, as he moved the little cabin back, kept it for a shoe shop, and soon had plenty to do.

Colonel Johnson then built the long, low white house on the corner where the cabbage garden was, a store room and dwelling together, which afterwards burned as the property of James L. Bell, father of Mrs. Judge Pierce. Mr. Boston kept tavern in the log house until he built the house at present owned and occupied by David Clark.

After Mr. Dobson moved to the cross roads he sold his farm to a gentleman by the name of Archibald Cooney. Mr. James L. Bell came from West Virginia. It was he who built the brick house, owned and occupied by Mrs. Dr. Stephenson, then Dr. John H. Cook, his brother-in-law. Mr. Bell built himself a house on the lot where Will I. Lukins now has his home. Then Harry Pendleton put up the house now owned by Mrs. Lu Taylor, which he occupied and kept as a hotel, as old Mr. Pendleton had died, and the old lady was making her home with her daughter, Mrs. Eliza Richmond, of Indianapolis. Then came Judge Andrew Jackson, the father of Mrs. R. Clark, Bliven and Sabin, and he had a large two-story log house built on the same lot where Mrs. Mollie Lukens' white

brick now stands, which he and his family occupied until he moved to Anderson. Mr. Cooney sold the Dobson farm to Samuel Irish. The farm is now owned and occupied by Ira, the youngest son.

We had hitherto had but one tavern, as they were called then, but now Uncle Nat Richmond bought the lot where Mrs. Catharine Gibbon's house now stands, and built a one-story and a half log house, and put up a sign with "Inn" on it. Of course it was a question of what kind of a house it was to be, but as Uncle Nat stood very high, anything he did was right. He kept his inn for awhile, I forget just how long, and sold out to Matthew Jones, father of Dr. T. N. and Jones.

Judge Jackson still lived across the street from Mr. Jones, and as his lot ran back of him some distance he built a double log house and filled it with machinery suitable for a carding machine, and, as he was an experienced wool carder, he had all that he could do, which was before the carding machine, as it was then called, was in operation at the Falls, which was not commenced until some time after that. A small building was first put up by Mr. Sam Irish, and he, with his cousin, Mr. Diball, brought machinery and now started the Falls carding machine, which they afterward enlarged.

The court was still held in Major McCartney's double log house, and the people were some of them talking of moving the court-house to Anderson, but there was no court-house for them to occupy if they did move, except a part of a dwelling-house. But some of the farmers thought it would be more in the center of the county and there was much discussion over it. As usual, in small country villages, every evening groups of men would be talking over the matter, and, of course, they succeeded in getting it moved there.

Mr. John Gray purchased the lower mill, which brought Mr. James Gray, his nephew, out to see to his business. He purchased the corner from father, on which his stable stood, and built the frame building which is still there, although it has been changed considerable from what it was at the time it was built. About this time Mr. D. S. Noble and Mr. Mershon came there from Dayton, Mr. Noble purchasing the property from Mr. Matthew Jones and fitting the building up for a

store house, in which he and Mr. Mershon sold goods. Judge Jackson about this time moved to Anderson, leaving his house vacant. The upper part was occupied by the Masons, and the lower part as a school-house by Mr. M. G. Walker, of West Virginia, and Dr. Ward Cook, a brother of Dr. John H. Cook, and Mrs. D. L. Bell. Our cabin on the hill, in which our first school was held, was used as a dwelling. My father now closed out his stock of goods to collect. He rented the store house to Noble & Mershon, and having purchased what is now James Silver's farm from Harry Pendleton, we moved out there, Mr. and Mrs. Mershon occupying our home in town.

I was sent to Indianapolis in care of Mr. Calvin Fletcher, father of the Messrs. Fletchers, bankers at this time. After going to Indianapolis I was sent to Mr. Gregg's seminary, who was assisted in his school by Mrs. Eliza Pendleton Richmond, widow of Ansel Richmond and brother of Uncle Nat and old Dr. John L. Richmond and father of Colonel N. P. Richmond, of Kokomo. Mr. Gregg's seminary was largely attended by boys at that time, who have become men of prominence to-day. Mr. Samuel Merrill, General John Curn, Laz. Noble and many others, who have distinguished themselves in military and State departments. Mrs. Richmond was assisted in her department by Miss Marilla Morris, daughter of Judge Morris, who, since then, married Mr. Gregg. I was at Indianapolis a year, and after my return father sold his farm to Mr. Frank Richmond and then he purchased the corner from Mr. Harry Pendleton, who had been renting it out as a hotel to several different parties. One who occupied it for a while as a hotel was Charley Mitchell, who had sold his farm to Mr. Jesse Williams, father of Captain Elijah and James Williams. After he left it then Mr. Samuel Ireland, father of Alex. Ireland, who, in connection with the hotel, had the lower mill rented, for Mr. Gray had completed his building on the corner and brought on a stock of dry goods, when he married Miss Emily Boston, eldest daughter of Jesse Boston and sister of Miss A. Taylor and Stephenson. He built them a small house at the east side of the store, where they resided for some years, until he sold it to Hezekiah Goe, who moved it on the lot where the house now

stands, across the street from where John Johnson's house is now. At that time the residence of Dr. M. L. Walker was being built there, but was not occupied by him for some time afterward. Mr. William Silver then moved to Pendleton, bringing a stock of goods, which he moved into the old brick corner, and his family occupied the dwelling-house back of the store.

My father now moved his family into the corner, now owned by Mrs. Lou Silver Taylor, and had it repaired and the store-room enlarged, when he brought on a stock of goods, and had hardly begun to engage in the business, until he had a letter from his brother, my uncle, Reuben Patrick, who was at Cincinnati building a store-boat for the Southern trade, and wishing father to engage in the business with him, but my mother, not being willing at that time, father thought he would take the goods and go and see what he could do. So after selling the corner property to Dr. John H. Cook he went down there. He made arrangements with Dr. Cook that we were to have possession of the property until his return. He had not been absent but a short time until Dr. Cook's family got impatient about moving into the corner, so mother had Mr. Mershon, who was attending to father's business, rent the house that was across the street from Mr. Mershon's home, and we moved there and let the doctor's family have the corner. He did not live there very long until he sold the property to Mr. William Silver, who moved his goods and his family into it, and it has been in the family since that time. I think Mr. James L. Bell, who bought the one-story white frame house on the corner from Colonel Johnson, had bad luck with it by it having caught fire one night and was burned to the ground. That was while we were living across the street, and we were dependent on the citizens of the village for fighting the fire. Mr. Jesse Boston had by this time built the house David Clark lives in, and our house across the street were both near the fire, neither caught, as the women and children were at the pumps and carried the water until the fire was entirely out.

Our cabin church was now pulled down and a hewn log house put up where the present church now stands, and it



was generally very nearly filled, as Huntsville had begun to improve and several West Virginia farmers had moved out west to what was called Foster's Branch, now I think it is called Pleasant Valley. Quite a number always came to church of Sabbath mornings, many spending the remainder of the day with friends and going to church at night, for preaching was not as frequent then as now, and our Methodist quarterly meetings were of two or three days duration, beginning on Friday afternoon and lasting over Sabbath. We also had union meetings, as Uncle Nat Richmond lived there, so the Methodists and Baptists often held them together.

On the road between Anderson and Pendleton, on the farm owned by Henry Jones, now owned by John Goul, there was a cabin right north of the house, which stood in the middle of a field, in which no one lived at that time. Upon opening the door one morning an old man was found hanging dead. His name was Jake Fox, said to be a distant relative of Mrs. Eva Hardway, a former owner of the farm. Such a thing in those days did not happen as often as they do now, and it formed the theme of conversation for some miles.

People those days were more friendly, and seemed to think nothing of going to spend an evening with a neighbor two miles in the country. They most always stayed until bed time, and generally a nice supper was gotten ready about nine o'clock, after which the visitors returned to their homes, while those in the country would come to town, as Pendleton was called in those days. At this day no one would hardly recognize the place, only in those localities which have the same buildings now as then, only changed somewhat in outward appearance.

Up stairs over Mr. Silver's store the Masons had their hall or lodge room, and up in that room the Degree of Rebekah was conferred for the first time in Pendleton, we might say in Madison county, in 1851. In November, 1851, Schuyler first conferred the degree at Indianapolis at the Grand Lodge, and George Armstrong and W. Lummis, with Taylor Wall and A. E. Russell, received the degree, and upon coming home had their wives come to the hall and take the Degree of Rebekah in the presence of the lodge, as only those named visited the

Grand Lodge. And from that small initiation those large lodges, now a source of pride to our county, are composed of our best people, both old and young. At this time Daniel Snider, of Pendleton, and myself are the oldest settlers of Fall Creek township.

CAROLINE E. RUSSELL.

Anderson, Madison county, Ind., Nov. 10, 1895.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM DR. WILLIAM SUMAN.

MR. HARDEN: I herewith give a reminiscence of the first settlers of Union township. William Dilts was in the township as early as 1820. He settled a quarter of a mile east of Chesterfield. His wife, Aunt Jane Dilts, as we all knew her, became a very important personage in in the early years. She was the midwife of the entire neighborhood. She was often called to attend at the bedside of the sick. Mr. Dilts had eight children in his family, three sons and five daughters.

Frederick Brandenburg, Sr., first settled on the west side of White River, on the hill on what is now known as the Larimore farm, in 1820. He entered the land where his son, Carroll Brandenburg, now lives, and there remained until his death. As I remember, he was a tanner by trade, and built a tanyard at Chesterfield as early as 1831 or 1832, afterwards owned and operated by James Williams. Mr. Brandenburg built a saw and grist mill, which were destroyed by fire in 1846 or 1847, and only the saw mill was ever rebuilt. His tanyard was the first in the county. His mills were the third in the county. His family consisted of seven sons and three daughters.

Amasa Makepeace settled on the east side of Mill Creek with his wife and nine children, two daughters and seven sons. Mr. Makepeace established the first post-office, and called it Mill Creek, and now Chesterfield. He also built a grist mill on the same creek. His sons, Allen and George, started, soon after settling here, in the mercantile trade, and became wealthy. They purchased their goods at Cincinnati, and I have been told that their first two-horse wagon loads to that city for goods consisted of coon, deer and bear skins, beeswax and a few dollars in money. The next time it required three two-horse wagons to haul their produce and return with their goods.

About 1843 I saw Frederick Brandenburg and Allen Makepeace start to Cincinnati with a drove of over nine hundred head of fat hogs. It took twelve days to make the drive.

James Noland, with his wife, two sons and two daughters, settled on what is now known as the poor farm, in 1824. Mr. Noland and wife, in a very few years after settling, died, and were the first to be buried in what is now called Chesterfield cemetery. Stephen Noland, the oldest son, entered land south of Chesterfield, made a farm, and raised a large family. He afterwards sold it and moved to Illinois. He died in 1895 at the great age of over ninety years. Brazelton Noland, the second son, cleared and made the farm on which his father settled. He was the prime mover in the erection of the first brick church in the county. He made and burned the brick, donated the ground, and the building was erected, as I remember, in 1842 or 1843. It was done under the auspices of the United Brethren Church. The first trustees were Brazelton Noland, Stephen Noland, William Dilts and John Suman; pastor, Rev. William Stewart. They named the church Aughterbine, after William Aughterbine, the founder of the society of United Brethren. Mr. Noland afterwards built the first steam mill in Chesterfield, about 1853. He moved to California, and died only a few years ago.

John Suman came to Madison county in 1822, and settled on land one mile west of Chesterfield, then occupied by an Indian village called Bucktown. The chief's name was Buck. There is a deep place in the bed of White River, near where this village stood, which has always went by the name of "The Bucktown Hole." At that time the Indians were moving to another reservation. After they left my father took advantage of this, improved it, raised corn, and soon had a large stock of hogs, which he made fat, drove them to Cincinnati, sold them, and with the money entered the land now known as the John Suman farm. My mother is yet living at the age of eighty-six, and has full control of the farm. She is now living with her sons and one daughter in River Side, California. In 1846 my father purchased and operated on his farm the first threshing machine in Union township. About the same time he purchased a reaping and mowing machine, the first in the township.

My father, myself and brother Peter built, in 1853, the Suman mill at Daleville. The mill was afterward sold to the hydraulic company. My father had eight children, five sons and three daughters. One son and one daughter are dead. Peter, John V., Samuel and Mr. and Mrs. Findly are living in River Side, California. Myself and Mrs. Mary Gray live in Anderson. The Suman family moved from Frederick, Maryland, to Dayton, Ohio, in 1810. In 1822 a part of them came to this county, and in 1884 a part of the same family moved to the Pacific Coast. My father was a member of the United Brethren Church. He died in 1856, in the sixty-seventh year of his age, and was buried at the Chesterfield cemetery. He was a soldier in the war of 1812. My uncle, Samuel Suman, entered land north of Chesterland, cleared up a farm, built a small grist mill, and in conjunction with it operated a small still-house. He was the first to purchase and operate a wheat threshing separator in Union township. He married Jane Shimer, daughter of Isaac Shimer. They had a family of seven children, four sons and three daughters, none of which are living. His wife died about 1845. He died in 1872. They were buried in the Chesterfield cemetery.

Solomon Isanogle entered land north of Chesterfield three miles and made a farm. His family consisted of four sons and two daughters. Jacob, his oldest son, was one of the first school teachers in the township. Solomon Isanogle was the grandfather of the Isanogle boys who were murdered by Statler. Mr. Isanogle died in 1844, and was buried in the Mount Pleasant cemetery in Delaware county. His wife lived twenty-eight years after his death, and died at the age of eighty-two years in 1876. She was buried by the side of her husband.

Sarah Suman entered eighty acres of land, three miles east of Chesterfield. She married Bazel Neeley in 1832. They moved to the land, and made a home and farm. They had but one child, Hester A., a wealthy lady of this city. Mrs. Neeley died in 1854, and now lies buried in the Mount Pleasant cemetery in Delaware county. Her husband lived on the farm until about the year 1892, when he moved to this city. He died August 23, 1894, aged eighty-four. He was buried in the same cemetery by his wife.

Isaac VanMeter came to Madison county about 1830. He settled on the land on the east side of White River, at the Larimore crossing, with his wife and a family of grown young men and women. Mr. VanMeter became insane sometime in 1834, and committed suicide by hanging himself. His wife was a very intelligent old lady, and was my first school teacher. She died in 1840, and was buried by her husband in the Chesterfield cemetery.

James McClanahan came to Madison county in 1829 with a family of eight children, two sons and six daughters. He bought a piece of land along the north side of the old State road, half a mile east of the "Mounds." The old house is still standing, and in it the writer was united in marriage to the youngest daughter, Marietta, in 1850. Mr. McClanahan died in 1840, and was buried in the Chesterfield cemetery. His wife died in 1856, and was buried by his side.

John Martin entered the land where the "Mounds" are, and built his house just east of them. Frederick Brandenburg, Jr., bought the farm of Mr. Martin, and owns it still. Mr. Martin bought the John Fosnat farm, half a mile east of the "Mounds." Mr. Martin died in 1873. John Fosnat first owned the Martin farm. He and his wife died there, and were buried at the Chesterfield cemetery.

Henry Russell entered land south of Chesterfield, and made a farm. It was at his house the first Methodist church organization was established in Union township, as early as 1831 or 1832. My mother, Elizabeth Suman, was a member.

Dr. Valentine Dunham, with his wife, in 1834, came to Madison county, Union township. The land on which he settled had not a tree amiss. Here he made a farm, and, as ague and other diseases were very prevalent, his family was frequently sick, and as he had to pay pretty large doctor bills, in his own language, kept him a poor man. In 1840 his father, a physician, died. In the division of property the books and an old-fashioned turnkey, for extracting teeth, and a lancet, an instrument with which they bled sick people in those days, fell to Valentine, his son. Coming into possession of these he began to read medicine, intending it only for the benefit of his own family. He worked hard and read his

books, and would ride to Chesterfield after night and have Dr. George W. Godwin, of that place, instruct him. From that time until his death he was an active and successful physician. The Doctor was born in Monongahela county, Virginia, in 1812.

David Shafer and wife, one son and two daughters, about 1834, settled on land just south of Chesterfield. They were German, and the first in the township unable to talk English. They died about 1843 or 1844, and were buried in the Christ cemetery in Delaware county.

Edward Johns, with his wife, two sons and five daughters, came to Indiana in 1829, first settling one mile west of Chesterfield on the old State road. He was buried in the cemetery at Chesterfield. William Johns, the eldest son of Edward Johns, started the first permanent blacksmith shop in Chesterfield as early as 1833 or 1834. See his sketch on another page.

Dr. David Dunham and wife came to Madison county in 1834 and settled in Anderson township, with a family of eight children, six sons and two daughters. In the same year he entered eight eighty-acre tracts of land in Union township. Dr. David Dunham and wife were buried in the Nelson cemetery. Dr. Valentine, Aswell, Elizabeth and Olive were buried in the Nelson cemetery.

William Free, with his wife and family, came from Ohio to Madison county, Union township, in 1839, and settled on the north bank of White River, one and one-half miles north-west of Chesterfield. Mr. Free at once built a log cabinet shop, and in a short time was furnishing everybody with all kinds of household furniture. Chairs were made a specialty of, some of which are yet found in the country. They were members of the Protestant Methodist Church. His house was a place where regular and protracted meetings were held during his lifetime. The last day of his life, September 15, 1856, was passed in his church at Mount Pleasant, Delaware county. His wife, Jane Free, died June 6, 1868. They were buried in Chesterfield cemetery.

Henry Leathers came to Indiana about 1824 from North Carolina. He entered land on both sides of White River, east and west of what is now known as the Bronenberg ford,

in Union township. He at once set about the construction of a mill on the west side of the river at the Bronenberg ford. His first wife was Miss Hannah Dale. She died in 1829 or 1830, and was buried in her father's family burying place at Daleville. She left a son, George W., who was the father of William and Leonard Leathers. He was married the second time to Mrs. McCullough Mash, who survived him, 1834. He was buried in the Chesterfield cemetery.

### FROM JAMES HOLLINGSWORTH.

NORTH ANDERSON, May, 1895.

MY OLD FRIEND HARDEN: Old and feeble I write you a few lines about the early settlement of Madison county, as I understand you are getting out a work entitled the Pioneer. I am glad you have undertaken the task so much desired. Our first settlers are fast passing away, and but few remain to-day. It so happens that I am one of those remaining, left standing alone between the living and the dead, trying to say a word about things and matters happening seventy years ago. I have lived to witness vast changes in Madison county during those long years. Little by little we have grown from a handful of poor families in 1820 to over fifty thousand souls up to date, 1895. From almost poverty we have grown to be worth \$30,000,000; the timber and brush have mostly disappeared; broad and well cultivated fields have taken the place once occupied by the choicest timber; railroads have come, and many other privileges unthought of by the pioneers in 1820. I am glad I am spared to be a living witness to so many happy changes, and to live so many years in so good a county as Madison and to review the scenes that seventy years have brought. I will not be able to tell the joys and privations gone through with during those three score and ten years, but will try and give a condensed letter for your book if you think it worthy a place in the Pioneer.

My father, Elias Hollingsworth, was born in South Carolina in 1793, and came to Madison county, Indiana, in 1820. He first settled at or near the falls of Fall Creek, where Pendleton now is. I was born in Ohio in 1815, consequently I was but five years old when my parents came. Everything,

as I said, was new there. Our neighbors were the families of Shauls, McCartneys, Pendletons, Dobsons, Judge Winsell, Dr. Boardwell, Adamsons, Israel Cox, Palmer Patrick, Jacob Shells and Thomas Bell. Soon after there came Dr. Ward and John H. Cook, Chapmans, Busbys, Silvers and Walkers. There was little for us to begin with at first, in fact, we did not want much, but by strict economy and industry plenty came as we deserved it. I have passed through all the scenes of pioneer life, the "flax break," "spinning wheel," the "corn grater," the "grain flail," cleaning wheat with a wind sheet, the lamp stuck in the crack of a log of the cabin, the log school-house, with greased paper to let the light in, and, in fact, all the accompaniments of that day, all of which have long ago disappeared.

Soon after our arrival the McCartneys built a rude grist mill, and then we were at home, so to speak, and from that time till to-day (1895) the Falls mills have been in operation. Then the Irishes built a better one and a woolen factory, and one after another the advantages came. The log school-house soon disappeared and a better one took its place.

The Indian murders, which happened up the creek about eight miles (on the Cooper farm now), gave us considerable trouble and uneasiness. Then Sawyer, Bridges and Hudson were hung for the murder of those Indians near the Falls in 1824 and 1825. Soon after the hanging things quieted down and we rested easy in our little cabins. There was a good many Indians when we first came to the county on Fall Creek and White River till 1833, when, by stipulation by the Government, they left for the far West.

In 1830 we moved north of White River and my mother died, I think in 1849; is buried in Richland township. My father died in Missonri in 1846. I was married to Elizabeth Shinkle in March, 1836. She was born in Ohio, February 6, 1819, and died October 5, 1891, after living fifty-five years and seven months. She is buried at the Anderson cemetery.

Twelve children were born to us, some of whom are deceased, others somewhat scattered in different parts of the country. Among our neighbors in and near Anderson, after we moved from the Falls, were Collins Tharp, William Curtis, John Berry, John Croan, the Shinkles family, R. N.



Williams, W. G. Atherton, Thomas G. Clark, G. T. Hoover, Alfred Makepeace, Dr. Wyman, Andrew Jackson, Oren Todhunter, John H. Davis, Judge Lake and Dr. J. W. Westfield. Soon after many families came in, all of whom I knew up to 1840. Since then I have given up the idea of knowing everybody, and to-day I know but few. My old friends and neighbors are gone, and, as I said, I am almost alone in the world. Yet I enjoy life well and have good health for one of my age, and I delight to attend the old settlers' meetings. I have attended nearly all ever held in the county, and that of 1894 was the best of all. I hope the citizens will keep up this time-honored custom. Yes, we live in a grand county, and it is worth preserving and improving. I trust we will continue to prosper as in the past. We are living in a day of progression, the gas era, the grandest of all, and I hope it has come to stay. And now, Mr. Harden, thanks to you for the deep interest you have always taken in us old folks, and for the privilege of saying a word in your book. But few have lived in the county as long as I have. Before I cease let me urge all to stick to the party that sticks to the people and trust all will be well in the end.

JAMES HOLLINGSWORTH.

## OUR LAMENTED DEAD.

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A page or two is devoted to the memory of some of those who have lived in Madison county, but now deceased. I will refer only to those who were generally known and have made their mark. Most of them came to the county in the morning of their life, when hopes ran high. They came, strong and active, ready for life's conflict. Imagine them getting out of their wagons and unloading their scanty goods in the deep snow and thick woods, with jaded teams; some with a little family, with scattered neighbors; no schools, no churches, or roads. Thus we find quite a number who we wish to remember in this volume. As far as possible, will give when they came and where born and where they lie buried. Some are buried in the county they came to in early life, and lived here long enough to see the county developed to some extent. Some are sleeping in other parts of the country, but wherever they are buried they will be remembered as pioneers of Madison county, and as such we wish to record them. In giving those names no special plan will be given as to location or alphabetical arrangement, but given as their names come up in our memory.

Thomas Bell, born in Kentucky; came to Madison county, Indiana, in 1828; served eleven years in the Indiana Legislature; died in 1862; is buried at the Gilmore cemetery in Adams township.

Judge Samuel Holliday, born in Kentucky in 1780; came to Madison county in 1822; served as Associate Judge; died in 1835; is buried in Hamilton county, Indiana.

Dr. John Hunt, born in Wayne county, Indiana, in 1817; died in Arkansas in 1895; first wife died in 1855; is buried at Huntsville.

W. B. Allen, born in Kentucky in 1809; came to Madison county in 1828; died in 1882; is buried at Anderson cemetery. Mrs. Allen died December, 1879.

Colonel Nin Berry, born in Ohio in 1804; came to Madison county, Indiana, in 1821; died in 1883; buried at Anderson.

John Berry, father of Nin Berry, born in Pennsylvania in 1777; came to Madison county in 1821; died in 1835; buried in Huntington county, Indiana.

Willis G. Atherton, born in Kentucky in 1799; came to Madison county in 1830; member of the Indiana Legislature in 1840; died in Iowa in 1871.

Dr. Henry Wyman came to Madison county in 1830; died in Michigan in 1892, aged eighty-six years.

Fred Bronenberg, Sr., born in Germany in 1783; came to the county in 1820; died in 1853.

Isaac Busby, born in Virginia in 1800; died April, 1874; is buried at the Busby cemetery, near his old home.

Thomas Busby, born in Virginia; came to the county in 1727; died in Stony-Creek township in 1865.

Thomas G. Clark, born in Virginia in 1806; came to Madison county, Indiana, in 1840; elected to the Indiana Legislature in 1856; died in Wayne county, Indiana, in 1870.

Rev. John W. Forrest, born in Virginia in 1810; came to Boone township in 1846; died there in 1886; is buried at the Forrestville cemetery. He was a Baptist minister. His first wife died a few years previous; is buried at the same place. His second wife died in 1889.

Thomas L. Beckwith, born in New York in 1815; came to Madison county in 1820; lived many years at Perkinsville, where he kept store and post-office thirty-five years; elected County Commissioner in 1852. He died at Perkinsville in 1887, and is buried there, as well as his wife, who died in 1893.

Conrad Crossly, born in Virginia in 1799; came to near Pendleton in 1820. He died in 1869; is buried on his old farm, four miles south-west of Pendleton.

Dr. John H. Cook, born in Virginia in 1809; came to the county in 1831; died at Pendleton in 1864.

Dr. John W. Perry came to Alexandria about the year 1835, and practiced medicine fifty-two years. He died near that place, June, 1895, and is buried there.

Judge Hervey Craven, born in Franklin county, Indiana, in 1823; came to Madison county in 1850, and settled at

Pendleton, where he practiced law; elected Judge in 1872; elected State Senator in 1858; entered the army in 1861; Colonel of the Eighty-ninth Regiment. He died April 13, 1880; is buried at Pendleton.

Adam Dobson, born in Virginia in 1786; came to near Pendleton in 1828; died there, November, 1894, aged ninety-eight years; is buried at Pendleton cemetery.

Elias Hollingsworth, born in South Carolina in 1793; came to Madison county in 1820; died in Missouri in 1846. His wife died in 1863; is buried in Richland township, Madison county, Indiana. A grand, good woman. The above are the parents of James Hollingsworth, who has lived in the county since 1820, or seventy-five years. Mrs. James Hollingsworth died, October 5, 1891.

Thomas McAllister, born in Virginia in 1796; came to Madison county in 1830; was in the Legislature for several terms; settled in Adams township, where he died in 1853. His wife died in 1891, aged ninety-three years. Both buried at the McAllister cemetery, near the old home.

John McAllister, born in Virginia in 1794; came to the county in 1830. He served as County Commissioner in 1854. He died in Anderson in 1858. His wife died in 1891, aged eighty-four years. Both buried at Anderson cemetery.

William Roach, born in Ohio, December 4, 1809; came to Madison county in 1832; elected Sheriff in 1849; served till 1852; elected Mayor of the city of Anderson in 1871, and served till 1874; served as Justice of the Peace; was a thirty-two degree Mason. He died, February 11, 1893, and is buried at the Huntsville cemetery. Mrs. Roach died, December 8, 1878, and is buried at Huntsville cemetery. A grand couple, whose memory we all revere.

Henry Sybert, born in Virginia; came to the county in 1830; died in 1856; is buried near his farm, between Anderson and Pendleton. His wife died in 1869; is buried at the same place.

Nichol Sybert, born in Virginia. He died in 1862, and is buried at the Sybert cemetery, between Pendleton and Anderson. Was County Commissioner.

Isaac Sybert, born in Virginia; came in 1830; died on his farm, where he is buried, in 1858. His wife is yet living (1895).

William Sybert, born in Virginia; came to the county in 1830; died in 1852; is buried at Pendleton cemetery.

Robert N. Williams, born in North Carolina; came to the county in 1828; was the first Mayor of Anderson, in 1865. He represented the county in 1847-8; also served as Auditor, Clerk and Recorder. He died in 1869; father of A. D. and Augustus Williams. A. D. died in 1895. Both buried at Anderson cemetery.

Ralph Williams, born in Franklin county, Indiana, November 15, 1810; came to Madison county in 1834. He was a merchant of Markleville for many years; the first Free Soiler in Adams township, in 1848. He died in Markleville in 1889; is buried at the McAllister cemetery, in Adams township. Mrs. W. died, January 14, 1881. She was a daughter of Fred Wendell, an early settler of Lick Creek.

Dr. Joel Pratt, born in Massachusetts in 1826; came to Madison county in 1841. He died in 1872, and is buried at Pendleton. His wife, formerly Miss Patrick, died in 1858; buried at Pendleton.

Dr. Townsend Ryan was born in Pennsylvania in 1813; came when a young man to Madison county, in 1842, where he practiced medicine for twenty years. He was in the Indiana State Legislature in 1846-7, and Lieutenant Colonel of the Thirty-fourth Indiana Volunteers. He died about the year 1878, and is buried at Anderson cemetery. His wife died about 1890.

Hon. M. S. Robinson, born in Ripley county, Indiana, in 1832; came to Anderson in 1850, and practiced law up to his death, in 1890. He was a member of Congress in 1874, served in the State Senate in 1866, and Colonel of the Seventy-fifth Indiana Volunteers.

Andrew Shanklin was born in Virginia, June, 1805; came to Madison county in 1830; settled on Foster's Branch, three miles west of Pendleton. He was a prominent man and a Methodist; served as Justice of the Peace in 1840; elected a member of the Constitutional Convention in 1850; represented

the county in the State Legislature in 1852-3. He died in 1865, and is buried at the Pleasant Grove cemetery, near his old home.

Rev. William A. Thompson, born in Virginia, October 12, 1803; came to the county in 1839; settled in Lafayette township, and resided there many years; died in Sullivan county, Indiana, about the year 1880. His wife died, May 3, 1864. Mr. Thompson was a member of the Indiana Legislature in 1856-7, and County Commissioner in 1863. He served long and well. A Baptist minister.

Judge Adam Winsell was born in North Carolina about the year 1790; came to Madison county in 1823; settled two miles east of Pendleton, on Winsell's Branch. He was elected Associate Judge in 1824. A blacksmith by trade, and of limited education, but a strong and determined man. He went to Missouri about the year 1840, and lived to be quite old, perhaps eighty-five years.

Wright Smith, an early settler of Boone township, was born in Virginia in 1798; came to Madison county in 1856. He was a prominent man and a Methodist. He died in 1863, and is buried near his old home, at the Forrestville cemetery. His wife lived to be very old; has been dead twenty-five years.

Rev. Nathaniel Richmond, one of the pioneer preachers of Madison county (a Baptist), came in 1820. In 1850 he went West, and died there at the age of seventy-one years. He was a son of Nathaniel Richmond and brother of Rev. F. M. Richmond and Lorena Eastman, a grand pioneer family; came from New York. Joseph Eastman was born in New Hampshire in 1805, and came to Pendleton in 1830. He was a devoted Mason and polished gentleman for his day. His wife, Lorena Richmond, went West, and lived to be very old. Mr. Eastman died at Pendleton in 1866.

Judge John Davis, one of the first attorneys of Anderson, was born in Maryland in 1812; came to Anderson in 1837; was a grand attorney, and was elected Judge of the Circuit Court in 1867; a member of the Constitutional Convention in 1850; member of the State Legislature in 1842. He died in 1875, and is buried at Anderson cemetery.

John Hayes was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, February, 1828; came to Madison county, Indiana, in 1859, and settled three miles north-east of Pendleton. He was elected to the Indiana Legislature from Madison county in 1860. He was a devoted Mason and polished gentleman. He married Agnes Gilmore in 1860. He died, February 4, 1863, and is buried at the Gilmore cemetery, near New Columbus, Madison county.

Morris Gilmore was born in West Virginia in 1807; came to Madison county, Indiana, in 1828; settled near New Columbus, Adams township, where he lived and prospered, and his family was among the first, as well as the best, in the county. A Methodist and an old Whig. He died, December, 1879. His wife, Miss Blazier, died, March, 1881. Both are buried at the Gilmore cemetery, on the old farm.

John Tilson was born in Ohio in 1802; came to Huntsville about 1840, where he entered into the mercantile business, in which he continued up to his death, 1864. A grand, good man and among the first Spiritualists in the county. He is buried, as well as his wife, at the Huntsville cemetery. His second wife was Mrs. Miriam Johnson.

Jesse W. Roberts was born in Pennsylvania in 1801; came to Huntsville in 1843; served sixteen years as postmaster there. He died about 1877. He was twice married. He was a Quaker, and shoemaker by trade. His second wife was Anna Charles, daughter of William Williams. All buried at the Huntsville cemetery,

Rev. James F. Collier, a Baptist minister, born in Kentucky in 1801; came to Adams township in 1836, where he lived up to his death, 1881. His first wife died in 1849; second in 1894. Both, as well as he, are buried at the Collier cemetery, on the old farm. A fine monument marks their resting place.

Henry Plummer was born in North Carolina in 1806; came to Madison county in 1836, and settled on Pipe Creek, near Frankton, where he died about the year 1878. He served as County Commissioner for several years, acceptable to the people. He was a member of the Christian Church. His wife died in 1873. Both buried at the Frankton cemetery.

Joseph Funk came to Madison county about 1850, settling midway between Anderson and Alexandria, where he died

about the year 1882. He was a member of the Dunkard Church, and born in Pennsylvania in 1808. His wife died a few years previous to his death. Was County Commissioner.

Dr. J. M. DeHority came to Elwood in 1840, and entered the general practice and became wealthy. He, for the last fifteen years of his life, was engaged in the mercantile and banking business. He was about seventy years of age when he died (about 1885). Is buried at the Elwood cemetery.

Mark Simmons came early to Elwood, and laid off an addition to Quincy (now Elwood). A very prominent family. He died several years ago. Among his children living in and near Elwood are Melvin, William and Mark, and perhaps others.

Colonel T. N. Stilwell was born in Ohio in 1824; came to Anderson late in the forties. He, with his father, J. G. Stilwell, was engaged in the banking business. He was elected to Congress in 1864, and represented Madison county in the Legislature in 1858. He died, January, 1874, in the prime of life. He was Colonel of the Thirty-fourth Indiana Volunteers; built the Stilwell House in 1871 in Anderson, Indiana.

Nathan E. Tumilson came when a young man to Alexandria, entered the mercantile business, and for over thirty-five years continued in the trade there. He served many years as postmaster, and was a useful man. He died at Alexandria little past the meridian of life, highly respected. He was born about the year 1808, and is buried at the Alexandria cemetery.

Dudley Doyle came to Boone township early in the forties, and resided there till his death, 1878, at which time he was near seventy years of age.

John M. Nelson (Hog John) was for years a prominent man in Madison county. He came as early as 1840 to the county, and kept the poor farm for many years. He died at Daleville in 1894, aged seventy-four years.

Archibald Justice was born in Virginia in 1809; came to the county in 1830, and settled in Adams township, where he died in 1894. His wife died in 1893. Buried at the McAllister cemetery, near the old home.

James Hazlett was born in Kentucky in 1809; came to the county in 1838 and soon became one of the foremost men. He



has served as County Commissioner, Clerk, Treasurer, and was, in 1878, elected Mayor of the city of Anderson. In 1887 the family moved to California, where they both died. She in 1892, he in 1894; buried at Riverside, California.

Lanty Roach was born in Virginia in 1806; came to Madison county in 1830. He settled first on Fall Creek, but the last twenty years of his life he has lived near Frankton, on Pipe Creek. He was married to Miss Susan Brown, sister of L. D. Brown, Dr. Martin Brown, Garret Brown, Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. Lemon and Mrs. Veach. Mr. and Mrs. Roach are both buried at Frankton.

Brazleton Noland and family were highly respected citizens of Chesterfield, coming there back in the twenties. He, as well as his son, W. W., served as County Treasurer. Mr. B. Noland was born about the year 1790; died in California in 1880.

James Perkins came with his father to Perkinsville in 1826 when he was ten or twelve years of age, where he lived up to his death some ten years ago; buried at the Perkinsville cemetery.

George W. Sears lived many years near Fishersburg. He was born in Ohio in 1820; came to Madison county in 1849. Mrs. Sears, formerly Catherine Graham, married in 1849. She died in June, 1887. He died in 1891. Methodists and Republican.

John J. Lewis was born near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, about the year 1806; came to the Quaker settlement, three miles east of Pendleton, in an early day in the thirties and where he resided till his death, about the year 1880. He was a useful man, polished in his manners and a well-informed gentleman. His companion died a few years previous to him. They are buried at the Quaker cemetery, near their old home. Mr. L. was about seventy-five years of age, his wife sixty years.

G. W. Bowen came about the year 1840 to Anderson and opened a tailor shop. Served several years as Justice. Built the Dr. Chittenden house about the year 1848. He married a daughter of Willis G. Atherton, who died thirty years later;

both buried at the Anderson cemetery. Mr. Bowen died about the year 1860.

Mrs. James Hollingsworth (formerly Miss Curtis), a grand, good woman, lived in the county sixty-five years. She died October 5, 1891, aged seventy-two years; is buried at the Anderson cemetery.

William (Billy) Myers came to the county quite early and settled in Anderson. Kept hotel for years, and he and his wife, Julia, were very popular as landlord and lady. He died January 3, 1867, aged sixty-nine years. Mrs. Myers died October 7, 1871, aged sixty-six years and nine months; both buried at the Anderson cemetery.

Colonel William Young, a very popular man, came to the county when a young man. He was quite well known throughout the county. He represented Madison county in the Indiana Legislature in 1846-47. He died August 20, 1863, aged sixty-six years, three months and twenty days. His wife, Jemima, died November 23, 1851, aged fifty-two years, seven months and fifteen days; both buried at the Anderson cemetery.

Mrs. John H. Davis, a grand, good woman, wife of J. H. Davis, came early to Madison county and is deserving of a special notice. She died in Lafayette township December 5, 1892, aged sixty-seven years, seven months and twenty-seven days; is buried at the Anderson cemetery.

Lewis W. Thomas was born about the year 1800 in Pennsylvania; came to the Quaker settlement back in the thirties. He was a splendid man, useful from first to last, serving in many places of trust and profit, always honoring himself, a good business man and honest. His death, which occurred January 16, 1864, was greatly regretted by all. He is buried at the Quaker cemetery, near his old home.

Mrs. William A. Kittinger died at her home in the city of Anderson in 1895, aged forty years. A grand, good woman, loved in life and lamented in death and a member of the Rebekah degree of I. O. O. F., by which order she was buried at Anderson. Her death cast a gloom over the city that seldom ever before occurred. She leaves a husband, W. A. Kittinger, and three bright children, Theodore A., Leslie F. and Hellen M.

Lizzie Henry we mourn as one of the noble women of Madison county. She was born here and loved and respected all through her life. She was the daughter of George and Hulda (Miller) Griffith. She died in Anderson in 1895, aged thirty-eight years. Her funeral was one of the largest ever known in Anderson.

Following will be found an obituary notice at the time of her demise :

Amidst the rush and hurry of passing events we should pause to speak a word and drop a tear in memory of one who has just passed to a higher life. In the prime of strong, active womanhood, or at least noontide of life, it seems sad indeed that she should be called away. It is not strange that so many hearts are sad to-day when we call to memory the many kind acts of Lizzie Henry. Often has the writer seen her at the bedside of the sick and afflicted with a basketful of the daintiest and most nourishing eatables and sweet-smelling bouquets of flowers, which always bring comfort and cheer to the sick-room. And while the many pretty floral tributes to the deceased to-day will soon fade and become withered, the memory of her who has been so kind to the rich and poor alike will remain green so long as her many friends may live.

SAM HARDEN.

William Curtis came to the county early in the twenties, and all through life a useful citizen. He was elected County Commissioner in 1841, and served several years ; also served as Justice of the Peace in Lafayette township. He was born in 1793, moved to Missouri in 1844, and died there in 1873. He served as County Agent, and was a fine scholar.

George Moore was born in North Carolina in 1774 ; came to VanBuren township in 1836, helped organize the township, and was a very useful man in the early settlement of the county. He died, April, 1871.

Collins Tharp, born in North Carolina, another grand old pioneer, came as early as 1825 to the county, and was active in the church as well as the State. He died in 1845. Mrs. Tharp died in 1851. Both buried at the Anderson cemetery.





WESLEY WILLIAMS.

