

ward for his honesty and fair dealing. He was married, August 13, 1863, to Jane Carruthers, a native of Ohio, and of Scotch descent. To them were born nine children, three only of whom are living—Thomas B., Stephen I. and Gracie, the others dying young. Thomas and Stephen are bright little boys. Mr. Wright is a member of the Baptist Church, as is also his wife. He is also a member of the Masonic fraternity and Knights of Honor, and the Knights and Ladies of Honor. Mr. Wright is an energetic business man, but he has met with misfortune. He lost his barn with contents by fire in September, 1883.

BOWLING GREEN AND WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP.

HIRAM P. ALLEN, M. D., of Bowling Green, was born in Monroe County, Ind., August 15, 1827. His parents, James and Delia (Wright) Allen, are natives of North Carolina, and of English origin. Dr. Allen emigrated with his parents to Putnam County in 1829, locating in Greencastle, which was then a log village, and the county a wilderness. His father died when he was but ten years of age, and his mother and two sisters were left to his support. At the age of fifteen years, he was apprenticed to a carpenter for three years, after which he entered Asbury University, remaining in that institution some time; then commenced the study of medicine, continuing several years, two of which he was employed in a drug store at Greencastle, leaving there during the years 1861 and 1862 to attend Rush Medical College at Chicago. After completing his medical course, he began immediately the practice of his profession in Fillmore, Ind., where he remained a short time; then removed to Bellville, Ind., where he continued in practice until the year 1881, when he located in Bowling Green, Clay Co., Ind., where he is at present engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery. He was married in 1850 to Miss Knetzer. Six children were born to this union. Mrs. Allen died in 1881, and the Doctor, having the care of a family, was next married to Jennie A. Stites. She has borne her husband one child.

ADAM BAUMUNK was born in Ohio May 28, 1848, and is the youngest of ten children of Michael and Margaret (Storm) Baumunk, both natives of Germany. Adam, in company with his parents, came to Owen County, Ind., in 1851, remaining one year, going then to Clay County, where they settled in Washington Township, near Poland, where they began clearing land for a home, enduring all the hardships of pioneer life, and living to enjoy the fruit of their labors. Adam worked upon the farm and attended school, remaining with his parents until his majority. He was married March 21, 1872, to Rebecca, daughter of John and Lavinia (Barr) Ulrich. Two children have been born to them, viz., Clara and Dora. Mr. Baumunk is an enterprising farmer living on a farm near Poland. Both Mr. and Mrs. Baumunk are members of the German Reformed Church, and are ever ready in all benevolent works.

GEORGE N. BEAMER is the fifth of twelve children of George and Elizabeth (Stoody) Beamer, the former a native of Maryland, the latter of Pennsylvania, and of German extraction. Mr. Beamer, Sr., was a soldier of the war of 1812, and, it is thought, was under Gen. Harrison, and at the battle of Sandusky, Ohio. The subject of our sketch was born in Ohio on January 6, 1827, and spent his early youth on a farm, and acquired only a common school education, sufficient, however, to enable him to teach school,

which occupation he followed successfully during ten years of his life, and during this time he was married, on October 19, 1854, to Henrietta Bear, a native of Ohio, and daughter of Jacob and Henrietta (Walter) Bear, natives of Pennsylvania. After his marriage, Mr. Beamer farmed and taught school in Ohio until the year 1862, when he came to Washington Township, Clay Co., Ind., and purchased a farm of 110 acres near Bowling Green, and since that purchase, by industry and thrift, has added 202 acres more, making a grand total of 312 acres. This farm has all modern improvements, and all the surroundings are calculated to make one's life pleasant, and his home attractive. Mrs. Beamer has borne her husband seven children, viz., Emma J. (Huber), born September 16, 1855; Laura Ellen (Huber), born June 15, 1858; Charles Elmer, born March 7, 1861, died July 9, 1861; Alva C., born July 31, 1862; Jasper F., born March 30, 1865; Howard E., born November 30, 1869; Willace M., born February 16, 1873, died July 11, 1875. Mr. Beamer is politically a Democrat, and cast his first Presidential ballot for Lewis Cass in 1848. He is Justice of the Peace of Washington Township, this being his second term. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ABNER BOHANNON is a resident of Bowling Green, the fifth of ten children of John and Mary (Sacrey) Bohannon, natives of Kentucky and Maryland, and of English extraction. Abner was born in Shelby County, Ky., November 12, 1817, and was reared on a farm, receiving only a common school education. Soon after his majority, he was married to Sarah Rogers, a native of Kentucky, and daughter of George and Elizabeth (Pearson) Rogers, also natives of Kentucky. After his marriage, he began farming in Hendricks County, Ind., where he remained until 1857, when he moved to near Cloverdale, Ind., remaining there until 1862. His wife died there June 23, 1858. To this union were born ten children—William H., Thirza (now Trout), Melinda M. (now Phegley), Mary F. (now Zring), Nancy J. (now Boswell), Elizabeth (now Haden), Monroe and Squire. The other two are deceased. He was next married, October 15, 1861, to Palmyra (Pinkston), daughter of John and Peggy Garvin, natives of Kentucky. Mr. Bohannon came to Washington Township, Clay County, in 1862, and located on a farm near Bowling Green, where he resided until October, 1882, when he permanently located in town, taking charge of the post office. His present wife has borne him four children—Candace (now Clingerman), Curtis, Robert and John. Mr. B. is a Mason; in politics a Republican, and cast his first ballot for Harrison in 1840. For six years he was Assessor of Washington Township. Both he and his wife are members of the Missionary Baptist Church.

WILLIAM H. BOOTHE was born in Clay County, Ind., on December 20, 1842, and is the seventh of eight children of Thompson and Huldah (Thomas) Boothe, the former a native of Harrison County, Ind., the latter of Shelby County, Ky., and of English and Welsh extraction. During his youth, our subject worked on a farm in the summer, and attended school in the winter seasons, thus receiving a common school education. He remained with his parents until he was seventeen years old, and when the war of the rebellion broke out he enlisted in Company B, Fifty-fifth Indiana Infantry, serving three months, and participated in the battle of Richmond, Ky., where he was taken prisoner and paroled, and he then returned home. His time had expired before this battle had occurred, but he with his regiment volunteered service during this battle. At the expiration of his term, he re-enlisted for six months in Company B, One Hundred and Fifteenth Indiana Infantry, most of this time being on detached duty. At the expiration of this term,

he again re-enlisted in Company I, One Hundred and Thirty-third Indiana Infantry for three months, being during this time on guard duty in East Tennessee. On his fourth enlistment for one year in Company B, One Hundred and Forty-ninth Indiana Infantry, he was promoted First Lieutenant, and then to Captain, and served until the close of the war, being honorably discharged in July, 1865. After his return to civil life, he spent five or six years in traveling. On August 25, 1870, he was married to Sarah J. Stinson, the daughter of Lynza and Sallie A (Lucas) Stinson, natives of North Carolina. To them have been born five children, viz., Addis, Frederick R., Harley M., Bessie H. and Thomas T. Mr. Boothe is a member of the I. O. O. F. He is, one of the pioneers of Clay County, living at this time on a farm, near Bowling Green, of 210 acres of good land, well improved. He was well provided for by his parents, and by his industry and economy has accumulated enough to provide all the comforts for himself and family during the rest of their lives.

MARTIN BOYER, a resident of Bowling Green, was born in Germany November 6, 1839, and is the eldest of five children of Charles and Caroline Boyer, both natives of Germany. Charles Boyer came to America in 1848, settling in Blair County, Penn., where he remained until the spring of 1857, when his family crossed the Atlantic and took up their abode here. He died in the year 1859. Martin only received a common school education. After the death of his father, he was left to the support of the family, he sawing wood for a living. On July 4, 1861, he was married to Susanna, daughter of Henry and Elizabeth (Reese) Glass, natives of Pennsylvania. To them have been born nine children, viz., Charles (deceased), William H., Ettie B., Laura, Eliza B. (deceased), Walter, Lillie, Rosie and Homer. Soon after his marriage, Mr. Boyer came to Owen County, Ind., locating in Atkinsonville, and working at the carpenter's and cabinet-maker's trades until February 8, 1865, when he enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Forty-ninth Indiana Infantry, and served nearly six months, but during the month of June he was sent to the hospital at Huntsville, Ala., at which place he was discharged on July 11, very much disabled physically. After his return home, he was for six months unable to perform any manual labor, yet he recovered sufficiently to attend the post office and work in a country store, being employed in that capacity about three years. He then engaged in the lumber trade, buying and selling, in which he was engaged for about three years, being located in Spencer, Owen County. Leaving there, he located in Poland, Clay County, where he purchased a saw-mill, which was soon after destroyed by fire. He purchased another mill and continued the business, establishing himself in Bowling Green in 1880, where he has a fine saw and planing mill. The value of the mill and machinery is \$5,000; of the logs and lumber on hand, \$1,000; of the teams and wagons, \$1,000; of the real estate, \$2,500. Mr. Boyer commenced business life without any assistance from others, and is doing a business of the value of \$5,000 a year. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., and in politics a Democrat. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

FRANCIS M. CAMPBELL, an enterprising farmer of Washington Township, was born in Butler County, Ohio, December 16, 1840, and is the youngest of eight children of Martin and Margaret (Taylor) Campbell, natives of Pennsylvania, of German origin. Gen. Taylor, of Mexican war fame, was the great-grandfather of Mrs. Margaret Campbell. Our subject, during his youth, attended school during the winter, and labored on the farm during the summer seasons. Being patriotically inclined, on August 20, 1861, he enlisted in Company A, Forty-third Indiana Infantry, for three years, serv-

ing sixteen months, and participated in the battles of Island No. 10, Fort Pillow, Chickasaw Bluffs and Memphis. Owing to ill health, he was then discharged. After returning home and partially recovering his health, he assisted in raising Company M, Sixth Indiana Cavalry, of which he was made Lieutenant. He served with this company until the close of the war, being engaged in the battles of Nashville, Resaca, Kingston, Ga., Kennesaw Mountain, Marietta and Atlanta, Ga. He was honorably discharged September 15, 1865, returned to civil life, and engaged in farming. On April 15, 1868, he was married to Mary E., daughter of Fergus and Mercy Snoddy, natives of Kentucky. To them have been born four children—Harry, Court, Clarence and Gilberta, all of whom are living. Mr. Campbell is one of the pioneers of Clay County, being at present the owner of 200 acres of good land near Bowling Green. His farm has all the modern improvements. He and his wife are both members of the Christian Church.

JAMES M. CAMPBELL, one of the leading farmers and stock-raisers of this township, was born in Shelby County, Ky., October 26, 1842, and is the eldest of the seven children of John S. and Julia A. (Miles) Campbell, the former a native of Lewisburg, Penn., and of Scotch, the latter of Shelby County, Ky., and of English extraction. John S. Campbell was a carpenter by trade, and in 1852 emigrated to this county and township and located in Bowling Green, where he died in March, 1856, aged forty-two years. After James M. Campbell had obtained a meager education, and when he was nineteen years of age, he enlisted in the Forty-third Regiment Indiana Volunteer Infantry, Company A; was sent to the front, and became one of those heroic soldiers who made a glory for the county of Clay, having been twice wounded, and once taken prisoner. After this record, August 30, 1864, he was honorably discharged, returned home and engaged in various undertakings until 1878, when he located on his farm and present home—a property containing upward of 400 acres of arable and valuable land, since which period he has given his attention wholly to husbandry and the raising of stock. Mr. Campbell is politically a Republican, and also a much respected citizen.

WARREN M. CAMPBELL, manufacturing shoe-maker, a resident of Bowling Green, was born in Clay County, Ind., on July 24, 1854, and is the seventh of twelve children of James B. and Mary A. (Hunt) Campbell, both of English origin. Mr. Campbell, Sr., emigrated from Preble County, Ohio, to Clay County, Ind., in 1854, locating in Washington Township, and purchasing a farm near Bowling Green, where he lived until last spring, when he removed to Bowling Green, where he now resides. Our subject was reared as a farmer, receiving only a common school education. Just previous to his majority, he commenced serving his time at the shoe-maker's trade in Assumption, Ill., and has continued the trade, having located in Bowling Green in 1874, where he is now doing a first-class business. On December 24, 1874, he was married to Mary S., daughter of James W. and Georgiana (Graves) Godfrey, natives of Kentucky. Two children have been born to them—William Pearl and Eva Belle. Mr. Campbell is an energetic, wide-awake young man, and has every prospect of a successful business life before him. Mr. C. is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and his wife of the Baptist Church.

JOHN CLINGERMAN was born in Pennsylvania on March 4, 1831, and is the sixth of seven children of Daniel and Margaret (Singly) Clingerman, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German lineage. Our subject grew up on a farm, receiving but a limited education. He remained with his parents upon a farm until a short time before his majority, when, on January 20, 1852, he was married to Barbara A. Royer, a native of Ohio, and

daughter of John and Catharine (Funk) Royer, natives of Virginia, and of German descent. After his marriage, Mr. C. emigrated from Ohio to Washington Township, Clay County, Ind., and purchased a farm of eighty acres near Bowling Green. On this farm he built a log cabin, and, in his efforts to prepare a home for himself and family, he endured all the hardships and privations of a pioneer life; but he has succeeded, and has added 120 acres more, making 200 acres of fine farming land. Instead of the log cabin, there stands a fine dwelling house, with all other modern improvements. Mrs. C. has borne her husband nine children—Elizabeth (Cashner), Daniel, Margaret C. (Arnold), Joseph H., William A., Eliza J., Mary E., Elmer and Emery N., all of whom are living. Mrs. Clingerman is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

THOMAS DRAKE, a resident of Bowling Green, was born in Barren County, Ky., November 18, 1815, and is the second of nine children of Greenberry and Nancy (Lane) Drake, natives of Virginia, and of English lineage. He was brought up on a farm, and received his education in the common schools. He emigrated from Kentucky with his parents in 1831, locating in Washington Township, Clay County. Here his parents resided until their death. January 14, 1842, Mr. Drake was married to Mariah, daughter of Lee and Jerusha Bybee, natives of Kentucky. After his marriage, he continued farming in Clay County, where he has since resided on a farm of 190 acres of land, which he owns. His farm has all the modern improvements. He is one of the pioneers of Clay County, and with his own hands has made and improved the beautiful farm which is his home. To Mr. and Mrs. Drake have been born two children, viz., Margaret (Allee) and Stewart. For two years he was a member of the City Council of Bowling Green. His wife is a member of the Christian Church.

JOEL S. DRAKE, of Bowling Green, was born in Meade County, Ky., January 24, 1831, and is the seventh of nine children of Greenberry and Nancy (Lane) Drake, natives of Virginia, and of English origin. Our subject was reared on a farm, working in the summer and attending the common schools in the winter seasons. In this way he acquired an education that qualified him as a school teacher. In his younger days he also acquired the trade of brick-mason, which trade he followed for twenty-eight years. After serving his time, he went to Des Moines, Iowa, where he sojourned about fifteen years, when he returned to Bowling Green, and purchased a farm of 140 acres near the town; and on this farm he now resides; said farm has all the improvements necessary to make home pleasant and attractive. He was married, June 18, 1873, to Melissa Shafer, a native of Owen County, Ind., and a daughter of Elijah and Rhoda Ann Shafer, natives of Ohio, and of German and Irish descent. To them have been born four children, viz., Maude S., Nancy A., Howard J. and Albert A., all of whom are living. October 7, 1880, Mrs. Drake died. She was a devoted member of the Christian Church. By his own hands and skill, Mr. Drake has made the farm he now owns and occupies; in short, he "is the architect of his own fortune."

PHILIP A. ELKIN, an enterprising farmer of Washington Township, was born in Nelson County, Ky., March 5, 1837, and is the youngest of three children of Benjamin and Eliza (Williams) Elkin, natives of Kentucky, and of English extraction. Benjamin Elkin came to Indiana in October, 1848; located in Washington Township, Clay County, and erected a log cabin. In his efforts to prepare for himself and family a comfortable home, he suffered all the privations incident to pioneer life. His father was a soldier in the war of 1812, and lost his life in Col. Dudley's defeat. Mr. Elkin is an active Democrat, politically, and has held offices of honor and trust in the party. He was born in 1813, and is, therefore, seventy years of age. He resides

with his youngest son in Bowling Green. Philip A., our subject, grew up on a farm and received a common school education. In July, 1862, he enlisted in Company D, Sixth Indiana Cavalry, as a private; was soon after promoted to Corporal, then to Sergeant of the Sixth Cavalry, or Seventy-first Indiana Infantry. He participated in the battles of Richmond, Ky., Resaca, Atlanta and many others. On the Stoneman raid in Georgia, he was taken prisoner and sent to Andersonville; remained there a short time, when he was exchanged, and returned home. In a short time, however, he rejoined his regiment, and remained with it until mustered out of the service, in July, 1865. May 2, 1866, he was married to Alice I. Long, a native of Shelby County, Ky., and daughter of W. D. and Lorinda Long, also natives of Kentucky. Mrs. Elkin has borne her husband four children, viz., Everett, Clinton B., Hettie and Earl. Since his marriage, Mr. Elkin has been engaged in farming; owns a fine farm of ninety acres near Bowling Green, where he now resides. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity and Knights of Honor; was Trustee of the township one term; was Deputy Sheriff of the county four years. His wife is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