# THE SHADOWS ON THE WALL.

BY WILL WATERS.

Sweet thoughts flock home at twilight,  
When my lamp is dim and low;  
Then fancy paints dear pictures  
Of the scenes of long ago.  
Now, loving arms enfold me,  
'Tis the sweetest scene of all—  
I see my mother rocking  
'Mong the shadows on the wall.

I love the dear old shadows,  
As I sit within my room,  
For old time scenes come trooping  
Through the silence and the gloom.  
A pleasure oft will thrill me,  
And a tear drop often fall,  
As memory paints rare pictures  
'Mong the shadows on the wall.

I view another picture  
Of a man so great and grand—  
My brave and fearless hero  
Of childhood's happy land.  
Just out there in the gloaming  
I hear his hearty call—  
I run to meet my father  
'Mong the shadows on the wall.

The face of a fair maiden  
The shadows now disclose,  
With smiles upon her features  
Like sunbeams on a rose.  
'Tis just a bit of romance  
That in my life did fall,  
Her blue eyes gaze upon me  
From the shadows on the wall.

DEDICATED TO THE LATE  
WESLEY WILLIAMS  
AND OTHER PIONEERS  
OF HANCOCK COUNTY.

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I have some friends in Hancock county that I want to remember in this work, and I have set apart this space for a notice of them, for there lives no people that I delight to think of more than those living in Hancock and adjoining counties. It seems so close that the line dissappears that divides the two counties. In 1880 I first became acquainted with some of the people there, and have learned to respect them as true, good friends.

Some of those grand men and women have passed away since then and are sleeping in the cemeteries of the county, especially the one whose memory this part of the work is most respectfully dedicated, Wesley Williams, who lived so long in Hancock county and one who was uppermost among us in life, and who lies to-day (1895) in the beautiful cemetery (Simmons) near his old home. His kindness to me all through our acquaintance has prompted me to dedicate this work in part to his memory, a promise made while he was living and which I wish to carry out now, a promise made to him when we were alone some years ago.

There are many others whose memory is as dear to me who, like Mr. Williams, are now dead, and who I delight to remember here and elsewhere when fond recollections call them up. I will not be able to write of them as I desire or as their memory deserves, yet will try and write of them truthfully if not so eloquently as I would like. So many names come rushing up that I cannot recall but some of them here, such as Joseph Wright, Abner Dunn, Thomas Collins, William Collins, Mr. and Mrs. David Thomas, Dr. Trees, Stephen and Hiram Harlan, Mrs. David Gooding, Mrs. Caroline Yetter, Rev. David Caudell, Joseph Wynn, George Nibarger, John Nibarger, Samuel Arnett, Abram Nibarger, John Vandye and wife, Mrs. John McCray, Meredith Walker, Mrs. John Roberts, Seth Walker, Robert Blakely, Mrs. Jesse Collins, Mr. and Mrs. William G. Caldwell, Ephraim Thomas, Benjamin McNamee, Benjamin Freeman, Joel Cook and wife, Mrs. Matthew Johns, Robinson Johns and wife, James L. Mason, Eddie Barrett, Mrs. Wm. Mitchell, Andrew Hart, Nathaniel Roberts, Elijah Tyner, James Tyner, John Foster, James Montgomery, Harrison Warrum, Solomon Tyner, John Osborn, George Penwell, Robert Cooper, Reuben A. Riley, Parson Fries, Richard Hackleman, Adam Allen, Elihu Coffin, J. P. Banks, Richard Milbourn, Dr. Howard, Sr., Dr. Espy, Thompson Allen, David Stephenson, William Wilkins, William Lucas, James Smith, George Troxell, Abram Leming, Mark Whitaker, B. B. Clift, Joseph Thomas, Hiram Comstock, Joseph Chapman, Mrs. Isaac Roberts, Morgan McQuarey, Daniel Blakely, George Nance, Dr. Judkins, Aaron Cass, Perry Wilson, Elijah Reeves, Joseph Fort, Lisander Sparks, Robert Eakin, Squire Childers, Nevil Reeves, Joshua Shelburn, Daniel Wilkinson, James K. King, Jonas Marsh, George Henry, Thomas Craig, John Shirley, Shadrach H. Arnett, John Eastes, Isaac Snider, Daniel Skinner, B. Purcell, John Dance, John



Steel, Samuel Steel, Charles Fish, George Worthington, Smith Rodgers, James Burris, Ebenezer Scotten, Wm. Smith and wife, Owen Jarrett, Bazil Jay, J. H. Murphy, Wyatt Denny, M. Millard, Hiram Crump, Miles Burris, O. Eastes, Mrs. John Shelby, Robert Bunton, D. Vanguilder, Jeremiah Meek, Joshua Meek, James Hamilton, Isaac Willett, Wm. Pierson, Henry Chapman. Wm. Justice, John Justice, Benjamin Spellman, Wm. Carr, S. B. Jackson, Jared C. Meek, George Tague, William Sebastian, William Cushman, T. H. Fry, John Rariden, G. Y. Adkinson, W. O. Neff, John Martin, Isaiah Curry, Wm. Martindale, David Kingen, Richard Frost, John Carr, John Johnson, Jerry Hagan, M. Gosney, Jonathan Dunbar, A. Rhue, J. O. G. Collins, Joseph Clayton, Wellington Collyer, Marion Forgy, A. H. Trueblood, Alexander Akins, James Sample, Robert Binford, Hamilton J. Dunbar, Asa Gooding and wife, George Muth, Wilson Johns, Abram and Elizabeth Johns, John Wolf, Thomas Phillips, John Ogg, H. H. Hall, Henry Watts, B. Miller, John Henley, William Booth, G. W. Hinton, James McKinsey, Samuel Thompson, Samuel Martin, B. Gordon, Moses McCall, David Templeton, Richard Guymon, Owen Griffith, L. Stephenson, George Baity, James Judkins, Jonathan Smith, Lot Edwards, Dr. Barnett, Morris Pierson, John Brooks, John Caudell, George Chappell, Wm. McCord, Elias McCord, George Jackson, M. Shull, David Fisher, Jacob Smith, Samuel Henry, David and Catherine McNamee, Adam Hawk, Thomas Swift and wife, Amos Dickerson, Jonathan Evans, R. W. King, S. S. Johuson, Joseph Cones, J. E. Bailey, John Delaney, Jacob Murnan, Thomas Leachman, Reuben Barnard, Wm. True, Albert Lange, Jacob Schramm, G. W. Landis and wife, Wm. Oldham, Enoch Olvey, Wm. Amick, the elder Braddock, George Mingle, Thomas Ferrell, Lloyd Offutt, George Dillard, Henry Duncan, Wm. Martz, Jordan Lacy, Rev. Miles Walker and scores of

others dear to the people of Hancock county. May their memory live forever.

“The world is a looking glass,  
Wherein ourselves are shown,  
Kindness for kindness, cheer for cheer,  
Coldness for gloom, repulse for fear,  
To every soul its own.  
We cannot change the world a whit,  
Only ourselves which look in it.”

### WESLEY WILLIAMS, SR.

This old pioneer of Hancock county, Indiana, was born in Wayne county, Indiana, May 12, 1811, son of Joseph and Charity (Adams) Williams. Joseph Williams was born in Rockingham county, Virginia, Mrs. Williams in Stokes county, North Carolina. The family came to Wayne county in 1813, when Wesley was about two years of age. Wesley Williams was married to Catharine Hardin in Wayne county, Indiana, April 10, 1834, by Rev. Spofford. She was also born in Wayne county in 1813, daughter of Thomas Hardin and Mary Wilson, that being her mother's name before marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Hardin were also early settlers of old Wayne.

In 1837 Wesley Williams and wife, soon after marriage, came to Hancock county, where they have resided since. They came with strong hands, determined to make a home. They have been successful beyond their then expectations. They first entered eighty acres of land, and have added to it until they now have over four hundred acres of choice land. In 1852, after having spent several years in the log cabin, they built a brick house, where they lived many years, at that time, and even now, a splendid dwelling, where they raised their family, and where they spent their best days and entertained their friends without number. From a poor beginning in the woods this worthy couple become prosperous and influential. No family in

the county stands higher than that of Wesley Williams. Mr. and Mrs. W. joined the M. E. Church in early life, and have lived earnest, active christian lives since.

The following are the names of their children: Sanford F., married to Jane Thomas, daughter of David Thomas, an early settler of Hancock county. Joseph, married to Martha Fort; deceased; buried at the Simmons cemetery. Charity, married to William Simmons. Thomas, married to Lusty Moore. She is deceased. He was again married to Cora Hackelman. Thomas was in the war of 1861-5; was severely wounded in the hand in battle. Debby A., married to Hiram Beaver. All reside in Jackson township. Three other children died in their younger years. Mr. and Mrs. Williams' parents are buried in Wayne county.

Mr. Williams has been blessed with a strong constitution, and has enjoyed good health most of his life. At this pleasant home and family I am under lasting obligations for favors shown. See Mr. Williams' portrait on another page of this work.

Since this sketch was written, death claimed Wesley Williams, who died June 13, 1892. He is buried at the Simmons cemetery, Jackson township, where a handsome monument has been erected over his remains. She died in 1895.

Following will be found a letter written to the Hancock Democrat, which explains itself:

#### WISHES THEM A HAPPY TIME.

ANDERSON, IND., Feb. 24, 1884.

EDITOR DEMOCRAT: I noticed the proposed celebration of the golden wedding of Wesley Williams and wife on the 10th of April next. I would like very much to be there with others to congratulate this worthy couple on that interesting occasion, and give them a word of cheer on the downward hill of life. I call to mind a very pleasant visit at their hospitable home a few years ago, and how kindly I was entertained, and

listened with interest to their recitals of pioneer life, with the struggles with hard times incident to an early frontier life. Plenty has come to bless their union after a long life. It is fitting that their golden wedding anniversary should be held, and allow me in advance to earnestly hope that a good time may be had at this meeting. Notwithstanding a long and pleasant life has been granted them, there yet remains in the coming life many joyous seasons, as the sun sinks in the west to rise in that new morning of life, where years are unknown and give way to eternity.

SAMUEL HARDEN.

### JOSEPH WRIGHT.

Among the grand old men who have lived in Hancock county I do not wish to forget Mr. Wright, so long connected with the history of Buck-Creek township. He was born in Pennsylvania December 27, 1810. He came to Ohio with his parents, where he resided a few years. Then to Wayne county, Indiana, till the year 1833, where he was married to Elizabeth Stephens. Soon after, with his little store of worldly goods, he came to Buck-Creek, where he lived up to his death, which occurred November 12, 1891. When Mr. W. came to Hancock county it was new and but little to encourage one to make a start in the world, but Mr. W. and wife came in the morning of their lives, determined to make a home for their old age, and everything was put forth to this end. Strong hands and willing hearts made their best efforts, and from a little opening in the green woods a fine farm was developed, and long before his death he had all the comforts of a well appointed home.

He, all through life, was a determined man, zealous in what he thought was right and a Democrat all the time. A good farmer and citizen, one who was respected in life and lamented in death and a Mason of long standing. He was a well informed man, a true friend to his county and a kind friend to all, especially to the poor, who will remember him in time to come. He served in all about

fifteen years as Justice of the Peace. Six children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. W., as follows: John W. (deceased), Henry, who served eight years as County Auditor of Hancock county, and to the entire satisfaction of the people. He was elected in 1872 the first time. Isom S., a tiptop man and Mason, has worked on the farm most of his life, but for the past five years he has been engaged in keeping store at Mt. Comfort, near the old home. Celia, (deceased). Wm. M., who served as deputy under Henry when County Auditor. Mary, married to Mr. Evans; reside near the old farm. Wm. M., married to a daughter of Hamilton Welling, of Buck-Creek. Isom was never married.

Following will be found some resolutions passed by Oakland Lodge, No. 140, soon after his death:

#### IN MEMORY OF BROTHER JOSEPH WRIGHT.

Brother Joseph Wright was born December 27, 1810, in Washington county, Pennsylvania, moved with his father to Ohio when about six months old, and from there to Wayne county, Indiana, in 1815, where he resided until he was united in marriage to Elizabeth Stevens May 30, 1833, and moved to Buck-Creek township, Hancock county, Indiana, in October, 1835, where he resided until death called him hence. Brother Wright died at his home November 12, 1891, at 9:30 P. M., aged eighty years, ten months and twelve days.

He was made a Mason in Oakland Lodge, No. 140, March 24, 1858, passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft April, 1858, and raised to the Sublime degree of a Master Mason May, 1858.

The name of Brother Joseph Wright was interwoven in the history of Oakland lodge, upon which he has fixed his impress as indelibly as he had inscribed upon the hearts of the members his character and zeal in the cause of Masonry.

In whatever station he was selected to occupy, the duties thereof became his study and watchful care, so that the performance of them was characterized by ability and earnestness. He was a typical Mason, personally interested in the welfare of the order everywhere, always cheered and pleased with the

information of its growth, spread and prosperity; while in his individual life his daily walk and conversation illustrated in a marked degree his adherence to its pure and upright principles and honest practices, thus exercising both in the fraternity and out an influence for good to be commended by all men and Masons, and which shall continue to be felt as long as his virtues shall be cherished and his name linked in the chain of our memories.

The remains of the deceased brother were interred in the Mt. Comfort cemetery on Sunday about noon of November 15, 1891, with Masonic honors, amidst a large concourse of citizens. The body was lowered to rest, the acacia sprigs were lovingly bestrewed on the casket, after which our secretary read the Masonic Record.

Delegations from Fortville Lodge, No. 207, Eden Lodge, No. 477, and McCordsville Lodge, No. 501, which attended in a body as a lodge, were present and took especial interest in paying the last tribute of respect to our deceased brother, and lent our lodge substantial assistance.

Brother Wright was greatly attached to Masonry; it was his pride to labor with zeal in the cause. He was greatly beloved by the members of his own lodge. A tall cedar of Lebanon has fallen, a bright and shining light has departed from amongst us. Let us cherish his memory and imitate his many virtues. We know the great loss we have all sustained; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That in the death of Brother Joseph Wright we deeply mourn our loss of a true man, a wise counsellor, a respected and honored citizen, and tender to the bereaved and lonely widow and afflicted children our sympathy and condolence in this their season of mourning.

*Resolved*, That out of respect to the memory of our deceased brother, the charter, jewels and working tools be draped in mourning for the period of six months.

Fraternally,

S. P. RILEY,  
ANDREW F. CORY,  
STEPHEN T. LEE,  
Committee.

In witness whereof, we hereunto subscribe our names and affix the seal of our lodge at Oakland, Indiana, this 9th day of March, A. L. 5892, A. D. 1892.

WILLIAM C. HAMILTON, W. M.

### HENRY B. WILSON.

Among the prominent men of Hancock county, Indiana, I must not forget Mr. Wilson and family, where I was so well entertained during the summer just closed. Mr. W. has one of the handsomest homes to be found on the south bank of Sugar Creek, in Green township, two miles south-east of Eden. He has a large, well cultivated farm of three or four hundred acres of land, with good buildings erected and everything to make home desirable. Mr. Wilson was born in Decatur county, Indiana, June 13, 1824, son of Robert and Nancy (Scott) Wilson. He was married to Amanda King, who was born in Bracken county, Kentucky, January 16, 1826. They were married in Decatur county, Indiana, January 17, 1843.

Children's names by first marriage: Nancy, married to David Loy; reside in Madison county, Indiana. She was born February 12, 1844. Levicy, born April 1, 1845; married to Joseph Osborn; reside in Tipton county, Indiana. James W., born in 1847; married to Martha Johnson. He died in Greenfield, Indiana, October 25, 1891. He was for many years a clerk in Greenfield and an accomplished business man, and a Mason of high standing; is buried at Greenfield. Isaac, born April 10, 1848; married to Blanch Haas; reside near Warrington, Indiana. Rachel L., born October 27, 1849; married to David H. Beaty; reside one and a half miles east of Eden. Sarah A., born October 13, 1851; married to Jasper N. Moulden; reside in Greenfield. Mary E., born January 13, 1853; married to George Owen; reside in Green township. Martha E., born March, 1854; married to William A. Dunn; reside near Mt. Comfort. Lucian B., born September 12, 1857.

He died October 6, 1865; is buried at Willow Branch. Selicia O., born December 6, 1859; married to William Lettro; reside near Cambridge City, Indiana. Matilda J., born, 1862; married to Elmer E. Stoner; reside in Greenfield. Elmer G., born July 6, 1865; married to Clara Johnson. She is deceased; buried at Simmons cemetery. He was the second time married to Mag Stouder. Joseph E., born May 8, 1867; married to Ida Trees; reside near Warrington.

Mrs. Wilson died November 22, 1870; is buried at the Willow Branch cemetery. A grand, good woman, and the mother of twelve children. She was a member of the M. E. Church, and died respected by all who knew her.

Mr. Wilson was the second time married to Nancy C. Dunn, November 26, 1871. She is the daughter of Abner Dunn, one of the pioneers of Buck-Creek township. She was born there, November 1, 1839. Children's names by second marriage: Ernie G., born September 18, 1872; at home. John L., born April 29, 1875. Kate D., born January 21, 1877. Henry B., born November 16, 1881.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are both members of the M. E. Church, Mr. W. since he was fifteen years of age, filling many places of trust and responsibility in so long a time. He has been a citizen of Green township since 1853, and all that time one of its active men. He has served four years as Trustee, and in 1892 was a candidate for County Treasurer in the primary convention, but was defeated a few votes by the Hon. G. W. Ham. But few men of Hancock county is better known than Mr. Wilson, and no man stands higher. At home he is almost to a fault sociable; no person passes his house cold or hungry; no object but gets his support if worthy. He is a devoted christian, and strongly welded to the M. E. Church, as well as the Democratic party, in both of which he is a strong, influential man. He joined the Masonic order many years ago at Pendleton, Indiana, and is now a member of Eden Lodge,



No. 477. In person Mr. W. is six feet high, fair complexion, fair hair, quick, active temperament, quick to act and quick to forgive. The four older children were born in Decatur county, Indiana, the others in Hancock county.

### JOHN FORGEY.

This old and highly esteemed citizen of Hancock county, Indiana, was born in Virginia on the 11th day of May, 1801, and on the 8th day of January, 1837, he was married to Lucinda Sprouce. She was born in Lawrence county, Ohio, March 27, 1816. In 1841 the family came to Green township, Hancock county, Indiana, where they resided many years and where they were raised and where the only survivor now resides, Miss Electa J., who resides on the old farm. John Forgey died January 1, 1883. Mrs. Forgey died November 21, 1866; both buried at the Cook cemetery, in Green township, with the rest of the family except Andrew and Hugh.

The following are the names of John Forgey's family: Benjamin, born January 12, 1838; died at the age of sixteen years; buried at the Cook cemetery. Andrew was in Company G, Twelfth Indiana Volunteers, and was wounded at Resaca, Georgia, on the 13th day of May, 1863; died three days later and is buried there. He was in his twenty-fourth year of age. Mary, born May 11, 1841; died November 11, 1882; died at the age of forty-one years; is buried at the Cook cemetery. She was never married. Electa J., born December 20, 1842. Hugh was also in the army, Company G, Twelfth Indiana Volunteers, and was wounded at Resaca, Georgia, on the 13th day of May, 1863, and died of wounds June 9, 1863; is buried at Nashville, Tennessee. He was born April 14, 1839. He was twenty-one years of age. Two grand young men, both wounded the same day and died within six weeks of each other, and buried in a strange land. William J., died at the age of nineteen years; is buried at

the Cook cemetery. Ann E., born January 22, 1859; died May 22, 1864, at the age of five years. Eliza O., married to Daniel F. Hayes. She died at the age of twenty-eight years; is buried at the Hayes cemetery, in Brown township, Hancock county, Indiana. She was born May 21, 1851; died September 6, 1874.

Mr. and Mrs. Forgey were pioneers. They came to the county when it was new and worked hard to get a start. They succeeded well and plenty came to bless them. They lived highly respected and died lamented by their friends. Mrs. Forgey was a member of the M. E. Church.

I am indebted to Miss Electa J. for the foregoing history of her family, which came very near being lost.

#### JOHN G. SERVICE.

This old pioneer first looked out on this beautiful world in Butler county, Ohio, on the 15th day of December, 1830; came to Indiana in 1837. On April 27, 1856, he was married to Margaret A. Fry.

Children's names: Emily J. William F., who died at the age of six years. He is buried at the Little Sugar-Creek cemetery. Sarah E., deceased; is buried at Mt. Lebanon cemetery. She was married to W. M. Leming. George W., Phebe A., Jerusha B., Daniel W., Mary J., Daisy J. and Doll.

Mr. Service has served as Trustee of Brandywine township for ten years. He was elected as a Democrat, and is now (1895) acting with that grand old party. He lives five miles south-west of Greenfield, Indiana, where he has lived many years, and where he is held in high esteem by all who know him. Mr. S., in his way, is a quiet citizen, fairly well posted on the affairs of the country.

#### ILA STEELE.

Mr. Steele was born in Rush county, Indiana, May 31, 1832, son of James Steele, who came to Hancock

county, Indiana, in 1838, and was accidentally killed on the land he entered January 31, 1839, and where Ila Steele now resides, in Jackson township, near Willow Branch. Mrs. Ila Steele, formerly Miss Holliday, was born October 14, 1834, in Fayette county, Indiana. Her father's name was Frisby Holliday. Her mother's name was Elizabeth Bridges. Mr. Steele's mother died January 12, 1864.

Following are the names of Ila Steele's children: Sarah J., born February 5, 1861; died February 24, 1868; buried at Simmons cemetery. William D., born September 11, 1864; married Ora Nelson; died May 14, 1868; buried at Simmons cemetery. Another child, born March 22, 1867. Minnie M., born July 29, 1872; at home and an accomplished young lady.

Mr. Steele stands deservedly high in Hancock county, where he is well known as an honest man. He has lived here on his farm fifty years, and no one doubts his word for a minute. He is a Democrat from away back, and he and his wife belong to the Christian church. Mrs. Steele's father died November 10, 1859; is buried at the Harlan cemetery.

#### OBEDIAH O. HARVEY.

Mr. H. was born in Franklin county, Indiana, November, 1822, son of William and Jane (Eastus) Harvey. O. O. Harvey came to Buck-Creek township in 1849, where he has since lived, and from first to last has been one of its best citizens, always taking great interest in all improvements in his locality, and at all times ready to help develop its best interests. On the 28th day of February, 1850, he was married to Parmelia Craig, daughter of the late Thomas Craig, one of the pioneers of Buck Creek.

Following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey's children: W. T., married Mary Russell, second time to Louisa Allen; reside in Buck Creek. His first wife is

buried at the Eastus cemetery. Sampson D., married to Miss A. McCord; reside in Tipton, Indiana. He is a fine artist. Sarah J., married to John C. Eastus, a progressive farmer of Buck Creek. Andrew M., married Miss Lydia Lancaster; reside in Indianapolis. Ella, married to William G. Hopkins, in Carthage, Indiana. Everett B., married to Catherine M. McGee. Annie M., married to Charles S. Bell; reside at home (1892). Their first child was born April 18, 1850; second child, August 27, 1851; third child, December 11, 1852; fourth child, December 22, 1855; fifth child, December 25, 1865; sixth child, August 30, 1863; seventh child, May 30, 1871.

Mr. Harvey served eight years as Township Trustee of Buck Creek, showing his popularity among his friends and neighbors. He is of a quiet make-up, yet firm in his likes and dislikes, loves home and its quiet, and has made a fine farm out of the green woods that surrounded him when he first settled there in 1849. While gathering material for this work I was a guest at their home and was well entertained by this pioneer family. Mr. H. is a Democrat, but is not a member of any church. Long may this worthy couple live to enjoy their pleasant home. In person Mr. H. is a large, square built man, of light complexion and hair. He has been a strong, active man, and for years worked at blacksmithing in connection with farming.

#### ABNER SMITH.

The Smith family must be noticed in the Pioneer, and Abner and family are good representatives of this, and count a large family. Mr. Smith resides one mile northeast of Philadelphia, Hancock county, Indiana, on the National road, where he owns near one thousand acres of land, a splendid house, and barns almost without number. Abner was born in Hancock county, August 31, 1831, son of Josiah Smith. His mother's name was Elizabeth Burris. Abner Smith was married to Martha Griffith, daughter of

Owen Griffith. Her mother's name was Margaret Campbell ; married November 20, 1851, by Joseph Marshall.

Their children's names are as follows : John M., born in 1852 ; resides just east of Philadelphia. He was married to Eldora A. Hauk, December 22, 1881. Margaret J., born August 15, 1857 ; married to Leander Bowhard ; reside on the old homestead.

Mr. Smith is a Republican. Josiah Smith died in 1835. Mrs. Elizabeth Smith died June 19, 1884. Both buried on Buck Creek. Owen Griffith died April, 1865. Mrs. Margaret Griffith died December, 1878. Both buried near Philadelphia.

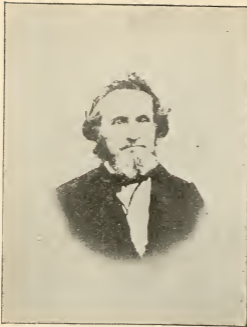
It gives me pleasure to give this family a sketch in my work.

### JOHN CRIST.

Mr. Crist was born in Montgomery county, Ohio, March 31, 1829, and was married to Malissa Mingle June 17, 1855. She was also born in Montgomery county, Ohio, on the 14th day of August, 1827. She died July 22, 1888 ; buried at the Menden cemetery in Madison county, Indiana. She was a member of the United Brethren Church. Mr. Crist is a staunch Democrat of the olden type, and a man that stands deservedly high in Hancock county, his home, as well as other places where he is known. He owns a fine farm in Green township, where he has erected a fine brick house and other comfortable buildings. He is known as a good farmer and stock raiser all over the county.

The following are his children's names : Jasper M., married to Gertrude Umbenhour. George, married to Nancy Gwynn. Mary M., married to Edward Shell. Amanda E., married to H. Rothemer, and Jacob, single. All reside in Hancock county, Indiana.

In person Mr. Crist is tall and of dark complexion. I have often partaken of their hospitality, for which I am duly thankful. Mrs. Crist is a sister of George, Henry,



ANDREW JACKSON.



MRS. ANDREW JACKSON.



WILLIAM JOHNS.



MRS. WILLIAM JOHNS.

John, Peter and Adam Mingle and Mrs. Eastly Holmes, Mrs. Conrad Kinneman and Mrs. Moses C. Cook. Mr. Crist is a son of Michael Crist, who died in Hancock county, Indiana, on the 9th day of May, 1851. He is buried at the Menden cemetery in Madison county. Mrs. Crist's father, George Mingle, died also in Hancock county in 1840; is also buried at the Menden cemetery in Madison county. Mr. Crist joined the Masonic Lodge, No. 477, at Menden, Indiana, in 1877.

### HON. JOHN ADDISON.

It gives me great pleasure to place the above gentleman's name in the Pioneer. While canvassing for the History of Hancock County I first got acquainted with him, in 1880, and from first to last have found him the same consistent christian gentleman. I have often been at his home, near Charlottesville, and partaken of his hospitality, which is of a genuine character. No man or family stands higher than Mr. Addison's.

Following will be found a sketch of the Addison family by Mrs. Ada F. Thornburg, which will be read with interest by all, especially those who are acquainted with them. This sketch is so full that it leaves but little to say further. See his portrait on another page:

### CHARLOTTESVILLE, IND.

One of the grandest men of my acquaintance is my dear old father, John Addison, an old resident of Hancock county, Indiana. For my part I think there never was a more true or faithful man ever lived. He was born on January 22, 1820, near Richmond, Preble county, Ohio, and at the age of seven years he and his parents moved to Rush county, Indiana. He is the oldest child of John and Sarah Addison, formerly of Randolph county, North Carolina. He and his father developed a farm out of the native green. He remained at home with his parents until he was twenty years old. He was married to Miss Nancy Hall, daughter of Curtis Hall, an old and

respected citizen of Henry county, Indiana, on the 13th of February, 1840. Shortly after his marriage he moved to Hancock county, where he has resided ever since, on his farm, one and a half miles north of Charlottesville. Of this union nine children were born, five girls and four boys, as follows :

Delinda J., the oldest child, married C. H. Fort, ex-County Treasurer. Lavina E., married William F. Lakin (deceased). Temperance E. married James F. McClarnon. Samuel M. married Miss Lizzie Wilson. Curtis N. died while young. Silas E., died February 22, 1878. He had devoted the last five years of his life to the ministry of the Christian Church. Joseph N. married Miss Florence Burke. Mary F. married John W. Wales. Sarah M. died in infancy,

On November 24, 1866, death entered and took the wife and mother. He was again married, January 9, 1888, to Miss Ellen J. Coltrain, of Lewisville, Henry county, Indiana. The fruits of this union was one daughter, Ada F., who married Mr. Thornburg, 1895. He is also the father of an adopted son, who is married and living near Charlottesville. He was elected Treasurer of Hancock county in 1861. In the winter of 1868 he was elected to the Legislature. In 1873 he was elected County Commissioner, and held the office for six years. He has been a strong Democrat all his life, casting his first vote for James K. Polk, in 1844. He has been a faithful member of the Christian Church for about fifty-two years. His children all live on farms of their own, the farthest one not living over five miles from the old home. He can say what many men can not, and that is, that all of his sons, son-in-law, daughters and daughters-in-law are members of the Christian Church. He is the grandfather of thirty-five children and seven great grandchildren.

ADA F. THORNBURG.

### EDWARD H. BARRETT.

Among the grand old pioneers of Hancock county I do not wish to forget Edward H. Barrett, of Green township, where he, out of the green woods, carved out one of the best farms in the county. He was born in Cagle county, Virginia, November 26, 1814, and is, the very



day I write this, seventy-seven years of age. He was married to Mary A. Reeves June 17, 1841. She is the daughter of Ila and Fannie Reeves, of Rush county, Indiana. Mrs. Barrett was born in Brown county, Ohio, June 27, 1823. Soon after their marriage they came to Green township, where Mr. B. had previously entered a part of his now splendid farm. He entered his land in 1834. They know all about pioneer life, and the toil and privation incident thereto. But from little has sprung plenty, as it always will where frugality and hard work are practiced. Little by little the clearing in the woods widened out, school-houses and churches came, with good roads and other improvements unknown when they settled in Green township, and to-day this grand old couple can look back over the past fifty years and note the changes that have taken place, some of a pleasant nature, some of a sorrowing nature. While time brings good cheer and happiness, it also brings sorrow. Deep sorrow came to them in the death of their son, Ila J., who died June 7, 1854, just in the flush of full manhood. They have only one other child, Benton L., who is living with the "old folks at home."

This home is, if one might judge from surroundings, one of the most pleasant anywhere to be found. Pleasantly located, with good buildings, fruit, and everything that comfort could suggest. Previous to his marriage Mr. B. worked at carpentering for several years; also worked on the National road about 1836-38. He is well informed on all subjects, having been a constant reader, though now (1891) deprived of this by weak eyes. His mind is vigorous and active. He is a Democrat of long standing of the Jackson school. Mrs. B. is a well preserved lady, a hale, handsome woman of her age (1895).

Benton L., their son, is just in the prime of life, well informed and a good, practical farmer. He is a splendid penman, and a letter from him is a model of beauty in

composition and penmanship that but few can equal, an accomplishment worthy any one to attain.

Following will be found a sketch of his life, published at the time of his death, taken from the Hancock Democrat, which I gladly append to the above. He has a handsome monument erected to his memory in the Knightstown cemetery :

#### EDWARD H. BARRETT NO MORE IN THIS LIFE.

EDITOR DEMOCRAT : In last week's issue of the Democrat a very brief mention was made of the death of Edward H. Barrett, of Green township, in this county, but I think the mention was much too brief to do justice to such a man, and by your permission I will more fully speak of one of the noblest of the old citizens of this county.

Edward H. Barrett was born in Cabell county, West Virginia, November 26, 1814, and died in Hancock county, Indiana, February 21, A. D. 1892, aged seventy-seven years and nearly three months. He located in Hancock county in the year 1834, and was intermarried with Mary Ann Reeves in 1841, a noble woman, who still survives him. They had two children, Ila J. Barrett, who died in 1864, and Benton L. Barrett, who still survives him. In politics he was a lifelong Democrat, in fact as well as in name, because he believed in its general principles and not for office. He was never a candidate for any office, although frequently strongly solicited to allow the use of his name. He was often a delegate and a committeeman, but would have nothing more. He was an independent thinker, and kept his conscience in politics as in all things else. He was a lifelong farmer and a good one, and much given to hospitality. His house was for many years headquarters for all public men visiting in that locality. He and his excellent wife never permitted any to go away hungry, nor would they receive any remuneration. The entertainment was of the best, as they were generous to a fault.

He was truly one of nature's noblemen, honest in all things, fair and liberal in his views, sincere and true in his friendships, and just in all things. For many years his influ-

ence and counsels had an influence for good in neighborhoods. He united with the M. E. Church in 1845, and thereafter lived and died a faithful member. A good man, a kind husband and father, a good citizen, a true believer in Jesus and the resurrection has crossed the great river. The deadly "grip," which has killed so many old people during the winter, at last proved too much for him. When the last trial had come, and at the last moment, after his last breath seemed to be gone, when surrounded by his family and friends, he seemed to fully comprehend that death had come, his last words were, "I am gone." Farewell, old friend.

AN OLD FRIEND OF FIFTY YEARS.

### JUDA A. BABCOCK.


Among the active young men of Hancock county, Indiana, I wish to write of the one whose name heads this short sketch, who is located at Willow Branch, and working at his trade, blacksmithing. He has been there since 1883. Mr. Babcock was born September 25, 1856. That was a good year, the year I was married, the year James Buchanan was elected President, and no doubt the date of many other notable events. He was married to Hannah Smith, September 10, 1876, so if he had waited fifteen days he would have been twenty years old. Mrs. B. was born in Virginia, May 5, 1855. Both members of the M. E. Church at the Branch.

Mr. Babcock is a fine mechanic, both in wood and iron, and can make a wagon from beginning to end, or a plow; in fact, anything in that line. He deserves the patronage of the people, which he has. I trust the ring of his anvil will be heard many days hence at Willow Branch.

In 1892 Mr. B. erected a large and commodious shop in the south part of town, in which he has ample room for his fast growing trade.

### GEORGE W. PARKER.

I could hardly issue this work without remembering Mr. Parker, one of the solid men of Buck-Creek township,



Hancock county, Indiana, who resides two miles north of Philadelphia, where he owns a splendid farm of near five hundred acres of land. Always active and foremost in every good work of his county, why should I overlook him. He was born in Hancock county, November 13, 1842, son of John and Isabel (Forsythe) Parker, early settlers of this locality. He was married to Mary C. Coleman, January 7, 1866, daughter of Alfred and Rebecca Coleman. Children's names: Clinton, married to Hattie Brown; Dora A., one of the bright teachers of Hancock county; Mary J., William and George H.

Mr. Parker is one of the best farmers in the county, and has all the improved machinery on his well cultivated farm. He started out in life poor, but with strong and willing hands to try to succeed, assisted by his worthy wife. Success has crowned their best efforts in life. Mr. Parker, besides attending to his own business so successfully, has often been called to public duties, and in the highest places. He was elected Justice in 1872, Trustee in 1880 and County Commissioner in 1882, serving in all some sixteen years, to the entire satisfaction of all. He was chosen to fill the above offices as a Democrat, with a big D. He entered Uncle Sam's service in Company B, Ninth Indiana Cavalry, December 3, 1863, Colonel G. W. Jackson, Captain William R. Walls. Was in many hard fought battles, such as Nashville, Franklin, Columbia, Pulaski, Springfield, etc. Was discharged at Vicksburg, Mississippi, August 28, 1865. Mr. P. is also a member of the Hancock County Fire Insurance Company, and of Dunbar Post, G. A. R. Mrs. Parker is a worthy lady, though retired in her ways. She was born August 4, 1844.

You will find Mr. Parker's portrait on another page of this work. Thanks to this family for favors shown while getting material for the Pioneer.

JAMES R. BRADDOCK.

Among the prominent men of Hancock county I do

not wish to forget Mr. Braddock, who resides in Jackson township, one mile south-west of Willow Branch, on the I., B. & W. Railroad. He was born in Hancock county, Indiana, July 8, 1835, son of Moses and Nancy (Ringland) Braddock, who were early settlers on Brandywine, where they are buried near where they first settled. Mr. Braddock enlisted in Company I, Third Indiana Cavalry. He was in several hard-fought battles and was wounded. He was discharged on the 8th day of June, 1865, at Greensboro, North Carolina.

Early in life he studied medicine, but never practiced, farming being his chosen avocation, in which he has been very successful. He owns a fine farm, and, in 1891, erected the best house in Jackson township, and the strangest thing is, he has no one to share this mansion. He is a Republican, but not of that offensive kind, but rather one who allows others to think and act for themselves. He is a constant reader and has a fine library, both medical and miscellaneous. He is of dark complexion, dark eyes, a good talker, and, withal, a very complete gentleman. He is a brother of Henry, Noah, William and Sarah Braddock.

#### ELDER DAVID CAUDELL.

Mr. C. was born in Clermont county, Ohio, July 13, 1817, son of John and Susannah Caudell. Mrs. C.'s name before marriage was Susannah Thomas. They came to Hancock county, Indiana, October, 1834, in what is now Vernon township, one mile east of Fortville. Here the elder Caudell entered eighty acres of land. He died September 22, 1837, and is buried at the Simmons cemetery, near the land he entered, if not on it. Susannah Caudell died February, 1858, and is buried at the same cemetery. David Caudell was married to Hannah Smith, November 9, 1836. She died August 1, 1870, and is buried at the Simmons cemetery. She joined the Baptist Church when quite young, and was a grand, good woman all through

life. She, with her husband, came early to this then new county, where their best efforts were put forth in getting a home and raising a family.

Their children's are as follows: Elisha, born in 1838; married to Emily J. Martin; reside in Hamilton county, Indiana. Martha, died at the age of two years. Mary, married to William R. Branson; died, February, 1881. Henry J., married to Mary Lake; reside in Hamilton county, Indiana. John F., married to Miss L. Bolander; reside in Indianapolis. Hannah J., married to Francis F. Cobb; reside in Hamilton county, Indiana. Daniel W., married to Miss E. Pile; reside in Fortville. Rhoda, died in infancy; buried at the Simmons cemetery. Sarah E., married John D. DeAlty; reside on the home farm. Jacob W., married to Anna V. Dunbar; reside in Indianapolis. Hiram D., single.

David Caudell was the second time married to Elizabeth LaMay, September 29, 1871. She died, August 19, 1890, and is buried at the Gilboa cemetery, in Hancock county. She was a member of the Baptist Church, and held in high esteem among her friends. Mr. Caudell was ordained a Baptist minister in June, 1855; elected County Commissioner in 1869; served one term; served four years as Trustee. He has forty-four grandchildren; all vote the Democratic ticket. Mr. C. voted for VanBuren in 1836, and has voted at all the Presidential elections since, and Democratic all the time.

Mr. Caudell is among the foremost men in the county, always first in every good word and work. He is in person full six feet high, strong, and, when in full manhood, a powerful man; an able speaker, and is well known in Indiana, as well as other States.

Mr. Caudell's father was in the war of 1812, and his grandfather in the war of 1776, and voted for George Washington for President the first time he was elected.

Since the above was written Mr. Caudell was married

to Mrs. Eliza M. Willis, February 11, 1892. Her maiden name was Eliza M. Higginbotham. She was born in Clermont county, Ohio, November 2, 1824; married to Robert Willis, August 18, 1852. He died, May 18, 1884; is buried at the Bennett cemetery, in Hancock county. Mrs. Caudell joined the Baptist Church in 1840.

### MATTHEW JOHNS.

This old son of Vulcan was born in Granger county, Tennessee, April 16, 1817, just one year younger than his adopted State (Indiana), son of Henry Johns, of Pennsylvania. Matthew came to Indiana in 1832 and settled in Hancock county, where he has lived up to date (1895). He came the year the stars fell, and has seen them fall often since in more ways than one, for if there ever was a man that has seen more of real life than Matthew I have never seen him. He early learned the blacksmith trade, and has pounded more iron than any man in the county. At the midnight hour, after all was quiet, he was at the forge. Sparks flew to the right and left till morn was ushered in, and to-day, after going through untold hardships and toil, he is one of the solid men of Brown township, where he has lived so long and where he stands high as an honorable man. He was married to Ellen Margard on the 23d day of April, 1843. She was born in Montgomery county, Indiana, March 14, 1822. She died March 30, 1886; buried at the Simmons cemetery in Hancock county, Indiana.