C. J. FERGUSON, a Bowling Green resident, was born in Putnam County, Ind., on September 16, 1841, and is the fourth of eleven children of John W. and Margaret (Sapp) Ferguson, natives of New Jersey, and of English lineage. Our subject was reared on a farm, laboring in the seasons of summer, and attending school during those of winter, thereby obtaining a very good common school education, which was sufficient to enable him to teach. He remained upon the farm with his parents until after he became of age, when, being of a patriotic turn of mind, he enlisted in Company D, Fifty-fifth Regiment Indiana Infantry, and served four months, participating in the battle of Richmond, Ky., where he was taken prisoner by the enemy and paroled, and returned home. His term of enlistment expiring in the meantime, he was never ordered to join his regiment. For the succeeding two years he was employed in the express office in Terre Haute, Vigo County, and came to Harrison Township, Clay County, in April, 1865, where his parents then resided, they having removed there a short time before. He remained with them until 1867, when he commenced farming for himself. On his return from a tour in the West, during that autumn, in December, 1868, he was married, to Mary, daughter of Hugh and Sarah Thompson, natives of Kentucky. His wife has borne him three children, viz.: Hulbert M., Lulu B. and Arthur. After his marriage, Mr. Ferguson continued farming in Harrison Township until the spring of 1878, when he moved to Bowling Green, where he has since resided. He now owns ninety acres of good land in Harrison Township, on the Eel River bottoms. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., and in politics, a Democrat. He is also a liberal contributor to all benevolent enterprises.

WILLIAM J. FRANCIS was born in Crab Orchard, Ky., in 1818, and is the sixth of a family of eight children of Joseph and Millie (Grizard) Francis, the former a native of Virginia, the latter of North Carolina, and both of German extraction. He spent his younger days on a farm, and received a very limited education. Soon after his majority, he came to Clay County, and has resided here ever since, except during four years he resided in Terre Haute, Vigo County. On his return, he was married to Rebecca Stevens, a native of Clay County, and daughter of James and Wealthy Stevens. Mrs. Francis died in less than a year after marriage. She was a member of the United Brethren Church. About three years after the death of Mrs. Francis, our subject married, for his second wife, Mrs. Ehnira (Luther) Kendall, a widow, daughter of William and Patia (Long) Luther, natives of North Carolina, and of English and German descent. To this union

have been born eight children, viz.: James M. (deceased), Joseph L., Nancy E. (deceased), William, Jacob (deceased), Harriet (deceased), Andy and Mary J. (deceased). After this marriage, Mr. Francis erected a log cabin on Eel River, and while making for himself and family a home he endured all the hardships and privations of pioneer life. He now owns and occupies a farm of 146 acres. This farm is located near Bowling Green, and possesses all the modern improvements. Mr. Francis is one of the pioneers of this county. In politics, he is a Democrat, and cast his first Presidential vote for William H. Harrison in 1840. He and his wife are both members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

JOHN FRUMP, an enterprising farmer, was born in Highland County, Ohio, on January 29, 1822, and is the eldest of nine children of John and Mary Ann (Crabb) Frump, the former a native of Delaware, the latter of Virginia, and of German origin. Our subject emigrated to Clay County with his parents in 1835, locating in Posey Township. He was reared on a farm and received a limited education. About the time he attained his majority, he commenced figuring in politics, and in the year 1865 he was made Treasurer of the county, locating in Bowling Green after his election. During ten consecutive years he was Trustee of Van Buren Township, and resigned to accept the office of Treasurer of the county. At the expiration of the second term as Treasurer, Mr. Frump settled on a farm of 340 acres one and one-half miles from Bowling Green; also owns 160 acres near Clay City, making a grand total of 500 acres of land, having all the modern improvements. On March 23, 1848, he was married to Betsey J. Matthews, a native of Parke County, Ind., and daughter of William and Susanna (Storm) Matthews, natives respectively of Tennessee and Virginia, and of German descent. Eleven children have been born to this union, viz.: Selina Laurette (Crist), William M., Manary B., Benjamin F., Elvina A. (Kilmer), Doctor Dick, Alma A. (Chatman), John C., Susanna J. (McCann), Rosilla F. (deceased), and Mary Catharine. Mr. Frump is literally a self-made man, and has accumulated his handsome fortune through pluck and perseverance and skillful management. In politics, he is an active Democrat, and cast his first vote for President in 1844 for James K. Polk. He and his wife are both members of the Christian Church, in which he is also an Elder. All, save one of his children, are also members of this church, and all alike are liberal givers to charitable and benevolent enterprises.

DANIEL FUNK was born in Virginia in April, 1818, and is the sixth of twelve children of Daniel and Christina (Safteley) Funk, the former a native of Pennsylvania, the latter of Virginia, and both of German ancestry. Our subject was brought up on a farm, and received his education at common country schools. Just preceding his majority, he began work at the carpenter and joiner trade, and continued in it during the next succeeding fifteen years. On August 6, 1846, he was married to Sarah J. Ellis, a native of Virginia, and daughter of Abraham and Sarah (Couchman) Ellis, natives of Virginia, and of German origin. Mr. Funk prosecuted his trade until 1854, when he came to Clay County and settled in Washington Township, where he has since resided, living at present on a well-improved farm of 300 acres, near Bowling Green. To this couple have been born three children, viz.: Cassine M., William H. and Anna E. (deceased). In politics, Mr. Funk voted with the Old-Line Whigs until after Gen. Scott's campaign, since which he has generally voted the Democratic ticket, having cast his first ballot for Harrison. Hard labor, tact, perseverance, economy and good management have rewarded him with a comfortable, beautiful home, and given to his children, for their fidelity and faithful service, a competency.

ABRAHAM GODFREY was born in Mercer County, Ky., on February 4, 1827, and is the fourth of ten children of William and Rosa (Ray) God-

frey, the former a native of Virginia, the latter of Kentucky, and of English and German extraction. Our subject worked on a farm during his younger days, and received but a limited education. At the age of seventeen, he engaged as a farm hand at \$18 to \$20 per month. This he shared with his parents, to aid them in their support. Very soon he engaged in the stone and mason work, which he continued for several years. On February 11, 1847, he was married to Nancy Phillips, a native of Kentucky, and daughter of Aaron and Clory (Lacefield) Phillips, a native of Virginia and Kentucky, of English descent. In the fall of 1852, he emigrated from Kentucky to Indiana, locating in Washington Township, Clay County. The following winter he purchased near Bowling Green a farm of eighty acres, and, with a primitive log cabin for a habitation, he began work of clearing up land, and preparing a home for himself and family. He was compelled to endure many privations and hardships in the wilderness, but finally day dawned upon him, and his industry and thrift have enabled him to add to his original purchase forty acres, making a total of 120 acres, on which he now resides. Besides this, he has 130 acres of good land in Perry Township. Mrs. Godfrey has borne her husband five children, viz.: Catharine E. (Woods), Mary Scott (Haze), James P., Andora (Huff) and Jane (Spears). Mr. Godfrey is a member of the Christian Church.

JOHN M. HEADY, grocer of Bowling Green, was born in Putnam County, Ind., on October 9, 1835, and is the son of Imri and Elizabeth (Slavens) Heady, natives of Shelby and Montgomery Counties, Ky., respectively, and of English and Irish extraction. Our subject was reared upon a farm and received a common school education, yet he was sufficiently qualified to become a teacher himself. He remained with his parents upon the farm, alternately farming and teaching (now holding a State certificate) until the year 1879, when he was married to Clara M. Dalgarm, a native of Indiana, and daughter of James and Margaret (Booth) Dalgarm, natives of Kentucky and Ohio. Two children have been born to them—Gilberty and Maggie. After his marriage, he was engaged in farming until October 15, 1882, when he embarked in the business of a grocer, locating in Bowling Green. In politics, he is an active Democrat. He was Assessor of Clinton Township, Putnam County; was also Deputy Sheriff of that county for four years. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, is an active, wide-awake citizen, and a successful business man.

JOHN HOUK, one of the pioneer farmers of Washington Township, was born in Kentucky on January 25, 1824, and is the fourth of eleven children of William and Lydia (Fisher) Houk, the former a native of Virginia and the latter of North Carolina, and of German and Irish ancestry. Our subject grew up on a farm, but had no advantages for an education. With his parents he emigrated from Kentucky to Jennings County, Ind., when he was but two years old, and remained there about seven years. He then, in 1833, came to Clay County and settled in Washington Township, and here he has since resided. His present farm consists of 240 acres of fine land, situated near Bowling Green. He owns 130 acres more, which he has added, which makes him a total of 370 acres of well-improved land. On January 8, 1849, he was married to Evaline Crouse, a native of North Carolina, and daughter of Martin and Susanna (Wagoner) Crouse, natives of North Carolina, and of German ancestry. To them have been born eight children, viz., Martin, Jane, Lydia (Foreman), William, James, Calvin, Susanna (Kiser) and Henry, all of whom are living. Mr. Houk is a pioneer of Clay County, having resided here upward of fifty years. He is a man who commenced active life with nothing, and is "the architect of his own fortune." He and his wife are members of the United Brethren Church, and neither ever turns a deaf ear to the calls of the needy.