The following are the names of their children: Henry, born January 24, 1844; married to Sarah J. Coon; reside in Brown township. John, born August 5, 1845; deceased June 16, 1876. Mary A., born February 1, 1849; married to Elisha Burris. Maria, married to Abram Burris. William P., born March 1, 1855; married to Mary L. Davis first time, second time to Nancy J. Noland. Louisa, born February 19, 1853; married to William

Slaughter. Nancy, married to Alexander Bridges. David, died young, November 19, 1848. Anderson, married to Jane Jones, second time to Miss Burgess. Elizabeth E., married to Charles Nibarger, who died June 16, 1882; buried at the Harlan cemetery. Sarah J., died in infancy, November 29, 1867.

Mr. Johns was married the second time to Elizabeth J. Freel May 19, 1887. She was born in Hamilton county, Indiana, May 1, 1830, daughter of George Reddick. She was first married to Sylvester Fisher January 6, 1848. He died January 24, 1864. She was married the second time to William Freel December 15, 1870. He died in October, 1878.

Mr. Johns is an old-time Democrat, owns a splendid farm and enjoys life as well as the best. He was severely hurt a few years ago, from which he is quite lame. I will never forget the kind treatment received from Mr. and Mrs. Johns at their home in Brown township, Hancock county, Indiana.

#### ANDREW FINK.

Mr. Fink resides in one of the handsomest places in Hancock county, in Buck-Creek township, where he has lived all his life. He was born October 30, 1851, son of Henry Fink. His mother's name before marriage was Louisa Miller. He was married to Christina Miller on February 28, 1878. She was born on February 10, 1857. Children's names are as follows: John, Walter, Henry A. and Charles.

Mr. Fink is serving his second term as Trustee of Buck-Creek township, having been first elected in 1888, and re-elected in 1890. Mr. and Mrs. Fink belong to the Evangelical Church. Mr. F. was elected Trustee as a Democrat, and is one of the foremost farmers in his locality. He has a fine residence and other good surroundings, and his farm shows that he is a good farmer. In person Mr.



Fink is six feet high, strong, athletic, and in the prime of life.

### BENJAMIN ELLIOTT.

In Philadelphia you will find Mr. Elliott working at the blacksmithing business. He was born in Pike county, Ohio, August 14, 1839, and came to his present location in 1870. He was married to Annie Welling, daughter of Hamilton Welling, one of the early settlers of Buck-Creek township, Hancock county, Indiana. They were married March, 1865. She was born in Buck-Creek township in 1842.

Children's names: Ernest R., born July 16, 1871; married to Esther Fields. Inez, born July 10, 1873; married to Edward Klem; reside in New Castle, Indiana.

Mr. Elliott enlisted in Company I, Eighth Indiana Volunteers, at Greenfield, under Captain Reuben A. Riley, in the three months' service; discharged at Indianapolis. He again enlisted in Company D, Thirty-eighth Indiana Volunteers, and was in the battles of Chickamauga, Nashville and Strawberry Plains; then back to Nashville, then to Washington City and New Orleans; was discharged at Indianapolis, July 3, 1865. He is a member of William E. Hart Post, G. A. R., at Gem. Mr. E. is a good workman, as he was a good soldier; is a Republican. I am glad to give him a notice in the Pioneer. Mrs. Elliott is a member of the M. E. Church.

### HON. JOHN H. WHITE.

I hardly know what to write about Mr. White, one who has lived in the county so long and filled numerous places with credit to all. He was born in Preble county, Ohio, December 3, 1824. He came to Shelby county, Indiana, in 1842, where he taught school many years. He came to Hancock county in 1853, where he now (1895) resides, four miles south-west of the city of Greenfield. He was married to Sarah Potts, December 23, 1845. She

was born in Franklin county, Indiana, in 1822. She died, February 2, 1884. A grand, good woman, and a member of the Christian Church; is buried at Mt. Lebanon cemetery, east of the old home.

The following are the names of their children: J. Q. and William T. (twins), born July 16, 1847; Shadrach B., Fries M., James A., Stephen G., Berry W., Henry D., deceased, February 7, 1861; buried at Mt. Lebanon cemetery; Mary J., married to John T. Duncan.

Mr. White has served as Trustee, was President of the Hancock County Fire Insurance Company for years, and President of the Hancock County Agricultural Society, as well as Director and stockholder; was a member of the Indiana Legislature from 1864 to 1866; served with credit in all the above offices; elected as a Democrat. Mr. W. was raised an orphan, and by industry has risen to the high position he holds to-day. He owns a fine farm, which has been his pride to cultivate, and is always foremost to introduce machinery of the best kind on it. He has always been in favor of free schools and good roads; in fact, anything that goes to make up a progressive farmer and good citizen. Though never a member of church, he is what we might call a free thinker, great reader, and a splendid fire-side companion. Glad to give this family due notice in the Pioneer.

#### HON. JOHN Q. WHITE,

Son of the Hon. John H. White, was born in Franklin county, Indiana, July 16, 1847. He was brought up on a farm, and was quite young when his father came to Hancock county, in 1853. He was united in marriage to Sarah J. Service, July 14, 1873. She died, May 12, 1881, and is buried at Mt. Lebanon cemetery; was a member of the M. P. Church.

The following are the names of the children by this marriage: Laura B., born June 9, 1875; married to O. H. Wood, August 6, 1893. S. M., born May 28, 1878.

Mr. W. was again married to Mrs. Mary Judd, July 10, 1882. One child was born by this marriage, Thomas C., October 22, 1884. Mrs. White's maiden name was Holliday, daughter of Frisby and Elizabeth Holliday. She was born January 29, 1848, near Warrington, Indiana.

Mr. White has served as Justice four years, Director for his township for the Hancock County Fire Insurance Company, and Secretary of the F. M. B. A. He was elected to the Indiana Legislature, November, 1894, for the county of Hancock, in which capacity he served with credit to all. He is a thorough Democrat, and a well informed gentleman. He owns a good farm, four miles south-west of the city of Greenfield.

#### WILLIAM A. MILBURN.

Among the prominent citizens of Hancock county I do not want to forget Mr. Milburn, who has spent nearly all his life here, having been brought from Virginia by his parents when less than two years old. He was born in Virginia, December 28, 1834, son of the late Richard Milburn, one of the first residents of Brandywine township. His mother's name was Caroline Andis. Both buried at the Mt. Lebanon cemetery. William A. was reared on a farm, and this has been his occupation, together with stock-raising, in both of which he has been eminently successful. He now has near one thousand acres of land, three miles south of Greenfield, where he has erected a fine dwelling and everything to make home attractive and convenient. He was married to Mary C. Comstock on August 12, 1867. She was born on February 28, 1848, daughter of James and Catharine (Judy) Comstock.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Milburn's children: John L., born October 25, 1869. Mattie C., born March 7, 1873. Charles R., born January 5, 1876. All born in Hancock county, Indiana, and all single and at home.

Mrs. Milburn is a member of the M. E. Church, and a sister of Warren Comstock, a prominent man in the same locality. She is an accomplished lady, and, as she says, turns no one away from her hospitable home, as I knocked at the door one night, tired and hungry. These are grand words, and were fully appreciated by me. Mr. M. is a Democrat of the olden time. He is a brother of the late Leonadas Milburn, of the same township.

#### EDWARD P. SCOTT.

Mr. Scott was born in Fayette county, Indiana, March 27, 1832, five miles north-west of Connersville, son of John Scott. His mother's name before marriage was Margaret Hardin. Mr. S. came with his parents to Hancock county in 1834, at the age of two years, and has been a resident since. He was married to Margaret I. Elliott. She was born in Ohio, February 23, 1845. They were married, June 7, 1870. She died, April 21, 1889, and is buried at Greenfield. Their children's names are Noble T., died at the age of three years, and Margaret A.

Mr. Scott served as County Commissioner several years, and also Trustee of Sugar-Creek township from 1872 to 1874. He joined the Masonic order in 1856, and delights in its many noble teachings. To know Mr. Scott is to know a tiptop gentleman, of fine business qualifications throughout. He is now (1892) engaged in the lumber trade in New Palestine. He is a Democrat and an upright man.

#### ALFRED POTTS.

Mr. Potts was born in Franklin county, Indiana, on the 22d day of December, 1818, son of William Potts, an early settler of Franklin county; came there in 1814 from Kentucky. Alfred Potts was married to Mary Craney on the 11th day of May, 1843. She was born December 25, 1818; came to Hancock county in 1853, where they have since resided; settled about seven miles south-west of Greenfield.

Mr. Potts has served as Justice eight years ; elected as a Democrat, and is yet acting with that time-honored party. In his make-up he is retired, well posted on the affairs of his county, a refined gentleman, and is known far and wide as such. He has always been a farmer, and has resided on his farm here since 1853. At that time the county was quite new. No children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Potts.

I am under many obligations to Mr. and Mrs. Potts for attentions during my sojourn in their neighborhood.

### BENJAMIN F. WILSON.

Mr. Wilson resides three miles south-west of Greenfield, where he owns a fine farm, which he delights to cultivate. He has long been a citizen of Hancock county ; in fact, he was born there on the 26th day of February, 1839. He is a son of Holbert Wilson, who was among the first settlers of the county. B. F. Wilson's mother's name before marriage was Amanda Fry ; also an early citizen of that locality. Mr. W. was married to Lucinda Thomas, April 21, 1861. She is the daughter of the late Hiram Thomas.

Children's names of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Wilson : Thomas J., married Miss Cord ; reside in Greenfield. Andrew J., married Sarah Larribee. Holbert F., married Eliza J. Burk. Elizabeth A., single, and school teacher. Amanda F., married Thomas Cramers ; reside in Greenfield. Reba L., teacher. Benjamin L., died in 1864 ; is buried at Mt. Lebanon cemetery. Della M., at home. John W., at home. Gertrude, at home.

Mr. Wilson was elected Justice in 1880 and served four years ; was elected County Commissioner, November, 1890, and is at this time (1895) serving, with the general approval of his fellow-citizens who elected him. He was elected as a Democrat, and has always acted with that party. In person Mr. Wilson is large, full six feet high,



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and weighs two hundred pounds. He is a progressive man, and in favor of all the improvements going on in his State and county. He is a brother of William F. and John W. Wilson, of the same locality.

### CASPER HERR.

Mr. Herr owns a fine farm just south of Mohawk, in Buck-Creek township, Hancock county, Indiana, where he has made a splendid home, surrounded with plenty. He is a fine farmer, as his well cultivated fields attest. He is a well informed gentleman, posted on current affairs, is a Republican, and a member of the Christian Church, as well as his wife, who I would not forget as one of the most worthy women of the county. She is quite well preserved for a lady of her age, and worthy of the place she occupies. While gathering material for this work I was at their pleasant home, and received their kindness and encouragement, for which I am thankful. Mr. Herr and family are lovers of music, and their merry home rings out daily with sweet sounds. His son, Louis A., is a fine flutist, and Mr. Herr is never himself so much as when seated at the organ, whose well worn keys respond to his light, well-trained touch.

Kasper Herr was born in Maroldsweisach, in Bavaria, Germany, August 13, 1833. He was married to Dora Carlina Wisigman in 1853 in Germany. She was born in Niederfulbach, Germany, May 7, 1833; came together to America in 1855. After landing in New York they came to Hamilton, Ohio, and he worked by days work at anything he could get to do. In the fall of 1858 they moved to Madison county, Indiana, where he commenced farming on Neal McCullough's farm, south of Anderson. In 1862 he rented a farm of John R. Boston, in the southern part of Madison county, and lived on it several years. In 1869 he rented the farm he now lives on of William Shaffer, which contained two hundred and forty acres. On January

7, 1876, he bought one hundred and twenty acres of the above-named farm at a cost of \$6,600. On March 1, 1881, he bought sixty acres more of said land at a cost of \$2,500. On September 29, 1885, he bought twenty-five acres more, for which he paid \$1,000, making in all two hundred and five acres, paying therefor \$10,000.

Following are the names of their children: Freddie E., born November 3, 1854, in Germany. Andrew L., born January 13, 1857, in Butler county, Ohio. Maggie B., born October 20, 1858, in Butler county, Ohio. Daniel G., born March 16, 1860, in Madison county, Indiana. Charles F., born May 15, 1861, in Madison county. John K., born March 6, 1863, in Madison county. James V., born October 19, 1866, in Madison county. Annie C., born October 12, 1869, in Madison county. Lizzie, born April 11, 1872, in Madison county. Kasper C., born November 6, 1874, in Madison county. Lewis A., born May 4, 1878, in Madison county.

Freddie E. was married to Elihu Johnson in 1881. Daniel G. was married to Annie H. Smith, April 1, 1886, and died August 10, 1887, aged twenty-seven years and two months; buried at Pleasant Grove cemetery, Hancock county. Andrew L. died August 18, 1889, aged thirty-two years; buried at Sugar-Creek cemetery. Maggie B. was married to William A. Barnard, March 29, 1885. She died June 25, 1890, aged thirty-one years and eight months; buried at Sugar-Creek cemetery. Charles F. died July 16, 1870, aged nine years and two months. He came to his death by a horse falling on him; buried at Sugar-Creek cemetery. George was married to Mattie Collins, October 9, 1890.

Mr. Herr joined the Masonic order at Greenfield in 1875.

#### IRA M. COLLINS.

Mr. Collins is a son of William and Hepsabeth M. Collins, two of the pioneers of both Madison and Hancock



counties. Ira was born in the latter county, July 30, 1856, and raised on a farm, but early in life became a cripple, and his pursuits have been varied. He received a good common education, which fitted him for business, and in 1882 he was elected Recorder of Hancock county, Indiana, and served four years. He studied law with Hon. James L. Mason, of Greenfield. Was married to Kate Paullus, of Dayton, Ohio, August 16, 1883. She was born in Dayton, May 22, 1864, daughter of John R. and Sarah J. Paullus. Mrs. P.'s name was Sarah J. Aker before marriage. She is yet living, but Mr. Paullus died in West Alexandria, Ohio, March 10, 1893.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Collins' children: Luther, born August 10, 1884. Paul H., born February 4, 1887. Courtland M., born December 16, 1889.

Grandfather Thomas Collins was born in Ohio, May 9, 1806, and died, July 9, 1878; buried on the old farm on Lick Creek, Hancock county, Indiana. His wife's name was Sarah W. Bray. She died in 1834. He was married the second time to Rachel Blakely.

For the past few years, since the gas era, Mr. Collins has been engaged in having wells dug throughout the county, and also in gas fitting, and but few men know more about gas than he does. He is now a resident of Anderson, where one would naturally look for a gas man. Mr. Collins is a brother of Dr. Collins, of Mohawk; Thomas Collins and Mrs. George Herr, of Anderson; Mrs. Kuhn, of Tipton; Mrs. A. D. Trueblood, of Indianapolis, and two or three others whose names I can't recall. Mr. Collins is an Odd Fellow; joined at Greenfield in 1883. He was elected Recorder as a Democrat, and is a member of that party now (1895).

Mrs. Collins is a niece of Captain M. L. Paullus, of Greenfield, a lady of fine attainments and a good conversationalist.

## JOSEPH R. LEAKEY.

My old friend, whose name heads this sketch, now a resident of Greenfield, Indiana, was born in Henry county, Indiana, November 26, 1826, son of Levi Leakey. His mother's name was Rachel Elliott. They were pioneers of Henry county. J. R. Leakey learned the carpenter's trade. He has worked at it most of his life and is a capital, good workman. He was first married to Rebecca Stubblefield February 18, 1849. She was also born in Henry county, Indiana; died in August, 1850; buried near Cadiz, Indiana, at the Clark cemetery. Mr. Leakey was married the second time to Rebecca Collier, daughter of the late James F. Collier, a Baptist preacher of note in Central Indiana. This event occurred in February, 1853, near Markleville, near where Miss Collier was born in 1836. She died in November, 1878; is buried at the Collier cemetery.

The following are the names of their children: Martin L., Francis M., James E., a Baptist preacher of note. He died in Monticello, Blackford county, Indiana, where he is buried. Ada J., Alvey M. and Cory A.

Mr. Leakey was the third time married to Mrs. Catherine A. Rose January 17, 1880. She was born in Madison county, Indiana, April 9, 1841. Mr. Leakey entered the United States service in October, 1861, in the Second Indiana Cavalry, and served most of the time as wagon-master. He was in several battles, Stone River, Hartsville and others. He was discharged at Indianapolis in November, 1864. Mr. L., in 1866, joined the I. O. O. F. lodge at Mechanicsburg, Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. L. are members of the Christian Church at Greenfield, Indiana. Mr. L. is a Republican in politics, and a clever gentleman, as my long acquaintance proves. To him and family I am indebted for many acts of kindness received at their home.

Who the children married: Martin L., married to Ellen Kerns. Francis M., married to Nora Weesner. Rev. James E., married to Louan Hamilton. He died February 28, 1886. Ada, married to Ezra Broomfield; live in Anderson. She was born in November, 1865. Alvey M., married Julia Petro in September, 1892; live in Greenfield, Indiana. Cory A., married to W. W. Seward in September, 1892; live in Markleville, Indiana. All the children were born of the second marriage, near Markleville, Madison county, Indiana. Mrs. Catherine A. Leakey's maiden name was Harmon. Her first husband's name was Bradley Rose.

#### OLIVER A. COLLINS, M. D.

Dr. Collins, son of William Collins, and grandson of the late Thomas Collins, one of the pioneers of Hancock and Madison counties, was born in Hancock county on the 21st day of February, 1850. His mother's name before marriage was Hepsabeth Bunker. Dr. Collins studied medicine with Dr. S. A. Troy in 1878; attended college at Indianapolis, and graduated at the Indiana Medical Society in 1886. He is also a member of the Hancock County and State Medical Societies. He stands high among the doctors of the county, and is preparing a book, which he designs to publish soon, on Botany, a subject he is well prepared to write on. He located at Mohawk, Indiana, soon after graduating, where to-day (1892) he has a fine practice, and where he has built a cozy dwelling and office.

Dr. Collins was married to Estella McCune, of Greenfield, December 31, 1885; was elected Coroner in 1884, and re-elected in 1886, as a Democrat. He joined the Odd Fellows at Greenfield in 1888. Mrs. Collins is a lady of fine attainments, a good artist and performer on the piano. She presides with dignity over her well appointed home, where I was kindly cared for in 1892 while canvassing for this work, for which they have my thanks. On another

page will be found the portrait of Oliver A. Collins. Mrs. Collins was born, November 22, 1869. Dr. Collins was a delegate to the National Convention which met at Omaha, July 4, 1892.

#### WILLIAM COLLINS,

Son of the late Thomas Collins and Sarah Bray, that being her name before marriage, was born in Gallia county, Ohio, September 25, 1828. Came to near New Columbus, Indiana, with his parents in 1829. He was married to Hepsabeth M. Bunker, who was born in Tennessee, January 22, 1832. She came to Wayne county, Indiana, with her parents in 1832, then to Madison county in 1838. This worthy couple were married by Rev. Sol Reger, April 21, 1852.

Children's names: Thomas W., married to Lampson Lakins. She is deceased; buried at the Hayes cemetery, in Hancock county. He was the second time married to Miss Alistus York; reside in Anderson. Ira M., married to Kate Paullus in 1883; served four years as Recorder of Hancock county. Dr. A. O., married to Stella McCune; reside at Mohawk. Jesse, deceased, aged twenty years; buried at the Hayes cemetery. Sarah J. and Reuben, at home. Eva and Emma, twins. Emma married Rev. Thomas H. Kuhn; reside at Tipton, Indiana. Martha A., married to George Herr; reside at Mohawk. Ella, at home. Mary, died at the age of eleven years; buried at the Hayes cemetery. Eva, married to A. D. Trueblood; reside in Indianapolis.

Mr. Collins served four years as Justice in Green township, Hancock county; elected, April, 1882. His parents are buried on the old farm on the Hancock and Madson county line, where they lived so long and where the family was raised. Thomas Collins died July 9, 1878. His wife died in 1834. Mrs. William Collins' parents are dead, and are buried at the Busby cemetery, in Madson county, four miles east of Pendleton.

William Collins resided in Green township thirty-four years, during which time no one can say but what he has at all times been an honest man, and during his career as Justice wielded the scales with fairness to all. He is well preserved, of fine physical make-up, fair complexion and hair. Both Mr. and Mrs. C. are members of church, and are held in high esteem wherever known. They now reside near Fortville, on what is known as the Simmons farm, where I trust they may live many happy years in the decline of life. Mr. Collins is a brother of Samuel C., Thomas, James, George W., Jesse, Robert, Mrs. Jacob Foust and Mrs. Robert Blakely. Thomas died in the army in 1863. He was married to Miss Walker, now Mrs. William Davis. Mr. Davis died in Kansas, in 1895.

Thanks to this good family for favors while gathering items for this work.

#### BENTON L. BARRETT.

Benton was born near Eden, Hancock county, Indiana, October 28, 1851, son of Edward H. and Mary A. (Reeves) Barrett. Benton received a good, practical education, and has devoted his time to farming and stock-raising, and is one of the most intelligent young farmers in the county. He was married to Miss Sarah Stewart, daughter of Ithamer Stewart, of near Knightstown, Indiana, on the 31st day of October, 1872. She was born October 30, 1851. She is a lady worthy of her pleasant home. Mr. Barrett was made a Mason at Eden in 1870; appointed postmaster there about that time and served four years; sold goods there a short time, when he returned to the farm, where he is to-day (1895).

Mr. Barrett and wife are members of the M. E. Church and Sunday-school at Eden. Seven children have been born to them. Eva M., eldest daughter, was married to John W. Albea August 10, 1893. Their home is a pleasant one, and I was kindly entertained there while

canvassing for this work, for which they have my thanks. Mr. B. is a Democrat, and well informed on the political events of his country. In person he is of medium size, five feet eight inches in height and of good features.

### AQUILLA GRIST.

Among the tiptop men of Hancock county, Indiana, I do not wish to forget Mr. Grist, of Buck-Creek township. He was born in Fayette county, Indiana, May 15, 1846, son of George and Frances (Johnson) Grist. He came to Hancock county in 1848, with his parents, at the age of two years, where he has since lived. He was united in marriage to Elizabeth Arnett September 6, 1868. She is a daughter of the late Shadrach H. Arnett, one of Hancock's most prominent men. Her mother's name before marriage was Jane Steele. Mrs. Grist was born September 11, 1849. But one child has been born to them, Minnie M., born August 6, 1869, one of the bright teachers of the county and a fine conversationalist and writer.

Mr. Grist has served four years as Trustee, from 1884 to 1888, and was appointed County Commissioner, vice Andrew Hagen, in 1891, and at this writing (1892) is a candidate for that office and will no doubt be elected. He has served as Director of the Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company for several years, also Township Assessor. He has also acted as Deputy Coroner for the county. He joined the Masonic order at Oakland, Indiana, in 1867, but is now a member of McCordsville Lodge, No. 501. He is a Democrat of the first water, and as such is held in high esteem. His social qualities are good, and he and his family are very popular, not only in Buck Creek but throughout the county, where they have lived so long. They have a pleasant home, where they welcome their many friends. When traveling over the county I never pass their home without stopping. Long may they live

and prosper. On the 4th day of June, 1892, he was nominated in a Democratic primary convention for Commissioner for the Western District over John E. Dye by a very handsome majority, and on the 8th day of November, 1892, he was elected ; re-elected in 1894. He is now (1895) a resident of Greenfield.

### WESLEY S. CATT.

Mr. Catt was born in Hancock county, Indiana, on the 9th day of February, 1841, and lived with his parents up to the time he was twenty-one years of age. Soon after he enlisted, on the 13th day of August, 1862, in Company B, Ninety-ninth Indiana Regiment, for three years or during the war. He was in many hard-fought battles, among which were Vicksburg, Black River and Jackson, after which his regiment returned up the Mississippi River to Memphis. In 1863 marched to Scottsboro, Alabama, and there encamped for the winter. In April, 1864, went to Chattanooga, Tennessee, where his regiment was engaged in a hard fight at Mission Ridge. He was also in the battles of Buzzard Roost, Dalton, Kenesaw Mountain, Big Shanty and Marietta. Then he crossed the Chattahoochie River at Boswell. Hood's army attacked them, when some hard fighting was done with the bayonet, lasting four hours, when the Union army was successful, and a large amount of provisions taken ; also several stands of arms. Here General McPherson was killed, and General Logan took command. Soon after his regiment marched to the extreme right to encounter Hood's army, when, on the 28th day of July, engaged in a six-hour fight, where many rebels were killed and wounded. Then to Jonesboro ; cut the railroad, and captured Atlanta, Georgia ; then to the sea ; captured Fort McAllister ; thence by ship to Buford, South Carolina ; then to Gadsboro ; then crossed the river to Columbia, South Carolina ; then to Raleigh, North Carolina, where his regiment had their last fight. Thus it will

be seen that Mr. Catt has been in some of the hardest fought battles of the war, besides many small ones and skirmishes not mentioned. Returned home via Richmond, Washington, Parkersburg, Lawrenceburg, Indiana, and Indianapolis, where he was discharged, June, 1865.

On September 1, 1865, Mr. Catt was married to Mary L. Clark, at Dayton, Ohio. Five children have been born to them, as follows: George O., born April 1, 1868; he died, July 1, 1868, and is buried at the Simmons cemetery. Laura B., born August 25, 1869; married to Charles Beeson, November 10, 1888. James A., born August 13, 1871. Noble S., born February 11, 1875. Palina, born July 31, 1877.

Mr. Catt has been a resident of Hancock county all his life, except the three years he was in the army, and now lives in Jackson township, four miles north-west of Charlottesville. But few men have been in as many battles and made so many hard marches as Mr. Catt. I am glad to make mention of his honorable war record. He enlisted in Captain James H. Carr's company at Greenfield, Indiana. George Teague was mustered in as Captain, April, 1863; then R. P. Andis was appointed Captain, March 20, 1864; then Isaiah A. Curry was appointed Captain, April 19, 1865. The Colonel's name was Alexander Fowler, of South Bend, Indiana.

#### WILLIAM COLLINS, SR.

This grand old pioneer of Buck-Creek township was born in South Carolina, December 9, 1812, and came to Hancock county, Indiana, in 1835. He was married to Elizabeth Sewell, August 26, 1841. She died, May 4, 1864; buried at Mt. Comfort cemetery. Mr. Collins is a son of William and Nancy (Canaday) Collins. He died February 22, 1842; she died in 1867.

The following are the names of Mr. Collins' children: John, born May 18, 1843; married to Rachel Craig. Wil-



liam, born August 29, 1844; single, at home. Nancy L., died May 9, 1864. Adaline M., born July 26, 1848; died April 16, 1849. James H., born July 4, 1850; married to Mary Johns; live in Sullivan county, Indiana. Leroy and Leander, twins, born May 9, 1854. Leroy married Martha Thornton. Leander married Sarah Plummer.

Mr. Collins was again married to Catherine Thornton in 1870. One child was born to them, Lear, June 4, 1871; single, at home. He was the third time married to Persilla Plummer, formerly Mrs. Alexander. She was born in Kentucky, June 18, 1824. She came to Indiana in 1834. His first wife was born in Virginia, September 20, 1812; came to Indiana in 1834. His second wife died in 1873. All of the deceased members of the family are buried at the Mt. Comfort cemetery.

Mr. Collins, it will be noticed, was one of the first settlers of this part of the county. He settled in the woods, when neighbors were few and far between. He went to work with strong hands, and has went through a life of toil, yet looks on the light side of things like a sensible man. He has lived continually in one locality, and I think on the land he first entered. He is a strong Democrat, and has always voted that ticket. I am glad to notice this worthy family in the Pioneer. During my canvass of the county for this work a few pleasant hours were passed at his house, listening to the recital of early times, as related by him. Mr. C. does not belong to any church or order.

Since the above was written Mr. Collins has died. The following obituary notice appeared in the Democrat at the time of his death:

William Collins was born in Abigail District, North Carolina, December 29, 1812, and died March 27, 1893. He was brought up and schooled in strict forms and usages of the Presbyterian Church, he coming to Indiana in the year 1834. He was married to Elizabeth Sewell, August 26, 1841. She died, May 4, 1864, and his daughter died, May 9, 1864, leaving him

with six children, all of whom are still living. He was married twice, and his last wife still survives him. He was a kind and loving father and a noble man, and died very suddenly with heart disease. Being in his usual health, he went to spend the day with his son, Leander, and fell off his chair dead. His funeral was preached at the M. E. Church at Mt. Comfort by Elder Thompson, after which the remains were laid to rest in the cemetery by the side of his wife and daughter.

Papa, thou art gone to rest,  
 We will not weep for thee ;  
 For thou art gone where oft on earth  
 Thy spirit longed to be,

Papa, we miss thee from thy house,  
 We miss thee from thy place ;  
 A shadow o'er our life is cast,  
 We miss the sunshine on thy face.

Papa, thou art gone to rest,  
 Thine is an earthly tomb,  
 But Jesus summoned thee away,  
 Thy spirit called thee home.

Papa, we miss thy kind and willing hand,  
 Thy fond and earnest care ;  
 Our home is dark without thee,  
 We miss thee everywhere.

Papa, thou art gone to rest,  
 Thy toils and care are o'er,  
 And sorrow, pain and suffering now  
 Can thee disturb no more.

Papa, peaceful be thy silent slumber,  
 Peaceful in thy grave so low ;  
 Thou no more will join our number,  
 Thou no more our sorrows know.

Farewell, dear papa, but not forever,  
 There will be a glorious dawn ;  
 We shall meet to part, no never,  
 On the resurrection morn.

LEAR COLLINS.

ANDREW F. YETTER,

Son of Daniel and Luvina (Burkett) Yetter, was born two miles north of Knightstown, Indiana, May 25, 1842.

He was married to Caroline Craft, daughter of Timothy Craft, April 19, 1869. She was born, March 1, 1848. Her mother's name was Mary Stephens. Daniel Yetter, father of Andrew F., was born in Union county, Pennsylvania, in 1811; came to Indiana in 1832, and settled in Henry county; died, April, 1888; buried at Knightstown. Mrs. Daniel Yetter was born in Montgomery county, Ohio; resides in Maple Valley, Henry county.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew F. Yetter's children: Mary A., born January 29, 1868; died November 20, 1885; buried at Knightstown. Lora E., born March 30, 1871; married to Walter Ham, son of Hon. G. W. Ham, December 29, 1890.

Mr. Yetter is one of the active men of Hancock county, and one of its most extensive stock traders, especially in horses, of which he has some of the lightest steppers to be found anywhere. He delights to handle them and show them to his friends, and is never happier than when seated behind a 2:30 horse.

Since the above was written Mrs. Caroline Yetter has died, in 1894, and is buried at Knightstown. She was a grand, good woman, who was loved in life and lamented in death. Long may her grave be kept green, for there are no flowers too fragrant and no vines too green for one we delight to remember.

### WILLIAM M. HAYES,

One of the substantial men and farmers of Brown township, was born in 1841, and has resided in Hancock county all his life. His father was an early settler on Sugar Creek, where he is buried in a cemetery bearing his name. William M. was married to Ada Cook, March 8, 1869.

The following are the names of the children born to this marriage: John W., born August 18, 1871. James E., born November 15, 1874. Millie, born March 5, 1880;

died, October 1, 1881. Robert P., born June 1, 1882; died in 1885. All the deceased are buried at Hayes cemetery. Mr. Hayes was the second time married to Sarah C. Sullivan on September 5, 1887. She was born in North Carolina, October 1, 1860. One child, Leroy C., was born to them, October 7, 1888.

Mr. Hayes is a member of the Masonic order at Warrington, a Democrat of the old school, a good farmer, and delights in his profession. He is a brother of John B. Hayes, at one time Commissioner of Hancock county, and Daniel Hayes, a farmer of Brown township. I am glad to give Mr. H. a notice in this work as a progressive man and farmer, and a son of one of the pioneers of Sugar Creek. He resides one mile east of Milner's Corner.

Since the above was written Mr. Hayes was killed by the explosion of an engine near his home, December 24, 1895.

### JOHN P. MURPHY.

Mr. Murphy was born in the center of Indiana, near Indianapolis, July 17, 1843. His father's name was James H. Murphy; mother's name before marriage was Elizabeth Evans. John P. was married to Flora Wilson. She was born in Hancock county, Indiana, April 17, 1838; settled there in 1845, two miles north of Mohawk, where they reside on a farm, and live at home, enjoying the fruits of their labor. Mr. Murphy enlisted in Company D, Seventy-ninth Indiana Volunteers, August 12, 1862, Captain J. R. Bracken, Colonel Fred Knefler. He served his country long and well, and was in several hard-fought battles, among which were Perryville, Stone River, Missionary Ridge and Kenesaw Mountain, where he was wounded, June 23, 1864. On June 9, 1865, he was discharged at Nashville, Tennessee.

The following are the names of his children: Ella F., married to George McCray. Etta J., married to W. H. Albea, merchant at Mohawk. James W., married to Lillie

Dobbins. Benjamin F., Alexander H. and John E., single and at home at this writing.

Mr. Murphy is a Republican and a member of the G. A. R. He is a well informed man and clever gentleman. Don't fail to call on him when you pass that way. Never too busy to welcome his friends.

### JOEL MANNING.

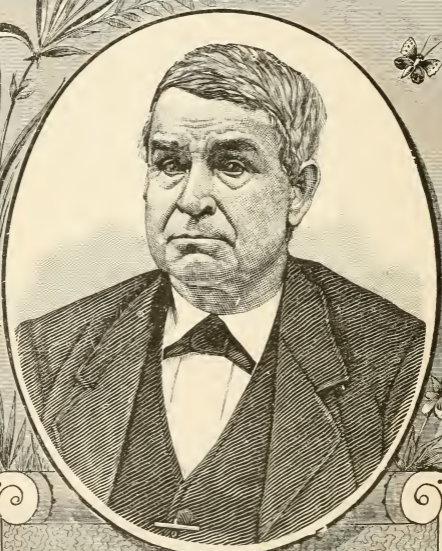
My old friend and fellow-soldier, Mr. Manning, was born in Wayne county, Indiana, April 21, 1842, just in time to make a capital soldier in the war of 1861-5. He enlisted in Company K, Eighth Indiana Volunteers, on August 10, 1862, Captain Vandevender, and served long and well in that gallant regiment, under Colonel Benton. He was in the battles of Cedar Creek, Magnolia Church, Champion Hills and Vicksburg. He was discharged at York, Pennsylvania, May 24, 1865. He is a son of Joseph and Catharine (Whistler) Manning, and worked at the wagon-making business for many years.

After the war Mr. Manning was married to Miss Redmon, who was born in Clermont county, Ohio, in 1849. This marriage occurred in 1867. Seven children have been born to them, five of whom are dead. All died in infancy. The two living are Charles C., born, June, 1876, and Clara M., born May 1, 1877. He located at Milner's Corner in 1877; served several years as Justice, being elected in 1882. He was appointed postmaster there on March 8, 1888, and has served all the time since, giving unusual satisfaction to his patrons.

Mr. Manning had the misfortune of losing an eye in the army, which has given him much trouble since, but the Government for which he fought has not forgotten him. Glad to notice him and family in this work.

### ELIAS McCORD.

In writing of the citizens of Hancock county I do not wish to forget Elias McCord, of near McCordsville, one of



HON. JOHN ADDISON.

the prominent men of Vernon township, who served as County Commissioner. He was elected in 1860, and served, to the entire satisfaction of the people, for six years. He joined the Masonic order at Oaklandon, Indiana, in 1850, and practices its many noble teachings. He is a son of Aquilla McCord. His mother's name was Mary Apple before marriage. They were born in Ohio; he in 1794; she in 1796; married in 1815; came to Indiana in 1834; both buried near Oaklandon.

Elias McCord was married to Eliza Newkirk, December 24, 1839. She died in 1870. Children's names by this marriage: John G. Cyrus F. was killed in battle at Nashville, Tennessee, in 1864. One daughter married to Jasper Walker; reside in Nebraska. Flora R., married to Paul Moore; reside in Nebraska. Afabell, married to Dudley Haney; reside in Tipton. George T., died in infancy.

Mr. McCord was the second time married to Mrs. Trittip, in 1873. Three children were born to this marriage. Two are dead and one living, Annie E. Mrs. McCord died in 1883. He was the third time married to Nancy C. Barnard, in 1884. Mr. McC. settled on his farm in 1841; has served two terms as Justice of the Peace in his township. Glad to give him and family a sketch in this work.

### JOHN W. WHITE.

Mr. White was born in Fayette county, Indiana, on the 18th day of July, 1827, son of Robert and Jane (Kirkpatrick) White. He was married to Temperance Simmons on the 25th day of May, 1848. She was born in Rockingham county, Virginia, October 2, 1830. She died, April 27, 1888, and is buried at the Simmons cemetery, in Hancock county.

The following are the names of their children: William H., born March, 1839. Samuel V., born April 17, 1850; died, May 12, 1886; married to Adaline Johnson.

Robert S., born March 15, 1852; died, January 29, 1864. Amanda E., born October 1854; married to George W. Sowerwine; reside in Wilkinson, Indiana. They were married August 17, 1876. He was born in Hamilton county, Indiana, February 9, 1851. John P., born July 12, 1870; died April 10, 1891. Leander F., born May 19, 1858. Lena F., married to Milton D. Masters.

Mr. White resides near Shirley, Hancock county, at the crossing of the I., B. and W. and the southern division of the Michigan and Louisville Railroad, the town being laid out in part on his farm. He moved there in 1873, is pleasantly located, has a splendid farm, and enjoys life with the best of them. He belongs to the Christian Church, and as clever gentleman as lives in Hancock county. May he live long and prosper is the wish of his many friends.

### JOHN JACKSON, SR.

What shall I say in memory of this grand old pioneer of Hancock county, Indiana? He was born in Wayne county, Indiana, May 15, 1831, son of Len and Elizabeth (Harden) Jackson. The parents of John Jackson and wife were born in North Carolina, and came to Wayne county in 1828. John was married to Martha Pritchard, November, 1854, daughter of Wylie and Millie Pritchard. His parents are buried at the Cook cemetery, in Hancock county. Mr. J. has been a citizen of Hancock county for many years, on the county line, where he has a fine farm that he has made out of the green woods. He is a strong Democrat and an honest man.

The following are the names of his children: Frank P., married to Mahala Jones. Levi, married to Louiza Eckhart. Elizabeth, married to Samuel Price. George, married to Rebecca Iford. Millie, married to Dr. Charles Pratt; reside in Willow Branch. Mary E., married to Ed Walker. Ellen, married to Paul Jones (deceased); buried



at the Cook cemetery. She died in 1882. William J., single and at home. Alfred W.

Mr. Jackson was married the second time to Mrs. Irena Hayes. She was born in Hancock county, Indiana, March 20, 1839, daughter of Nicholas and Catharine (Collins) Garrett. Mrs. Jackson is a member of the Christian Church, and stands deservedly high among all her neighbors. Mr. Jackson has lived on his present farm since 1862, and has all the improved machinery that is in the market. He is a Jacksonian Democrat, and believes the salvation of our country depends on the success of his party.

I am glad to notice this worthy family in the Pioneer, and to thank them for so many acts of kindness at their pleasant home. I hope he may live long to enjoy the fruits of his labor, to which he is so justly entitled.

### JESSE F. COLLINS.

Mr. Collins was born in Hancock county, Indiana, on the 27th day of January, 1834, and has resided in the county ever since. He owns and resides on a fine farm in Brown township, on the line dividing Hancock and Madison counties, near Milner Corner. He is a son of that old veteran, Thomas Collins, who was a pioneer of both Madison and Hancock counties. He was born in Ohio, May 6, 1806; came to Madison county in 1829; died July 9, 1878. Mrs. Thomas Collins' name before marriage was Sarah Bray. She died in 1834. Jesse Collins is a tiptop farmer, genial gentleman, and stands high in both counties. He was first married to Mary J. Newman in 1860. She was born in West Virginia, February 10, 1842, and died July 13, 1881, aged fifty-one years; is buried at the Harlan cemetery. She was a grand, good woman.