DANIEL HUBER was born in Pennsylvania on August 23, 1823, and was the fourth of five children of John and Margaret (Basol) Huber, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German lineage. Our subject was brought up on a farm, and, owing to the early death of his father, he received no education. At the age of eight years, he commenced active life for himself by working for his board and clothes until he was sixteen years old, when he was apprenticed to a carpenter for two years. At the expiration of his apprenticeship he removed to Fayette County, Ind., locating near Springersville, where he continued to work at his trade. On September 28, 1845, he was married to Lydia Strong, a native of Fayette County, Ind., and the daughter of Ricard and Susanna (Gaby) Strong, natives of Virginia and Pennsylvania respectively. He still continued work at his trade until, on September 28, 1857, he moved to Washington Township, Clay County, where he has since resided on a farm, near Bowling Green, of 302 acres of well-improved land. Mrs. Huber has borne her husband ten children, viz., Mary E. (Royer), Margaret J. (deceased), Cynthia A. (Wallace), John Andrew, Susan C. (Dean), Mattison E. (deceased), Ira D., Elmira L., Alvin C. (deceased), and William W. Mr. and Mrs. Huber are both members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and are liberal givers to all charitable and benevolent institutions.

JOHN HUBER was born in Berks County, Penn., on May 17, 1817, and is the second of seven children of John and Margaret (Basol) Huber, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German lineage. Our subject was reared on a farm and received but a limited education. At the early age of ten years, he began life for himself by working on a farm as a farm hand, his compensation being his board and clothing. He continued this until he was fourteen years of age, when he engaged to a farmer for four years for his board, clothes and \$50. At the expiration of his time, he emigrated to Indiana, locating in Fayette County, and here remained, being employed at different vocations, principally at the carpenter's trade. It was during his sojourn in Indiana that he was married to Amanda Long, a resident of Union County, Ind. He continued his trade until 1853, when he came to Washington Township, Clay County, purchasing a farm of eighty acres, being partly in Clay and partly in Owen Counties. Here he commenced working out for himself and family a home, and in the end succeeded. On July 5, 1854, Mrs. Huber died. She had borne her husband two children—Michael Henry and John Franklin. After the death of his wife, he returned to Fayette County, where he remained for six years. He then married, for his second wife, Matilda Krater, a native of Lebanon County, Penn., and daughter of Daniel and Christina Krater, natives of Pennsylvania. After his marriage, Mr. Huber returned to Clay County, and located on the eighty acres he purchased when he first came to the county, and he has added to it 140 acres more, making a total of 220 acres. Mrs. Huber has borne him no children. They are both members of the United Brethren Church. Mr. Huber's first wife was also a consistent member of this church.

JACOB HUDSON, one of the pioneer farmers of Washington Township, was born in Randolph County, N. C., June 12, 1823, and is the second of four children of James and Margaret (Luther) Hudson, the former a native of Virginia, the latter of North Carolina, and both of English origin. Our subject grew up on a farm, but received only a common school education. He emigrated with his parents from North Carolina in 1827 to Clay County, settling near Bowling Green for a year, then moved to the country, where he worked on the farm until the death of his parents. On February 10, 1849, he was married to Margaret Luther, a native of Clay County, and daughter of William and Patia (Long) Luther, natives of North Carolina, and of English extraction. Ever since his marriage, Mr. Hudson has

continued farming, residing in Washington Township, and at present owns and occupies a farm of 250 acres of good land near Bowling Green. His farm is well improved, and under good cultivation. To Mr. and Mrs. Hudson have been born ten children, viz.: John E., Mary Ann (Loncer), William N. (deceased), Jacob H. (deceased), James M., Maria J., Nancy E., Julia E., Allie D. and Joseph N. Mr. Hudson is a Democrat in politics, having cast his first vote for President for James K. Polk. He commenced life with nothing, but he has accumulated enough of this world's goods to enable him to live comfortably during the remainder of his days, and leave a competency for his children. He also was a soldier in the war of the United States with Mexico. On June 15, 1846, he enlisted in the Second Indiana Regiment, served under Gen. Lane, participated in the battle of Buena Vista, and was honorably discharged in 1847, he having served one year. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hudson are members of the Christian Church, and liberal contributors to all benevolent and charitable enterprises.

CHRISTOPHER H. KATTMANN was born in Germany March 19, 1817, and was the eldest of three children of John G. and Catharine (Cullenbergh) Kattmann, both natives of Germany. Shortly before his majority, Christopher emigrated to the United States, landing at New York City, going thence to Richmond, Ind., where he spent six years working as a stone cutter and mason. While here he was married, September, 1842, to Margaret Mark, a native of Germany. Six children have been born to this union, viz.: John G., Christopher H., Frederika H., Margaret, Martha and Frederick W. Shortly after his marriage, he came to Washington Township, Clay Co., Ind., settling on a farm of 160 acres near Poland, he having purchased it while in Richmond. Being one of the pioneers, he endured many hardships, but redeemed from the wilderness a fine farm, adding to the original purchase until he now has 444 acres, well improved and attractive. Mr. and Mrs. Kattmann are members of the German Reformed Church, and are liberal in charities.

JOHN LASSELL was born in Switzerland County, Ind., December 20, 1825, and was the son of Joseph and Elizabeth Ann (Turner) Lassell, the former a native of Maryland, the latter of Delaware, and of French and German extraction. In October, 1838, John came with his parents to Clay County, Ind., and in 1840 his father entered 120 acres near Bowling Green and began clearing for a home, where he lived many years, dying in Greene County at the age of ninety-one years. Mr. Lassell remained with his parents until his marriage, which occurred March 23, 1847, to Harriet Gilbert, a native of Ohio. After his marriage, he still continued farming in Clay County, and by his own industry has acquired a good farm of 160 acres near Bowling Green, and is surrounded with everything to make a pleasant home. Mrs. Lassell has borne her husband six children, viz.: Miriam (now Boothe), William, Amanda (now deceased), Mary J., Andrew and Angeline (both deceased).

JAMES N. LAUGHLIN was born in Westmoreland County, Penn., September 5, 1840, and was the third of five children of William and Sarah (Nesbit) Laughlin, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German and Irish ancestry. When James was twelve years of age, he came with his parents to Washington Township, Clay Co., Ind., where his father purchased land and began, amid all the hardships of pioneer life, developing a home from the wilderness. The mother died February 6, 1866; the father still lives with his son James, who remained with his parents until January 20, 1866, when he married Mary, daughter of Darlington and Susan (Fisher) Boyce. After his marriage, Mr. Laughlin began farming for himself, and is now located on a farm of 280 acres near Center Point, with good improvements, and attract-

ively situated. Seven children have been born to this union, all of whom are living, viz.: Lewis, Anna M., William D., Lucy, Susan, Maggie and Harlan. Mr. Laughlin enlisted as one of the one-hundred-day men in Company H, Fifty-fourth Indiana Infantry. He served upon detached duty as guard, and was mustered out in October, 1862. Mr. and Mrs. Laughlin are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and give liberally to all benevolent works.

JOHN LITTLE is a native of Pennsylvania, and eldest of two children of William and Anna (Millhoof) Litle, the former a native of England, the latter of Pennsylvania, and is of German and English ancestry. On account of the early death of his father, John worked for his board and clothes until, at the age of ten years, he was apprenticed to a shoe-maker, which trade he followed for several years in different parts of the United States. He was married, August 20, 1849, to Elizabeth Cole, a native of Pennsylvania. Seven children have been born to this union, viz.: Almedia (deceased), Jonathan (deceased), Media (deceased), Emeline (now Jenkins), David, Rebecca and Charles. Mr. Litle, after his marriage, worked at his trade in Mount Pleasant, Penn., until 1852, when he went to Ohio, remaining there eighteen months, going thence to Indiana, locating in Clay County, where he purchased a farm, upon which he now resides. Mr. and Mrs. Litle are members of the United Brethren Church. Mr. Litle served under Gen. Scott in the Mexican war, enlisting in 1847, and remaining until the close of the war. He did not participate in any fighting, but served as guard, on account of poor health.