The following are the names of the children born to Mr. and Mrs. Collins: Martha E., born August 25, 1861; married to J. T. Smith. William E., born October 8,

1864; married to Alice Collier. Thomas V., born October 20, 1867; died July 29, 1870. Charles N., born August 24, 1872; died October 29, 1873. Alma, born May 29, 1874; died September 14, 1876. Mazy F., born December 29, 1870; married to William L. Collier. Maggie P., born April 16, 1879. Mary E., born December 29, 1880.

Mr. Collins was again married to Mary J. Harlan on January 10, 1885, daughter of J. P. Harlan, of Brown township. She was born there September 8, 1851. The children born of this marriage are as follows: Jesse P., born April 26, 1886; died March 7, 1891. Christian R., born March 16, 1888; died in infancy. Date H., died in infancy. Essie L., born January 23, 1890. Ruby A., born November 26, 1891.

Mr. Collins belongs to the M. E. Church and Mrs. C. to the Baptist. He is a life-long Democrat, and one of the successful farmers of Hancock county. He is a brother of William, Samuel, James, Robert, Thomas, George W., Mrs. Blakely and Mrs. Jacob Foust. All living to-day (1894) except Thomas, who lost his life in the war of 1861-5.

Since the above was written Mrs. Collins has departed this life, January, 1895.

#### ROBERT COLLINS,

Son of Thomas Collins, one of the pioneers of Madison county, coming from Gallia county, Ohio, where he was born, May 9, 1806. He landed in Madison county in 1829, and resided there three or four years, when he moved to Hancock county, on the line dividing the two counties, in Brown township, where he developed a fine farm on Sugar Creek, and where he died, July 9, 1878. He was married to Sarah Bray. She was born in Ohio in 1808, and died in 1834, after having been married some eight years. Mr. Collins was in a few years again married to Rachel Blakeley, who survived him. Mr. and Mrs. C. are buried on the old home farm.

Robert Collins was born in Hancock county in 1848, and married Clarinda Cook, daughter of the late Joel Cook, one of the pioneers of Hancock county. She was born about the year 1850. Her mother's name before marriage was Susan Rodgers. Her father was born in Virginia in 1795; died in 1871. His first wife died April, 1831; second wife died in 1878. She is buried at the Harlan cemetery; his first wife at the Guard cemetery. Robert Collins is a splendid farmer, and owns and lives on the old homestead, on Sugar Creek, Hancock county. He is just in the prime of life, well situated and highly respected. He is a younger brother of William, Jesse, Samuel, James, Thomas, George, Mrs. Blakeley and Mrs. Jacob Foust. Mrs. Robert Collins is a sister of Harrison, Lorenzo I., Joel, Eli, Mrs. Joel Ham and Mrs. Cochran, and half sister of Mrs. Benjamin McCarty, Mrs. Yelton, Mat F., Daniel and John F. Cook.

#### F. M. JOHNSON,

Son of David and Mary C. (Stanford) Johnson, was born in Markleville, Indiana, September 7, 1862, and was married to Mazie Thorp, March 18, 1882. She is the daughter of Craig and Sarah (Trees) Thorp. She was born in Washington, Indiana, May 4, 1864. Their children's names are Guy, Carl, May and Clarence. Mr. J. is a member of the I. O. F. at Charlottesville, as well as his wife a member of the Rebekah degree.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson reside in Charlottesville, and have been for the past five or six years engaged first in the drug trade and then in the general dry goods and grocery business, where they have built up a fine trade, and enjoy the confidence of the people, socially as well as otherwise. Mr. Johnson is a brother of Dr. Elbert Johnson, of Knightstown, H. C. Johnson, of Wilkinson, and Alva Johnson, of Markleville. Their father, David Johnson, was born in North Carolina in 1836, and died, February, 1873; buried at the Harlan cemetery in Hancock county.

## WILLIAM L. GARRIOTT.

This old-time citizen of Brown township, Hancock county, Indiana, was born in Fayette county, Indiana, September 12, 1823, son of Reuben and Sarah (Darter) Garriott; came to Hancock county in 1836. He was married to Margaret L. Steele in 1842. She was born in Brown county, Ohio, in 1819. Since their marriage they have resided in or near Warrington, where they have went in and out before that people for half a century. Mr. G. has served the people long and well as Justice of the Peace, and Trustee for time immemorial, and has settled estates without number, so much so I hardly know what Brown would do without him. A Democrat of the old school, never wavering in the long line he walked.

Mr. and Mrs. Garriott are members of the Christian Church. Mrs. Garriott's father's name was James Steele; mother's name, Jane (Reeves) Steele, early citizens of Hancock county. Also children's names: H. C., Eliza Newman, Martha A. Wood, Sarah M. Powers and Amanda F., at home. H. C. and W. H. Powers reside at Wilkinson. Mr. Wood is deceased, and buried at Greenfield.

## WELLINGTON COLLYER.

This old and highly respected citizen of Hancock county, Indiana, was born in Ohio, September 25, 1816, son of Gabriel Collyer. He came to Franklin county, Indiana, with his parents, when a boy, on the 14th day of October, 1841. He was married to Rebecca Leming. She was born, October 13, 1821, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Lampont) Leming. Her parents came to Hancock county in 1830. Mr. and Mrs. Collyer were married in Hancock county by George Leachman.

The following are the names of their children: Tilman H., George L., Elizabeth; Thomas J., died in 1857; is buried at the Low cemetery, on Little Sugar Creek; was eleven years of age; Philander, Emeline; Arozina, died

in 1861, aged two years and four months; is also buried at the Low cemetery; Mary, married to Moses H. Pentland.

Mr. Collyer has served as Trustee for six years and Assessor four years; elected as a Democrat. No person in Hancock county stands higher than Mr. C. and family. They came early to the county, and have witnessed the wonderful changes in these years. Mr. C. has been blessed with a strong constitution to go through the hardships of pioneer life. He died August 5, 1895; is buried at Little Sugar-Creek cemetery.

The following obituary notice appeared in the Hancock Democrat shortly after Mr. Collyer's death:

Wellington Collyer, one of the oldest, best known and respected citizens of Hancock county, died at his home, in Brandywine township, August 5, 1895, after a protracted illness, leaving surviving him, as his widow, Rebecca W. Collyer, with whom he was intermarried in 1841, and his children, Tillman H. Collyer, intermarried with Martha J. Hawk, George L. Collyer, intermarried with Amanda McBane, Philander Collyer, intermarried with Cynthia Furman, Elizabeth Collyer, intermarried with Willard W. Low, Emaline Collyer, intermarried with John Garner, and Mary Collyer, intermarried with Henry Pentland.

Wellington Collyer was born September 25, 1816, in Lorain county, Ohio, and was at his death nearly seventy-nine years of age. He came to Franklin county in 1837, then moved to, entered and settled on the land on which he died, in the year 1839, when the same was in its natural state, having lived on the farm about fifty-six years. He became a member of the Christiau Church about forty years ago, and so continued the remainder of his life. He died as he had lived, an earnest christian, there is no doubt. The writer of this knew him well and intimately for forty years, socially, politically and in business relations. He was thoroughly honest, true and honorable in all the relations of life, and a good husband, a kind, forbearing father, a good neighbor, and for many years a prominent citizen, an active, sincere and earnest Democrat, but always fair, reasonable and just, never countenancing trickery or fraud



“THE OLD SWIMMIN’ HOLE,”

Near Greenfield, Ind., Made Famous by a Poem Written by  
James Whitcomb Riley.

to obtain party success. He was buried in the Low graveyard, August 8, 1895. The funeral sermon was preached in a very able discourse by Rev. Aaron Walker, of Indianapolis, and it was attended by a very large number of people, probably the largest procession in the history of the neighborhood.

Thus ends the life and history of one of the best and most valuable of the old citizens of this county. Farewell, Wellington Collyer; you have crossed the great river, and soon some of your old friends now here will greet you there.

AN OLD CITIZEN.

### HENRY H. GIPE.

When I write of Henry H. Gipe, of Wilkinson, Indiana, I write of one of the best and fastest wagon-makers in the two counties, and as good a soldier as ever carried a gun or knapsack. He was born in Pennsylvania, November 12, 1836, son of George and Lyda (Blymire) Gipe, and brother of Jacob and John Gipe. Henry learned his trade, and was married to Ruan Hines at Germantown, Indiana, in 1854. She was born in Ohio in 1837. Mr. G. became a citizen of Hancock county in 1882. In 1862 he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and First Indiana Volunteers, Colonel Done. He served long and well, and was in the battles of Atlanta, Resaca, Goldsboro, Chickamauga, Stone River and many others of smaller note and skirmishes. He was wounded at Stone River, December, 1863. He is a member of the G. A. R. and of the Republican party. You will always find his latch-string out, and ready and willing to assist all true comrades; of a jovial make-up, and one whom to know is to admire. Call on him at his home in Wilkinson.

### DR. WILLIAM A. JUSTICE.

It seems but a short time since I knew Dr. Justice as a little boy at Markleville, son of the late John J. and Lustacy (Blake) Justice. He was born just east of Markleville, October 12, 1852; married to Francenia Lacey, January 1,

1879. She was born in Henry county, Indiana, September 23, 1856. Dr. Justice received a good education in the common schools of the county, and taught school several years previous to reading medicine. He graduated at the Kentucky School of Medicine at Louisville in 1878, and located at Eden, Indiana, in 1879, where he commenced the practice, and has since resided, and to-day (1895) has a fine practice. He has served as Coroner four years and Trustee for Green township; elected November 6, 1894. He is a Democrat of the old school, a Mason of high standing, and a member of Eden Lodge, No. 477, and Royal Arch Chapter at Pendleton. Socially he and his accomplished wife stand high in Eden.

The following are the names of their children: Lee, Alma L., Ellen M. and William P. The last one died, August 31, 1894, and is buried at Eden. Dr. Justice is a brother of John H., Mrs. Dr. Fussell, Ethan and Maggie Hardy, the last one deceased, and is buried at the Walker cemetery.

I am glad to notice Dr. Justice and wife in this work; have known them long, and received many acts of kindness from their hands. In fact, Dr. J. is a Universalist, and liberal in his education and training. His father was born in 1827; died, August, 1895, and is buried at the Walker cemetery.

#### JOHN H. JUSTICE, M. D.

Dr. Justice was born near Markleville, Madison county, Indiana, September 9, 1854, son of John J. and Lustacy (Blake) Justice, the former, son of Hezekiah Justice, and the latter, daughter of John Blake, old citizens of Adams township, Madison county. Dr. John H. received a good common education in the schools of his locality, and taught eight winters before he read medicine. His brother, William A., was his preceptor at Eden when he first commenced reading. He afterwards attended medical schools, and



graduated at Indianapolis in 1889. He practiced in Eden until 1892, when he located at Maxwell, where he was engaged in the general practice till 1895, when he became a citizen of Greenfield, where he at once commanded a fine practice, and where he to-day (1895) stands high as a practitioner. He was elected Coroner in 1892 and re-elected in 1894, as a Democrat. When he was twenty-one years of age he joined the Masonic order at Eden, No. 477, and the Council at Pendleton a little later. At one time he was a member of the I. O. O. F. at Markleville. He was married at Eden to Emma Barrett, daughter of Andrew and Mary (Jarrett) Barrett, on January 20, 1883. Children's names are Bertha and Ada. Emma's mother died, April, 1886, and is buried at Eden. Dr. Justice's father died, August 14, 1895, and is buried at the Walker cemetery.

Dr. Justice is of a happy make up, and draws friends and patrons on sight. His wife is a lady of fine attainments, and their home is one of the pleasantest to be found anywhere. Thanks to them for many favors shown. Dr. J. is a brother of Dr. W. A. Justice, Mrs. Dr. Fussell, Ethan Justice and Maggie Hardy, deceased.

### JOEL COOK FAMILY.

WILKINSON, Ind., October 27, 1895.

*Samuel Harden, Esq., Greenfield, Ind.:*

DEAR SIR: Find the within short sketch of the Cook family for publication in your book now in press:

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Cook are the ancestors of the Cook family, of which I will give a short sketch. Adam Cook was born on the Atlantic Ocean while his parents were en route to America from Germany. in 1627. His parents settled in what is now Madison county, Virginia, and resided there on a farm until death called them. Daniel Cook was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Cook. He was born in Madison county, Virginia, and was reared on a farm. He volunteered under George Washington and served through the entire Revolutionary war, and was in line when General Cornwallis

surrendered to George Washington at Yorktown. He returned to his home, where he married Rosannah Wilhoit in 1792. To them were born thirteen children, Abram, Joel, Rhoda, Jemima, Dinah, Anna, David, Ephraim, Elizabeth, Cornelius, John, James and Madison. Elizabeth, John and James are yet living. The entire family lived to pass the half-century mile post before death invaded the family circle.

Joel Cook, second son, of which we will more particularly write, was born in Madison county, Virginia, October 5, 1795. He was married to Nancy, daughter of Matt Farley, June 2, 1820. To them were born Matt F., April 1, 1821; Angeline, October 15, 1823; Daniel, July 29, 1826; John F., July 15, 1829; Jane, August 29, 1832. Nancy, wife of Joel Cook, died June 2, 1835, and was hauled to the graveyard, as it was then called, on a one-horse sled, where now a modest slab marks her last resting place. Mr. and Mrs. Cook moved from Virginia to Rush county, Indiana, in 1833, where they lived one year, and in 1834 they moved to the old Cook farm, on the banks of Sugar Creek, where they entered the land and began the arduous task of making what is now one of the finest farms in Hancock county. Joel remarried on June 1, 1838, to Susan Rodgers. To this union were born Sarah, March 20, 1839; Nancy, December 27, 1840; Harrison, December 9, 1843; Joel, April 15, 1847; Martha E., February 26, 1849; Lorenzo D., April 26, 1851; Emily, July 16, 1853; Eli, September 18, 1855; Cassinda, December 30, 1858; Mary A., January 15, 1862. This entire family of fifteen children are living and enjoying good health.

Matt F., married Sarah Pritchett January 11, 1849. To them were born eleven children, nine of whom are living. Levi J., Mary J. Noland, Missouri A. Simmons, John H., Benj. H., Nancy I., Joel A., Sarah L. Smith and Matt F., Jr. Matt F. and Sarah Cook bought of Hiram Harlan the farm on which they live, Matt F. working for twelve and one-half cents a day to pay for it.

Angeline, married Benjamin F. McCarty, who served for many years as Justice of the Peace in Brown township. They resided near the Cook farm. To them were born Nancy, John, Joel, Jasper N., Ithamer V., Benjamin F. and Sarah J.

Daniel, married Esther Shelton. To them were born Thomas and Mary A. He was again married to Elizabeth Walker. To them were born Seth, Jane, Joel, Elizabeth J., Martha, Lustacy and Retta. Again married to Evaline Ellison. No children were born to this or to the fourth marriage to Mrs. Mills, of Anderson, Indiana. Mr. Cook is a physician, and resides in Fishersburg, Indiana.

John F., married to Mary Cronk in 1853, who died in 1859 of consumption. There were no children to this marriage. He was the second time married to Sarah A. Ham, daughter of V. S. and Virginia Ham. To this marriage were born eleven children, Lilly, Ardella, Laura, John A., Nancy V., Dora, Leonard, Arthur V., Louisa and two infants. Ardella and Laura are married. The family reside on the Madison and Hancock county line in an elegant brick residence.

Jane, married to William Judd. To them was born Minerva J. William soon died, and Mrs. Judd remained a widow several years, after which she married Hayden Yelton in 1869, and resides now on the farm two miles west of Cadiz, Indiana. To this marriage was born Joel C. Yelton, who is married and lives with his aged mother. Hayden Yelton was a staunch farmer, a man of superior judgment and an uncompromising Democrat. He, after a short illness, died in 1894, leaving Mrs. Yelton a widow again.

Sarah, married to Rev. William J. Ham. To this marriage were born Alice, Mary O., Thomas and Della. Mr. and Mrs. Ham moved to Tipton county several years ago, where they bought and made an elegant farm. Mr. Ham and daughter, Alice, died and are buried in the Harlan cemetery. The widow, two daughters and son reside in Tipton county on their farm.

Harrison, married to Margaret Noland. To this marriage were born Lonnie, Florence M., Elmer, Susan J. and Margaret.

Nancy, married to William Bridges. To this marriage four children were born; but one, Otto, is living.

Joel, married to Maria Reger. To this marriage were born three daughters, Fannie and Etta, living.

Martha E., married to Albert Cochran. To this marriage

were born seven children. Charles, the oldest, is dead. They reside at Frankfort, Indiana.

Lorenzo D., married to Elizabeth Reger. To them were born Milo B., Horace P. and Victor H. They reside north of Wilkinson on a fine farm. Porter is in Earlham College and will graduate in 1897.

Emily, unmarried, and lives with Mr. and Mrs. William Bridges.

Eli, married to Mary Armstrong, and resides on the old Cook homestead. To them were born Ida and Clarence, two promising children.

Cassinda, married to Robert J. Collins, and resided on the Thomas Collins farm until recently, when Mr. C. had, by economy, bought the Stanley farm, west of Warrington, where they now reside. To this marriage were born five daughters and one son. Two dead.

Mary A., married to Riley Hamilton. To them were born three sons, the latter one a New Year's gift, January 1, 1895. They reside on their farm west of Warrington, adjoining Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Collins.

Joel Cook lived on the farm he entered sixty-one years, until March 12, 1870, when he peacefully passed to that country from which no traveler ere returns. Susan Cook remained a widow until December 19, 1879, when death suddenly extinguished the vital spark. They are resting in the Harlan cemetery, where a magnificent monument marks their tombs.

In the family of Joel Cook at the present time there are no lawyers, the family seldom asking the services of the legal profession. There is now one licensed minister, Rev. I. V. McCarty; three physicians, Daniel, second son of Joel, Joel, son of Daniel, and Benjamin H., son of Matt F. Benjamin F. McCarty, Sr., and Jr. have filled the office of Justice of the Peace, and Levi J. Cook the same office. The remainder of the family have held no office. The entire family are Democrats, and the following churches are represented: Baptist, Christian, Methodist and United Brethren (Liberal Branch). The elder of the family are all Baptists.

The family now numbers about one thousand. On October 5, 1895, the first Cook reunion was held. All the children of

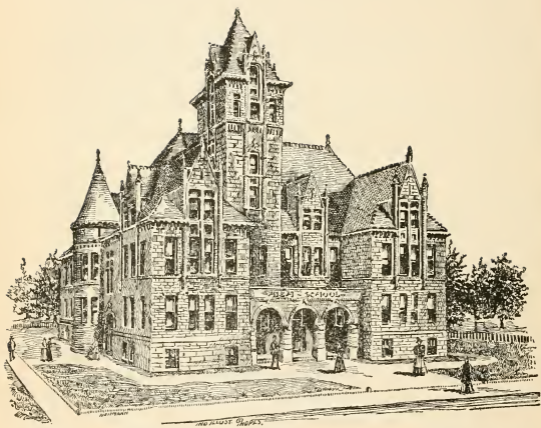
Joel were present but Mrs. Angeline McCarty. Five hundred and seventy of the relatives were estimated to be present.

Very truly, BENJAMIN H. COOK.

### BENJAMIN H. COOK, M. D.

The subject of this sketch was born on a farm, August 22, 1858, third son of Matt. F. and Sarah Cook, pioneers of Hancock county. His grand parents, Joel and Nancy Cook, were Virginians, of German descent. James and Rachel Pritchett were Buckeyes, from Gallipolis, Ohio, and of Scotch-English descent. Henry and Easter Carter, great grandparents, were from Maryland. Daniel and Rosannah Cook, great grandparents, were from Madison county, Virginia.

Benjamin Harvey Cook was reared on a farm, and received a common school education, sufficient to enable him to teach; taught one term in 1880; farmed again one year; began reading medicine under Dr. Lundy Fussell at Markleville, November 12, 1882; graduated from the medical college at Indianapolis, February 26, 1885; remained with Dr. Fussell until April 1, 1886, when he located at Wilkinson, Indiana, where he now resides and enjoys a lucrative practice. He was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason in Warrington Lodge, October 5, 1881, passed to a Fellow Craft, November 4, 1881, and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason, November 30, 1881; received the Chapter degrees in Knightstown Chapter in 1893, and the Council degrees in Cryptic Council the same year. He received the Commandery degrees in Knightstown Commandery, No. 9, in 1895, thus completing all the degrees in Ancient York Masonry. He has filled the offices in Blue Lodge from Junior Deacon to Worshipful Master. In 1886 he was made a Knight of Pythias; was First Past Chancellor of Morning Star Lodge, and is a member of said lodge at this time in good standing. Was also made an Odd Fellow in 1886 by Evening Star Lodge



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at Wilkinson ; has passed all the chairs, and received the Encampment degrees in Blue Ribbon Encampment, No. 48. Has represented his various lodges in the grand bodies and filled appointments on important committees. Is also a member of Eastern Star branch of Masonry, and Rebekah branch of I. O. O. F. He joined the Christian Church in 1888 at Wilkinson, and holds a membership now as elder and trustee of that church.

Dr. Cook married Laura E. Cooper, January 30, 1889. To them were born three bright little boys—Theophilus Parvin, Harvey Weir and Robbie D. Murl. They have a happy home in Wilkinson, where the Doctor has the best library, medical and literary, in the township. He is not wealthy, but is coming to that point, and promises to be a competitor as a physician and surgeon to be envied by his older brethren.

#### STEPHEN JACKSON.

Mr. Jackson was born in Madison county, Indiana, November 18, 1842, son of Levi and Elizabeth (Harden) Jackson, early settlers of the county. He died in 1856. She died in 1875 ; both buried at the Wilson cemetery on Sugar Creek, Hancock county, Indiana. Stephen Jackson was married to Susan Fry January 27, 1867. She was born in Kentucky December 16, 1842. Her parents are buried at the Cooper cemetery, six miles north of Greenfield, Indiana. She died in November, 1867. He died in 1878. Andrew Jackson, grandfather of Stephen, died in 1848, at the age of one hundred and sixteen years. He was in the Revolutionary war ; is buried on Lick Creek in Madison county. Stephen's brothers and sisters are as follows: Theresa, died in Illinois ; Andrew, Jesse, John, George, Mary and Levi. Stephen enlisted in Company B, Eighty-ninth Indiana Volunteers, in 1862, Captain, Sam Henry, of Pendleton, Indiana. He was in the battles of Murfreesboro, Pleasant Hill and Fort Blakely ; discharged at Mobile, Alabama, in 1865.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Jackson's children: Della. Cassius, married to Cassa Gallagher, daughter of the late James Gallagher. Emma, at home.

Stephen Jackson resides near the county line dividing Hancock and Madison, where he owns a fine farm in the former county. He is devoted to his family and friends, a liberal gentleman, a true Democrat and a member of the G. A. R. at Pendleton.

### REV. JOHN HEIM

Was born in Knightstown, Henry county, Indiana, on the 7th day of January, 1844. His childhood days were spent in that town. He was born of German parents, his father coming from Fline, Kingdom of Wurtemberg, in Germany. His mother came from Alsace, near Strassburg. When he was eleven years of age his parents moved from Knightstown and brought him to his present home, three miles east of Greenfield. Johnny, as he was called, had many hard struggles. His father being a cripple, he helped his mother raise the family. When the old plank road went down, Johnny, with a one-horse wagon, helped to haul the gravel that made the first pike in Hancock county. For many years he hauled wood to Greenfield. It is said at one time that he knew where every man's wood-house was in Greenfield.

After he had passed through many struggles on the farm and had grown to manhood, in the spring of 1867, under the preaching of Rev. Thomas Shipp, he was brought to see his lost condition without Christ as his Savior. On the 23d day of March, 1867, he was converted and united with the Methodist Protestant Church. He often felt it was his duty to enter the ministry. The way was opened for him to enter the preparatory department of Adrian College, Michigan. His struggles began again, and he worked his way through school. Dr. Asa Mahan,



who was President of the College at that time, offered him a chance if he would accept it, and that was if he would saw his wood, feed and care for his horse, feed, milk and care for his cow, and do chores in general, he (Mahan) would board him and send him to school. The young German boy accepted this for three years, but the fourth year his studies had increased so that he needed all of his time. So he decided to board himself. After he had spent the day in his recitations a number of times he has gone on the streets of Adrian and sawed wood by lamp light to get food for the next day. A number of meals that he ate were composed of boiled potatoes and salt while he was studying those difficult sentences in Virgil, Zenophon and other writers, and solving the problems in mathematics. After four years had been spent within the walls of Adrian College, in the spring of 1872, he left the college, came home and farmed during the summer.

In the fall of 1872 he united with the Indiana Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and was appointed to Morristown circuit. It had five appointments, Brown's Chapel, near his home, Morristown, Cynthiana, in Shelby county, Manilla, in Rush county, and Pleasant Hill, near where Mt. Lebanon church is now, three miles south of Greenfield.

At the close of this conference year, in which a number of souls were converted and added to the church, he was, in 1873, appointed to Monroe circuit, near Bloomington, in Monroe county. Here he became acquainted with and married Miss Cynthia Stark, daughter of E. J. Stark, a wealthy farmer and large land owner. He and his wife have been traveling for twenty-four years in different parts of the State. During that time he has filled some of the first pulpits of the Methodist Protestant Church. He spent two years as pastor of the Dillon-street church at Indianapolis. He is at this time pastor of the Frankfort circuit. The appointments are in Clinton and Boone counties.

He is not without his faults and makes mistakes and has a few bitter enemies. He has a wife and one daughter, who has been totally blind for sixteen years. His father died in 1885. His mother, in her eighty-eighth year, is still living. He is making his home at present at his mother's old home.

### WILLIAM W. SCOTTON.

Mr. Scotton resides in Philadelphia, Indiana, son of Ebenezer Scotton, one of the early settlers of Hancock county. William was born in Ohio, January 6, 1836. He was married to Rebecca Hawkins, May 12, 1857. She was born in 1834. Mr. Scotton enlisted in Company B, Eighth Indiana Volunteers, August 8, 1862, Colonels Benton and Shunk, Captain Walls. He served three years, and was in several hard-fought battles, Thompson's Hill, Raymond, Champion Hills, Big Black River and the siege of Vicksburg, where he was severely wounded, May 22, 1863, and soon after lost his eye sight, and at the time had one ear shot away. He was a gallant soldier during those three years, and his record is good and honorable. He was discharged at Indianapolis, July 5, 1865..

\* The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Scotton's children: Flora A., married to Milton T. Stout. He died April 11, 1882; buried at Sugar-Creek cemetery. Thomas E., married to Minnie Green. Elmer E., married to Nettie Fuller. All reside in Hancock county. Leota died at the age of two years.

Ebenezer Scotton was born in Ohio, July 28, 1807. His wife, Anna Welling, was also born in Ohio in 1805. They came to Hancock county, Indiana, in 1842. She died, November, 1874. He died April 2, 1893. Both are buried at Sugar-Creek cemetery. Mrs. Scotton's parents are buried near Cumberland, on Buck Creek.

W. W. Scotton had two brothers in the war of 1861-5, John B., killed at Vicksburg, May 22, 1863, and Ebenezer

C., died at Helena, Arkansas, February 23, 1863, aged twenty-one years. W. W. is Republican, and he and his family stand high socially at Philadelphia.

#### WILLIAM G. CALDWELL.

Mr. Caldwell was born in Virginia in 1822, son of William C. and Christina (Dellinger) Caldwell. William G. Caldwell was married to Mary McCrary, daughter of James McCrary, in 1848. Mr. C. came to the county (Hancock) in 1839, the State in 1836. Mrs. C. was born in North Carolina in 1826. No children have been born to them. Mr. C. was elected Sheriff of Hancock county, Indiana, in 1863. Served two years as a Democrat and filled the office with credit to all. About the year 1860 he joined the Masonic order at Warrington, Indiana, and has been a faithful member ever since. He practices its noble teachings, and no worthy brother ever knocked at his door in vain.

Mr. Caldwell now (1895) resides in Wilkinson, Indiana, where he and his noble wife expect to live the remainder of their lives. No better couple ever lived than Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell. Thanks to them for their never-ending kindness to me. Mr. C. is a free thinker, and desires to go to that good land and has no desire to close the door when he gets in. He is a large man, full six feet high, with a fine presence. Call and see this grand couple when in Wilkinson, who are delighted to see their many friends.

#### WILLIAM A. DUNN.

William A. Dunn was born in Abbeville District, South Carolina, August 20, 1816, of Scotch parentage, and lived there until the year 1834, when he removed with his parents to Indiana, and settled in Fayette county, near Connorsville, where he lived until the fall of 1835, when he, with the balance of his family, removed to Buck-Creek township, Hancock county. He entered one hundred and sixty

acres of land in the year 1836, on which he settled, and lived continuously, with the exception of five years, until his death, which occurred February 24, 1893. In 1844, his health having failed him, he rented his farm out and removed to Franklin county, Indiana, where he lived for five years, when, having regained his health, he again removed to his farm.

Mr. Dunn was united in marriage, March 2, 1837, to Frances Ann Harvey, of Franklin county, Indiana, with whom he lived pleasantly for fifty-four years, until her death, which occurred January 6, 1892. The fruits of their union were ten children, six girls and four boys, five of whom are living and five dead, three boys and two girls. Those living are Mary J., married to Albert M. Petty, of Illinois, February 10, 1858. Nancy C., married to Henry B. Wilson, of Hancock county, November, 1871. Martha E., married to Samuel Leslie, November 21, 1869. Missouri F., married to John W. Deel, September, 1874. William H., resides on a part of the old homestead, and to-day holds the Government patents for the same, issued to his father in 1836, being now fifty-nine years in the family.

William A. Dunn united with the Primitive Baptist Church at Cumberland, Marion county, Indiana, in 1843, with his wife, with which church they remained faithful and consistent members until their death. Mr. D. was a Democrat of Jacksonian principles, and a man of great moral worth, and died with the respect of all who knew him.

I am glad to give this early and interesting family a sketch in this work, who came to Buck-Creek township, and helped to develop it. Mr. and Mrs. Dunn underwent hardships that we will never fully know, but their memory will live for time to come, with that of others who first came to Hancock county. Following will be found a notice of his death :

William Abner Dunn was a resident of Buck-Creek township, but at the time of his death, which took place February 24, 1893, he was making his home with a daughter living near Julietta, Marion county, Indiana. His death was occasioned from a severe attack of pneumonia fever. He was born in South Carolina August 20, 1826, and emigrated with his parents to Indiana in 1833, and settled in this county in 1834, when the State was little less than a wilderness.

He was married to Frances Harvey March 2, 1837, who preceded him to the home on high a little more than one year ago. To them were born ten children, four sons and six daughters, five of them preceding him to that world unexplored by mortal vision, and one son and four daughters survive him.

Politically he was a Democrat of earnest convictions. A man who cast his vote from a principle of right as it appeared to him.

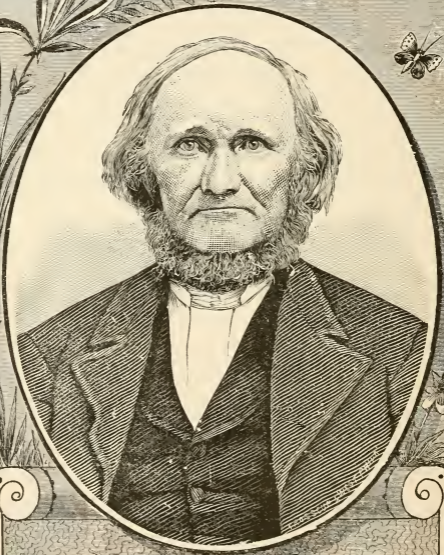
Religiously he was a Primitive Baptist of untiring faith, and had honored his profession for fifty-three years. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." A truly good man has fallen. For more than half a century he lived a devoted, honored and esteemed christian life. His affection for his family was undying. He was loved and esteemed as a neighbor. His funeral services were conducted in the M. E. Church at Mt. Comfort Sunday, February 26. May the Lord comfort the bereft and sorrowing relatives and friends.

R. W. THOMPSON.

### WILLIAM H. DUNN.

William H. Dunn was born in Franklin county, Indiana, August 8, 1848, and removed, with his parents, to Hancock county, Indiana, in January, 1850, since which time he has continued to reside on the same farm until the present time, being a period of forty-seven years.

William H. Dunn was united in marriage with Mary J. Staley October 7, 1869, and lived with her until her death, which occurred March 3, 1871. There were born to this union one child, a little girl, who lived but two



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months, preceding its mother to the better world just one week. Mr. Dunn was again united in marriage to Martha E. Wilson, a daughter of Henry B. Wilson, of Hancock county, Indiana, October 2, 1872, and has enjoyed a peaceful and happy life to the present time. To them have been born eight children, six girls and two boys, all of whom are living, except one boy. The eldest girl, Cora J., was married to George E. Smith March 8, 1891. The balance of the children are still living with their parents, their names being George O., Mary F., Neva G., Sarah, Bessie and Ruth.

Mr. Dunn united with the Primitive Baptist Church in January, 1871, and has been a consistent member of the church of his choice to the present time. His wife, Martha E. Dunn, united with the same church in October, 1888, and was baptized by emersion by Elder Kemper. William H. Dunn received the Entered Apprentice Degree, F. & A. M., in October, 1889, passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft in November, 1889, and was raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason in December, 1889. Mr. and Mrs. Dunn were organized as charter members of the Order of the Eastern Star at Oakland in September, 1894.

Mr. Dunn taught school several years in his locality, and is among the active citizens of Buck Creek. He resides a short distance south-west of Mt. Comfort, and near where his parents lived so long. Thanks to him and family for their never-failing kindness to me while in that locality.

#### JOSEPH CLAYTON.

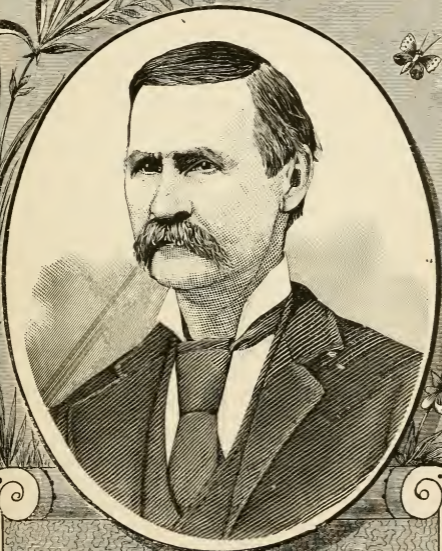
Mr. Clayton was born in Wayne county, Virginia, May 26, 1806, and was married to Ruth Roberts, July 15, 1828. She was born in Scott county, Virginia, August 31, 1808. They came to Hancock county, Indiana, in 1838, and settled two miles east of Greenfield, where the family resided many years, and where Mr. Clayton died, Novem-

ber 29, 1870. He is buried at the cemetery in Greenfield. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton were strong, determined pioneers, and when they came to the county it was new and undeveloped to a great extent. The National road was at that time in a very bad condition, but it was soon improved. About that time the country began to fill up, and soon Mr. and Mrs. Clayton had plenty of neighbors.

Mrs. Clayton is yet living, after raising eleven children. She is in her eighty-seventh year of age. She has eighty grandchildren, fourteen great grandchildren, and the fifth generation is represented. One would hardly realize what this good woman has went through in these eighty-seven years, yet she is cheerful and looks on the bright side of things generally, and is strongly attached to her family and friends. Am glad to give this pioneer family a sketch in this work.

The following are the names of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton, the first five born in Virginia and the last six in Indiana: Mary, born in 1829; married to James Hamilton. Richard, born February 14, 1831; died in 1832. Henry, born February 4, 1833; died, February, 1881. Harriet E., born April 18, 1888; married to William Catt. She died in 1888, and is buried at Mt. Lebanon cemetery. Emeline, born December 5, 1836; married to Joseph Lemons. He died in 1881 in Missouri. His family reside there, near Hannibal. James, born April 25, 1839; married first to Cressy Cooper and the second time to Miss Hamilton; reside in Missouri. Nancy, born February 1, 1842; married to Peter Lamb. He died August 18, 1884, and is buried at Philadelphia, Hancock county, where the family reside. Isaac, born June 17, 1849; married first to Sarah J. Davis and the second time to Fanny Roberts. Martha, born December 4, 1846; married to John Wiggins; reside near Fortville. John, born February 17, 1849; married to Emaline Lower. He, as well as Isaac, resides in Green township, Hancock county, Indiana. Sarah,





HON. NOBLE WARRUM.

born October 10, 1851; married to Henry Winslow; reside in Hancock county, Indiana.

During the life time of Joseph Clayton he belonged to the Christian Church. Mrs. C. is also a member of the same church, but, on account of age, does not attend.

### H. C. JOHNSON.

Harry was born in Markleville, Indiana, August 17, 1865, son of David and Mary (Stanford) Johnson. He was married to Nancy L. Lakin July 17, 1886. She is the daughter of the late William F. and Luvina (Addison) Lakin, born near Charlottesville, Indiana, November 12, 1866. Children's names are Ethel B. and Emert O. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson stand high at their home in Wilkinson, where they are engaged in the general mercantile business, formerly in the drug business there until 1893. Mr. J. is a member of the K. of P., also I. O. O. F., and Mrs. J. of the Rebecca degree. He is a brother of Dr. Elbert Johnson, of Knightstown, Indiana; Alva Johnson, of Markleville, and Frank Johnson, of Charlottesville, Indiana.

David Johnson was born in North Carolina in 1836, son of Jesse and Lyda Johnson, who came to Hancock county in 1837. David died near Markleville, Indiana, in February, 1873; is buried at the Harlan cemetery. Mrs. David Johnson was born in Henry county, Indiana, in 1835; resides in Wilkinson, Indiana. They were married in 1858. Mrs. H. C. Johnson is a granddaughter of the Hon. John Addison, of Jackson township, Hancock county, Indiana.

### THE BRADDOCK FAMILY.

This family came early to Hancock county and settled on Brandywine, perhaps as early as 1830. Moses Braddock and wife were born in Pennsylvania. He died in 1840. She died in 1870; buried at the Braddock cemetery

on the home farm. When they came to the county there was not much improvement on Brandywine.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. (Ringland) Braddock's children: William, married to Julia Forgey. He died in 1869. She died in 1872; buried at the home cemetery. Three children were born to them, Margaret, Arthur and Blanch. Blanch was married to John L. McNew. He died August 12, 1895; buried at the Greenfield cemetery. He was Prosecuting Attorney for Hancock county at the time of his death. He was elected in November, 1894, as a Democrat. Mrs. Blanch McNew resides in Greenfield and is a lady of high attainments. Henry, the second child of Moses Braddock, as well as all of the children, was born in Pennsylvania. He was married to Miss Thomas. Three children were born to them, Freeman, John and Alfred. Freeman was married to Miss Cook, daughter of Thomas Cook. They reside about two miles south-west of Willow Branch. Noah W., one of the prominent farmers of Jackson township, was born about the year 1838. He was first married to Nancy Earls. She died in 1875. One child was born to them, Edwin, a bright young man and teacher, born in 1861. He had many friends who mourn his early death. He is also buried at the Braddock cemetery on Brandywine. Richard, another son of Moses, never married. He has a fine farm and dwelling one mile south-west of Willow Branch. He read medicine but never practiced. He, as well as all of the Braddocks, is a Republican and well informed. Sarah, a daughter, was never married. She died in 1880, aged about fifty years. No better family than the Braddock. I am glad to give them a notice in the Pioneer.

#### WILLIAM POTTS,

One of the substantial men of Hancock county, Indiana, resides three miles north-west of Greenfield, where he owns a fine farm, and has it under a high state of culiva-

tion. After a long life of toil, plenty has come to bless him in his declining years. He is a great reader and thinker. His sympathies are with the poor, oppressed people of the county, and he votes to better their condition. He has for the past four years been a member of the Populist party, thinking this the best party to act with looking to the betterment of our financial system. A man well informed on general subjects, liberal in his views and social to an eminent degree. He was born in Franklin county, Indiana, on the 21st day of March, 1825, son of William and Isabel (Chance) Potts, who came to Hancock county in an early day. William Potts, Sr., was born in Virginia in 1786 and died in 1874. His wife was born in North Carolina, and died in 1878, aged about that of her husband, eighty-seven years. They are buried at the Little Sugar-Creek cemetery.