WILLIAM M. LLOYD, an enterprising farmer of Washington Township, was born in Owen County, Ind., February 23, 1845, and is the youngest of thirteen children of James M. and Catharine (Eli) Lloyd, the former a native of Kentucky, the latter of Pennsylvania. James Lloyd was a soldier in the war of 1812, and was wounded; was under Gen. Harrison at the battle of Tippecanoe. Our subject was brought up on a farm, receiving a limited education. He was a lover of his country, and in her hour of peril enlisted, on July 6, 1861, in Company I, Twenty-first Indiana Infantry, for three years, and "veteranized." He participated in the following battles: Baton Rouge, siege of Port Hudson, siege of Fort Morgan and Mobile, Donaldsonville, and many others. He was discharged January 15, 1866, very much disabled in his left arm from vaccination, which operation was performed by military orders. On his return to civil life he engaged in farming. On May 6, 1866, he was married to Margaret Reynolds, a native of Clay County, and daughter of James and Nancy Reynolds, natives of North Carolina, and pioneers of Clay County. They have no children. Since his marriage, Mr. Lloyd has remained in this county, living on a farm of ninety-one acres near Bowling Green. His farm has all the modern improvements. He and his wife are both members of the United Brethren Church.

P. A. McALLISTER, insurance agent, a resident of Bowling Green, was born in Lancaster County, Penn., July 19, 1835, and was a son of R. B. and Susan (Miller) McAllister, the former a native of Maryland, the latter of Pennsylvania. Mr. McAllister is of Scotch-Irish and German extraction. Losing his mother at an early age, he received but a limited education, living on a farm until thirteen years of age, when he engaged as clerk in a mercantile house in Lancaster, Penn., which business he followed until nineteen years of age, when he came to Indiana, locating in Lancaster, Owen County, in 1854. Most of his life has been spent in merchandising, he having been in trade in Bowling Green several years. In September, 1857, he was married to Mary A., daughter of John and Mary (Burkett) Fairleigh, a native of Ohio. Four children have been born to this union, viz.: Harry L., born

July 15, 1862; Cora, July 25, 1865; Eddie, September 6, 1868; Jessie M., May 2, 1879. Mr. McAllister is a member of the Masonic fraternity, also of the I. O. O. F. In politics, he is a Republican, casting his first vote for Fremont in 1856. He has been Town Treasurer of Spencer, Owen Co., Ind., where he formerly resided. He owns 220 acres of well-improved land upon the line between Owen and Clay Counties, and 160 acres in Kansas. He is a self-made man. Mrs. McAllister is a member of the Christian Church.

THOMAS MARSH, a resident of Bowling Green, was born in Hertford County, N. C., January 14, 1818, and is the youngest of six children of Huriiah and Delilah (Bruce) Marsh, the former a native of New Jersey, the latter of North Carolina, and both of English descent. Thomas was reared on a farm, and received no education. From North Carolina, he went to Hopkins County, Ky., thence to Rankin County, Miss., thence to Louisiana, thence to Tennessee, and thence to Dayton, Ohio, where he was married in June, 1840, to Catharine, daughter of John and Mary D. Gilbert, natives of Germany. Four children have been born to them—Mary J. (Tapy), Elizabeth (deceased), Evaline (McNamer) and William. About a year after his marriage, Mr. Marsh came to Clay County, Ind., and purchased a farm of 160 acres near Bowling Green, where he remained about two years, then sold out and removed to Greencastle, remaining there until 1858, and then removed to Bowling Green, where he has since resided, being surrounded with every comfort of life. On July 6, 1861, he enlisted in Company I, Twenty-first Indiana Infantry for three years, but on a forced march he received a fall which so badly ruptured him that he was discharged and sent home. He then enlisted in Company K, Second Indiana Cavalry, but the medical examiner at Columbus, Tenn., again discharged him for hernia, and sent him home. Since then he has not been able to perform any manual labor, living a retired life at his home in Bowling Green. His property is worth about \$4,000. Besides this he has estates, in prospective, coming to him from North Carolina and Kentucky, supposed to amount to \$10,000. He and his wife are consistent members of the Christian Church.

WILLIAM MAYROSE was born December 22, 1839, in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, and was the eldest of four children of Frederick and Ragana (Cople) Mayrose, both natives of Germany. Owing to the early death of his parents, William had little chance of schooling, but was at the age of nine years hired as a farm hand, receiving his board and clothes. Here he remained until he attained his majority, when he received a horse, saddle and bridle, and a suit of clothes. Mr. Mayrose, feeling the need of a home, was married, September, 1861, to Ragana Kirk, a native of Germany. He still continued to work as a farm hand until the spring of 1865, when he came to Clay County, Ind., locating in Jackson Township, and in 1877, coming to Washington Township, he was hired to take charge of the poor farm, receiving \$800 annually for his services, and as he proved faithful he is still retained. Mr. Mayrose owns a farm of 159 acres near Bowling Green, Ind. Mrs. Mayrose has borne her husband eight children, viz., Jacob, John, Henry, Matilda, Amelia, Rose Ann, William and Charles. Mr. and Mrs. Mayrose are members of the Evangelical Church of Christ. Mr. Mayrose is a member of the Knights and Ladies of Honor.

JOHN M. MELTON, one of the enterprising farmers of Washington Township, was born in Harrison County, Ind., February 22, 1822, and is the eldest of five children of Jesse and Eleanor (Melton) Melton, natives of North Carolina, and of English origin. Our subject lived on a farm for some years, and received his education in the common schools. He came with his parents from Harrison County to Clay County, Ind., in 1854, and

located in Bowling Green, where he has since resided. Mr. Melton is one of the pioneers of this county. He was also a soldier in the Mexican war. In July, 1846, he enlisted in the Second Indiana Volunteers, participating in the battle of Buena Vista, and was discharged in July, 1847. On his return to civil life he engaged in mercantile trade in Bowling Green. After seven years' experience in this, he sold out his stock and purchased a farm of 100 acres near Bowling Green, and has since been a successful farmer. On October 11, 1849, he was married to Emily N., daughter of William and Rachel (Alexander) Waugh, natives of North Carolina and of Irish extraction. The following-named children have been born to them: J. H., Rachel L. (Campbell), George, W. A., Jasper J., Otto and Emily M. (Buell). Mrs. Melton died August 8, 1869. She was a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church. In politics, Mr. Melton is a staunch Republican, but cast his first ballot for James K. Polk for President. With his own hands, and without assistance, Mr. Melton has made the beautiful farm which is now his home.

WILLIAM H. MILES, wagon-maker, and a resident of Bowling Green, is the fifth of seven children of Samuel and Hannah (Ghormley) Miles, and was born in Bowling Green, Clay County, on November 3, 1833. He was reared here, receiving only a common school education. After attaining his majority, he engaged in the carpenter and joiner trade in Bowling Green, continuing in that business until October 4, 1861, when he enlisted in Company A, Forty-third Indiana Infantry, and served three years, participating in the battle of Helena, Ark. Mr. Miles "veteranized" in the same company and regiment, and participated in the battle of the Little Missouri. Shortly after this battle, the regiment came home on a furlough, at the expiration of which it was stationed on duty at Indianapolis, remaining there until it was mustered out of the service at the close of the war. On his return to civil life, Mr. Miles resumed his trade at Bowling Green, continuing his work at it for about three years; then engaged in the saw-mill business for about three years, at the end of which time he engaged in the wagon-maker's trade, which he has followed ever since. On April 19, 1857, he was married to Melissa Moss, a native of Morgan County, Ind., and daughter of Henry and Jane Moss, the former a native of North Carolina, the latter of Virginia. To them have been born seven children, viz.: Henry K. (deceased), Minnie J., William L., Edward E., Enos, Annie B. and Mary C. For three years, Mr. Miles was Postmaster at Bowling Green. He and his wife are both members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and liberal givers to and supporters of all charitable enterprises.

H. H. B. MILES, salesman, of Bowling Green, Ind., is the youngest of seven children of Samuel and Hannah (Ghormley) Miles, the former a native of Kentucky, the latter of Pennsylvania. Samuel Miles was a soldier in the war of 1812, and for five years of the regular army. After the expiration of his term of service, he located, about the year 1818, in Terre Haute, Vigo County, but came to Bowling Green, Clay County in 1831, and engaged in the tannery business, following it for several years; then purchased a farm near town, and continued farming until the year 1859, and in the meantime, in partnership with his son-in-law, building a flouring mill and woolen factory, following this business for about five years, after which he sold his mill and retired from active life. He was then appointed Postmaster at Bowling Green, holding that office about ten years, resigning just previous to his death, which event occurred in June, 1876. Mr. Miles was one of the enterprising men of Clay County. He served the county as Clerk one term; also served as Probate Judge; also served as Justice of the Peace; was also a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In politics, he was a staunch Republican. H. H. B. Miles, the subject of this

sketch, was born in Bowling Green, Clay County, October 8, 1835; was reared here, and received a common school education. After his majority, he engaged in farming until the breaking out of the rebellion, when he enlisted, in August, 1862, in Company E, Eighty-fifth Indiana Infantry, and served three years. He participated in the battle of Spring Hill, where he was captured March 5, 1863, taken to Libby Prison, Richmond, Va., and held until April. He was then paroled and sent to Camp Chase, Ohio, and from there to Indianapolis, where he was exchanged, and sent to his regiment in June, 1863. He was with Sherman in his Atlanta campaign and on his "march to the sea," and was mustered out of the service at Washington, D. C., on June 12, 1865. After returning to civil life, Mr. Miles engaged in farming, continuing five years, then in the mercantile business, as clerk, which he has since followed. On April 30, 1867, he was married to Parnitha G. Clemons, a native of Ohio. He has been Constable of Washington Township; is a member of the Knights of Honor; is a Republican in politics. Both he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ADAM B. MOON was born in Canton, Ohio, May 28, 1818, and was the eldest of seven children of Jacob and Catharine (Rickard) Moon, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German descent. Adam was reared in town, and attended school, also working at tanning until sixteen years of age, when he began for himself, managing a distillery, for which he received \$50 a month, and where he continued nine years. He then engaged in a flouring mill, at Lancaster, Ohio, and while here was married to Irena Vanwey, March 6, 1842. Nine children have been born to this marriage. Mr. Moon continued working in the flouring mill until January 3, 1856, when he moved to Clay County, Ind., and located in Washington Township, on a farm of eighty-six acres he had previously purchased, and began making a home. He was appointed overseer of the Poor Farm of Clay County, which position he held six years, receiving liberal pay, which enabled him to add to his little farm, until he now has 405 acres, with fine improvements, making a pleasant home. Mr. and Mrs. Moon are members of the United Brethren Church, as are also their children. Mr. Moon is an active politician, voting with the Democrats, and cast his first ballot for Martin Van Buren in 1840. He has held offices of trust in the party, and is now County Commissioner, this being his second term. He is much respected, and a self-made man.

ERNST MUEHLER, stone cutter, and resident of Bowling Green, was born in Germany on June 1, 1832, and is the second of three children of Frederick and Caroline (Haenig) Muehler, both natives of Germany. Ernst received a good education. About the time he had attained his majority, he left Germany and went to Denmark, thence to Hamburg, and thence to Norway, where, in November, 1861, he was married to Eliza, daughter of Ole and Mariah Olson, natives of Norway. His wife has borne him eight children, viz., Frederika, Oscar, Benhart, Amelia, Alfred (deceased), Otto, Carl and Maggie. Mr. Muehler remained in Norway several years after his marriage, when he emigrated to America, landing in New York in 1868. Soon after, he came to Clay County, Ind., and located in Bowling Green, where he has since resided, surrounded with everything which tends to make life enjoyable and home pleasant and attractive. Mr. and Mrs. Muehler are members of the Lutheran Church, and are ever ready to contribute to benevolent enterprises. Mr. M. has acted in the capacity of Councilman of Bowling Green.

JACOB ORMAN, SR., was born in Washington Township, Clay Co., Ind., July 2, 1837, and is the eldest of eight children of Andrew and Nancy (Comer) Orman, the former a native of Tennessee, the latter of North Carolina, and of German lineage. Our subject grew to manhood on a farm,

and was educated at the common schools. He remained with his parents on the farm until he was twenty one, soon after, on February 7, 1857, marrying Margaret Loncer, a native of New York City, and daughter of Adam and Margaret (Bretches) Loncer, natives of Germany. Since his marriage, Mr. Orman has been engaged in farming in Washington Township, being at present located on the county line between Owen and Clay Counties, and owning land in both counties. He is one of the pioneers of Clay County. His own dwelling house is a model of comfort, and of that which is substantial, and all his surroundings are such as to make home attractive. To Mr. and Mrs. Orman have been born ten children viz. : Sarah (Kendle), John A., Mary A., Lizzie B., Harrison, George, Anna, Peter R., Clara M. and Edna V., all of whom are living. Mr. and Mrs. Orman are both members of the Christian Church.

ALLEN RAY, of Bowling Green, was born in Marion County, Ind., on March 22, 1847, and is the second of three children of John and Jane (Jennings) Ray, the former a native of Indiana, the latter of Virginia. Our subject was brought up on a farm, working during the seasons of summer, and attending school during those of winter, thus acquiring only a common school education. Shortly before his majority, he was married to Martha E., daughter of James and Barbara Davenport, natives of Ohio. His wife bore him one child. On May 9, 1869, Mrs. Ray died. He was next married in February, 1871, to Amanda C. (Zimmerman), daughter of James and Anna Ducan, natives of Kentucky. After this marriage Mr. Ray engaged in farming in Boone County, Ind., continuing in that occupation for some time, then embarked in the drug business at New Augusta, Marion County, continuing one year, when he sold out his stock and located in Bowling Green, engaging in the same business until April, 1883, when he again sold out his store. During all this time Mr. Ray has been reading medical works, with a view of entering the medical profession, and contemplates taking a course of lectures the coming winter at some reputable medical college. To the last marriage of Mr. Ray, five children were born, viz. : Dillon B., John C., Anna J., James A. and Ralph R. Mr. Ray also served as a soldier in the late war. In August, 1863, he enlisted in Company I, One Hundred and Sixteenth Regiment Indiana Infantry, and served eight months; re-enlisted in Company B, One Hundred Thirty-fifth Regiment, one hundred days' men; when his time expired, he again re-enlisted for one year as Fife Major of the One Hundred Fifty-fourth Regiment Indiana Infantry. He served until the close of the war, having been finally discharged in August, 1865. Mr. Ray is a member of the I. O. O. F. He and his wife are both members of the Christian Church, and liberal givers to all charitable and benevolent institutions.

LEWIS W. RICE, an enterprising farmer of Washington Township, was born in Shelby County, Ky., November 24, 1823, and is the youngest of nine children of Jesse and Martha (Wilcoxson) Rice, natives of Virginia, and of English lineage. During his youth he worked on a farm, working in the summer and attending school in the winter seasons. In consequence of the death of his parents, Mr. Rice commenced active life for himself at the age of seventeen years. Just previous to his majority, he was married, September 5, 1844, to Ann Miles, a native of Parke County, Ind., and daughter of Samuel and Hannah (Ghormley) Miles, natives of Kentucky and Pennsylvania, and of Irish and German ancestry. Mr. Rice engaged in farming in Washington Township, Clay County, soon after his marriage, and has ever since resided, and is now residing, on a farm of eighty acres near Bowling Green. To Mr. and Mrs. Rice have been born seven children, viz., James M., Jessie, Jane (Zenor), William H., Emma (Godfrey), U. S. Grant and Anna, all of whom are living. Mr. Rice is a staunch Republican in politics,

and was Postmaster at Bowling Green for two years, but after the removal of the county seat he resigned the position and resumed farming. He is ranked as one of the pioneers of Clay County. He and his wife are both members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

HARMON SCHOPMEYER is the eldest of a family of five children born to Henry and Catharine (Shromyer) Schopmeyer, both natives of Germany. He was born in Germany November 6, 1825. His youth was spent upon a farm and in attending school. When nearly twenty-one years of age, Mr. Schopmeyer emigrated to America, landing at New Orleans, going thence to Cincinnati, where he remained ten years working at the cooper's trade. He married Mary Fledderjohn November 24, 1850. She is also a native of Germany. In 1855, March 20, he came to Washington Township, Clay County, purchasing eighty acres of land near Poland, and making a home in the wilderness. Since, he has added until he now has 470 acres, well improved and attractive. Mrs. Schopmeyer has borne her husband eight children, viz., Henry, William, Frederick, John, Lizzie, Frank, Mary and August. Mr. and Mrs. Schopmeyer are members of the Reformed German Church, and liberal in charities.

J. W. SENSENEY, merchant, of Bowling Green, carrying a stock of \$8,000, and doing a cash annual business of \$18,000, was born October 13, 1837, in Frederick County, Md.; was reared upon a farm and received a common school education, sufficient, however, to qualify him as a teacher. He came to Indiana in an early day in company with his parents, who were of German lineage, but natives of Virginia. Our subject was engaged in farming and teaching school until after he had attained his majority; then embarked in the mercantile trade, locating in Bowling Green, Clay County, in 1866, where he has since been engaged in the mercantile business. May 8, 1873, he was married to Mary Stilwagon, a native of Indiana, and daughter of David S. and Sarah (Lewis) Stilwagon, natives respectively of Pennsylvania and Indiana, and of French and English extraction. Mr. Senseney and wife have had no children. He began life with nothing, but owns at this time about \$17,000 worth of property. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity; his wife of the Christian Church.