William Potts, Jr., was married to a half sister of the late Governor Abram A. Hammond, of Indiana, her maiden name being Martha A. Hammond. She was born October 31, 1825. She died May 24, 1890, and is buried at Greenfield. A grand, good woman, who lived to raise her family and see the vast changes in the county before she died.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Potts' children: James K., died April 12, 1865. George W., born May 14, 1850; married to Lucy B. Hayden. Mary E., married to P. K. Boyd. He died in 1895. Edwin, born December 17, 1854; died November 18, 1889. John W., born February 1, 1857; married to Rebecca F. Elsbury. Isabel H., born July 9, 1859; married to A. J. Reynolds. Alice A., married to Johnson R. Abbott. Lucy, born March 5, 1864; single, at home.

#### THE MEEK FAMILY.

It is a duty as well as a pleasure to write of the Meek family, who came to the county in its infancy and for so

many years so conspicuous. The elder Meek, Jeremiah, was born in Maryland in 1789. He was married to Miss Cornwell, of Kentucky. She, with her parents, came to Wayne county, Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Meek were married about the year 1811. He was appointed Judge of the Wayne County Probate Court by the Territorial Governor, W. H. Harrison, in 1812. He served two terms of seven years each and held a like position in Hancock county for seven years, making in all twenty-one years as Judge. There was born to this marriage six children as follows: First child, Bazil, married to Polly Irven. He died in Missouri, aged seventy years. Second child, Anna, married to Mr. Parsons; died in 1852 and is buried at Greenfield. Third child, Cornwell, born in Kentucky; married to Miss Pierson; died at the age of seventy-five years and is buried at Greenfield. Fourth child, Margaret, married to Nathan Crawford; both dead and are buried at Greenfield. She died in 1860. Fifth child, Joshua, born in Kentucky; married to Julia A. Russell. He died in Kansas in 1885; she died in 1894. Sixth child, Moses, married to Eliza A. Meek. He died in 1855; she in 1893; buried at Greenfield.

A few years after the death of his wife, Mr. Jeremiah Meek married Catherine Williams, who was born in North Carolina in 1803. This marriage is thought to be about the year 1820. Nine children were born to this marriage, as follows: First child, Mary M., married to William H. Summers. He died in 1843; she in 1851. She was born in Wayne county, Indiana. Second child, William W., born in Wayne county, Indiana, in 1822; married to Celia A. Hunt. He died in 1867. She is living (1895) in Missouri. Third child, John F., born in Wayne county, Indiana, in 1824; married to Eliza J. Hunt in 1848; one child born to them. She died in 1851. He was the second time married to Sarah A. Hunt in 1852. She was born in 1833 in Hancock county, Indiana. Their children's names

are Herman O., Surthney L., Eliza J., deceased, Darly, deceased, James E., Bertha, deceased, Bazil, Jared, John F. and Alpha M. This family resides in Chillicothe, Mo. He was in the Mexican war. Fourth child of Jermiah Meek, Terressa B., born in Wayne county, Indiana, in 1826; married to John R. Malory. She died in Philadelphia, Indiana, in 1856; buried at Greenfield. Fifth child, Jared C., the first to be born in Greenfield, June 15, 1828; married first to Martha Crockett in 1852. She died, January 9, 1883, and is buried in Green county, Ohio. Their children's names are Alexander C., James A., John C., William F., Nancy J. and Elizabeth. Jared C. Meek was the second time married to Mrs. Rebecca West, born in Knightstown, Indiana, in 1832, daughter of Thomas B. and Margaret (Wright) Miller. Mr. Meek resides in Greenfield, and has all his life, and is a blacksmith by trade. He was in the army, Company G, Ninth Indiana Calvary. Sixth child, Rachel C., born in Greenfield in 1830; married to Moses Turk. He died. She is living (1895) in Greenfield. Seventh child, Rebecca A., born in Greenfield in 1832; married first to John Willett; second time to Thomas Osborn; living in Greenfield. Eighth child, Sarah E., born in Greenfield in 1834; died in Union county, Indiana, in 1841. Ninth child, Larinda, born in Greenfield, in 1838; married to Joseph Estus; reside in Mt. Comfort, Indiana.

Jeremiah Meek died in Greenfield in 1839, respected by all. He was licensed to preach the gospel, as will be seen by the following:

Jeremiah Meek is hereby authorized to preach the gospel in the M. E. Church according to the rules and regulations of said church.

Given under my hand, this 27th day of July, 1816.

JOHN SALE, P. E.

JAMES THOMAS, SR.

Mr. Thomas came to Jackson township, a strong young

man, in 1850, and at once commenced work in the green woods to make a farm, which he did after years of patience and toil. He was married to Sophronia McCray in 1850, daughter of Elijah and Nancy (Huffom) McCray, born May 11, 1828, near Knightstown, Indiana. Mr. Thomas was born in Rush county, Indiana, March 21, 1827, son of William F. and Naomi Thomas, who came to Hancock county in 1854. He was born in Connecticut in 1795, and died February 24, 1872. She died April 31, 1872. She was born in Ohio in 1800. They were married October 5, 1820. Both buried at Knightstown, Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas are members of the Christian Church, and for the past seven years have resided in Greenfield. Mr. T. has been one of the strong men of the county, is fond of early sports and log-rolling days, and well informed on early times. His parents came early to Rush county, and were pioneers there until 1854. Mrs. James Thomas' father, Elijah McCray, was born in Ohio in 1800; died May, 1871. She died September 12, 1878; born in 1807. Both buried at the old Baptist Church at New Columbus.

The following are the names of James Thomas' children: William M., born February, 1851; married to Alice S. Barrett. Mr. Thomas was elected County Commissioner in 1892, re-elected in 1894, and to-day (1895) is serving to the entire satisfaction of the people who elected him. He resides in Jackson township, where he owns a fine farm, under a high state of cultivation. He belongs to the Christian Church and Masonic order, to which he is strongly welded. Nancy E., born June 6, 1855; died October 6, 1856; buried at Knightstown. John H., born November 9, 1857; died September 25, 1870, and is buried at Knightstown. Leonadas R., born July 21, 1861; married to Maggie McCray; reside on the old home place, where James Thomas built his brick house in 1878.

Names of William M. Thomas' children: Emma F., born in 1873; died September 29, 1892. She is buried at

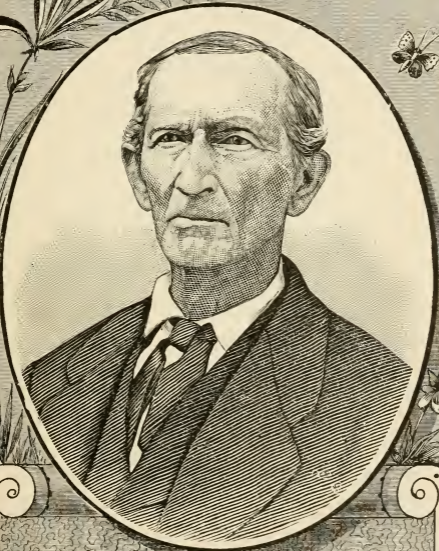
Knights town. Mary Ida, born in 1875; married to William Kirk. Fanny B., at home. Roxey J., at home.

Following is an obituary notice of Emma F. Thomas, published soon after her death:

Emma Florence Thomas, daughter of William M. and Alice Thomas, died of catarrhal fever at her father's residence, four miles north of Cleveland, September 29, 1892. She was born September 1, 1873, aged nineteen years and twenty-nine days.

It seems so sad to think that one just blooming into womanhood should be called away. When Emma died the life of a conscientious, noble, kind and affectionate young lady went out. We can not understand why it is that the aged and infirmed, those who seem to have lived out their days of usefulness, are spared, and those who are so young are called way. Yet, it must be right. God is too wise to err and too good to do wrong. Emma's life on earth was short, but deeply imprinted with fond, affectionate remembrance. She was always kind and obedient to her parents and gentle and loving to her sisters; and she left behind her marks worthy of imitation. We are sorry to see our friends, those with whom we have so long associated, called away; but every day we live we are reminded that death is abroad in our land; that imitation is written upon everything we behold; that there is no escaping the summons. It was hard, so hard, to speak the last farewell and take the last look upon Emma. We know her sufferings are over, and she is at rest with her Savior. She will be missed by all who know her, but oh, so sadly missed by her kind parents and loving sisters, who will listen in vain for her loved voice, and look with sad yearning toward the vacant chair. Never again on earth will we hear that sweet voice, nor see her loving smiles. But our farewells have not been spoken forever. It is needless to say that Emma received all possible care that human hands could give. Many happy hours have I spent in her presence, but I shall spend them no more, for she has gone never to return. The family circle is broken. That gentle and loving voice, so often heard, shall never be heard on earth again. That silent step no more is sounded on the floor. Those pale lips that were kissed and





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shed tears over will never be seen again. She leaves two grandfathers, two grandmothers, a father, mother, three sisters and a host of other relatives to mourn her loss. Her funeral was preached by Elder J. B. Blount at their residence. Her remains were followed by a large number of relatives and friends to the Glencove cemetery, October 1st. Father, mother and sisters, no longer mourn, for your loss is Emma's eternal gain.

We miss thee from our home, dear ;  
 We miss thee from thy place ;  
 A shadow o'er our life is cast ;  
 We miss the sunshine of thy face.

We miss thy kind and willing hand,  
 Thy fond and earnest care ;  
 Our home is dark without thee—  
 We miss thee everywhere.

We loved her, yes, we loved her,  
 But there's one who loved her more,  
 And he has gently called her  
 To yonder shining shore.

ADA F. THORNBURG.

### DAVID THOMAS AND FAMILY.

Of this large and interesting family I wish to give a sketch in the Pioneer. One so deserving I can not forget. In 1881 I first met Mr. and Mrs. David Thomas at their home in Jackson township, where their best days were spent, and where their best endeavors were put forth to make a home in the then new county, back in the thirties. Mr. Thomas was married to Mary Jones in 1835.

Children's names: Jane, married to Sanford Williams; reside in Jackson township. Mary, married to Marion Forgey; both dead. Lucien B., married to Juliet Fort; reside in Jackson township, near the Simmons cemetery. John W., married to Miss L. Gorgey. Morris C., married to Caroline Wilson, daughter of Peter Wilson; reside in Jackson township. Martin Riley, married to Ellen Barrett; reside in Jackson township, near Willow

Branch. Ollie L., married to Kanan White; reside near Maple Valley, Henry county, Indiana. Frances, married to William Fort. William S., married to Mag Huston. She is dead.

David Thomas was born in Ohio, September 14, 1814. Mrs. Thomas was born in Ohio in 1815. He died July 12, 1884. She died December 7, 1891. Both are buried at the Willow Branch cemetery. They were Methodists, as are most of the children.

Their children were born as follows: Mariah J., 1836; Mary E., December 1, 1839; Lucien B., November 4, 1841; John W., November 12, 1843; Morris C., April 11, 1846; Martin R., April 23, 1848; Ollie L., August 16, 1850; Margaret O., October 4, 1853; Frances L., December 9, 1855; William S., August 16, 1858.

Below will be found a sketch of Mrs. Thomas at the time of her death:

Mary Thomas, daughter of John and Mary Jones, was born in Clermont county, Ohio, June 15, 1814, and died December 7, 1891, aged seventy-seven years, five months and twenty-two days. At the age of thirteen she moved with her parents to Rush county, Indiana, where she was married to David Thomas, November 19, 1835. In the fall of 1838 she, with her husband and one little daughter, moved to Hancock county, Indiana, where they lived a happy and peaceful life for nearly a half century, when her husband, on the 12th day of July, 1884, was called from labor to reward. Eight children were given to them as the fruit of this union, five sons and three daughters, who are still living, death having broken no links in the chain of the family circle. She united with the M. E. Church at the age of sixteen, and was a faithful and acceptable member for more than sixty-one years, when the summons came and called her to the shores on the other side. In her last illness she was stricken with paralysis, September 29, 1891, from which she lingered for many weeks, fully realizing her condition, knowing that the disease might prove fatal at any moment, but always expressed a willingness to either live or die. Through all her afflictions she was patient and composed,

never heard to murmur or complain, but at all times her lips seemed to be moving in praises of Jesus, frequently expressing herself as hearing the Lord speaking to her. A few days previous to her death, when asked if there was anything she wanted, she looked heavenward and whispered, "Yes; I want my spirit to take its flight; I want Jesus to take me now. It seems but a step into heaven," and then crossed over. We do not think of her as being dead, but as one gone above to join the blood-washed throng on the other side, and sing the song of redemption for ever and ever.

### JOHN GREEN, SR.

The memory of John Green must not be overlooked in the Pioneer, as he was among the first to come to Green township, Hancock county, and who the township was named after, and lived here for many years, long enough to see the locality emerge from the green woods to a comparatively well improved community. He came poor, yet rich, for he was blessed with a strong constitution and determination to make a home in the West. He was greatly assisted in his efforts by his wife, who is a true helpmeet. Mr. Green was born in Maryland, March 4, 1792. He was married in Kentucky in 1816 to Jane Wharton, who was also born in 1782. He died December 8, 1859; buried in Missouri. Mrs. Green died August 31, 1862; buried at Eden, Indiana.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Green's children: Daniel, born in Kentucky in 1817; married to Mariah Chadrick. He died in Missouri in 1867. William, born in Kentucky, October 6, 1821; married to Mary Chadrick; reside in Idaho. Nathaniel, born November 3, 1823; married to Sarah Hanger. She died in 1859; he died in 1893 in Iowa. Margaret, born in 1827; married to Robert Morris. She died in Missouri in 1894. James, born April 22, 1832; married to Sarah J. Brown. He died in 1864, and is buried at Eden, Indiana. John W., born February 9, 1834; married to Rachel E. Pauley, August

12, 1858. Children's names are John W., born in 1859; Willard O., married to Dora Kessler in 1893, and Otto C., born in 1871; died in 1881; buried at the Eden cemetery. Thomas, born April 5, 1837; died in Missouri in 1871.

### WILLIAM WATTS AND FAMILY.

The Watts family came to Hancock county in the year 1825, and settled on Blue River, eight miles south-east of Greenfield, in what is known as Hominy Ridge, where it resided many years, and where some of the representatives live to-day (1895). William Watts, the elder, was born in Butler county, Ohio, in 1800, and on the 12th day of July, 1824, he was married to Mary Tyner in Shelby county, Indiana. She was born, April 8, 1797, and died, October, 1891. He died, June 18, 1871. Both buried at the Shiloh cemetery, near the old home. This worthy couple were truly pioneers, and underwent all the privations incident to frontier life. Both lived, however, to see plenty smile upon them and better times, Mrs. W. living to the grand old age of ninety-five years, even to see the gas era. They will be remembered as a worthy couple, who figured in the early settlement of the Blue-River country.

The following are the names of their children, as given me by the fourth child, William H. Watts, now living near the scenes of his childhood: Eliza, born in 1825; married to Hiram Tyner; both deceased, and buried at the Hinchman cemetery. Harriet, born in 1826; married to James R. Duncan. She is living (1895). John F., born August 28, 1827; married to Mary J. Catt. He died in 1875, and is buried at Shiloh cemetery. She afterwards married John O. G. Collins. He died in 1895, and is buried at Gilboa cemetery. William H., born June 21, 1829; married to Minerva J. Kiger, September 5, 1850. She was born in 1832, daughter of John and Sarah (Greenup) Kiger. The following are the names of William H. Watts' children: America, John W., Missouri and Perry W., deceased. He

is buried at Shiloh cemetery. Elizabeth, the fifth child of William Watts, was born October 9, 1831; married to Hawkins. He died in 1864; buried at Mt. Lebanon cemetery. They were married in 1851. George W., born February 6, 1833; married to Mary Allen. She died in 1884; buried at the Shiloh cemetery. Henry W., died in infancy. Sarah A., born October 16, 1838; married to Albert Kelley. Jefferson M., born May 22, 1840; single.

George W. was in the war of 1861-5. A grand family that we must not lose sight of. Mrs. William Watts was a member of the Christian Church, as well as her son, William H., to whom I am indebted for the above facts, as well as a sketch written by him on the early settlement of Hominy Ridge. The family was largely Democratic.

### JOSHUA LYNAM

Resides five miles east of Greenfield, on the National road, in Jackson township. He was born in Ohio, July 5, 1830, son of William and Lucy (Taylor) Lynam. William Lynam was born in Maryland. Mrs. Lucy Lynam was born in Ohio. They were married in 1828, and came to Hancock county in 1838. He died February 6, 1876; she died March 15, 1892; buried at Gilboa cemetery. Joshua Lynam was first married to Julia E. Barrett, November, 1852, daughter of Edward and Abigail (Lamay) Barrett. She was born in 1833; is buried at the Gilboa cemetery. Two children were born to this marriage, William E., born in 1853; married first to Hettie Grass; the second time to Annie Gordon. Sarah, born in 1857; married to Mr. Crider. Mr. Lynam was the second time married to Mrs. Garey Hoel, October 27, 1877. She was born in Rush county, Indiana, in 1852, daughter of Peter and Jane (Wilson) Mauzy. Garey Hoel died in 1871, and is buried at Mechanicsburg, Indiana, son of the late G. W. Hoel, of Madison county, Indiana. Two children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Garey Hoel—Nelly J., born in 1869;

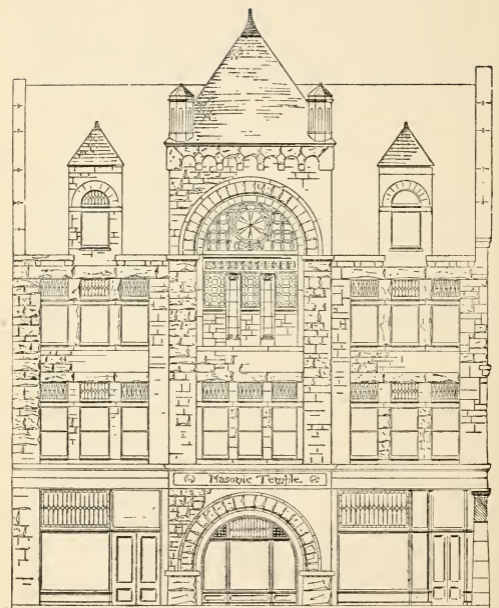
married to Mr. Goodpaster, of Delaware county, Indiana ; Susan, born in 1871 ; married to Albert Faraut ; reside in Anderson, Indiana.

Joshua Lynam owns a splendid farm, and he and his wife enjoy life to the fullest extent. They belong to the Methodist Church. He is a Republican, and a gentleman, first, last and all the time.

### JOHN O. G. COLLINS.

Mr. Collins was born in Ohio in 1828, and came to Rush county, Indiana, in 1832, where he lived to manhood, 1851. He was first married to Elizabeth Johns, daughter of David Johns, a pioneer of Hancock county, Indiana. Mrs. Collins died, August, 1874, and is buried at Gilboa cemetery. Mr. Collins died October 13, 1895, and is also buried at Gilboa cemetery. This worthy couple lived together about seventeen years.

Following are the names of their children: Lavina, born in 1859; married to Richard Load. She died in Greenfield, and is buried there. Perry D., born October 3, 1861; married first to Miss Coffield, daughter of Barney Coffield, September 1, 1885. She died March 31, 1886; is buried at Shiloh cemetery. He was the second time married to Maggie J. Nelson, daughter of Harrison Nelson, September 12, 1889. She was born in Rush county, Indiana, March 6, 1866. There were born two children, Harry, September 17, 1891, and one died in infancy. Perry D. is a member of the I. O. O. F., No. 399, at Arlington, Indiana, and delights in its noble teachings. He resides in East Greenfield, and to him I am indebted for the dates of the family. Third child of J. O. G. Collins was Cassie, born May 11, 1865; married to John Buckner, of Rush county. She died July 11, 1889; buried at Arlington, Rush county. Fourth child, Delpha, born October 2, 1868; married to Nathan Hinton; live in Rush



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county. Fifth child, Elvira J., born in 1870; married to William Wilber; reside in Greenfield.

Mr. Collins was the second time married to Mrs. Watts, daughter of Mr. Catt. This event was in 1875. His first wife was born in Hancock county in 1830. Her mother's name before marriage was Osborn, an early pioneer of Blue-River township. Mr. Collins served ten years as Justice of the Peace, was a Mason of high standing, a polished gentleman, and a writer of ability. He was well informed on general subjects, and a man that left his mark in society, and whose place will be hard to fill. Glad to give the family a notice in my work.

Following will be found an obituary, written at the time of his death:

It is with sorrow that we record the death of our esteemed friend, J. O. G. Collins, which occurred last Sunday night at 12 o'clock, after several weeks' illness of stomach and liver trouble. Mr. Collins was a man of sterling worth and qualities that made him friends wherever he was known, and he was perhaps as well known as any man in the county. There was no man in Blue-River township better respected than he. He was a good citizen, and always dealt fairly with his fellow-men. When young he was an enthusiastic Mason, but he was a lover of home ties, and when he became so situated that he was isolated from his Masonic brethren, he severed his connection with the fraternity in favor home.

Mr. Collins was a zealous christian, and in his younger years was an able exhorter. He has lived in Hancock county over thirty years, and in all that time no one can say ought against him or his dealings with his fellows. He contributed articles to the Democrat from time to time, which were always read with interest. He was an influential Democratic politician of the Jacksonian stripe, but limited or no aspirations for office or self-aggrandizement. He was born in 1828, and was consequently sixty-seven years old at the time of his death. His funeral occurred from his home, in Blue-River township, yesterday morning, conducted by his pastor, Rev. Martin, of the M. P. Church, and his interment at Gilboa cemetery, south of

Cleveland. Another good man has gone, and thus is the scriptures fulfilled. He leaves a wife and three children.

### LETTER FROM W. H. WATTS.

HOMINY RIDGE, January 8, 1896.

MY ESTEEMED FRIEND HARDEN: According to promise I drop you a few items and dates of this locality, situated in the extreme south-east part of Hancock county, Indiana, eight miles from the city of Greenfield, and bordering on Blue River. No wonder the early settlers were attracted to this part of the county, for it had many advantages over other parts. Back in the twenties a few noble men and women had the courage to settle here, poor and without means to any extent. They came strong and determined, and their best efforts were put forth to make a home. The ax and maul sounded in the dark, deep woods. Little cabins were built, rude in appearance, yet serving the purpose of that day. Soon a school-house was built, and a few children gathered there to learn the early lessons of A, B, C. It was at this place that the name of Hominy Ridge originated, from the fact that many of the children brought that article for dinner, which was, in some cases, eaten without salt. Soon the little fields grew larger, better houses were built, and plenty came in its own good time. The log-rollings were not without their interest. The people were social, all on an equality, hardy and contented, and needed but little in those days.

Among the early settlers in this neighborhood I call to mind John Osborn, Elijah Tyner, who kept the first store here, a grand, good man. He died, I think, about 1869 or 1870, and is buried at the Shiloh cemetery, where a monument marks his grave. Solomon Tyner, Robert Moffitt, Mark Whitaker, James Osborn, Henry Duncan, George Penwell, John Trent, Daniel Smith, Robin Johns, Wilson Johns, Tyner family, Wolfs and Dr. Beatty. The first marriage I call to mind was William Wolf and Tobitha Tyner. The first post-office was in 1823, kept by Elijah Tyner. The first church was a Baptist, and the members met at private houses and in a log house until 1850, when the present church, known as Shiloh, was built, and for years has been a very popular place for meetings. It was here

that the late Wilson Thompson displayed his wonderful powers as a preacher and speaker, as well as the late David Caldwell, John Sparks and others of more or less fame.

I must not forget a bear story, as my letter would fall far short without it. In 1838 myself and brother were making a run-round in the woods, near the house, when our attention was attracted to a sow squealing near by. A mother bear and two cubs had made an uncerimonious attack on the old sow. Mother came running, with sleeves rolled up and ax in hand, but her courage at this moment failed, as the old bear made for her, mouth open. She ran, caught her foot in a root, fell, and laid in this position until the bear went away. The infant settlement was aroused, and pursued the mother bear, which was captured a few miles east, at College Corner. The cubs were never heard from. The early days were not without their interest. The quiltings, apple parings and singing schools were of deep interest to me. The time, sixty-five years, seems short to look back, but is really a long time. Oh, how many have died since then. But few remain here now. Grand and sorrowful changes have come and gone since 1825.

I am glad you are writing up the early days and people of our now grand county. Should the next sixty years develop as much, it will be a grand place to live. Thanks to you for the deep interest you have taken. Unborn children will thank you in years to come.

W. H. WATTS.

### LETTER FROM JOHN W. GREEN.

DEAR READERS OF THE PIONEER: As I have promised a short sketch for this work, I will give you a history of the hardships and privations which our family underwent on first emigrating to the State of Indiana:

My father and uncle, Arthur Pinty, moved to this State from Kentucky in October, 1827. They did not come by railroad nor in buggies, but just loaded their household goods and families in wagon, hitched two yoke of oxen to it, and started for Indiana, the far-off country at that time. They came as far as Rush county. As it proved to be a very rainy fall, they concluded to winter there. In the month of February they took their guns and a pack of provisions on their backs and

started to look at the country. As all the low land was covered with water, they had to do considerable wading, so it was not very pleasant traveling, but in due time they arrived at Jesse Lane's, on Fall Creek. There were at that time several families in that neighborhood, consisting of the Hidayes, Hollidays, Fosters and others. As they liked the country very well, they returned to Rush county. The roads were so bad, they loaded my father's goods and family, and started the latter part of February for the promised land. They got as far as section seventeen, township seventeen, range seven, Hancock county, in the evening of March 4, 1828. Their team was given out, so they thought the best thing they could do was to strike camp. The next morning the snow was about three feet deep. Things looked pretty gloomy to tackle, but as it was a nice place, they concluded to settle there, so they went to work to build a house. There was plenty of small cherry and poplar close at hand, and the second night they slept in the new house. They chinked the cracks and built a mud chimney the next two days, and then my father and uncle started for his family. My mother, three little brothers, baby sister, one cow, four head of sheep and a four-year-old mare were left in the wilderness. When night came on and the wolves began to howl my mother said she would have given everything she possessed if she could have been back in Rush county. They had to take the sheep in the house to keep the wolves from catching them. Father and uncle arrived in due time with uncle's family, and settled in section eight, township seventeen, range seven east, about forty rods from father, on the place now owned by John Shull, and right now I must say I think they had two as nice locations as there are in Green township.

Now, all this time the stock had nothing to eat, only what it could forage, and the sheep had to be kept close to the house on account of the wolves. Father cleared three acres and planted it in corn in good time, and brushed out three acres more and planted it about the first of July, yet it made very good corn. By this time he was out of breadstuff, so he went on foot to Blue River, and dug in a mill-race from daylight till dark for fifty cents a day, and took it in breadstuff. He then walked home to get his ox team to go after it. It took one day to

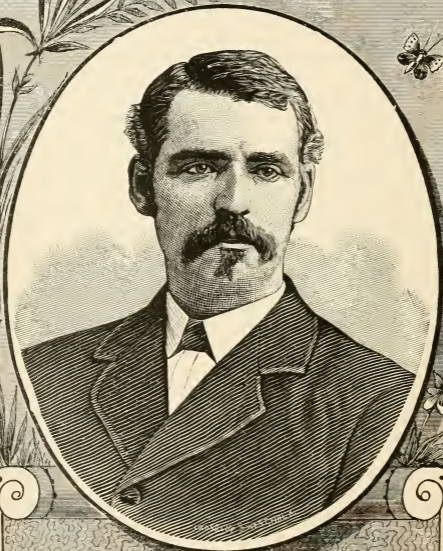
go and two to come home with the load. He tied a chunk of fire on his wagon to keep the musquitoes off. There were no matches then to strike fire with. What would we think if we had to live that way now? Boys, be good to your parents. You do not know what they have done for you.

Father and uncle were hauling a load of household goods from Wayne county to Willow Branch, when one of the axle skeins got loose, and they jacked the wagon up, took off the wheel and fixed it. Uncle said that would do, but father hit it one more lick, and the jack gave way and the point of the axle fell on the instep of uncle's foot. Father said he never heard a man halloo so in his life, but he soon released him. It always made a cripple of him to some extent.

Uncle was not much for work. He cleared some and hunted for deer. He killed eighty-four deer the first year he was here. He then sold his claim to Uncle William Records, and moved down on Fall Creek, and from there to the Wabash River, near Utica. His whole family is dead; not one left to tell the tale.

Uncle William Records moved his family here from Kentucky. He was energetic, and cleared out quite a farm. His family consisted of six girls and four boys. In the winter of 1842 we had a fatal fever that took uncle, one son and two daughters. At this time there are but three of the family left.

Father prospered and cleared out quite a farm. He had 240 acres of good land in the fall of 1851. He sold to Michael Crist, of Ohio, and in 1852 moved to Scotland county, Missouri, where he settled for a short time, and then moved to Schuyler county, same State, and died, December, 1859. Mother lived in Missouri and Iowa until 1862, and then came to my house, in Green township, and died. Father's family consisted of six sons and one daughter, who have all passed over the river of life except myself and one brother. He is the second eldest, and is in his seventy-fourth year. He resides at Rathdrum, Idaho, just at the foot of the Rocky Mountains, in the Spokane Valley. I have been there and saw the country, but give me Indiana first to live in. I was born February 9, 1834, therefore I will soon be sixty-two years old. I am the oldest person living in the township that was born here, and I live on the



WILLIAM C. BARNARD.

farm adjoining the one on which I was born. I have been absent from the county fourteen years in the Western States, but now I have made up my mind to live and die in Indiana.

I will give you a sketch of a ride I had on the Mississippi River. William Tomler and wife, John Burns and myself, in March, 1855, went in the river bottom on the Iowa side to pre-empt some land, therefore we had to sleep on it one night, and it was pretty cold. The next morning we went to the river to wash our hands and faces. We saw something floating down the river in the ice, and took our skift and pulled out to it. It was a good ferryboat, worth \$600, but there was about one acre of ice frozen to it, and we could not manage it, so I told the two to go and bring the axes and I would stay on the boat and hold possession. By the time they got back to where we had started, the wind got so hard they could not come to me, and I had to remain on the boat six hours before any one could get to me to take me off, so I drifted down about ten miles and had to walk back next day. I let the boat go to the devil.

In 1858 I was married to Rachel E. Pauley, daughter of Joseph Pauley, a pioneer of this county. He came to Greenfield in an early day. It had only a few log houses in it at that time. He was married to Rebecca Sutton and moved to Brandywine. From there he moved to Lick Creek, in Madison county, in 1837, and in 1842 he moved to Green township, where he died in 1865, respected by all who knew him.

And now, Mr. Harden, if you think this worthy of space in your book you can publish it. I will say right here I was never in a school-house a day in my life to attend school. Now, young men, I will tell you something I did when I was sixteen years old that you couldn't do now. I walked from Dayton, Ohio, to the Mississippi River and never crossed a railroad.

Yours truly, JOHN W. GREEN.

THOMAS WILLIAMS,

A man that was in eighteen battles of the war of 1861-5, shall not go unnoticed in my work. He enlisted in Company I, Seventh Indiana Regiment, Colonel Gaven, in 1861, served three years, and was discharged at Indian-

apolis, September 11, 1864. He was severely wounded at the siege of Vicksburg, and the Government has not forgotten such a gallant soldier. Among the battles he was in are Vicksburg, Mine Run, Gettysburg and Antietam. Tom was married first to Miss Estucla E. Moore, June 22, 1865. She was born October 24, 1848, and died July 3, 1879.

Mr. Williams was the second time married to Cora D. Hackelman, April 11, 1880, daughter of John F. and Mary E. (Lineback) Hackelman. She was born July 12, 1861. Thomas is a son of the late Wesley and Catherine (Hardin) Williams, and was born September 11, 1842, in Jackson township. Names of his children born of the second marriage: John W., born July 6, 1861; Virgil, born May 29, 1883. Mr. and Mrs. Williams are members of the M. P. Church. They reside eight miles north-east of Greenfield, where they own a fine farm and dwelling.

#### DANIEL LEE.

Dan was born near Perkinsville, Indiana, in 1847, son of Joseph Lee, an early citizen of Jackson township, who lived and died there. He was twice married, the first time to Miss King, who died about the year 1845; the second time to Miss Ashby. Seven children were born to him. Daniel was of the second set of children. He learned the blacksmithing trade in the State of Iowa, and has worked at it and farming since he was sixteen years of age. He is a fine workman and good farmer, as his fine farm, two miles south-west of the city of Greenfield will attest. He resides there, and a part of his time is devoted to blacksmithing, where he has a shop. He was married in 1873 to Miss Rodgers, a handsome lady, who was also raised in Jackson township. Two children, Charles and Elmer, were born to them about the years 1874 and 1876, bright, active, young men, just entering strong manhood.

Mr. Daniel Lee is a Democrat, but does not belong to



any church. He has a host of friends in Madison county, where he was born and resided most of his life. A tiptop gentleman three hundred and sixty-five days in the year. Call and see him as you pass by.

### JOHN CUMMINS,

One of the prosperous young men I want to mention, is a son of Perry and Parmelia (McCarty) Cummins. He was born near Alfont, Indiana, about the year 1850; married Ella Cook, daughter of Crane and Eliza (Mingle) Cook. She was born about the year 1851 in Green township, near Menden. Mr. Cummins received a good common education, which fitted him for business (mercantile), which he is now engaged in at Ingalls, a new town on the Big Four Railroad, just east of Alfont, where Mr. C. was in business for ten years before he went to Ingalls. He has built up a fine trade, and to-day (1895) has a fine, general assortment store, second to none in the county. He has served several years as postmaster and has given general satisfaction to the patrons. Quiet in his ways, well informed and a thorough gentleman three hundred and sixty-five days in the year. Call and see him when in Ingalls. Children's names: Richard, Roy, Virgil, Howard and Benny. Mr. C. is a Republican and a free thinker. He was married about the year 1873 I think.

### DAVID HUSTON.

My old friend Dave was born near Alfont about the year 1842, just in time to make a capital soldier, which he was for a period of three years during our late war of 1861-65. He was in Company K, Eighth Indiana Volunteers. He is a son of William Huston, an early citizen of Green township on Lick Creek, where Dave first saw the light of day. He is a fine mechanic (carpenter), at which he has worked many years. At present (1895) he is at the Soldiers' Home at Marion, Indiana, where he has a position for a number of years.

Mr. Huston is a capital good fellow, popular with the soldier boys, for whom he always has a warm grasp of the hand. His fine flowing beard you must see to admire. Even Aaron's beard could not surpass it. He was married the first time to Miss Jones; second time to Prudence Cummins; third time to Miss Patterson, daughter of the late Eli Patterson, of near Menden, Indiana. His first two wives are deceased. Dave is a Republican and a member of the G. A. R. Shake with Dave when you see him. Enlisted in 1861; discharged August 28, 1865.

#### MILTON D. MASTERS.

Mr. Masters was born in Franklin county, Indiana, August 2, 1864, son of Jacob and Elsa (Curry) Masters; both born in Franklin county, Indiana, and were married there. Jacob Masters and nearly all his sons are blacksmiths. The father and one son have been working at Warrington, Indiana, since 1884, and to-day (1896) are doing a large business. Milton D. learned the smithing business also, and in his younger days worked at it, but for the past eight years (since the gas era) he has been engaged with Dr. R. D. Hanna in digging gas wells in Hancock and adjoining counties, and the firm is well and favorably known as one of the best in the county, and if they don't strike gas there is none. He was married to Luna Francis White in 1895. She is the daughter of John W. White, who resides near Shirley, Indiana, near the Henry county line.

Mr. Masters is a very clever gentleman, has mixed much with the people and is a fine talker. If you have a gas well to dig don't look any farther than the firm of Hanna & Masters, Warrington, Indiana.

#### ELIJAH S. COOPER,

A native of Kentucky, was born in the year 1804, and at the age of twenty was married to Berrilla Nowel.

In the fall of 1830 he moved to Rush county, Indiana, and settled in the green woods on one hundred and sixty acres of land he entered from the Government. He resided there until 1836, when he moved to Hancock county, Indiana, and settled on a farm in Green township, where he resided until his death in the fall of 1865. He did not belong to any religious denomination, but in sentiment held with the Predestinarian Baptists. Mr. C. was the father of ten children, five sons and five daughters, all of whom have departed this life except two, one son and one daughter.

The following are the names of Mr. Cooper's children : Lewis, born in Kentucky in 1824; married to Linender Rhue; resides six miles north of Greenfield, Indiana. Berry W., born in Kentucky in 1828; married to Malissa Hoel in 1857; died in 1868; is buried at the Cooper cemetery, near the old home. See his sketch on another page. Robert D. was Trustee for years. He died in 1884 or 1885; is buried at the Cooper cemetery. Sanford, deceased. Harrison, married Mary A. Johnson. He is dead. Mary A., deceased. Martha, married to Dr. Passage; resides in Peru, Indiana. Lucretia, married to Daniel Dobbins. She is deceased. Artemesia, married to T. T. Barrett. She is dead; buried at the Cooper cemetery. All dead except Lewis and Martha Passage.

#### LEWIS COOPER,

The writer of this sketch, was born in Boone county, Kentucky, in the year 1824, and at the age of six years came to Indiana with his parents, and at the age of twelve years came to Hancock county, where he has resided ever since. He stayed with his parents until he was twenty-one years of age and helped his father clear up a farm in the green woods. At the age of twenty-one years he was married to Miss Linender Rhue, daughter of Abraham Rhue, one of the early settlers of the county.

Mr. Lewis Cooper, who wrote the above, resides six miles north of Greenfield and near Maxwell, also near the old Cooper homestead. The family came early to the county and were among the most prominent. Robert Cooper was a grand, good man, and for years was Trustee of Center township. He died about the year 1884 or 1885; is buried, as well as other members of the Cooper family, at the Cooper cemetery, near Maxwell. Dr. B. W. Cooper, another son, was a physician of note and practiced at Greenfield several years previous to his death, about the year 1878. He was married to Miss Hoel, daughter of the late G. W. Hoel, of Madison county, Indiana. She resides in Greenfield, Indiana. The family will long be remembered as one of the first in Hancock county.

#### PETER S. BLAKE.

Mr. B. was born in the State of Iowa, about the year 1834. In the year 1852 he came to Adams township, Madison county, Indiana, and two or three years later was married to Minerva J. Justice, daughter of Hezekiah and Miss (Shelton) Justice. One child was born of this marriage, William R., about the year 1854. Mrs. Peter S. Blake died about the year 1855. She is a sister of John J. Justice, Mary A. Seward and Elizabeth Sullivan. Mr. B. was the second time married to Nancy Collier, about the year 1857. She is a daughter of the late Perry Collier. She was born in 1839 or 1840.

The following are the names of their children: Mary E., married to Charles French; reside at Orestes, Indiana. Joseph P., John H., Andrew J., Silas O. and Charles R. Mr. Blake is a fine farmer and a clever gentleman. I have known him long and well. He resides three miles north of Orestes, Indiana. Call and see Mr. and Mrs. Blake.

#### SETH WALKER,

Whose name heads this sketch, was one of the promi-

ment men of his day. He was born about the year 1800, and in his young days came to Lick Creek, in Hancock county, Indiana. He was married about the year 1825 to Miss Childers, sister of 'Squire Childers. The Walker homestead was adjoining the town of Nashville, where the family resided many years. Mr. Walker was thrice married. Of the first set of children were Ira, Dove, Solon, Elizabeth J., Allen, Mrs. Rachel Newman, Harry and Mrs. Dr. D. Cook, who died at Fishersburg, Indiana, in 1873. Mr. Walker was married the second time to Mrs. Rodgers, about the year 1843. Children's names: Eliza, Jesse, Albert and Seth. Mrs. Walker died about the year 1859; is buried at the Hayes' cemetery. Mr. Walker was married the third time to Widow Cass. No children were born to this marriage.

Mr. Walker served as Justice of the Peace in Brown township for several years, and was elected County Commissioner in 1836 for a term of years and served to the entire satisfaction of the people. He was a good farmer, and at his death (1862) was in good circumstances, made so by industry and frugality. He is buried at the Hayes cemetery in Brown township, near where he lived so long. He raised a large family, all of whom are in fine circumstances. Ira, Dove and Mrs. Newman reside in Kansas; Solon, near Markleville, Indiana; Albert, near the old homestead; Allen and Harvey, in the West; Mrs. Cook, deceased.

### JOHN W. CULP.

Mr. Culp was born in New Jersey December 14, 1865, son of John H. Culp. He was married to Augusta Scull in 1885, on the ninth day of March. She was born in Massachusetts May 22, 1868. Her father's name was William Scull. Mother's name was Mollie Acker before marriage. John W., or Jack, as we call him, came to Pendleton in 1887, about the time gas was discovered. He has worked at glass-blowing nearly all his life, as did

his father before him. Jack is a jolly, good fellow, makes friends and keeps them. Nothing little about Jack. Mrs. C. is a lady of many virtues, loves company and delights to have it. No home more pleasant than this. Two bright girls have been born to them, Ollie, in July, 1888, and Julia, in 1892. Mr. Culp is a member of the K. of P. lodge, of Pendleton, Indiana, where they reside. Call and see them and you will not regret it. Thanks to them for favors.