JOHN T. SMITH was born in Johnson County, Ind., March 18, 1831. He grew up to manhood on a farm, with no other educational advantages than those afforded by the common schools of his county. A few months before he was of age, he met with a serious accident while felling timber in the woods, the accident resulting in the breaking of his right leg near the knee, his right arm near the elbow, besides other serious injuries. This misfortune changed the whole course of his life. After his recovery he entered college at Franklin, Ind., attending a few terms; then moved, in 1853, with his father to Greene County and engaged for a few years in teaching school. In the spring of 1860, he graduated from the Law Department of Asbury University, after which he located in Bloomfield, Ind., and engaged in the practice of law. He assisted in recruiting Company F, Thirty-first Indiana Infantry, at the breaking-out of the late rebellion, and was mustered into the service as First Lieutenant September 20, 1861. January 4, 1862, he was commissioned Captain; December 5, 1862, was promoted Major; February 11, 1863, was made Lieutenant Colonel; July 15, 1863, he was promoted Colonel of the regiment, and was discharged from the service March 12, 1865. The Colonel was present with his command and participated in the battles of Fort Donelson, Shiloh, Corinth, Stone River and Chickamauga; he was on the Atlanta campaign, and in nearly all the engagements connected with the fall of Atlanta; took part also in the battle of Jonesboro, Ga., Pulaski, Spring Hill, Franklin and Nashville, Tenn. He was popular with

his officers and men, and successful as a commander. On his return home, Col. Smith was elected Clerk of the Greene County Circuit Court, serving five years. He is not rated as an office-seeker, yet he has an even dozen commissions which have been issued to him by the different Governors of the State. The Colonel is a local preacher of the Methodist Episcopal Church, possessing rare ability. He moved to Bowling Green in 1879, and served acceptably the Bowling Green Circuit one year. In 1854, he married Mary C. Armstrong. The couple have an interesting family of two boys and five girls.

JOHN STRAUCH was born in Germany July 16, 1837, and the eldest of six children born to John and Catharine (Mann) Strauch, both natives of Germany. When the subject of this sketch was one year old, his parents emigrated to the United States, landing in New York City, whence they went to Monroe County, Ohio, where they remained five years. The elder Mr. Strauch being a minister, was not permanently located, but lived in New Albany, Vernon and Fort Wayne, Ind., finally retiring to Jeffersonville, having left the ministry on account of old age. The son John, spending his youth in cities, had the opportunity of obtaining a good common school education. When sixteen years of age, he commenced working as a farm hand, which he continued until he was eighteen; then began to learn the carpenter's trade, serving an apprenticeship of two years, after which he worked at his trade about twelve years, when he turned his attention to farming. Mr. Strauch was married, March 6, 1858, to Mary Knippe. Seven children have been born to them—Emma (deceased), Catharine, Amelia, Ellen, Edward, Lewis and Celestia. Mr. Strauch has been a resident of Clay County since 1856. He lives on a farm near Poland, and raises stock extensively. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, also of the I. O. O. F. In politics he has been a Republican since the war, and has held offices of honor and trust in the party. He was Sheriff of Clay County one term. He and his wife are members of the German Reformed Church, and are benevolent and charitable.

JAMES TAGGART, harness-maker, and a resident of Bowling Green, was born in Belmont County, Ohio, March 20, 1824, and was reared upon a farm. He has acquired only a common school education. His parents were of English descent. His great-grandfather was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and his grandfather in the war of 1812. During his younger days, Mr. Taggart served an apprenticeship at the harness-maker's trade, and has since continued in that business. In the year 1850, he settled in Owen County, Ind., purchasing a farm, erecting a log cabin, and working out for himself and family a home. After many struggles, and enduring the privations of a pioneer life in the wilderness, he succeeded; but he soon disposed of his farm and removed to Spencer, Ind., where he resumed his trade. In May, 1860, he removed to Bowling Green, Clay County, where he has since resided. In the spring of 1845, he was married to Adaline Hilligas, a native of Pennsylvania. To them have been born five children—Caroline (Dalgar), William, George, Frank P. and Luella (Thompson). Mr. Taggart, in politics, is an active Democrat, and he has held offices of honor and trust in his party. He is now Justice of the Peace in Washington Township, this being his third term. He and his wife are members of the Baptist Church.

E. P. TALBOTT, M. D., Bowling Green, Ind., was the eldest of seven children of Othniel and Elizabeth (Fitzwalter) Talbott, natives of Baltimore County, Md., and Shelby County, Ky. Our subject was born in Shelby County, Ky., August 11, 1817; was reared on a farm, and just before he arrived at the age of twenty-one years he entered the Asbury University at

Greencastle, Ind., remaining two terms; then entered the office of Dr. William E. Talbott, remaining with him five years. During this time, he attended two terms at the medical school in this place, receiving instruction from T. W. Cowgill, C. T. Ballard and H. E. Talbott. After several years' practice, he entered the Rush Medical College at Chicago, and graduated there in 1860. He then returned to Greencastle and resumed practice, continuing until 1866, when he located at Cloverdale, Ind., remaining there five years, and, in 1871, came to Bowling Green, where he has since resided. When but eleven years of age, Mr. Talbott came to Indiana with his father, who entered land in Jackson Township, Putnam County, in 1828, and who became one of the pioneers of that county, there being at that time only four families in the township, and Greencastle but a log village. August 18, 1846, Dr. Talbott was married to Julia, daughter of Richard and Hannah (Dunivan) Doggett, natives of Maryland, and of English lineage. Six children have been born to this union—William E., Lucinda B. (now Campbell), Eliza J., Albert G., George D. and Elmer E., all living. Mr. Talbott is an Odd Fellow, a Mason, and in politics an active Democrat. His wife is a member of the Missionary Baptist Church. Both are liberal givers to all benevolent and charitable institutions.

JOHN H. TAPY was born in Union County, Ind., November 24, 1841, and is the youngest of seven children born to Harmon H. and Alice (Hollenberg) Tapy, natives of Germany. Our subject was reared on a farm, and received his education from the common schools. He remained with his parents on the farm until near his majority, when he commenced life for himself. On September 1, 1867, he was married to Mary Altemiller, the daughter of Harmon H. and Agnes (Angle) Altemiller, natives of Germany. After his marriage, he engaged in farming in Clay County, to which he with his parents had moved, from Union County in 1844. His parents were pioneers of Clay County, and lived there until their death in 1869. Our subject is at present located on a farm of eighty acres near Bowling Green. The farm is well improved. Mrs. Tapy has borne her husband four children—William O., born July 26, 1868; Anna K., born August 25, 1870; Clara C., born October 23, 1872; Eddie C., born September 28, 1875. Both Mr. and Mrs. Tapy are members of the German Reformed Church, and are liberal givers to charitable enterprises.

WILLIAM TAPY, undertaker and furniture dealer, of Bowling Green, was born in Prussia, March 4, 1842, and is the third in a family of four children of Harmon H. and Eugenie Tapy, natives of Prussia. William was reared on a farm, and received a common school education. He crossed the Atlantic in 1858, landing in Baltimore, Md., where he remained but a short time; then came to Clay County, Ind., and located in Bowling Green in 1862, and here he has since resided. In 1869, he was married to Mary Marsh, a native of Indiana, and daughter of Thomas and Catharine Marsh, the former a native of North Carolina, the latter of Ohio, and of English lineage. After his marriage, Mr. Tapy continued in the business of undertaker and furniture dealer, and has at present a prosperous trade. Mrs. Tapy has borne her husband two children—Katie Eugenie, born February 7, 1871, and Mary, born July 31, 1874, and died August 9, 1874. Mr. Tapy is a member of the I. O. O. F., and, in politics, is an active Democrat, having held offices of honor and trust in the party. During four years he was Clerk, and four years Treasurer of Clay County. Both he and his wife are members of the Christian Church, and liberal givers to institutions of charity and benevolence.

MAHALA THOMAS, a resident of Bowling Green, was the third in a family of eight children of James and Frances (Thompson) Booth, the for-

mer a native of Kentucky, the latter of Virginia, and of Irish and English extraction. Her father was a soldier in the war of 1812, and her grandfather Thompson was a Revolutionary soldier. Mahala was born in Harrison County, Ind., July 16, 1809, and was reared on a farm, with very limited educational advantages. Owing to the death of her father, she went to live with her grandfather, Lawrence Thompson, where she remained until January 10, 1833, when she was married to Oswald Thomas, a native of Virginia. The young couple located in Washington Township, Clay County, and after the laying-out of Bowling Green, became residents of that town. Mr. Thomas devoted his time to farming, developing a home in the wilderness. Nine children were born to this marriage—Morris J. (deceased), Mary J. (deceased), Jephtha, John E., Jurettie M. (deceased), James T. (deceased), Clara E., Huldah F. (now Hoffa), and Amanda B. (now Tribble). Mr. Thomas died June 9, 1858. He served as Trustee of Washington Township three successive terms. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity. Mrs. Thomas is now seventy-four years of age, and has been a resident of Clay County since 1825.

CLINTON M. THOMPSON, merchant, Bowling Green, Ind., was born in Jackson County, Ind., October 12, 1829, and is one of eleven children of John D. and Elizabeth A. (Elsey) Thompson, the father a native of Kentucky, of Scotch-Irish extraction, and the mother a native of Virginia, of German descent. His father died at the age of eighty-nine years, about April, 1881. His mother is still living at Bowling Green, and is eighty-eight years of age. Our subject has been a partner in the mercantile business for eighteen years, the firm selling, at retail, goods to the amount of over \$100,000 per annum part of the time. The firm's stock, at last invoice, amounted to \$22,000; average annual sales, about \$60,000. Mr. Thompson is living with his third wife. His second wife bore him three children, viz., Hallie D. (Talbot), Blanch W. and J. P. R. His present wife has also borne him three children, viz., Earl, Emmett and Ethel. Three children are deceased, but the six named are living. Mr. Thompson was Postmaster at Bowling Green five years; was editor and proprietor of the *Clay County Democrat* six years; was Recorder of Clay County four years; was Clerk of Clay County four years; was a Deputy in every office in Clay County for many years; was a School Trustee of Bowling Green for two years; was a Town Trustee of same town for three years, and is now School Trustee, serving his third year. He is a Mason—a member of the Blue Lodge, No. 85, at Bowling Green—and Chapter of Royal Arch Masons at Brazil. He is also a member of the Christian Church; his wife, of the Presbyterian. In politics, he is a Democrat. Mr. T.'s education was acquired at the common schools of his county.

CAPT. EDWARD A. THOMPSON was born in Jackson County, Ind., on September 7, 1831. When but a lad, however, he moved with his parents to Clay County, Ind., and located in Bowling Green. At this time, the county was comparatively a wilderness, and his early life was exposed to all the privations incident to pioneer life. He received his early education from the common schools of the day. At the time he attained his majority, he had mastered the tailor's trade; but that kind of a life was too sedentary to suit his active temperament, and he formed a partnership with Mr. Hopkins in the cabinet-making business, in which he continued until the breaking-out of the war in 1861. In the meantime, he had given considerable attention to instrumental music. In 1861, he enlisted as a member of the band in the Fourteenth Indiana Infantry, and went with the regiment into Virginia. This kind of service, however, did not suit Mr. Thompson, as he thought he could accomplish more toward suppressing the rebellion with a

musket than with a brass horn, and in 1862 he enlisted in Company D, Seventy-first Indiana Infantry, receiving a commission as First Lieutenant. On August 30, 1862, at the battle of Richmond, Ky., he was severely wounded in the shoulder with a piece of shell. He was soon after captured, but was paroled; came home, and remained until he recovered from his wound. Soon after this, the Seventy-first Indiana was organized as the Sixth Indiana Cavalry, and Lieut. Thompson was promoted Captain of Company M in said organization, and in which capacity he served until the close of the war. He took part in all the cavalry operations with his command in the Department of the Cumberland, and through Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama and Georgia. He was engaged with Stoneman and Kilpatrick in their celebrated raids, and was seriously injured at the battle of Pulaski, Tenn., in 1864. As a military officer, the Captain was a success, and popular with his superiors, and beloved by his men. In 1855, he was married to Cordelia Sutliff. After the close of the war, he moved on a farm two miles from town, and carried on farming, and dealt in stock. In 1832, he moved with his family into town, and entered into a copartnership with his brother in the dry goods trade. The firm carries a large stock, and is doing an extensive business, beside carrying on their farms. The Captain is no office-seeker, but in politics is an ardent Republican. For many years he has been a consistent member of the M. E. Church. His father, John D. Thompson, died in 1832, being nearly ninety years of age. His mother, nearly eighty-eight years of age, still survives.

THOMAS WALKER, a pioneer of Clay County, was born in Hardin County, Ky., June 4, 1815, and in 1822 came to Clay County, Ind., with his mother, uncle and grandfather, entering land where Washington Township now is, where, amid all the hardships of pioneer life, surrounded by savages and wild beasts, Thomas grew to manhood. Losing his father when very young, Thomas lived with his uncle, and owing to the newness of the country and necessity of working, his education was limited. He remained with his uncle until December 3, 1840, when he was married to Eleanor Jones. These children were born to this union, viz., John D. (deceased), Mary E. (now Rodenbarger), Harriet L. Walker, George W., and Daniel L. (deceased). Mrs. Walker died May 1, 1852. Mr. Walker's second marriage occurred March 15, 1860, to Mary Ann Cromwell. Three children have been born to this marriage, viz., Sarah E. (now Richardson), Cynthia J. (now Cullen) and David T. Mr. Walker now lives upon a farm near Bowling Green, with pleasant surroundings, all the result of his own industry. In politics, he is one of the Old-Line Whigs, having cast his first vote for Henry Clay, but now voting with the Republican party. He was formerly Trustee of Washington Township. Mr. and Mrs. Walker are members of the Christian Church, earnest advocates of Sabbath schools, and liberal in charities.

GEORGE F. WEBER is the oldest of a family of ten children of John and Maria K. (Beaman) Weber, natives of Germany. John Weber emigrated to this country in 1848, landing in New York. From there he went to Chicago, and thence to St. Louis, Mo., where he was married, and where he remained for some time. He then came to Terre Haute, Vigo County, remained six years, thence to Owen County, and thence to Clay County. He was a regular soldier in the German Army; in Germany he served an apprenticeship as stone-cutter and mason; followed that business in this country until he was chosen Sheriff of Clay County, and as such officer served two consecutive terms. He was a Democrat in politics. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity. He resided at Bowling Green at the time of his death, which occurred on March 27, 1881. George F., our subject, was born in St. Louis, Mo., July 20, 1851. He spent the greater portion

of his minority in Bowling Green; received only a common school education. In his youth he learned from his father the stone-cutter's and mason's trade. He remained with his father in this business until the latter was elected Sheriff, and then entered the Sheriff's office as assistant. Mr. Weber was married, on April 15, 1883, to America Crawford, a native of Illinois, and daughter of John and Margaret (Culshaw) Crawford, natives of Ohio, and of German lineage.

JOHN WOODS, one of the pioneer farmers of Washington Township, was born in Anderson County, Ky., December 26, 1813, and was the sixth in a family of nine children of Joseph and Keziah (Bell) Woods, the former a native of Ireland, the latter of Pennsylvania. John's youth was spent in farming with little opportunity of education, owing to the scarcity of schools and the necessity of work. He remained with his parents until two years after his marriage, which occurred February 22, 1836, to Frances Rice. October 28, 1839, he came to Clay County, Ind., where he entered 200 acres of land, near Bowling Green, and began making a home for his family, enduring many hardships, yet living to see a fine town developed where was a wilderness. Five children have been born to them, viz., Keziah (now Campbell), Anna B. (now Bowman), Sally (now Cameron), Susan (now Martin) and William, all living. Mr. Woods became a Mason in 1850, January 26, and was elected Junior Warden the same year, and still holds the position in the Lodge at Bowling Green. Mr. Woods is an Old-Line Whig, casting his first vote for Henry Clay in 1844, but now votes with the Republicans, and has held offices of honor and trust in the party. He has been Justice of the Peace, also Constable and Deputy Sheriff of the county.

CLAY CITY AND HARRISON TOWNSHIP.

HENRY D. AMES, an extensive farmer and stock-raiser of Harrison Township, was born December 12, 1833, in Holmes County, Ohio, and was the second child born to Samuel and Elinor (Robinson) Ames, both natives of Pennsylvania, and of German and Irish extraction. He, in company with his parents, came to Clay County, Ind., in the spring of 1873, having previously lived for a time in Parke County. Henry's education was limited to the common schools, he working for his father summers and going to school in winter. In the fall of 1862, he enlisted in Company D, Tenth Ohio Cavalry, and was in several hard-fought battles, and with Sherman in his famous march to the sea. He was also in numerous skirmishes, but was never wounded. He remained until the war closed, and was mustered out at Lexington, N. C., in the summer of 1865, and honorably discharged at Cleveland, Ohio. When he returned from the war, he resumed farm work, staying with and caring for his parents, who were getting old and feeble. In 1871, January 31, he married Maria Cahill, a native of Parke County, Ind. One child has been born to them, viz., William, born November 15, 1877. Mrs. Ames is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In politics, Mr. Ames is an uncompromising Republican, and one of the active and able workers of the party.

CALVIN R. AMES, farmer and stock-raiser, was born July 27, 1845, in Williams County, Ohio, and was the fifth child of Samuel and Elinor (Robinson) Ames, both natives of Ohio, and of German and Irish extraction. He remained at home until nineteen years of age, working on the farm in