#### ADAM L. BROWN.

The Brown family must not be neglected, nor Adam, either, so we will give a short sketch of Adam L. Brown. He was born in Rush county, Indiana, February 25, 1839, son of George W. Brown, a prominent man of Shelby county, Indiana, who was in the State Senate from that county back in the forties. He died in 1858; is buried in that county. Adam's mother's name before marriage was Elizabeth Trees. She died in November, 1870; is also buried in Shelby county. Adam L. was married to Cynthia Hafford in 1864. She died in 1866; is buried in Shelby county, Indiana. He was married the second time to Mary J. Porter, August, 1868, in Hancock county.

Mr. Brown enlisted in Company E, Fifty-second Indiana Volunteers, in 1861. He served two years and was discharged at Indianapolis in 1863. He was elected Justice of the Peace for Brandywine township in November, 1894. Adam is a tiptop gentleman, and the scales of justice will balance all right in his hands.

#### JOHN QUINLIN.

My old friend and comrade was born in Ireland in 1835, just in time to make a capital soldier, as he was. He came to America in 1855, the home of the free and brave. He enlisted in Company G, Seventeenth Indiana Volunteers, at Anderson in 1864, and was in several battles, such as Mason, Selma, etc. He was a loyal boy in blue,

and never failed to come to time when duty called him. He was discharged at Indianapolis, Indiana, at the close of the war. He never married and has spent most of his time in Madison county, Indiana, since he came to America. Perhaps there is no man who has made more rods of ditch than Mr. Quinlin. A hard working man. If he ever finds your pocket-book you will get it again sure.

### S. A. TROY, M. D.

Perhaps there is no man in the two counties better known than Dr. Troy, having spent his best years practicing in both Madison and Hancock counties. He was born in Ohio, in 1827, on the twenty-ninth day of August, at Batavia, Clermont county. He learned the cabinet business in his boyhood days, and worked at it till about the year 1847, when he came to Anderson, Indiana, and clerked in the Siddall drug store. In 1849 he was married to Elizabeth Cory, daughter of Abner Cory, a native of North Carolina, who came to Madison county in 1838. Mrs. Troy died in 1852. In 1853 he was married to Martha Manning. He has practiced at New Columbus, Huntsville, Yorktown, Fortville, Willow Branch and Milner Corner. At the latter place he is now living (1896).

He graduated at the Indiana Medical School at Indianapolis in 1872. There is no better doctor than Mr. Troy. His long practice has given him opportunities possessed by few men. His splendid physical makeup and fine conversational powers renders him an agreeable gentleman. He has been associated in practice with Drs. Steward, Yancey, C. C. Pratt, Joel Pratt and others. He has always been popular with the people, and was elected to the Indiana State Legislature in 1890. He served to the entire satisfaction of all and for the good of the people, in whose interest he has always stood up for. A Democrat of the old school. He could not be otherwise. He belongs to the Church of God, and is a fluent speaker in the

cause. Charles H. Troy is his son, who lives just west of Milner Corner, on the old William Collins farm. Dr. Troy is and has been a Mason of high standing for many years.

### JORDAN LACEY.

The Lacey family came early to Hancock county, and became one of the prominent ones of the county. Jordan entered one hundred and sixty acres of land in 1837, on which farm he died August 27, 1862. He was born in Virginia May 10, 1803; married to Winnie Liveley, December 1, 1825. She was born November 9, 1808. She died May 2, 1881; both buried at the Simmons cemetery in Jackson township. A grand old couple, who came to the county and underwent hardships unknown to the people of 1896. They belonged to the Christian church, and will long be remembered as worthy pioneers of Hancock county.

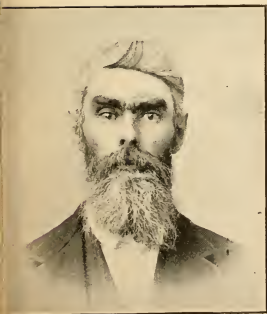
The following are the names of Jordan and Winnie Lacey's children: Bird, married to Caroline Reeves; reside in Kansas. Warren, married to Minerva Haywood. He died in Nebraska in 1857. Morgan, married to Mary Adams. He died in Kansas in 1856. Maria, married to John Jordan; reside in Iowa. Dica, married to Milton McCray; reside in Indianapolis. William P., born February 9, 1848; married Barbara M. Reeves. She was born in October, 1848, daughter of Benjamin Reeves, Sr. Harrison B., born 1850; died in 1878; is buried at Simmons cemetery. George W., married Sarah Francis; reside in Greenfield.

All the children were born in Hancock county, Indiana, except the three older ones. I am indebted to William P. Lacey for the above dates, who resides on the old home farm, seven miles north-east of Greenfield, in Jackson township. Jordan Lacey was elected County Commissioner in 1847.





CHARLES G. OFFUTT,  
Judge of the Hancock Circuit Court.



JOHN Q. WHITE,  
Representative.



GEORGE W. HAM,  
Treasurer.

## DR. B. W. COOPER,

Son of Elijah Cooper, was born in Kentucky in 1828. He came, with his parents, when quite young to Rush county, Indiana, and then to Hancock county, Indiana, a few years later. He worked on the farm and received a good, practical education. He studied medicine with Drs. Cook & Jones, and first commenced to practice at New Columbus (Ovid), Indiana, about the year 1854. He was married to Malissa Hoel in 1857, daughter of George W. Hoel, of Adams township, Madison county, Indiana. She was born in Ohio in 1835, and came to Madison county when quite young. In 1858 Dr. Cooper removed to Greenfield, after graduating at the Rush Medical School, and at once commanded a fine practice. A polished gentleman and a fine physician. He died in 1868; is buried at the Cooper cemetery.

The following are the names of his children, all born in Greenfield and where they all reside (1896): Daniel B., born in 1858; married to Flora B. Marsh, daughter of Hon. Montgomery Marsh, of Greenfield. Brainard, as we call him, is associated with the Greenfield Bank. George H., born in 1860; married to Mabel Bottsford; resides in Greenfield; is also in the bank. William S., born in 1862; married Minnie Black; reside in Greenfield.

Mrs. Dr. Cooper, an accomplished lady, has resided in the city of Greenfield since 1858. Her mother's name was Hopper before marriage with George W. Hoel. Mr. and Mrs. Hoel are buried at Mechanicsburg cemetery, Henry county, Indiana. Both belonged to the Christian Church. Mr. H. served as Justice of the Peace for Adams township, also was County Commissioner for Madison county for two terms. The following are the names of Mrs. Cooper's brothers and sisters: Martin B., Jackson, Mrs. William Prigg, Mrs. Samuel Butkin, George W., Gary and Mrs. Isaac Cooper. Mrs. Prigg died in 1890,

also Jackson and Gary; all are deceased, and buried at Mechanicsburg cemetery.

### THE MINGLE FAMILY.

The Mingle family since 1840 have been one of the prominent ones in both Hancock and Madison counties. George Mingle settled on the line dividing the counties in 1840, but in Hancock county. He was born in Pennsylvania at the close of the last century, or about the year 1795. His wife, Christena Loy, was born in Ohio two or three years later. They resided on the old farm until 1868, when Mr. M. died. She died in 1872; both buried at the Mingle cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Mingle were strong, vigorous pioneers, just in their prime when they came to this county.

The following are their children's names: George, married to Eliza Mingle; reside in Pendleton. Malissa, married to John Crist. She died in 1891; buried at the Menden cemetery. John, married to Miss Roberts. He died in 1870; is buried at Menden cemetery. Henry, married to Nancy Helm; live in Pendleton, Indiana. Peter, born in Ohio in 1836; married to Sarah Barnard, who was born in 1838; live near Pendleton. Adam, married to Miss Umbenhour; reside near Eden, Indiana. Martha A., married to Esterly Helm. He died in 1880; buried at Menden cemetery. Nancy, married to Moses C. Cook. He died in 1880; is buried at Menden cemetery. Rachel, married to Conrad Kinneman; reside in Green township, Madison county, Indiana.

A large, fine looking family as you will find in years of travel. Democratic to the core. Glad to give this family a sketch. Most of the children were born before they came to the county, except the two or three youngest. The older ones were born in Ohio prior to 1840. George Mingle, Sr., was a brother of Jacob Mingle, who came to Pendleton in an early day.

## MINTS BROTHERS.

Who in all the county has not heard of the above firm. Certainly but few, especially those who have been engaged in hog breeding, as this has been for years a specialty with them. The firm has been very successful as to rearing a good breed of hogs, also they have made a financial success of the venture. They resided in Buck-Creek township, where they owned a farm, under a fine state of cultivation. No men understood their business better than they, hence success attended them. The firm, so familiar, was broken by the death of Thomas H., who died in 1895, just in the prime of life and the promise of future usefulness. Following will be found an obituary, published at the time, which fitly tells of him better than I can write. Scott, the surviving brother, has the sympathy of all the people in so severe a stroke the firm has received :

Thomas H. Mints, son of William H. and Elizabeth Mints, was born February 16, 1851, and died December 1, 1895, after a lingering illness of six weeks, aged forty-four years, nine months and fifteen days. The funeral sermon was preached by Elder Thompson, of the Baptist Church, in a very impressive manner at Sugar-Creek Church on Tuesday, December 3, at 11:30 a. m., after which all that was mortal of a beloved and once loving brother were laid to rest in the cemetery adjacent to the church.

The deceased was born and raised on the home farm, in which he always took a deep interest. He received a common school education and spent one term at the State Normal School to better prepare himself for teaching, which vocation he had decided upon. He began teaching in the fall of 1871 and taught eight consecutive terms. He rapidly arose in his profession until he became one of the foremost teachers in the county. In 1879 he, in connection with his elder brother, formed a partnership for the rearing of improved swine, under the firm name of Mints Brothers, which partnership continued uninterrupted until broken by death. The deceased was held in high esteem by his co-laborers in the same field, having been



AQUILLA GRIST, President.  
County Commissioner, Western District.



WILLIAM M. THOMAS,  
Commissioner, Eastern District.



BENJAMIN F. WILSON,  
Commissioner, Middle District.

President of the State Swine Breeders' Association, and having held many other minor places of importance therewith. He also had the confidence of the people of his own neighborhood and that of his county. He had just entered on his second term as President of the Hancock County Mutual Insurance Association at the time of his death. Being honest and upright in all his dealings the community loses a valued member; the county a true and trusted citizen; the family an inseparable loss. He lived a life that needs no apologies.

### DR. S. B. McCRILLUS.

Dr. McCrillus, the medicine man, was born in Dubois county, Indiana, June 27, 1830, son of Dr. A. B. and Sarah (Brown) McCrillus. Dr. McCrillus was almost born in a laboratory, and his best days have been spent in compounding and making medicines, which have gained a national reputation, and deservedly so, for there is none better than his for the ills of humanity, and the Doctor has successfully come to the rescue. He was married to Mary H. Comingore in 1860. She was born in Paoli, Indiana, in 1840, and came to Anderson in 1861, since which time the family have resided there. Two children have been born to them, Annie S. and Etta L. Both reside in Los Angeles, California.

Dr. S. B. McCrillus was elected Auditor of Dubois county, Indiana, in 1850, before he was twenty-one years of age. He is a free thinker, well posted on all subjects, was reared a Quaker and a gentleman, as well as a fine companion. His father died in 1850, his mother in 1831; both buried in Dubois county. Following will be found a few lines written by the Doctor, introducing himself and medicine to the public. See his advertisement on the last page of the Pioneer:

"I have been engaged in the medicine business ever since I can recollect. I made pills by the day when only a boy of ten years. For the past thirty-eight years I have been engaged in putting up what is known as Dr. McCrillus' popular stand-

ard remedies, European Balsam, Tonic Blood Purifier, Oriental Liniment and Hoarhound Expectorant. Sold by druggists. I could offer thousands of genuine certificates, but I am willing to leave the great public to judge of their merits. I have adopted for my special use a trade mark, whereby the public may be protected against fraud and imposition. Relief has been obtained by thousands of sufferers by the use of my medicines, and they in return have recommended them to others. In this way I am making living advertisements for myself and medicines. Be sure the name of Dr. S. B. McCrillus, Anderson, Indiana, is on every bottle, otherwise it is a fraud.

“DR. S. B. MCCRILLUS,  
“Anderson, Indiana.”

### AL. BRANDENBURG.

Al., as we call him, was born in Henry county, Indiana, about the year 1856, son of Thomas Brandenburg, of Wilkinson, Indiana. Al. was married to Elizabeth McCullough about the year 1876. She is a daughter of the late George and Elizabeth (Boram) McCullough. She was born near Markleville, Indiana, about the year 1858. Her father died November 12, 1862. Her mother in 1892; both buried at the Collier cemetery. He was in the late war in Company K, Eighth Indiana Volunteers. One child, Della, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Brandenburg about the year 1876.

Mr. Brandenburg is a fine horticulturist and fruit grower and has several acres in a fine state of cultivation one-half mile south of Markleville, Indiana, where he enjoys life as well as the best of them. He is a free thinker and reader. Call and see them as you pass by.

### DR. CHARLES C. PRATT.

Dr. Pratt was born in New Columbus, Madison county, Indiana, in 1857, son of Dr. Joel Pratt, who was born in Boston in 1826, and who practiced medicine in Madison county many years. He died in 1872; is buried

at Pendleton with his wife, formerly Miss Patrick, who died in 1858. She was born in Pendleton and was a daughter of Palmer Patrick, an early merchant there. Dr. C. C. Pratt read medicine first with his father, then with Dr. S. A. Troy, and graduated in the best medical school in the country. He then located at Milner Corner, where he practiced several years, and then at Willow Branch, where he is to-day located (1895) and where he enjoys a good practice. He was first married to Mellie Jackson, a daughter of John Jackson, residing on the line dividing Madison and Hancock counties. She died in September, 1893, in early womanhood, loved and highly respected by all. Her death cast a gloom over that locality seldom if ever known there. Dr. Pratt in 1895 was married to Elnora Fort, daughter of Moses Fort, a prominent gentleman of Brown township, now of Greenfield, Indiana, (1895). Mrs. Fort's mother's name before marriage was Thomas, daughter of John Thomas, a pioneer of near Willow Branch.

Dr. Pratt is a Mason and loves the Order, and belongs to Warrington Lodge and higher degrees at Knightstown, Indiana. Socially, Dr. Pratt and wife stand high, and they count their friends by the score. Call and see them when at the Branch.

### E. M. RIGGS.

Mr. Riggs was born in Virginia about the middle of the nineteenth century, a good time to make an advent here. About the year 1860 he located in Madison county, at Linwood, where he now (1895) resides. He is and has been most, if not all the time, engaged in the saw mill business, and he has made more lumber than any man that ever lived in the county, and this is saying a good deal for him. If you ever pass through Linwood, on the Michigan division of the Big Four, and see a mountain of saw-dust, you will see where his mill is located, besieged with logs,





LAWRENCE BORING,  
County Auditor.



JAMES THOMAS,  
Recorder.



WILLIAM H. PAULEY,  
Sheriff.

log wagons, etc. Mr. R. has all those years been active and pushed his business from first to last, and the result is he has succeeded. He is a Democrat and quite well known all over the county as a tiptop gentleman. He is a brother of Dr. C. E. Riggs, who died at Linwood in 1894.

### JOHN VARNER.

Comrade Varner was born in Hancock county, Indiana, just in time to make a capital good soldier in the war of 1861-5, or about the year 1842. He enlisted in September, 1861, in Company D, Thirty-fourth Indiana Volunteers, served three years and was in several hard-fought battles. After his return he was married to Malintha McDaniel, daughter of Levi McDaniel. She was born near Markleville, Indiana, in 1847. Her mother's name before marriage was Elizabeth Shelton, daughter of Thomas Shelton, an early settler of Adams township. Her father, Levi McDaniel, died in Markleville, Indiana, March 15, 1895; is buried at the Walker cemetery. He was a Mason and a grand, good man, born in Ohio in 1825.

John Varner resides in Markleville, Indiana, is a free thinker and you will find him a true friend to his comrades. He was disabled in the army and draws a pension from the United States Government. Of fine physical form and florid complexion. When the lights are out for the last time he hopes to be at the general roll call. Call and see him at Markleville, Indiana.

Following will be found an obituary of his mother, published at the time of her death:

The death of a friend or dear one gives to life its darkest calamity. It is the voice of fate speaking to us in the dialect of mystery. We hear the sound, but cannot tell whence it cometh or whither it goeth. It was thus in the death of Mary A. Varner, of Jackson township, Hancock county, Indiana. She was born in Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, in 1818, and departed this life January 15, 1896, aged seventy-eight

years. She moved, with her parents, Philip and Catherine Slifer, from Pennsylvania to Six-Mile Creek, three miles north of Charlottesville, Hancock county, Indiana, in the year 1833. She won the affections of one Samuel Varner, and they were united in the holy bonds of matrimony on the 11th of July, 1839, and lived peacefully until his death, on December 5, 1891, at their old home. The fruits of this union were nine children, three boys and six girls. There are left three girls and two boys to mourn the loss of a dear mother. She also leaves one sister, Margaret Heim, who is in her eighty-eighth year.

Aunt Mary was the only one of the children born in this country, the rest being born in Germany. She united with the Missionary Baptist Church in the year 1872 and remained a member until her death.

Her funeral was conducted at her residence by Rev. C. Clark January 17, 1896, after which her remains were taken to the Simmons cemetery and there laid to rest.

In the death of Mary A. Varner the family has lost one near and dear to them.

We offer the following lines as a tribute of respect:

O, mother! We sit within the room  
 So strangely silent since thou art not there;  
 The winter's sunshine silvers all the gloom,  
 And falls across thine empty chair.

O, patient hands, whose days of toil are o'er,  
 So meekly folded on thy silent heart;  
 How heavy was the cross of pain you bore—  
 How sweet at last must seem the promised rest.

Sad eyes that saw earth's splendor fade away  
 And care and toil corrupt its fair delight;  
 How bright the glow of heaven's unchanging day;  
 The deathless life and garments white.

C. H.

R. D. HANNA, M. D.

Dr. Hanna was born in Ohio in 1852. After receiving a good education he studied medicine and graduated in 1876, and two years later came West and located at Warrington, Indiana, with but little means at his com-

mand. He came, however, to stay, and with plenty of vim and a splendid constitution he entered the field, and it was not long until he had a fine practice, which he has steadily held until now. He at once became identified with the best interests of the county and, being public-spirited, his efforts were given to the development of the resources of Hancock county. On the discovery of gas in 1886 he soon engaged in having gas wells put down all over the county in connection with M. D. Masters. They have perhaps put down more wells than any firm in the county. About the year 1884 he became owner of the Warrington flouring mills, and from a low run condition then he has succeeded in making it one of the best mills to be found in all the county. No mills have a better reputation than his. About the year 1882 he was married to Alice McCray, an accomplished lady, who was born near Warrington about the year 1854.

Dr. Hanna is a Mason of high standing and delights in its many noble teachings. He joined at Warrington, Indiana, soon after locating there. Socially, Dr. and Mrs. Hanna are recognized leaders, and their home is open at all times to receive their friends. In 1895 he was appointed United States Pension Examiner for Hancock county, Indiana. He is a Democrat, but not a member of any church. A man of fine presence, who will be recognized at once as a tiptop man and doctor. He is now (1895) associated with Dr. Charles Titus in the practice of medicine, whose preceptor he was, as well as several other deserving young M. D.'s.

#### CHARLES TITUS, M. D.,

One of the rising men and doctors of the county, I wish to remember in the Pioneer. He was born near Markleville, Indiana, about the year 1870, son of the late Samuel Titus, an early settler there. His mother's name before marriage was Eliza Seward. She was born near



David S. Gooding

Cincinnati, Ohio, daughter of the late James Seward. Mr. Titus was born in New Jersey in 1814. They were married in 1843. She died in 1872; he in 1867; both buried at the Collier cemetery, where a fine monument marks their resting place. Dr. Charles Titus is the youngest of a large and interesting family of twelve children, among whom are Jane Little, Mrs. B. F. Ham, Riley, John, Mrs. George W. Ham, Ann, Clara and Lizzie, and one or two others whose names I do not know.

Dr. Titus first commenced reading medicine with Dr. R. D. Hanna, of Warrington, Indiana, about the year 1890, and graduated at one of the best medical schools of the State of New York in 1893 or 1894, when he permanently located at Warrington, and is associated at this time (1896) in the general practice with his preceptor, Dr. R. D. Hanna. Certainly no young man has started out under more favorable circumstances than Dr. Titus. His many friends predict for him a bright future.

#### REV. MILES WALKER.

Mr. Walker was born in North Carolina about the year 1810, and came to Hancock county in 1831. He joined the M. E. Church when a young man, and early developed into a teacher of more than local note. A fine speaker, and, for his advantages, was unequalled in his day. He only had a limited education, but was a student of the Bible to the exclusion of other books. He could draw large crowds of people wherever he went. He was of stout build, and a hard worker in his best days. He died in 1890, and is buried at the Menden cemetery, in Madison county. He was twice married.

The following are the names of his children: Marcellus, resides in Hamilton county, Indiana; Sarah L., Fremont, Jesse, Robert, Arpatia, married to Andrew J. Taylor, a blacksmith near Eden, and Mrs. Benjamin Clark. Fremont is deceased.

Mr. Miles Walker was for a short time acting Justice of the Peace for Green township. A grand, good man and pioneer, who will be remembered for many years to come.

### THE SEWARD FAMILY.

This family was originally from England, but for the past seventy-five years has resided, or settled, near Cincinnati, Ohio. I will only write of Oba, James, Daniel and Martin, all of whom at one time resided in Hancock and Madison counties after 1848. Previous to that time they resided in Rush county, Indiana, coming there from Cincinnati perhaps in 1825. The family is a peculiar one, all lovers of horse flesh or fast horses, and perhaps there is no family that is better judges than the Seward family, extending down to the last generation, or as soon as they can ride a colt.

Oba Seward was born about the year 1790, and was married to Mary Sparks in Rush county, two grand old citizens and members of the Christian Church. He died in 1863; she a few years later. Their children's names: Joseph I., Samuel, Francis L., Mrs. Dr. Gregg, Mrs. John Vandyke, Mrs. Daniel Franklin, Mrs. John Huston and William, all dead except the first and last. Mrs. Gregg died in Texas. Mrs. Franklin is buried at Mechanicsburg, Indiana; Mrs. Huston died in Markleville, Indiana; Samuel died in Markleville; F. L. is buried at Harlan cemetery, as is Mrs. John Vandyke. I think all the children were born in Rush county, Indiana.

James Seward was married about the year 1825. His wife died many years ago. He died about the year 1870, and is buried at the Collier cemetery. His children's names are: Eliza, married to Samuel Titus. She died in 1873, and is buried at the Collier cemetery. Elias H., born in 1828; married to Kate McClellen. He died at Anderson in 1894, and is buried there. Another daughter married John L. Stoughton in 1840. She died about the

year 1849. Sarah, married to Andrew Vandyke. Both dead, and buried at the Collier cemetery. He died in 1867; she in 1878.

Daniel Seward married Miss Sloan, eldest daughter of William Sloan. They moved to Illinois in 1850. Both are dead.

Martin Seward resided for many years in Illinois, and died there perhaps in 1893. His wife and children I do not know much about.

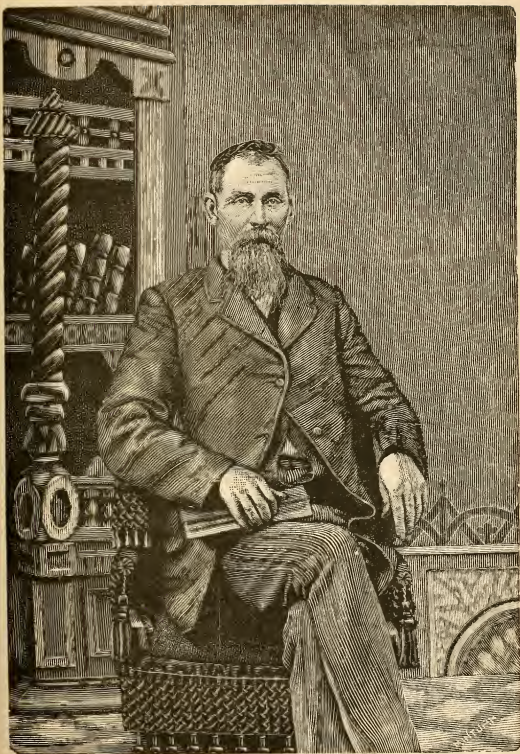
I am glad to notice this worthy family, one of great influence and high standing. Most of the family were and are members of the Christian Church, and Democrats to the core. Mrs. Joseph I. Seward, formerly Charlotte Hopper, died in Iowa about the year 1885. William Seward married Mary A. Justice, and resides in Markleville, Indiana. Samuel Seward married Elizabeth Loveless. Both are dead. He died in 1866, and she fifteen years later. Francis L. married Miss Vandyke. He died in 1874, and she fifteen years later. Both are buried at the Harlan cemetery.

#### J. PARKS McCORD.

For the past twenty-five years Mr. McCord has been one of the active business men of McCordsville, where he was raised, and has served in many places of trust, being elected Trustee for Vernon township as a Republican. About the year 1874 he was married to Rachel Riggs, who was born near Mechanicsburg, Henry county, Indiana, daughter of Alfred and Mary (Carter) Riggs. One child was born to them—William. He married Miss Alfrey. He died in 1894, aged about twenty-two years.

Mr. and Mrs. McCord are deserving of many good friends, which they have. They stand high socially, and their elegant home in McCordsville is always open to receive them. Glad to remember them in my book, and to wish them unmolested joy for years to come. Call and see them when in McCordsville. Mr. McC. is in the grain





*Yours Respectfully  
Samuel Hardaw*

business there. Mr. and Mrs. McCord are now (1895) just in middle life, being about forty-five years of age. Mr. McCord is a son of William F. McCord.

### J. CROUCH KENNEDY.

Mr. K., one of the progressive farmers of Brown township, was raised near Nashville, his parents being early settlers there. Crouch, as we call him, received a good business education that fitted him for any ordinary business. He has served several years as Trustee for Brown township, and always to the entire satisfaction of all. He was elected as a Democrat, as he is one of the old-timers. He owns a fine farm south of Nashville, near where his father located in an early day, perhaps in 1836. Mr. K. is just in the prime of life, about fifty years of age. Looking both ways from the hill-top of life, what a grand time and place to look from, when the follies of life are over and the thoughtful times at hand. Yes, Mr. K., was born at a grand time. Should he live to be one hundred years old, no man could have lived at a more interesting period. Glad to give Mr. K. a sketch in the Pioneer. Mrs. K. is a daughter of Elijah and Jane Reeves.

### WASHINGTON SPARKS.

Wash, as we call him, spent his boyhood days in the vicinity of Warrington, and learned to play the fiddle there, and has perhaps "called" at more dances than any other man up and down Sugar Creek. About the year 1860 he was married to Saluda Shelton, daughter of Thomas Shelton, and sister of Mrs. Jonathan Coon, Mrs. Levi McDaniel, Mrs. John King and John and Morris Shelton. Wash is a brother of Lysander Sparks, who served as Auditor of Hancock county eight years; resides in Missouri. To know Wash is to know a tiptop, clever man, a good farmer and a gentleman in his every-day clothes. He resides near Markleville, Indiana, where he

owns a desirable piece of land, which he delights to cultivate. Mr. and Mrs. Sparks delight to have their friends call on them. One of their daughters married Abram Blake, and resides in Anderson.

### GEORGE SCOTT.

My old-time friend Scott was born in North Carolina, that is the Carolina of Madison county, near New Columbus, about the year 1850, son of Hayward Scott, who came early to the Carolina settlement. He died about the year 1870. George Scott was married to Alice Cook, daughter of John and Nancy Cook, of Huntsville, Indiana. She was born in 1852 and died in 1892. A grand woman that I have known since she was a little girl of four years of age. Children's names: Fanny, Laura, Charles, Cora, Albert and two or three others whose names I have not got. Two died in infancy. Mrs. Scott is buried at Huntsville, Indiana. Mr. Scott was the second time married to Mrs. Kember in 1894. George is a Democrat and good farmer. He resides in Huntsville. He is a nephew of Duke Scott, Elsbury Scott and Mrs. Smith Davis, the two former dead and the latter resides in Anderson.

### JOHN W. WALES,

Son of Samuel M. Wales, was born in Jackson township about the middle of the nineteenth century, and is to-day (1895) about forty-five years of age, or just on the hill-top of life. Born in a splendid time and place, in a grand country, grand State, splendid county, and a township that is not surpassed in any county. He was married to Mary F. Addison, daughter of Hon. John Addison. Mr. and Mrs. Wales belong to the Christian Church, and are among the best citizens of Jackson. Mr. Wales is a free thinker, of good mind, and a public speaker of no ordinary ability. He is a Populist, and an able advocate of that doctrine. He was nominated on that ticket in 1894

for Representative of the county, and received a very flattering vote. Glad to give him and family a sketch in my book. His father, Samuel Wales, was one of the pioneers of Hancock county, settling in Jackson back in the thirties. His wife, formerly Christina Simmons, was a lady of many fine qualities, daughter of the late John B. Simmons of Jackson township, afterwards a banker in Greenfield. Mrs. John B. Simmons died in 1895. Both buried at the Simmons cemetery, as well as the parents of J. W. Wales.

The Samuel Wales family was a large one. All dead except Henry, John W. and Mrs. Fields. Samuel M. Wales died January 1, 1888; Mrs. Wales, July, 1870.

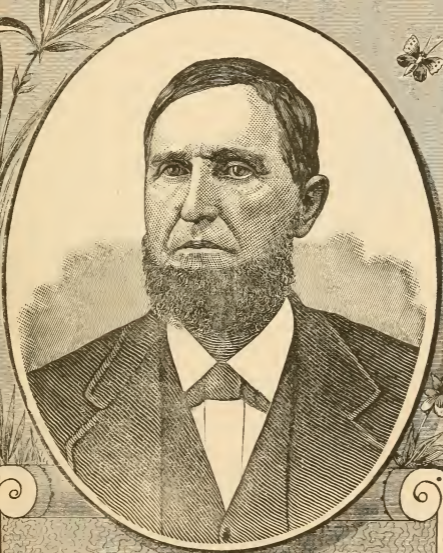
Following will be found an obituary, published at the time of the death of Mr. Wales:

Samuel M. Wales died at his home in Jackson township, Sunday, January 1, 1888, aged sixty-three years, ten months and fifteen days. He took sick on Monday, December, 26, 1887, with typhoid pneumonia, and rapidly sank until Sunday, January 1, 1888, when he died. He was born in North Carolina in 1824, and came to this county in 1839. He has been a faithful member of the Christian Church for thirty-eight years. He lived a christian life until his death. He was an honest, upright man in all his dealings, and was respected by all who knew him. He leaves a wife and three children to mourn his loss as a kind husband and affectionate father. The good ship on which he sailed was anchored at last, and he is now safely in the port. His funeral, at the Nameless Creek Church, was conducted by Rev. Blackman. His remains were then moved to their last resting place in the Simmons graveyard, followed by one of the largest crowds that ever moved to this cemetery. The crowd that followed showed their respect. Children, no longer mourn, your father is with his God.

RILEY McKOWN.

### JUDGE CHARLES G. OFFUTT.

One of the prominent men of Hancock county whom I wish to remember is the one whose name heads this



HON. BENJAMIN F. REEVES.

sketch. He was born in Kentucky October 4, 1845, son of Lloyd and Elizabeth Offutt; the former of Maryland and the latter of Kentucky. He, early in life, received a good education in his adopted State, where his parents moved in an early day. At the age of seventeen years he entered the store of Samuel Heavenridge, of Greenfield, Indiana, as a clerk. After this he taught school for a term of years preparatory to reading law. His first preceptor in the law was the late James L. Mason, of Greenfield. He was a hard student and in due time was admitted to the bar in 1870. He has been associated in the practice with Judge Buckles, of Muncie, Indiana, and Judge Martin, of Greenfield, Indiana, and as might be expected has been very successful at the bar of Greenfield and other bars of Central Indiana. In 1872 he represented the county in the State Legislature, where he served creditably to all concerned. In 1876 he was elected Democratic Elector for the Sixth Congressional District of Indiana. In 1894 he was elected Judge of the Circuit Court of Hancock county for six years, and where he is to-day (1896) serving with distinction. Mr. Offutt was married to Annie Hammel July 15, 1874. Two children have been born to them.

Glad to give Judge Offutt a notice in my work. One so deserving and worthy of this, poor as it is. His father died in Greenfield a few years ago. His mother resides in Greenfield. Judge Offutt is a member of the I. O. O. F. lodge.

#### FRANCIS M. SANFORD.

Mr. Sanford is a son of Moses G. Sanford, who was born in Virginia about the year 1800. F. M. Sanford was born in Greenfield, Indiana, August 7, 1836; married to Miss Adams March 19, 1859, and the parents of nine children, six living and three dead. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company B, Eighth Indiana Volunteers, and served until the close of the war. He was in the battles of

Grand Bluff, Magnolia Springs, Winchester, Black River, Fisher's Hill, Cedar Creek, Champion Hills and Espranzia. He was wounded in battle, and had his feet frozen by exposure. Mr. Sanford's military record is long and good. He owns a fine farm in the south-east part of Buck-Creek township, where he enjoys life and where has lived many years. He has served as Constable and Justice of the Peace to the entire satisfaction of the people there. He was poor when married, only having fifteen dollars, and they eat their first meal from the top of a trunk, without chairs. Mr. S. is a member of the U. B. Church, and he and his wife stand foremost in society. He worked for twenty-five cents a day to get a start in the world, and has succeeded beyond expectation.

I am glad to write of one who in his best days went to the front to defend the honor of the old flag, and one who has had the courage and pluck to face poverty and battle with the early hardships of a new county. Long life and plenty to this family is nothing more than they richly deserve.

### JOSEPHUS BILLS.

One of the live men for years at Fortville, Indiana, is the one whose name heads this sketch. I do not know the exact time Mr. B. was born, but back in the thirties, perhaps 1835, a little past the middle or hill-top of life to-day (1895). For years he was one of the principal merchants and business men of Fortville. In all its enterprises no man has contributed more than Mr. Bills. During his more active life he was associated with his brother William in the general trade, but the past few years has retired from active business. He is an Odd Fellow, and I think a charter member of Fortville lodge. He was married about the year 1858 to Elizabeth Camp, of near Woodbury, Hancock county, Indiana.

No man in Hancock county is better known than Mr. Bills, either in social or business life. In his make-up he

is jovial, draws friends and holds them. He has always been liberal and kind to the poor. I am glad to say as much for Mr. Bills. Long after he has been gathered to his fathers he will be remembered as one of Fortville's best citizens.

### JOSHUA SHELBY,

One of the grand old pioneers, was born in Indiana in 1815, son of Joshua Shelby. The family came to Buck-Creek township, Hancock county, Indiana, in 1834. The elder Joshua died in 1839. Joshua, Jr., was married to Nancy Dunn in 1839. She is a daughter of Abner Dunn, an early citizen of the same locality.

Joshua Shelby, whose name heads this sketch, was elected Sheriff of Hancock county in 1852 as a Democrat, but only served a few months. He served as Justice and Trustee for Buck Creek for several years. He was an honest man, and well calculated for a pioneer life, caring little for the superfluities of to-day.

The following are the names of his children: Catharine E., Samuel N., Sarah, Lydia, Elvira and John F. I am glad to give this family a sketch in the Pioneer. Mr. Shelby died, I think, in 1884.

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## HISTORY OF HANCOCK LODGE, NO. 101, F. AND A. M.

### *Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:*

To me has been assigned the pleasant duty on this occasion to write the history of Hancock Lodge, No. 101, F. & A. M., and I approach the duties with much trepidation, as I feel assured that this task could have been better performed by others.

The history of the lodge is written in the record of its deeds, not its membership, and whatever this lodge has done for good is a part of the history of this beautiful city. The moral standing of a city is measured by the character and





JOSEPH FORT, Deceased.

standing of its churches, schools and societies. We take great pleasure in claiming that this lodge has done its part in the material progress of this city and community; that it has kept step to the music of Faith, Hope and Charity. It has administered to the sick, aided the widows of deceased brethren, and has assisted in educating their orphans, and whatever it has done in the way of charity, which is a cardinal virtue of our beloved order, it has been done in true Masonic spirit.

The teachings of Masonry make good citizens, and we take pride in mentioning the men who have been connected with this lodge, as we believe that its members stand among the foremost men in this community, that it represents and has represented among its membership men in every vocation in life, and to say in Greenfield that a man is a Mason means much. It means that he is a good citizen, true to his family, to his country, and true to what is right.

Hancock Lodge was instituted under dispensation February 22, 1849, with James Rutherford, W. M.; Harry Pierson, S. W.; James Bracken, F. W., and the following Master Masons: Colonel George Tague, Orlando Crain, Morris Pierson, James Shipman and Nathan D. Coffin.

The Worshipful Master appointed Orlando Crain, Secretary; George Tague, Treasurer; James Shipman, S. D.; Nathan Coffin, J. D.; Morris Pierson, Tyler.

They met in the Old Seminary, which was for a long time the family residence of Captain Riley. The room in which they met was occupied at the same time by the Sons of Temperance. The lodge continued to occupy the Old Seminary for a lodge room until they moved into the Masonic Hall in 1855.

The lodge worked under dispensation until June 20, 1850. The following persons were raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason while working under dispensation, and in the order named, to-wit:

Robert E. Barnett, Jonathan Rawls, John Templin, John Shipman, E. B. Chittenden, J. K. Nixon, Adams L. Ogg, Cornwell Meed, John Milroy (on demit), B. T. Butler, George Henry and P. H. Foy, who passed to the degree of Fellowcraft, consequently, all the others, except Foy, were charter members of the lodge.

The officers under the charter, and installed as such June 20, 1850, were as follows:

James Rutherford, W. M.  
 James Bracken, J. W.  
 Morris Pierson, Treasurer.  
 Robert E. Barnett, S. W.  
 Jonathan Rawls, J. D.  
 E. B. Chittenden, Tyler.

The first Masonic raising under the charter was P. H. Foy. Of the little band that assembled under dispensation in the Old Seminary, but one is now living—Nathan D. Coffin. Of the charter members, but three are now living, and only two of these are affiliated Masons, to-wit: John Shipman and Nathan D. Coffin.

There have been initiated into this lodge two hundred and ninety, received on demit one hundred and thirty-five, making in all four hundred and twenty-five. There were two years during the history of the lodge in which there were no additions; one hundred and thirty members have demitted, and the lodge now has a membership of one hundred and forty-two.

The last sad rites of Masonry have been administered over the remains of the following brethren:

Orlando Crain, August 17, 1852.  
 Joseph Bridges (a non-affiliated), October 1, 1854.  
 Samuel Longnecker, February 28, 1855.  
 George Crain, April 3, 1855.  
 John Milroy, October 15, 1858.  
 John D. Welling, April 14, 1859.  
 B. G. Jay, June 17, 1860, (Brother Jay was Secretary of the lodge at the time of his death).  
 Hugh Williamson, January 2, 1864.  
 Benjamin H. Duncan, March 7, 1864.  
 Samuel H. Dunbar, November 19, 1864.  
 Milton VanLaningham, March 28, 1867.  
 Isaac Willett, April 1, 1867.  
 Isaac N. Beeson, February 10, 1869.  
 George Y. Adkinson, July 25, 1869.  
 Nathan Crawford, November 1, 1869.  
 James W. Leary, April 12, 1870.  
 Thomas Snow, May 18, 1870.  
 George Tague, December 10, 1871.

- Philip Drischel, September 1, 1873.  
 Milton D. Brown, March 25, 1874.  
 Harry Pierson, September 10, 1874.  
 Dr. Lot Edwards, September 13, 1874.  
 James Judkins, December 26, 1874.  
 Cornwell Meek, July 26, 1875.  
 Henry A. Swope, June 18, 1877.  
 Harrison Barr, September 5, 1878.  
 Hiram Wood, October 9, 1878.  
 Benjamin F. Woodhall, January 5, 1879.  
 Alfred D. Wills, January 7, 1879.  
 William Parry Smith, March 27, 1879.  
 Morris Pierson, May 23, 1879.  
 Thomas M. Bidgood, July 22, 1879.  
 Michael Whitley Ward, November 28, 1880.  
 Nathan Hendren, 1880.  
 Moses Turk, August 15, 1884.  
 James K. King, October 22, 1884.  
 J. B. Sparks, February 9, 1886.  
 Ephraim Thomas, August 4, 1886.  
 R. P. Brown, April 5, 1887.  
 Andrew T. Hart, October 13, 1888.  
 James V. Martin, October 28, 1889.  
 Elam I. Judkins, April 15, 1890.  
 William Hammel, July 2, 1890.  
 Joseph Baldwin, April 29, 1891.  
 William J. Sparks, June 21, 1891.  
 James W. Wilson, October 25, 1891.  
 E. J. Baldwin, March 1, 1893.  
 William K. Jacobs, October 16, 1893.  
 Reece Price, November 17, 1893.  
 George Barnett, July 5, 1894.  
 A. C. Handy, July 15, 1894.  
 George G. Tague, February 24, 1895.

We may not have given all the Masonic funerals, as the records of the lodge in this particular are very faulty.

A number of Masons have died within the jurisdiction of this lodge, and members of the same, who were not given a Masonic funeral, as it is a fundamental principle of Masonry not to administer the funeral rites unless requested to do so. The following brethren have filled the office of Worshipful Master in the order given :

- James Rutherford, six years.  
 Robert E. Barnett, ten years.



MRS. MATILDA GOODING, Deceased.

Elam I. Judkins, three years.  
 Jonathan Tague, one year.  
 L. W. Dooding, one year.  
 Presley Guymon, two years.  
 George W. Dove, seven years.  
 Ephraim Marsh, five years.  
 Samuel S. Boots, one year.  
 Joseph Baldwin, one year.  
 William G. Scott, two years.  
 Walter O. Bragg, one year.  
 William H. Glascock, one year.  
 A. J. Smith, one year.  
 John Corcoran, one year.  
 Charles Downing, two years.

The following brethren have served as Senior Warden, namely :

Harry Pierson,	Joseph Baldwin,
Nathan D. Coffin,	William M. Matthews,
Orlando Crain,	Winfield S. Fries,
Robert E. Barnett,	William G. Scott,
Charles H. Burt,	Elbert S. Bragg,
Elam I. Judkins,	Henry Snow,
Benjamin E. Duncan,	Walter O. Bragg,
L. W. Gooding,	O. S. Coffin,
George Tague,	William Ward Cook,
Presley Guymon,	A. J. Smith,
John W. Ryon,	Charles Downing,
D. D. Vanwie,	John Corcoran,
E. W. Patton,	Charles Barr,
A. D. Wills,	Samuel P. Gordon.
S. S. Boots,	

The following brothers have served as Junior Warden :

James R. Bracken,	George W. Dove,
J. R. Nixon,	Jacob A. Hall,
Benjamin F. Duncan,	Samuel Boots,
B. G. Jay,	Ephraim Marsh,
Charles H. Burt,	William W. Matthews,
B. W. Cooper.	Winfield S. Fries,
John W. Ryon,	Lee O. Harris,
E. W. Pierson,	Elbert S. Bragg,
Jonathan Tague,	Wallace Everson,
James H. Carr,	Walter O. Bragg,
George Barnett,	O. S. Coffin,
Presley Guymon,	Charles Downing,

L. W. Gooding,	A. J. Smith,
A. D. Wills.	John Corcoran,
Amos C. Beeson,	Charles Barr.
Nelson Bradley,	John T. Duncan.

The following brothers have served as Treasurer :

Col. George Teague,	Presley Guymon,
Morris Pierson,	Matthew L. Paullus,
Andrew T. Hart,	Samuel R. Danner,
John W. Ryon,	Nelson Bradley.
Samuel Heavenridge,	

Brother Bradley has held the office of Treasurer continuously from 1870 to the present time.

The following named brothers have served as Secretary :

Orlando Crain,	George Barnett,
Robert E. Barnett,	Samuel S. Boots,
John Templin,	Jonathan Tague,
James R. Bracken,	James H. Carr,
A. P. Williams,	Enos Gery,
B. G. Jay,	E. S. Duncan,
James L. Mason,	James W. Wilson,
M. C. Foley,	R. A. Smith,
E. I. Judkins,	John L. Fry,
Thomas M. Bidgood,	Daniel B. Cooper,
Amos C. Beeson,	W. O. Bragg.

The following brothers have served as Senior Deacon :

James Shipman,	R. A. Riley,
E. B. Chittenden,	Samuel W. Barnett,
R. E. Barnett,	Thomas M. Bidgood,
A. K. Branham,	Ephraim Marsh,
Benjamin F. Duncan,	Joseph Baldwin,
Nathan D. Coffin.	W. O. Bragg,
Jonathan Tague,	O. S. Coffin,
A. M. Hodson,	Charles Downing,
A. B. Bundy,	A. J. Smith,
L. W. Gooding,	E. J. Baldwin,
Presley Guymon,	Edward W. Felt,
Samuel Heavenridge,	Quitman Jackson.
George W. Dove,	Jesse D. Jackson.

The following brothers have served as Junior Deacon :

Nathan D. Coffin,	Milton Brown,
Jonathan Rawls,	Hiram Chambers,
Charles H. Burt,	Thomas C. Snider,
James H. Carr,	William M. Pierson,

Jonathan Tague,	S. E. Duncan,
John W. Ryon,	M. F. Wills,
E. W. Pierson,	Robert Hurley,
O. F. Meek,	William J. Sparks,
Samuel Heavenridge,	Taylor Morford,
William J. Foster,	Wood L. Walker,
E. N. Wright,	E. W. Felt,
John McCrew,	Stephen G. White,
Calvin Bennett,	E. J. Baldwin,
D. D. Vanwie,	Charles Barr,
John Kiefer,	George W. Duncan,
Amos C. Beeson,	John L. McNew,
John O. G. Collins,	Elmer J. Binford.
L. A. Stephens,	

The following named members have served as Tyler :

Morris Pierson,	John C. Meek,
E. B. Chittenden,	Benjamin Price,
John D. Welling,	R. W. Rains,
William J. Foster,	Andrew J. Gephart,
Samuel Heavenridge,	James W. Wilson,
John S. Hawkins,	James K. King,
M. W. Ward,	Joseph Baldwin,
Moses Turk,	M. G. Alexander,
M. A. Sleath,	Enos Gery.
Thomas C. Snider,	

The first Trustees of the lodge were Andrew T. Hart, Robert E. Barnett and James Rutherford, who continued to act as such, except Rutherford, who died in 1856, who was succeeded by William R. West, and those three acted until August 15, 1862, when the first legal election was held, which resulted in the election of Robert E. Barnett, George Tague and Nathan D. Coffin.

We have not given a list of the Trustees for the reason that the record of the election of the Trustees of the lodge has been omitted for quite a while, and the by-laws of the lodge providing for Trustees was repealed some years ago, and the lodge at this time transacts its business through its Worshipful Master and Wardens.

The corner-stone of the old Masonic Hall was laid with appropriate ceremonies August 15, 1854, by Right Worshipful Elijah Newlan, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of Indiana,





KASPER HERR,  
Mohawk, Ind.

The building committee of the old hall were James R. Bracken, Chairman; Reuben A. Riley, Samuel Longnecker, Benjamin F. Duncan, Adren Rivett and Nathan D. Coffin.

The building of the old hall taxed the Masons to their fullest financial capacity, and for a long time the fate of the enterprise hung in the balance, as is shown by the report of the building committee, which reads as follows: "The character and standing of the lodge is at stake on this enterprise. The community at large look with great interest on the success of this project, and, having advanced thus far, it would leave a very unfavorable impression, numbering, as we do within our ranks, so many of the ablest and best men of our county."

Thanks to those noble and true Masons who by their money and labor built the old hall and laid the financial foundation of this lodge deep and broad, and to-day Hancock lodge is one of the wealthiest and most prosperous in the State. To our keeping has been transmitted this valuable heritage. Will we be recreant to our trust? God forbid.

We have with us to-day some of the pioneers, who made it possible for us to celebrate this day, and we would think that this paper would be incomplete without especially honoring them by mentioning their names. We refer to Capt. James H. Carr, John W. Ryon, Nathan D. Coffin, Arthur P. Williams and John Shipman of the living, and of the dead James Rutherford, Dr. Elam I. Judkins, Andrew T. Hart, Reuben A. Riley and R. E. Bennett.

We see upon the roll of membership of Masons who assisted in the great work of building up and promoting the interest of the lodge, who have suffered themselves by their negligence to drop from the roll, after they had contributed so much by their labor and money to build up the lodge.

The lodge held a grand festival July 5, 1855, in the public hall of the Masonic building, which is evidently the first meeting of any kind held in the old hall. Just when the old lodge hall and the one now occupied by the lodge was dedicated the minutes do not disclose, but it was sometime in the year 1855. November 26, 1857, Dr. Robert E. Barnett, on behalf of Mrs. James Rutherford, presented the lodge the Masonic regalia of James Rutherford, the first Worshipful Master of the lodge.

Brother Rutherford was a bright Mason, but, like many others, failed to obey the teachings which he so frequently taught, his life went out in darkness. He fell the victim of intemperance. May his weakness be a warning to all, and may we be true and faithful. Peace to his ashes.

The following are the names of the present officers :

Charles Downing, W. M.  
 Samuel P. Gordon, S. W.  
 John T. Duncan, J. W.  
 Nelson Bradley, Treasurer.  
 W. O. Bragg, Secretary.  
 Jesse D. Jackson, S. D.  
 Elmer E. Binford, J. D.  
 Enos Gery, Tyler.

We herewith give a roster of the members, namely :

Milton G. Alexander,	Nelson Bradley,
Samuel S. Boots,	Elbert S. Bragg,
Walter O. Bragg,	Franklin Boots,
John A. Barr,	Charles Barr,
S. A. D. Beckner,	Robert B. Binford,
William C. Barnard,	Lee Barrett,
Joshua Barrett,	Harvey D. Barrett,
Charles S. Brand,	Elmer J. Binford.
Lawrence Boring,	Nathan D. Coffin,
James H. Carr,	John F. Coffin,
Hiram Chambers,	Isaiah Curry,
John Corcoran,	William Ward Cook,
William H. Carr,	Francis M. Conklin,
Daniel B. Cooper,	William S. Cooper,
George H. Cooper,	Samuel E. Duncan,
Charles Downing,	John T. Duncan,
George W. Duncan,	William C. Dudding,
William P. Denny,	O. M. Edwards,
Wallace Everson,	Vincent L. Early,
Oliver P. Eastes,	James A. Eastes,
James P. Eastes,	Mansfield C. Foley,
Winfield S. Fries,	James A. Flippo,
John L. Fry,	Thomas J. Fautot,
Marshall A. Fry,	Edward W. Felt,
John H. Felt,	Jacob Forrest,
Lemuel W. Gooding,	Enos Gery,
Frederick E. Glidden,	William H. Glascock,
Samuel P. Gordon,	George W. Gordon,

Raymond E. Gery,  
 Jacob A. Hall,  
 Lee O. Harris,  
 Frank S. Hammel,  
 William R. Hough,  
 Harry S. Hume,  
 Columbus M. Jackson,  
 Quitman Jack-on,  
 Warren R. King,  
 William M. Lewis,  
 William W. Matthews,  
 Ephraim Marsh,  
 Elliott Marlow,  
 W. S. Montgomery,  
 Francis M. Moore,  
 George W. Morehead,  
 Walter W. McCole,  
 Benjamin Price,  
 William M. Pierson,  
 John W. Ryon,  
 M. F. Rickoff,  
 James F. Reed,  
 Hudson M. Smith,  
 William G. Smith,  
 Isaac Bruce Smith,  
 Henry Snow,  
 William A. Scott,  
 Elmer E. Stoner,  
 Edward Slifer,  
 William A. Service,  
 Elbert Tyner,  
 Edwin Pope Thayer,  
 Allen D. Trueblood,  
 D. N. Wright,  
 Jackson Wills,  
 Marshall F. Wills,  
 Samuel A. Wray,  
 J. Ward Walker,  
 Arthur R. Walker,  
 Edwin P. Wilson,  
 John Q. White,  
 William P. Wilson,  
 Robert C. Zike,

Clifford R. Gery,  
 Kasper Herr.  
 Robert Hurley,  
 Jeremiah Hendren,  
 William A. Hough,  
 George W. Ham,  
 Manford W. Jay,  
 Jesse S. Jackson,  
 Samuel M. Kraer,  
 James N. Larrimore,  
 Oscar F. Meek,  
 Taylor Morford,  
 John O. Moore,  
 Jasper H. Moulden,  
 Corydon W. Morrison,  
 William H. Moore,  
 Thomas J. Owens,  
 William F. Pratt,  
 Israel P. Poulson,  
 Jesse Rhoadarmer,  
 Abraham N. Rhue,  
 Calvary G. Sample,  
 A. V. B. Sample,  
 Robert A. Smith,  
 Andrew J. Smith,  
 Edward P. Scott,  
 William G. Scott,  
 Samuel N. Shelby,  
 Francis M. Sanford,  
 Harry G. Strickland,  
 John A. Turk,  
 Andrew M. Tague,  
 John S. Thomas,  
 Noble Warum,  
 Richard H. Warrum,  
 Samuel W. Wiley,  
 Wood L. Walker,  
 William B. Walker,  
 George S. Wilson,  
 Stephen G. White,  
 Samuel R. Wells,  
 Charley M. Winn.

Nearly fifty years have rolled by since that little band of Masons met in the Old Seminary, and proud they were when



Yours Truly  
E. Marsh

they built the Masonic Hall. The building of the hall was a great undertaking for that day. How memories cluster around the hall. How dear and sacred it is to all; but Masonry, which ever keeps abreast of the time, was not contented with it. The city and lodge had outgrown it; it was not "up to date." Many were the spirited debates which took place as to what we should do or where we should go, and many preferred to build on the old site, especially among the older members, the outgrowth of which was the appointment of a committee, consisting of Charles Downing, W. M.; Samuel P. Gordon, S. D.; John T. Duncan, J. D.; Brothers Nelson Bradley, Samuel R. Wells, Daniel B. Cooper and Ephraim Marsh, who were given full power to purchase ground and to locate the site for the new temple, and what was known as the Walker corner was finally agreed upon, but it took money to buy such valuable property, and subscription was immediately started, which was headed by Brother Nelson Bradley, with a cash subscription of \$1,000, and the following brethren in the amounts respectively :

Nelson Bradley.....	\$1000
S. R. Wells.....	300
Ephraim Marsh.....	200
Samuel P. Gordon.....	200
Daniel B. Cooper.....	100
Charles Downing.....	100
J. Ward Walker.....	100
Charles Barr.....	100
George S. Wilson.....	100
William Ward Cook.....	100
Vinton L. Early.....	100
Barr & Morford.....	100
Winfield S. Fries.....	100
Edwin P. Thayer.....	100
Morgan Chandler.....	100
Jasper H. Moulden.....	100
Samuel S. Boots.....	100
George H. Cooper.....	100
Elmer E. Stoner.....	100
William H. Glascock.....	100
John T. Duncan.....	50
George W. Morehead.....	50
C. W. Morrison.....	50
George W. Duncan.....	50

William G. Scott.....	50
Elbert Tyner.....	50
William C. Barnard.....	50
Lawrence Boring.....	50
John L. McNew.....	25
Walter O. Bragg.....	25
M. C. Quigley.....	25
Harry S. Hume.....	25
John Q. White.....	25
Harvey D. Barrett.....	25
W. S. Montgomery.....	25
Lee Barrett.....	25
Harry Strickland.....	25
Quitman Jackson.....	25
A. J. Smith.....	25
W. R. King.....	25
I. P. Poulson.....	25
Felt & Jackson.....	25
A. V. B. Sample.....	25
E. N. Wright.....	25
Henry Snow.....	25
D. Beckner.....	25
John Corcoran.....	25
W. B. Walker.....	15
S. A. Wray.....	15
C. K. Bruner.....	15
T. T. Barrett.....	10
W. A. Wilkins.....	10
W. S. Gant.....	10
T. J. Faurot.....	10
William Tollen & Co.....	10
J. S. Jackson.....	10
W. W. McCole.....	10
S. W. Wiley.....	10
W. N. Vaughn.....	10
E. S. Bragg.....	10
S. M. Shelby.....	5
Enos Gery.....	5
N. D. Coffin.....	5
E. J. Binford.....	5
F. J. Coffin.....	5
Charlie Winn.....	5

And in two days nearly \$5,000 was raised.

We have met to-day to lay the corner-stone of this mag-

nificent and beautiful temple, to be erected and dedicated to the use of Masonry.

The new temple will cost, when completed, in round numbers, \$35,000. This does not include the real estate, which is valued at \$12,000, and we feel that we can truthfully say that it will be one of the finest, if not the finest, Masonic temple in the State.

When completed we hope to take up the active work in the new temple where we left off in the old, and may we carry the work forward, that when the history of the lodge is written fifty years hence, may its pages be as bright as those that have gone before. May it have done as much for humanity as those that have gone by, and that we have this day not built for to-day, but for eternity.

“Those spacious regions where our fancies roam,  
Pained by the past, expecting ills to come,  
In some dread moment, by the fates assigned,  
Shall pass away, nor leave a rack behind ;  
And Time’s revolving wheels shall lose at last  
The speed that spins the future and the past ;  
And, sovereign of an undisputed throne,  
Awful eternity shall rule alone.”

EPHRAIM MARSH.

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### WILLIAM MITCHELL, SR.

At the close of my work I feel more than ever how far short I will come of writing about persons as they deserve, especially so now in writing of the one whose name heads this sketch, one who has been a leader in all the stirring events of Hancock county for the past forty years, all the time at the head of *THE HANCOCK DEMOCRAT*, established by him in 1859. Under some disadvantages it has, step by step, risen, until to-day (1896) it is second to few if any papers in our grand State. All along those eventful years he has guided it aright, faithful at the helm during the dark days of 1861-65. But few men could have succeeded as Mr. Mitchell has. A steady, healthy





OLIVER A. COLLINS, M. D.,  
Mohawk, Indiana.

growth has marked its career. From a four-page paper to an eight or quarto weekly has it made its appearance as a welcome visitor to thousands of homes throughout the country. To build up a paper of this kind, and to be its owner and editor, must certainly be a joy and gratification to its proprietor. A bold advocate of true Democracy all the time, no dodging or straddling. You always know where to find the DEMOCRAT on all important subjects. Mr. Mitchell is among the best informed men of the day, extending back into the forties, when and since he has been personally acquainted with more public men than perhaps any journalist in the State. During the past forty years but two publications have been missed, and this was during the war, when the office was seized by the Government to do the work of printing the names of persons to be drafted.

He was born in Montgomery county, Kentucky, August 6, 1830, son of John F. Mitchell, who was born in 1791; died in 1868 in Greenfield. Mrs. John F. Mitchell died in Kentucky in 1834. Her name was Enfield Ralls. She is buried at Maysville, Kentucky. William Mitchell learned the printer's trade at Maysville, Kentucky, back in the forties, with Colonel Dick Stanton, a bright editor and politician of that day. He was married in 1852 to Calasty Long, of Cincinnati, Ohio. Born there in 1833; died in Greenfield, Indiana, September 25, 1892. A grand, good woman, who for years was more than a help-mate in all the affairs of a married life. Her death cast a gloom over this interesting family that seldom happens. The entire city caught the gloom that has never quite cleared away. About this time Mr. Mitchell had the misfortune of losing his sight, making the world doubly dark, that few men could have went through.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell's children: John F., foreman of Democrat office; married to Minnie B. Alexander; Leah, Thomas H., Fannie, Samuel C., died in Cincinnati, Ohio, July 9,

1892; buried at Greenfield, Indiana; Eliza O., William, Nellie, George, Mattie, twins, died in infancy.

### ROBERT Y. BARNARD.

Among the early settlers of Green township was the one whose name heads this sketch. He came back in the thirties, settling north-east of Eden, where the family now (1896) live. Mr. B. was married in 1836 to Mary Hopper. They came poor but to stay, and the result is, after long years of toil, succeeded in gaining a competency to keep them and have plenty left for their surviving children. The county was new when Mr. and Mrs. Barnard came to their home. They did not get rich in a day, but by hard toil and frugality, which has marked their long career. Mr. B. was an old-line Whig up to 1856, then a Republican. He has always been a quiet, law-abiding citizen, making little useless noise, politically or otherwise.

The following are the names of their children: Sarah, born in 1838; married to Peter Mingle; reside near Pendleton. Mary A., married to James Keller. She died in 1879, and is buried at Menden. James was in the army of 1861-5, Company G, Twelfth Indiana Volunteers. He died in the South, January 28, 1864; brought home, and is buried near Fortville. He was about twenty-four years of age. Irvin, married to Jennie Humphries; reside one mile north-east of Eden; is a Mason. Vandaline, married to Isaac S. Barrett. She died about the year 1880, and is buried at Menden. Elwood, married to Ola Gordon; reside near Eden. He is one of the active men of Green; owns and operates the sorghum factory at Eden, making sweetness by the million. He is one of the bright and active Masons of the county, a tip-top gentleman, and counts his friends by the score. A Republican in politics.

### JAMES M. LARRIMORE, M. D.

One of the prominent men and physicians of the county is Dr. Larrimore. He is a son of Joseph Larrimore and

grandson of Daniel Larrimore, prominent and early citizens of Fayette county, Indiana, and afterwards of Boone county, Indiana, where James M. was born in 1843, where his boyhood days were spent, and where he first went to school. His father died in Illinois back in the seventies. His mother died in Eaglevillage in 1852, and is buried there. J. M. Larrimore received a good education and studied medicine, and, after graduating, located at Carrollton, Hancock county, in 1878, for the general practice, where he remained seventeen years, and all the time was kept busy, and built up a fine practice, which he left in 1893, when he became a citizen of Greenfield. He resides on West Main street, where he owns a handsome residence. He was married to Florence Taylor about the year 1878. She resided five miles north-east of Greenfield. She is an accomplished lady, who, with the Doctor, has a host of friends throughout the county. Born April 1, 1860.

The Larrimore family is quite numerous in Shelby, Fayette, Jefferson and Boone counties of the older set. Daniel, Morgan and Dr. Hugh Green came to Boone county in 1834, all of whom had large families, mostly now deceased. Among the more prominent members I was acquainted with were James M., who died in 1849, and Dr. Jeremiah, who died in 1875. The former lived at Eaglevillage and the latter died at Whitestown, Indiana. Dr. James M. Larrimore is a thirty-two degree Mason. The following are the names of his children: Gertrude, Ivey (deceased), Nellie and Joseph W.

#### MILTON ADDISON.

Among the prosperous farmers of Jackson township is the one whose name heads this sketch. He is a son of Hon. John Addison, of the same township, where the family has lived for the past forty years, and one of prominence in political and church matters. Milton was married to Lizzie Wilson about the year 1860. She was born in



JOEL COOK. -  
Died, 1870.

Rush county, Indiana, daughter of Peter and Sarah A. (Mauzy) Wilson. Mr. Wilson resides at Willow Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Addison are worthy members of the Christian Church at Nameless Creek, near their home. They are just in the prime of life and usefulness, and are held in high esteem among their many friends.

### WILLIAM H. PAULEY

Was born in Jackson township, Hancock county, Indiana, March 23, 1850, son of Edward W. Pauley, who is yet living (1896). His mother's name before marriage was Nancy McCorkle. She died in 1888, and is buried at the Simmons cemetery. William H. Pauley was married to Margaret E. Clift, May 30, 1871, daughter of the late B. B. Clift, who died in 1895, and is buried at the Simmons cemetery. He was a worthy citizen of Jackson township for years, and a member of the Baptist Church. Mr. Pauley was elected Marshal of the city of Greenfield in 1875, Constable in 1882, and Sheriff in 1894 over J. W. McNamee, of Sugar-Creek township, a worthy competitor. Mr. P. is one among the most popular men that ever held office in the county; of a make-up that draws friends and holds them. He is also one of the most prominent auctioneers of the country, far and near, and a member of the order of Red Men.

The following are the names of Mr. Pauley's brothers and sisters: Phebe (dead), Joseph H., Jane, Andrew H. (dead), Mary (dead), Richard M. and Martha A. The deceased are buried at the Simmons cemetery. See Mr. Pauley's portrait on another page.

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### HISTORY OF GILBOA CHURCH.

A correspondent of the Hancock Democrat furnishes the following history of the old Gilboa Church in Blue-River township:

Among the first churches and religious organizations in this township was the Gilboa M. E. Church. This society was first organized about 1830. Their meetings for worship were held at private houses for about two years, conducted principally as prayer bands, with an occasional visit of a preacher in the neighborhood. At that time a preacher was a rare treat. He was not the polished sort, and had not the fine edifice to give his discourse from, but he spoke the gospel truths in a plain and well understood meaning to those old settlers in their cabin homes. As the membership began to increase, the society decided to build a church, which was erected of logs about the year 1852 on ground donated for that purpose by James Sample and Benjamin Miller, two of the first members. This church was built near the present church site and graveyard. In the summer of 1852 a frame building of more modern pattern was erected, which has served in the capacity of a church to this day.

In an interview with one of the present members of this church we are informed that in the year 1876 the enrollment was sixty-six members, being the largest of any year. The last enrollment, which was taken in the year 1884, shows a record of twenty-one members. There is now just an old fragment left of only six members, some moving away, others going to different churches, and many having died. There are no regular Methodist services held at the church now, and have not been for several years past.

On a recent visit to this old church and graveyard, which is held in high regard and loving remembrance by many friends, far and near, our thoughts glance back over the past and recall the many happy and joyful meetings which were held in the church, of the happy souls which have found peace with their Master within its walls. As we pass by, the door is closed; everything is in silence. The same old trees stand at the rear of the house, and the place has that same old natural and familiar appearance as it did years ago. As we stop and gaze upon the old structure, which has stood so many years, we experience a feeling of sadness at the non-appearance of friends' faces who were so prominent among the congregation, which met there Sunday after Sunday in church and Sunday-school, who

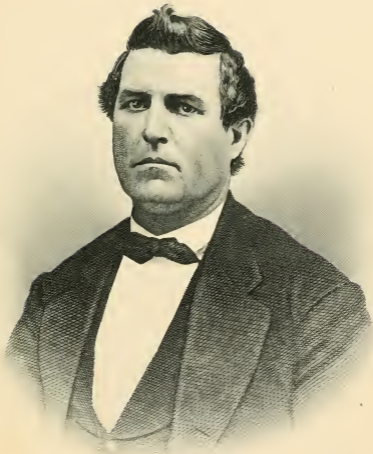
are now sleeping in the old graveyard just a few steps away. Just to the south of the building we enter the old graveyard, where hundreds are silently sleeping within the tomb, awaiting the resurrection morn. As we pass down among the numerous graves we pause and glance around us, and sketch the surroundings as our thoughts lead to the short existence of life, and of the cold death that sooner or later will overcome every one and snatch them from this world, but the hope and blessed assurance of a brighter home above. How can any one fear death who is fully prepared to meet it, for the promises are so great. While down about the center of that city of the dead our attention was called to a small stone slab, which marks the memory of the first burial, the inscription on which reads: "Lydia Miller, daughter of B and Susanna Miller, died October 28, 1830, aged four years and one month." To the east a few steps we find the grave of James R. Hazlett, who died November 13, 1840. To the west again a few steps lie the remains of Catherine Lemay, who died December 20, 1830, and the graves of Andrew Hazlett, died in 1834; Deborah Miller, died in 1838; Jane Hazlett, died in 1832; Stephen Lemay, died in 1837. Down to the south-east of these graves a few steps we find a stone bearing this inscription: "In memory of Andrew Barrett, born December 23, 1804; departed this life September 11, 1833." These are among the first burials in this cemetery.

Immediately in the vicinity of these are two more graves, that of Susanna, wife of Benjamin Miller, who died August 6, 1854, and Benjamin Miller, bearing a stone with no date. These two people were among the oldest members of Gilboa church. Many of the graves of the first burials bear no stones, and never did, and several that did have stones are broken down and not in their proper places. In the northern part of the cemetery is the grave of Andrew B. Sample, with a small stone, bearing this inscription: "Born, July 11, 1818; died, September 9, 1834." Another close by has this: "Sally O., wife of William New, died October 15, 1835.

"Strength and honor are the clothing,  
And she shall rejoice in the time to come."

Also another stone close by bears the following: "Elizabeth,





yours truly  
Nelson Bradley







Engraved by J. H. Johnson

Elizabeth Bradley.

wife of Daniel New, died August 17, 1839, aged forty-nine years, six months and eighteen days.

“How lonely is the spot  
Thy gentle feet hath trod ;  
Thy angel voice I hear it not,  
For thou art with thy God.”

Among the many nice monuments is one located in the Sample space, which was erected by Calvary G. Sample, Sarah New, Margaret New and Mary Carr to the memory of their father and mother, with this inscription : “James Sample, born April 17, 1794, died August 24, 1866 :” also “Mary Sample, born July 2, 1796, died July 26, 1885.”

“Oh, weep not for us, we were anxious to go  
To that haven of rest, where tears never flow ;  
We feared not to enter the dark, lonely ward,  
For soon we shall rise from this old church yard.”

These old people were two of the early members of Gilboa Church. Mrs. S. was a member fifty-six years.

On another stone close by these graves is this : “John Sample, born 1789, died 1875, and Sarah Sample, born 1794, died 1872.” Still another stone near these bears the inscription of the oldest person buried in the cemetery, as follows : “Mary, wife of George Sample, died December 2, 1847, aged 102 years.” Going down farther south from these graves our attention was called to a small stone, that of Rev. Jonathan Lineback, an old minister of the gospel, who died in the year 1873, with this well fitted text, which, we are informed, was his great favorite. It was inscribed on an open book, and reads :

“I have fought a good fight ;  
I have finished my course ;  
I have kept the faith.”

We have given a few of the many of the earliest settlers who are buried in this sacred lot. We could write much more about them, but time and space forbid.

There are buried in this cemetery two soldiers of the Mexican war, five of the war of 1812, and eighteen of the late war.

Many fine and substantial monuments grace the old graveyard. Among them are the Sample's, Hatfield's, Jeffries', Thompson's, Ross' and many others. This cemetery contains

over two acres, and is inclosed with a fence that which serves for the purpose. But such a large cemetery as this ought to have a more substantial and modern style fencing ; also receive the attention of a man employed to look after its interests, who could devote time in its welfare. It is notable that the proper attention is not given to cemeteries as there should be. We often hear of the sad and neglected condition of them. All are not expected to erect grand monuments to the graves of their friends, but more respect and attention could be given them, for soon these places will swallow our mortal beings. As it has been well said : "We are all gliding down the stream of time, and the places which now know us will know us no more, but our bodies will be consigned to similar abodes of those of dear friends who passed before."

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### FRANKLIN A. BRIDGES,

One of the enterprising young farmers of Hancock county, is the one whose name heads this sketch, son of John and Elizabeth (Cory) Bridges, of Brown township. John Bridges was born in Fayette county, Indiana, in 1823. Franklin A. Bridges was married to Hannah J. Beaver, January 16, 1870. She is a daughter of Abram and Elizabeth (Holland) Beaver. She was born, August, 1847. Frank A. was born January 10, 1848. Names of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin A. Bridges' children: Albert E., Emma J., Laura E., Laurence E. and Louie E. Mrs. Abram Beaver died February 8, 1886, and is buried at the Harlan cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Abram Beaver were born in Union county, Indiana, about the year 1818. I have known these two families, Bridges and Beavers, for the past thirty-five years, and am glad to give them a sketch in the Pioneer.

### J. K. HENBY.

Mr. Henby was born in Blue-River township, Hancock county, Indiana, on the 8th day of March, 1840, son



GEORGE W. PARKER,  
Ex-County Commissioner, Philadelphia, Ind.

of Elijah Henby, a pioneer of Hancock county. He was born in North Carolina in 1796, and died in 1850. Mrs. Elijah Henby died in 1846. Both buried in Arkansas. J. K. Henby was married to Ruth A. Haskett, March 20, 1868. She was born in Hancock county in 1844, daughter of Silas and Penina Haskett. Mr. Henby for the past twenty-five years has been engaged in the fruit and horticulture business, first in a small way, but gaining year by year, until he now annually handles a vast quantity of trees, selling throughout the country extensively. He owns a fine farm of seventy-eight acres adjoining the city of Greenfield, a part of which is devoted to the growth of trees, vines and plants in endless variety. He has given horticulture much attention, and is known far and wide as one of our most extensive fruit growers. He was elected Township Trustee, November 6, 1894, as a Republican, something unusual in Center township. He was raised a Quaker, to which faith he is strongly attached.

The following are the names of Mr. and Mrs. Henby's children: Otto J., died at the age of twelve years, and is buried at Walnut Ridge cemetery, Rush county, Indiana. Elijah A., born in 1873; Merium M., died at the age of six years, and is buried at Walnut Ridge cemetery; Nora A., John W., Silas P. and Abbie. Mr. Henby is a member of the order of I. O. O. F. at Greenfield. I first became acquainted with Mr. H. in 1874 while he was selling trees in Madison county.

#### NELSON BRADLEY,

Banker, of Greenfield, was born in Clermont county, Ohio, May 19, 1822. His parents were William and Mary Bradley, the former a native of London, England, emigrating to this country in 1797. He located in Clermont county, Ohio, where he taught school for several years, but subsequently engaged in farming. During the war of 1812 he joined the American army, and served with honor



till the close of the contest. Nelson Bradley, the subject of this sketch, is eminently a self-made man. His opportunities for acquiring an education in early life were very limited. His time was chiefly employed in assisting his father on the farm, and his schooling was restricted to a few months' attendance at the log school-house of the pioneer settlement. He managed, however, through that firmness of purpose and energy of character which have been a prominent quality of his life, to acquire sufficient knowledge of books to serve him as an educational basis in his successful business career. The inclination for trade, which indicated the bent of his mind toward the business of after life, was early developed, and while yet a boy he made frequent visits to the markets of Cincinnati with produce purchased at the farm-houses of the various settlements. In 1852 he made a visit to Indiana, and, being pleased with the country, purchased a small tract of land on the then newly constructed Bellefontaine Railroad, at the site of the present town of McCordsville, in Hancock county. In September of the same year he located there, and in the spring following opened a store. This may be considered the beginning of his prosperous business career. Always public-spirited and energetic, he soon succeeded in having a post-office and a railroad station established at his new place of residence, and became the first postmaster and the first railroad agent of the town. In connection with this store he carried on a general trading business, buying corn, wheat, hogs, etc., from the farmers, and by promptness and integrity established himself in the confidence and esteem of the people, and soon became known throughout the county as a man of ability and honesty. As a natural result of this public confidence he was elected in 1863 Treasurer of Hancock county, which position he held for two consecutive terms, although he did not remove his family to Greenfield, the county seat, until 1866. After the expiration of his last term of office he engaged in the

grocery business at Greenfield, and continued in this until 1871, when, with several other gentlemen, he established the Greenfield Banking Company, of which he is now the president. He is also connected, as half owner, with the Hancock Flouring-mills. Mr. Bradley has been a large stockholder in nearly all the gravel roads centering in Greenfield. He has contributed liberally toward the erection of churches and public buildings, and has always been ready to aid in all that has tended to improve and develop the town and the county. He is an honored member of the Masonic Fraternity, having joined the order in Georgetown, Ohio, in 1845. He took the Chapter degrees in Felicity, Ohio, in 1848, and the Council and Scottish Rite degrees at Indianapolis at a later date. He assisted in organizing Oakland Lodge, No. 140, of which he was the first Junior Warden, and also McCordsville Chapter, No. 44, of which he was the first High-priest. He is now a member of Hancock Lodge, No. 101, of which he has been treasurer and trustee for many years. He has been a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church since 1845. He was a Whig during the days of that party, and is now an enthusiastic Republican. He was married, September 29, 1844, to Elizabeth Gray, daughter of Christian Gray, formerly a resident of Pennsylvania, and subsequently one of the pioneers of Ohio. As before stated, Mr. Bradley is a man of great energy of character, with ability to plan and skill to execute, as is fully attested by his success in every department of business he has undertaken. He possesses an even temper and fine social qualities; enjoys a good joke and a hearty laugh; and has a host of warm friends, endeared to him by his genial manner and kind disposition.

The above sketch of the life of Nelson Bradley is taken from the History of the Representative Men of Indiana, which was written for it by a friend of his sixteen years ago, which we think gives his life and character in

as fitting words as we could employ, and his character and standing as a man and citizen as there stated has been more than verified. Uncle Nelson, as Mr. Bradley is usually called by his intimate friends, is to-day one of the most popular men in the county, unassuming, and unostentatious, who goes about his daily work, winning friends on all sides. Mr. Bradley is still an enthusiastic and ardent Republican, and, under the law of 1895, was appointed by Governor Matthews as one of the Republican members of the Board of Control for the Institution for the Blind. Under his first appointment his time expired December 31, 1895, but he had performed the duties of his trust so satisfactory that he was appointed without solicitation. Accompanying his commission was the following very flattering letter from the Governor :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }  
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Dec. 31, 1895. }

*Hon. Nelson Bradley, Greenfield, Indiana :*

DEAR SIR : When a man performs a work thoroughly well, I have often thought it a good plan to keep him at it. Will you please accept the inclosed commission, reappointing you a member of the Board of Control for the Institution for the Blind? I also desire to thank you for the faithful and conscientious attention you have given to the duties connected with the position. Very truly yours,

CLAUDE MATTHEWS, Governor.

Mr. Bradley esteems this compliment, coming from the Governor as it did, very highly, and it is well deserved. Mr. Bradley has refused preferment by his party, wishing to remain the quiet, unobtrusive citizen.

Since this sketch was written Mr. Bradley has become a member of Knightstown Commandery, No. 9, K. T., and of Murat Temple Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. He is a member of the Building Committee of Hancock Lodge, No. 101, F. and A. M., in building the new temple, and contributed to the building fund \$1,000. He takes as much

interest in the same as if it were his own, and what Uncle Nelson Bradley says or suggests "goes without saying."

Mr. Bradley's keen insight to business has enabled him, without seeming desire or labor, to accumulate a good deal of property, and he is regarded one of the wealthiest men in the county. He is not a miser, and gives much to charitable purposes, but in that quiet way that the community at large knows little about it. He is still President of the Greenfield Banking Company, owns large farming interests, and is a practical farmer, not a theoretic or book farmer; is still in the milling business, being associated with J. C. Alexander. He is the President of the Board of Control for the Institution for the Blind, and of the Greenfield Gas Company. In fact, Mr. Bradley is connected with almost every business enterprise of his adopted city and county.

Mrs. Bradley is one of the most benevolent women in Greenfield. She is always sought for when any of the citizens are in distress, and is ever ready to administer to the sick and poor, at any hour of the day or night. For years she has given this her time and study. Her happiest hours are spent around the sick bed while administering to the suffering and dying. It is pleasant to write thus of Mrs. B. and to know that in this day of show there is occasionally one whose love for their race and humanity brings them to the front. See Mr. and Mrs. Bradley's portraits on another page of the Pioneer.

#### SENATOR MORGAN CHANDLER.

It has taxed my utmost ability to write of men and women in the foregoing work, and now I find myself unable to write of Senator Chandler as I would desire. I have purposely delayed his sketch, hoping that some happy hour might dawn that I might catch an inspiration, in part, fitting me to say something worthy of my good friend, Morgan Chandler. For a period of near forty years he

has been so closely associated with the affairs of Greenfield, socially, politically and religiously, that it would tax the ability of the best of them to give him anything like justice. He was born in Owen county, Kentucky, on the 30th day of September, 1827. What a grand time and place to be born. The gods of fortune must have early honored that Kentucky home, and all along those years smiled on him.

At the age of fifteen years we find Mr. Chandler wrestling with his A, B, C's, and in a few short months was learning others their D, E, F's. In 1851 he came poor to Greenfield, where he has since resided, and "grown with its growth" and "strengthened with its strength." In 1854 he engaged in George G. Tague's store as clerk at ten dollars per month. This was about the first money he ever had of his own or obtained by his own exertion. In the fall of the same year he was elected Sheriff of Hancock county, serving two years. In 1861 he was elected Clerk of the Hancock Circuit Court for a period of eight years. On the expiration of his term as Clerk he traveled extensively, East and West. In 1869 and 1870 he was a clerk in the store of Walker & Edwards, of Greenfield. A year or two later he commenced his banking career, which has been long and honorable, being to-day (1896) a stockholder and director of the Greenfield Banking Company, with Nelson Bradley as president. I should have said before that Mr. Chandler is and has been a life-long Democrat, serving in both houses of the Indiana Legislature, with credit to himself and the district he represented. In 1894 he received the nomination for Treasurer of State on the Democratic ticket, and ran many votes ahead of the ticket, especially in his own county. He, however, went down with the general crash that overtook his party that year. His agricultural interests have taken a wide range, both practical and theoretical. He has been one of the prime movers in the organization and construction of the Hancock county agricultural fair; also president of the

tri-county fair of Henry, Rush and Hancock at Knightstown. His church relation has perhaps been the brightest of all. Long years he has been a member of the Christian Church at Greenfield, and from a few poor members he has witnessed its marvelous growth, till to-day the society worships in one of the finest churches in Indiana, dedicated February 23, 1896, by Elder Z. T. Sweeney, of Columbus, Indiana. Mr. C. has been liberal with his means in the erection of this edifice, giving near two thousand dollars from first to last. The memorial window on the west side that bears his name reflects poorly how he is held by those who worship within.

Mr. Chandler was married to Nancy M. Galbreath, April 22, 1854; also born in Kentucky, a lady of some of the noblest gifts allotted to womanhood. She was loved in life and lamented in death. She died January 27, 1893, little, if any, past the prime of life. No children were born to them. She is sleeping in Park cemetery, where a handsome monument marks her grave. Beautiful as it is in the sunlight of a bright May morning, it tells poorly of the one who is not dead but sleeping.

#### THE CURRY FAMILIES.

Captain Isaiah A. Curry, whose portrait appears on another page of the Pioneer, was born in Hancock county, Indiana, July 16, 1835. In December, 1857, he was married to Mary Thomas. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company B, Eighty-ninth Indiana Volunteers, and was soon promoted to First Sergeant, then to Second Lieutenant and then Captain, in which capacity he was mustered out. In all those positions he was faithful and very popular with the comrades of his company and regiment. In 1880 he was elected Treasurer of Hancock county and served one term. Mr. Curry is a Democrat, and all the long years he has lived in the county he has won a host of friends. He is a member of the Masonic order, Greenfield Lodge, No. 101.



CAPTAIN ISAJAH A. CURRY, Greenfield, Ind.

Among the first settlers of the county were the Currys. Two brothers, Isaiah and Samuel, with their large families, came from Virginia in the year 1828. Soon after, others came, including brothers, cousins, etc., calculated to make an entire frontier settlement. They blazed a pathway through the dense wilderness north on the east side of Brandywine, over which the old Greenfield and Huntsville State road was afterward built, and about four miles north of Greenfield. When they raised their cabins and formed what was known as the Curry settlement, their families large, and all well constituted for the arduous task before them in turning wilderness and woe into big fields and sunshine, soon made their marks in the improvement of the county. "Uncle Billy," as he was always called, settled on the farm now owned by Jesse J. Pratt, and there built a mill on Brandywine, in which he ground the corn for the daily bread of the hardy settlers. They were religiously inclined, and early banded themselves together, and erected a log house of worship, yet known as Curry's Chapel, the old log structure long since replaced by a frame building on the same spot. Of all the numerous families and their descendants, only two now remain in this county, those of Captain Isaiah A. Curry and Samuel F. Curry.

#### JOHN H. BINFORD.

Mr. Binford was born in Hancock county, Indiana, April 13, 1844, son of Robert and Martha Binford, now a resident of Greenfield, Indiana. I first met Mr. B. in 1881, when I was writing up some matters for the county history. In the fall of that year he purchased my interest and, in connection with the late James K. King, completed the work. My relations socially and in a business way have always been on my part satisfactory. About the year 1890 he lost his wife, a splendid woman, just in the prime of life. Her maiden name was Lucy Coggeshall. Four children were born of this marriage, Edgar A., Gertrude,



Robert J. and Paul F. Mr. B. was again married in 1893.

Following will be found a sketch taken from a Chicago business pamphlet :

One of the oldest practitioners and loan agents in Indiana and one of the self-made men of the State is Mr. J. H. Binford, financially a man of more than ordinary wealth and a lawyer of undoubted ability. Mr. Binford was admitted to the bar in 1879 in Greenfield and has since that period combined the practice of law with the main business of mortgage investments on prime securities in Hancock county. He is a man of cautious tendencies, conservatively inclined in making appraisements and his record a continuous round of business successes best attests his ability and reliability in placing loans. He has never had any foreclosures nor delinquent interest account during sixteen years of investments. His clients who are individual investors number nearly fifty private investors in the Eastern and Middle States, some of his investors reside in Florida and Iowa. Being fully conversant with values in Hancock and adjoining counties, and familiar with the moral hazard, a necessary prerequisite in conjunction with the physical hazard in placing loans upon desirable securities. Mr. Binford has made probate law and collections a specialty of his professional work. He has been the active representative of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company in the loan department for fourteen years. He has placed over \$100,000 annually on first mortgage loans and has handled altogether over one million dollars. Mr. Binford is conservative in his valuations and makes personal examination of all property upon which loans are desired. He is a gentleman of culture and brilliant educational attainments, having served as County Superintendent from 1873 to 1875. He is the author of the History of Hancock County, written in 1882, a volume of over five hundred pages, teeming with felicitous statements with reference to the pioneers of this section who hewed their way to fame, fortune and prominence in the upbuilding of the county, a work eliciting warm encomiums from Hon. William H. English, of Indianapolis.

## GEORGE WALKER.

One of the prominent men of Jackson township is Mr. Walker. He was born in Hancock county, Indiana, about the year 1845, and at this writing (1896) is near fifty years of age, or, in other words, on the hill-top of life, looking both ways. He was married to Nancy Dinsmore, of Rush county, about the year 1866. George received a good common education, and, by reading extensively, is well informed, especially on the political matters of the day. He is a free thinker, and identified with the Populist party, and a speaker of no ordinary ability. A true lover of liberty and his country, and his best efforts are put forth to further the cause of American freedom. He is a son of the late Meredith Walker, who lived so long in Jackson. He died in 1882. He was born in North Carolina in 1814, and came first to Rush county, Indiana, then to Hancock county in 1837. He was five times married, first to Miss Oldham, second time to Miss Wales, third time to Miss Bramer, fourth time to a sister of the third wife, and fifth time to Catharine Nankins, who survives him, and resides in Carroll county, Indiana. Meredith Walker was an active member of the Christian Church and independent in politics. He, as well as his deceased wives, are buried at the Simmons cemetery, near his old home. The following are the names of his children: Sarah, Samuel, George, John, Jane, Lindsay, Riley, Louiza, Leonard and Johnson.

## ELDER T. H. KUHN.

Elder Kuhn was born in Hancock county, Indiana, about the year 1860, son of George Kuhn. His mother's name was Miss Johnson, daughter of the late Thomas Johnson. Elder Kuhn received a good common education in the schools of his neighborhood up to the age of about eighteen years, when he decided to continue his studies in the higher branches. He went to Butler College for a term of years, and studied for the ministry, his chosen

profession. After completing his education he entered the field of future usefulness, and to-day (1896) is actively in the work, and located at Tipton, Indiana. He is well received and commands a full house wherever he preaches. In person Mr. K. is of commanding appearance, full six feet high, and a clear, full voice, which at once commands the closest attention. He was married to Emma Collins, a daughter of William and Hepsabeth (Bunker) Collins, about the year 1886. Mrs. Kuhn is a granddaughter of the late Thomas Collins, an early settler of both Madison and Hancock counties, whose portrait appears on another page of this work.

Elder Kuhn is a fine conversationalist, and fairly well posted on matters generally, hence his success and deserved popularity with the people generally. Glad to give Mr. and Mrs. Kuhn a notice in my work.

The first time I ever met the Elder was at Charlottesville, Indiana, where he had preaching one night. During the evening a big dog entered the church, just before services began. Mr. K. seeing him, said: "Will some one put that dog out, as it is not best to have a coon and dog together." This timely hit brought down the house, dispelling to some extent the more serious part of the evening services.

### TREMILLIUS N. JACKSON.

Mr. Jackson was born in Rush county, Indiana, June 25, 1846, son of Isaiah and Martha (Chappell) Jackson. T. N. Jackson was raised a Baptist, and belongs to that church; also reared a Democrat, and has acted with that party since his majority. He is now (1896) and had been some years previous postmaster at Maxwell, Indiana, where he resides and is engaged in general merchandise. He has a good trade, and is popular with the people; licks stamps when required, and writes letters for the patrons merely for accommodation. He believes in matrimony, if

one may judge from his being four times married, and yet only in his prime. As far as he is concerned he does not intend that the good name of Jackson shall perish and become obsolete.

Mr. Jackson's first wife's name was Matilda Fuller ; is deceased and buried at the Maple Grove cemetery. He was the second time married to Indiana Frazier. She is buried at the Reeves cemetery ; third time to Mrs. Shiply. She is also buried at the Reeves cemetery. His fourth wife's name was Mary C. Clark. This marriage occurred June 24, 1884. Children's names: Albert C., Oscar C., Edwin B., Isaiah L., Tremillius N. P., Frank, Edgar C., and an infant daughter died. Mr. Jackson is a pleasant gentleman. Call and see him.

#### W. R. JONES.

Comrade Jones was born in Ashtabula county, Ohio, in 1829, and at the age of ten years he started west, and stopped at Eaton, Ohio, but I will let him tell it in his own way: "I think I was about ten years old when my father sold out his farm in Ashtabula county, Ohio, and started for Illinois, but stopped at Eaton, Ohio. This was in 1840, the year of 'log cabins and hard cider.' I call to mind seeing General Harrison and hearing him make a speech then and there. My father operated a cheese factory there for sometime in connection with a dairy. In the year 1843 we moved farther west, to the State of Indiana, stopping in Henry county, near Lewisville. Here my mother died ; also a brother and sister. This was a sad blow to us, and from which I never recovered. In a few years my father remarried to Mrs. Daniel Custard. This put together two families of children, ranging in age from six to fourteen years. At the age of sixteen years I went to Cambridge City, and worked there and at Cincinnati, Ohio, till I was twenty-one years old, when I thought it about time to get a permanent home of my own ; casting about for a help-

meet, as was quite natural for one of that age to do. At last I found one that I married, Miss Frances C. Custard. I found in her all that one could desire, and we lived together near forty-one years. She was a noble woman, always kind and ready, in sickness or health, to perform the duties of a true christian; and now I had to endure a second hard blow along life's rugged way in the death of one so good and kind. She died near Greenfield in 1891 at the age of fifty-nine years, six months and seventeen days. She is buried at the Park cemetery, where there is a modest slab to mark her resting place till the morning of the general resurrection. She died very suddenly of heart trouble.

“Now I will give you a short sketch of my army life, beginning in the year 1862. At that time I was living north-east of Knightstown, Indiana, in a Quaker settlement. I volunteered under the call for three hundred thousand at the age of thirty-two years, with a family, consisting of a wife and seven children, four boys and three girls, the oldest about eleven years of age. I was living on a farm, which has been my main occupation most of my life. On the 6th day of August, 1862, I went to Knightstown, and enlisted in the Nineteenth Indiana Battery. On the 8th of August I went to Indianapolis, went into camp, and was there mustered into the United States service. Soon after we received marching orders to go to Kentucky. Our first stopping place was Munfordsville, on Green River, to guard the bridge there. After a few days here we got orders to go to Perryville, Kentucky, where our battery took a very active part one day from one o'clock till dark, when our lines were broken and we went to the rear, leaving four pieces on the field.

The next general engagement was at Nashville, Tennessee, after which we went into camp at Murfreesboro. After breaking camp there we started on a campaign that lasted till after the battle of Chickamauga. Then Sherman

took command, and I can't now tell all battles we were in. Our battery was in all the fights, taking an active part all the time, never in the rear, but always to the front. The main engagements we were in during the long marches were Chickamauga, Lookout Mountain, Mission Ridge, Ringold, Resacca, Keresaw Mountain, Peach Tree Creek, and Atlanta, besides numerous skirmishes and repeated shellings along the line. Our battery was a noted one for execution and active service.

“Pardon me, Mr. Harden, in a word about myself. I was Sergeant in the Nineteenth Indiana Battery, and was awarded the first prize as the best shot or gunner in the battery. I could give you a long letter about the marches and battles of the war of 1861-5, but perhaps enough on this subject.

“I reside three miles south-west of Greenfield, and own eighteen acres of land, which I delight to cultivate in my declining years. I receive eight dollars per month pension. I came to Hancock county in 1872, and expect to end my days here, and to lie down at last by the side of my dear wife in the Park cemetery in Greenfield.

#### CHARLES DOWNING.

It gives me pleasure to write of one so deserving as Mr. Downing, who, under so many disadvantages in life, has gained a position that any man might be proud of. Mr. Downing was born in New York City on the 7th day of August, 1857. At the age of ten years he found his way to the West, and at Greenfield, Indiana, where he now resides. During the first few years of his residence in Greenfield he made his home with the late William S. Wood. In 1874 he was appointed deputy County Clerk by Ephraim Marsh, who was then Clerk of the Hancock Circuit Court. Filling the place so admirably, he was continued as deputy until the expiration of Mr. Marsh's second term, and was elected to succeed Mr. Marsh in 1882, and re-elected, 1890, serving as deputy eight years and as Clerk eight, in all



CHARLES DOWNING,  
Greenfield, Indiana.

sixteen years, and to the entire satisfaction of the people of Hancock county.

At the close of his first term as Clerk, Mr. Downing studied law, and in a due course of time was admitted to practice, and in a short time became a member of the law firm of New, Downing & New, composed of the late James A. New, Charles Downing and Asa M. New, and continued in the practice until he was again elected Clerk, in 1890. At the expiration of his second term he again resumed the practice of law, and associated with him William A. Hough, oldest son of Hon. William R. Hough.

Mr. Downing is a member of the Indiana State Board of Agriculture, President of the Hancock County Agricultural Association, and in February, 1895, was unanimously recommended by the Indiana State Board of Agriculture for the appointment as one of the Trustees of Purdue University. In July of the same year he was appointed by Governor Matthews one of said Trustees, which office he resigned to accept the appointment of Prosecuting Attorney for the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John L. McNew. Mr. Downing has served as Jury Commissioner, and also City Commissioner.

Mr. Downing is a member of Mystic Shrine, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons, Knightstown Commandery, and Hancock Lodge, No. 101, F. and A. M., and has twice served as Master of his lodge. He is also a member of Greenfield Lodge, No. 135, I. O. O. F., and Eureka Lodge, No. 20, K. of P. Through a long series of years he has served the people of Hancock county with fidelity and honor.

Mr. Downing was married to Angie B. Williams, October 8, 1879, at Bradford Junction, Ohio, and soon after commenced keeping house in Greenfield. They have three children. Their home is one of comfort, and there they delight to receive their friends.



## HON. DAVID S. GOODING.

Judge David S. Gooding was born in Fleming county, Kentucky, January 20, 1824. His father, Asa Gooding, and his mother, Matilda Gooding, were native Kentuckians. His grandfather, David Gooding, was a Captain in the war of 1812, and in the battle of the Thames, and by the soldiers under his command it was believed, in which opinion he concurred, that it was he and not Colonel R. M. Johnson that in that battle killed the famous Indian Chief and warrior, Tecumseh. That he in that battle took the scalp of an Indian officer of rank there is no question. Judge Gooding, on his father's side, is related to the Thomas and Collins families, and on his mother's side to the numerous Hunt and Alexander families of Kentucky.

Judge Gooding's father, in 1827, removed from Kentucky to Rush county, Indiana, and from there to Greenfield, Hancock county, in December, 1836, and was elected School Commissioner of Hancock county in 1840, and died in 1842. In 1839 Judge Gooding became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and subsequently was five years President of the County Bible Society, and for several years Superintendent of the Sabbath-school. He also taught a common school for six months. In the fall of 1839 he became a student at Asbury University (now DePauw College), and recited many lessons to President Simpson, afterwards Bishop Simpson, of the M. E. Church, for whom he had the highest regard and affection. Among his fellow-students were United States Senator Harlan, of Iowa, United Senator Booth, of California, Governor Porter, of Indiana, Judge Franklin, Rev. R. D. Robinson, Hon. Joseph E. McDonald, Rev. T. A. Goodwin, General David Reynolds, Rev. James F. Jaques and Rev. Edwin Black. Judge Gooding was twice President of the Philological Society. Before he was more than half through the regular course of studies his father died, and he was compelled for want of means to return to his home and end

his college career, after which he studied law for a brief time with Hon. George W. Julian, then a resident of Greenfield, and was admitted to the bar in 1845.

In March, 1844, he married Frances Maria Sebastian, who was born in Scott county, Kentucky, a daughter of the late William Sebastian, ex-Clerk of the Circuit Court of Hancock county, Indiana. (The late John T. Sebastian, ex-Clerk of the said Court, was her brother). Their married life extended over fifty years. A true and good wife and a christian woman, died January 6, 1895, leaving surviving her, her husband and only one child, Marshall B. Gooding, a lawyer.

In 1847 Judge Gooding was elected to represent Hancock county in the House of Representatives. In 1848 he was elected County Prosecuting Attorney for three years. In 1851 he was nominated by the Democracy and elected Prosecuting Attorney for the Indianapolis Circuit, composed of Hancock, Shelby, Johnson, Marion, Hendricks and Boone counties, defeating ex-Governor David Wallace for that office. In 1852 he was nominated for the Common Pleas Judgeship for the counties of Hancock and Madison, and resigned the Prosecutorship, and was elected to the Judgeship for four years, defeating Judge John Davis, of Anderson. In 1856 he was elected State Senator for four years for the counties of Hancock and Madison, defeating Hon. H. H. Hall. In 1857-8 he was editor of the Hancock Democrat. In 1861 he was again elected Judge for the counties of Hancock, Henry, Rush, Decatur and Madison for three years, to fill a vacancy, defeating Judge E. B. Martindale, now of Indianapolis.

During the war of the rebellion he was a war Democrat and zealous Union man, and acted with the Union (not Republican) party, and in 1864 his name for Presidential Elector at large headed the ticket for Lincoln and Johnson, and made more speeches for that ticket in Indiana than any other living man. In the winter of 1864-5 he was

recommended to President Lincoln for the Mission to Chili by Governor Morton, Governor Hovey, Governor Baker, Hon. Richard W. Thompson, all the Judges of the Supreme Court of Indiana, and by a joint caucus of the Union members of the Indiana Legislature and many other prominent and leading Union men of the State.

In June, 1865, President Johnson, of his own volition, without any formal recommendation therefor, by telegram, tendered Judge Gooding the appointment of United States Marshal for the District of Columbia, which office was accepted and the duties thereof entered upon at once. He continued to hold that office during President Johnson's term, and resigned in the latter part of March, 1869. He was with President Johnson much of the time, in public and private, and had his confidence, and fully believes that no honester or more patriotic man was in public life, and that no truer friend of the Constitution and Union ever lived or died than Andrew Johnson, ex-President of the United States. Judge Gooding, soon after his resignation of the United States Marshalship, returned to his home in Greenfield, where he has continuously had his residence for more than fifty-nine years, and now resides.

In 1870 he was the nominee of the Democratic party for Congress in the district then represented by Hon. George W. Julian, then known as the Burnt District, and largely Republican. His Republican competitor was Judge Jeremiah M. Wilson, now a distinguished lawyer of Washington City, D. C. The campaign was exciting and well fought on either side. The official returns showed Judge Wilson elected by the meager majority of four votes in a district of 30,000 voters, but in fact Judge Gooding was elected by a majority of at least seventeen votes, and contested Wilson's election, but failed to obtain the seat by a party vote in the United States House of Representatives, the Republicans having a large majority in the House at that time.

Judge Gooding and Judge Wilson were again the candidates of their respective parties for Congress in 1872. This was in the Greely campaign, an unfortunate year for Democratic candidates, and Judge Wilson was elected by a small majority, that majority being composed largely of imported sewing machine peddlers and college students, non-residents of the district.

In 1877 Judge Gooding was the President of the Democratic State Convention, which was held at Indianapolis, January 8, 1877, in regard to the fraudulent, pretended election of R. B. Hayes to the Presidency. In 1878 he was a candidate before the Democratic State Convention for Secretary of State, and had the highest vote on the first ballot, but was finally defeated by Hon. John G. Shanklin, who was nominated and elected. In 1880 Judge Gooding's name was at the head of the Hancock and English Presidential Electoral ticket for Indiana. In this campaign he made a very thorough canvass of this State. In 1884 he was nominated and elected to the Indiana House of Representatives, and was defeated for the Speakership by Hon. Charles L. Jewett, but was made Chairman of the Democratic Joint Caucus Committee of the House of Representatives and Senate. He claims that during the two sessions of this Legislature he was instrumental in preventing the passage of obnoxious measures, saving to the people of the State at least one hundred thousand dollars. In 1886 he was defeated for Representative because of a local feud in the party, defeating most of the county ticket. In 1888 he was on the District Presidential Electoral Democratic ticket. Since then he has not been a candidate for any office.

In June, 1891, he was elected and commissioned a member of the School Board of the city of Greenfield for the term of three years, and was elected President of the Board, and served as such until the expiration of his term. He now resides in Greenfield, but has a law office in

Indianapolis, and is in active law practice there. In politics, he is now, as always heretofore, on the side of the masses of the people, a Democrat on the old principles of that party, in favor of the coinage and legal tender of silver and gold on equal terms, and greenbacks or treasury notes, all legal tender alike for all debts, public and private, and opposed to National banks of issue.

In addition to the foregoing, it may be added that he has made two general campaigns as a speaker for the Democracy in Ohio at the request of the State Committee, one in the William Allen and the other in the Hon. Thomas Ewing campaigns for Governor. In 1888 he made, at the request of the Democratic National Committee, campaign speeches in the State of Maine, for which he was highly complimented by the State Committee. In 1892 he was again invited by the National Democratic Committee to make campaign speeches, and that he might choose the State, but this invitation he declined for reasons not necessary at this time to state.

The great length of the foregoing forbids any detailed notice of him as a lawyer. Suffice to say that for many years he was a leading lawyer at the bar, and had a large and lucrative practice in this and adjoining counties and in the Supreme Court, and about thirty years ago was admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court of the United States on motion of United States Attorney-General Stanbury. He is now the oldest living ex-Representative and ex-State Senator in Hancock county, and the oldest living Common Pleas Judge of Hancock and Madison counties, the oldest living County and Circuit Prosecuting Attorney of this county, and the only Democratic citizen of Hancock county ever nominated for Congress, and the oldest living United States Marshal of the District of Columbia, and the oldest living United States Marshal for the Supreme Court of the United States, and yet he is now in the active practice of the law.



NEW CHRISTIAN CHURCH, GREENFIELD, IND.  
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## GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN.

Hancock county, like all other counties or communities, has and will have men and women who, by their talent or surroundings, or both, have been to the front, socially, politically or religiously. It is in the nature of things that it is so. It is said that history repeats itself in all lands and all nations, everything else being equal. From the very beginning of creation down to 1896 men and women have come to the front in the various demands as they were needed, filled their places and passed away. The work of some has been heralded abroad, written in letters of light that will live forever. Others have done their work in a quiet way; not wishing, in fact not desiring, that their acts should be known to the outside world. It is the object of this part of my work to notice a few men and women who have lived and died here, who from surroundings have become more or less conspicuous in our history, that their names may live and be a stimulus to those who may come after to strive to emulate their virtues and good works. In writing of those whose names may follow it is my desire to write of them truthfully and sincerely. I do not claim that they were better than their associates in life, but rather because history demands that their memory live and their deeds kept sight of. Some lived within the limits of their early home, near where they cleared away the timber and brush in early days. Others went West. The exact time and place of all their deaths will not be strictly vouched for, but as accurate as can now be obtained. Some will, I fear, be entirely overlooked. Some will ask, why is not Mr. A. spoken of in this work? He was a pioneer. Why is Mr. B. not mentioned in the Pioneer? He was one of the first men in the county or township. And there is Mrs. C., that grand old lady, who did so much for the church. Her name is nowhere to be found. In answer to these well taken interrogatories I will say on first sight that blame would seem to attach to the compiler, but if you knew all, these questions would never be asked. Here is the solution. I went to the son or daughter of Mr. A. to get some dates, that I might remember him, but nothing could be obtained. I went the same way to the relatives of Mr. B., Mrs. C., etc. Letters without number have been written to inquire when Mr. A.

died and where buried, but no answer came, and so on through the alphabet ; but I am glad to say that many have responded, and helped me to reclaim some facts and history that would have soon been lost forever ; and, while despair often came over me, hope and light sprang up as I gathered the names of some of the grand men and women who early came to Hancock county, and in my poor way have wrote of them as best I could. Some of them I never saw, and can not be accused of writing of them partially. Others I knew personally, and heard them talk, sing and pray, and, as I shall answer to God in a coming day, I have wrote of them, from my stand-point, in no unthoughtful way, nor to pass away time, but often paused to brush away a tear as I tried to say something in memory of those names which will now follow :

Joseph Chapman was for many years a prominent man of Hancock county, and was in the State Legislature. In 1847 he volunteered to go to the Mexican war, helped organize a company, and went. He died there April 3, 1848.

Thomas D. Walpool was born in Ohio in 1816, and was for many years an active politician and attorney of Hancock county, and was in the State Senate several terms. He died in Indianapolis in 1863. In 1840 he was married to Esther Brayan, of Centerville, Indiana. In person Mr. W. was well formed, fair skin, and hair inclined to redness. He was a fine speaker. He was a member of the State Constitutional Convention in 1850 ; was formerly a Whig, but after 1852, a Democrat.

Hiram Tyner resided for years in Blue-River township ; was elected County Commissioner in 1861. He died in 1867, and is buried at the Hinchman cemetery.

Daniel Wilkinson resided for many years in Brown township ; was elected Justice of the Peace in 1842, and County Commissioner in 1855. He was married five times, and is the father of Nathan, Hutt and Benton Wilkinson, of Knightstown. He died in 1873. His second wife, Miss Johnson, is buried at Greensboro cemetery. He was an old Whig, born in Virginia about the year 1800. His first wife is buried in Virginia, where he was born. He is buried at Knightstown, Indiana.

Mrs. Matilda Gooding, one of the noble women of Greenfield, wife of Asa Gooding, was born in Kentucky in 1822.



She died in 1891. Mr. Gooding died in 1842. They came to Greenfield in 1826. Children's names: David S., Lemuel W., Oliver P., Henry C., William H., Elvira M. and Cinderella, wife of the late Noble P. Howard, Sr.

James K. King was a prominent man for years in Brown township; was elected County Surveyor, and helped write up the history of the county in 1881 in connection with John H. Binford. Mr. King was born in Indiana in 1818. In 1839 he was married to Irene Wilson. He died in 1884.

Ephraim Thomas lived many years in Hancock county. He was elected County Commissioner in 1866, and served the people that elected him with fidelity. He died in 1882. He was a brother of John, David and Taylor W.

Taylor W. Thomas was elected Sheriff of Hancock county in 1858 and 1860. At one time perhaps one of the best known men in the county.

George Henry was born in Ireland about the year 1800, and at the age of eight years came to America. He lived for several years in Green township, was Associate Judge in Madison county, and in 1844 was elected to represent Hancock county in the State Legislature. Died in Pendleton in 1853. His wife died in 1862. Both buried at Pendleton. They were the parents of Congressman Charles L. Henry and the late Major Samuel Henry, who was killed in 1864 in Missouri; also Mrs. W. V. Shanklin, of Anderson.

Dr. William Trees resided in Warrington for over forty years, and was a splendid doctor and man. He was born in Ohio in 1809. Died at Warrington in 1892. A Mason for years, to which he was much devoted.

Hiram Harlan was born in South Carolina about the year 1800, and in the prime of life came to Brown township, where he owned a fine farm up to 1863, when he went to Kansas, where he died fifteen years later. A grand, good man and Baptist preacher and an old-time Whig. He furnished two or three sons for the war of 1861-5.

Stephen Harlan, brother of Hiram, was also born in South Carolina. Came to Sugar-Creek township in an early day, built a mill and helped organize a church and helped build a

house on his land in 1858. He died in 1877; is buried at the cemetery bearing his name near the old home.

John Nibarger was born in Ohio in 1814. Came to Hancock county in 1830 and settled on Sugar Creek; thrice married. He died in 1882. He will be remembered as a good farmer and citizen; is buried at the Harlan cemetery.

Phineas Thomas was born in Kentucky in 1765 and came to Hancock county in 1836, where he resided until his death in 1847; buried at Pleasant Hill or Willow Branch cemetery. He was a pioneer of Rush county, Indiana, also. Children's names: Martha, Elizabeth, Margaret, Nancy, Alfred, John, David, Ephraim and Taylor W. He was eighty-two years of age at the time of his death.

Jonas Marsh, one of the old settlers of Brown township, was born in Virginia in 1796. He came to the county in 1837, where he lived till his death in 1877. He was married in Tennessee to Miss Kennedy, by whom he had five children, as follows: George, Henry, Elizabeth, Rebecca and May J. The second time married to a sister of his first wife. The following are the names of children by this marriage: William, Montgomery, Matilda, Martha, Ephraim and John. A grand family of Hancock county. Henry, Montgomery, Ephraim and William have all filled responsible places in the county. Jonas Marsh is buried near Warrington, Indiana. Henry died in February, 1896.

Reuben A. Riley, so long and well known in Greenfield, where his best days were spent and where he, in the prime of life, 1847, went to the Mexican war. He was as early as 1844 elected to the Indiana Legislature from Hancock county. A successful attorney for years at the Greenfield bar. He was also in the late war, in Company G, Eighth Indiana Volunteers, and Captain of a company of Fifth Indiana Cavalry. He was of Irish descent, born about the year 1816; died in Greenfield, Indiana, about the year 1894. He is the father of J. W. Riley, so well known all over the country, especially in literary circles. Reuben A. Riley will long be remembered as one of the prominent men of Hancock county.

Mrs. John McCray, a grand lady, who resided so long near Warrington, has left the impress of her life and character on

those around her, which will not soon fade away. She died in 1892, and is buried near her old home.

Benjamin Freeman, a prominent man, lived near Palestine for many years. He was born in Ohio in 1827, and was in business at Palestine and a general trader there up to his death, in 1884. In 1855 he was married to Mary A. Mapple, of Rush county, Indiana. Mr. F. is buried near Palestine. A Republican and Methodist, and the father of four children.

Samuel Arnett resided near Fortville all his life, being born just west a short distance. He served in many important places. He died in Fortville in 1892. A Mason of long standing. He is buried at the Arnett cemetery, on the edge of Hamilton county, north-west of Fortville. Son of Thomas Arnett.

Shadrach H. Arnett, one of the foremost men of Buck-Creek township, was born in Franklin county, Indiana, in 1819 and came to this county in 1831, with his father, William Arnett. He was an active member of the Baptist Church and a Mason, who delighted in the order. He died in 1879. His wife died in 1894; both buried near their old home on Buck Creek.

Mrs. William Walker was born in North Carolina in 1820, and came to the county about the year 1836. Her name before marriage was Payne. She lived many years near Mt. Zion Baptist Church, of which she was an honored member. She died in 1893, and is buried at Mt. Zion cemetery, six miles north-west of Greenfield, aged seventy-two years.

Lysander Sparks was long an active man of Hancock county and merchant and trader at Warrington. He served eight years as Auditor of the county, being elected first in 1850. He resides in the West, perhaps in Missouri, and at this writing (1896) he is near ninety years of age. He is a Democrat, and at one time was very popular with the people of Hancock county.

Thomas R. Noel for nearly fifty years was an active business man of Fortville and vicinity. When a lad he came from Indianapolis, and from first to last and up to his death in 1883 was on duty. Was railroad agent at the start in 1851, post-master for a quarter of a century and in the late war in the Twelfth Indiana Volunteers.

Joseph Cahen was an enterprising man at Alfont and Fortville for twenty-five years. He died about the year 1886. He was married to Lyda Huston, who was born near Alfont. She resides in Fortville, and is a lady of many virtues and accomplishments and a daughter of one of the early settlers of Lick Creek. Mr. C. was Trustee of Green township for years.

Baisl G. Jay was a prominent man of Buck-Creek township. He was born in North Carolina in 1796. In 1822 he was married to Jane McCullough; came to Hancock county in 1837, and served as County Auditor in 1855; also served as Justice of the Peace, and kept store at Mt. Comfort back in the forties. He was a Mason, and, above all, an honest man. He died June 17, 1860. His wife died in 1876. Both are buried on Buck Creek, at the Hodge cemetery.

William Smith came early to Buck Creek, and opened up a fine farm, where he lived many years, and became wealthy and well liked. He died in 1883.

Captain James R. Bracken, an old-timer of Greenfield, was in the Mexican war in 1846. He organized a company in Hancock county and was a very popular man.

Nathan Crawford came early to Greenfield and married a daughter of Jeremiah Meek. He was a contractor of note in his day. He built the court-house at Anderson in 1838 and the Greenfield court-house in 1852. He was County Treasurer in 1831. He died in Greenfield in 1869.

George Y. Atkinson, a prominent citizen of Hancock county many years, was elected County Clerk in 1856. He died July 25, 1869.

John Vandyke, a prominent citizen of Brown township, was born about the year 1825. He died a little past the meridian of life; buried at Harlan cemetery. He was a fine workman at smithing, at which he worked in Rushville, Indiana, in his best days. He was twice married. The first time to Miss Seward, daughter of Oba Seward; second time to Miss Seward, daughter of James Seward.

William Caldwell and wife, worthy pioneers of Vernon township, have resided there nearly fifty years, parents of Harry Caldwell, of McCordsville. Mr. and Mrs. William Caldwell will be remembered as worthy pioneers of Hancock

county. They died back in the eighties; buried at McCordsville, Indiana.

Dr. Paul Espy, an old-time physician of Palestine, came there as early as 1840, and had all through his long practice there reasonable success as a doctor and business man, being quite wealthy when he died in 1884. He was a German by birth, and about seventy years of age when he died.

Benjamin McNamee was for over fifty years a resident of Sugar-Creek township. He was born in Ohio in 1827. His father, Daniel McNamee, came to Hancock county and entered land in an early day. Benjamin was married to Mary A. Irons in 1849. Children's names: Cottain, James W., Emma and Mollie. Mr. McN. died about the year 1891.

B. B. Clift, a prominent citizen of Hancock county for many years, resided in Jackson township from about the year 1825. He was an active member of the Baptist Church (Missionary). He died in 1895; is buried at the Simmons cemetery near his old home.

Dr. N. P. Howard, Sr., was for over thirty years one of Greenfield's best men and physicians. He was born in Ohio in 1822 and was educated at Brookville, Indiana. He came to Greenfield, Indiana, in 1843, and in 1844 was married to Cinderella J. Gooding, daughter of Asa and Matilda Gooding. He was Assistant Surgeon of the Twelfth Indiana Regiment and a member of the order of I. O. O. F. He died in 1895; buried at Greenfield, Indiana.

Among other prominent persons of the county we may mention Hamilton J. Dunbar, Dr. Lot Edwards, Dr. Elam I. Judkins, Henry Swope, Judge J. W. Walker, William Sebastian, Mrs. James Tyner, Dr. J. J. Carter, Basil Meek, William Bracken, Dr. Barnard, Asa Gooding and wife, William Fries (Parson), George Mooth, Isaac Roberts and wife, A. C. Handy, George G. Tague, Morris Pierson, R. P. Brown, William J. Sparks, Joseph Baldwin, Samuel H. Dunbar, Nathan Hendren and William P. Smith.

Just as we go to press one of Greenfield's noble women has passed away. The large funeral procession and floral offerings gave evidence of her true worth and the high esteem in which she was held—wife of Quitman Jackson, County

School Superintendent, who has the entire sympathy of the people of Hancock county. Below will be found an obituary notice at the time of her death:

Adah M., daughter of Dr. Benjamin W. and Lydia W. Royer, was born in Noblesville, Indiana, July 26, 1861. On February 25, 1880, she was married to Quitman Jackson and died at her home in Greenfield at two o'clock p. m., January 31, 1896, at the age of thirty-four years, six months and five days. To them were born five children, all of whom are living, Bessie, aged fifteen, Carl, twelve, Jennie, nine, Grover, seven and Alma, three.

In 1878, at the age of eleven years, she united with the M. E. Church at Fortville, Indiana. After removing from Fortville she received from the church at that place her letter, and in 1891 she and her husband united with the Presbyterian Church in Greenfield, and she continued in that church relation to the time of her death. She was also an esteemed member of the Order of the Eastern Star, and enjoyed the intimate acquaintance of a large circle of friends in this and adjoining counties.

As a neighbor, she was kind and thoughtful, and ever willing to do her part in relieving the suffering or in bestowing any needed assistance. Her sympathetic heart and generous disposition won for her the love and esteem of neighbors and friends.

But it was in her home that the many lovable traits of character which she possessed were most fully exemplified. To her husband she was ever true, kind and loyal, and often spoke to her friends in highest praise of his kindness and devotion to her. She was indeed his helpmate. Her diligence and cheerfulness, coupled with the genial nature of the husband, made their home the scene of many enjoyable gatherings of their neighbors and friends. Her presence on numerous journeys made for her husband real pleasure excursions, out of what would otherwise have been purely business trips in the performance of official duty.

For her children she bore, in the most complete sense, a mother's love. Her life and energy were gladly spent in the promotion of their welfare and happiness. Every comfort and

enjoyment which could be brought to them by her willing hands was bestowed with pleasure. She felt the responsibility of their training, and in kindness, with a loving, christian spirit, watched over them and guided their youthful steps.

In her busy, happy life she had not failed to make preparation for the hereafter. During her last sickness she was patient and resigned, and remarked to her friends that all was well with her. She expressed a desire to live that she might help her devoted husband and beloved children, but said if it was the Lord's will she was ready to go. She was conscious and composed to the last, and approached death's door as one would that of a friend's, fully realizing that the end was near. Her mind seemed to soar above the things of earth, and the expression of her countenance, as well as her words, told that she was happy. Thus while the body grew weaker, and with unlooked for rapidity gave up the struggle, her spirit in advance of dissolution seemed to have joined its kindred of the redeemed, and brought into the sorrowing home the holy presence of the angels who had come to accompany her redeemed spirit into the realms of eternal glory.

In such a life there is much worthy of emulation, and in such a death there is much to relieve the crushing sorrow that bears so heavily on the bereaved husband and children. While the light of the home has been darkened, and the cup of joy exchanged for that of sorrow, yet the noble life and pure spirit still exists, and beckons onward and upward to that blissful life beyond.

The funeral services were held at the Presbyterian Church in Greenfield at two o'clock on Sunday, February 2d, Rev. E. W. Souders officiating. The Order of Eastern Star performed the beautiful burial ceremony of the order. A large and sympathizing audience of relatives and friends accompanied the remains to the last resting place in Park cemetery.

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Before closing the leaves of the Pioneer I want to thank those who during the past two or three years have contributed so much to make my labor light in the foregoing pages, and who have waited so patiently for the

advent of the same. Sickness and other unavoidable hindrances have long delayed the work, but as age adds to the worth of many things I trust it will prove so in this case. I also desire to be mindful of the information received from many sources, both private and public, and especially to the publishers of the County History, King & Binford, whose work I have found a valuable help. And now, dear reader, please don't prick a date or name which is wrong, but turn rather to some things well said. You will never know the toil and trouble one is at in obtaining dates or names, or you would pass over in silence any little discrepancy that may occur in the Pioneer.

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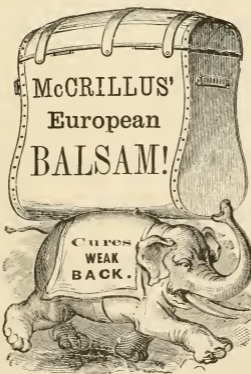
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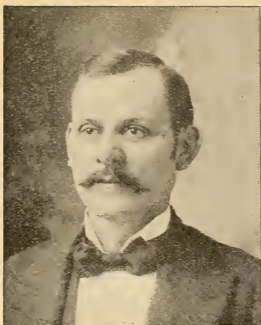
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
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