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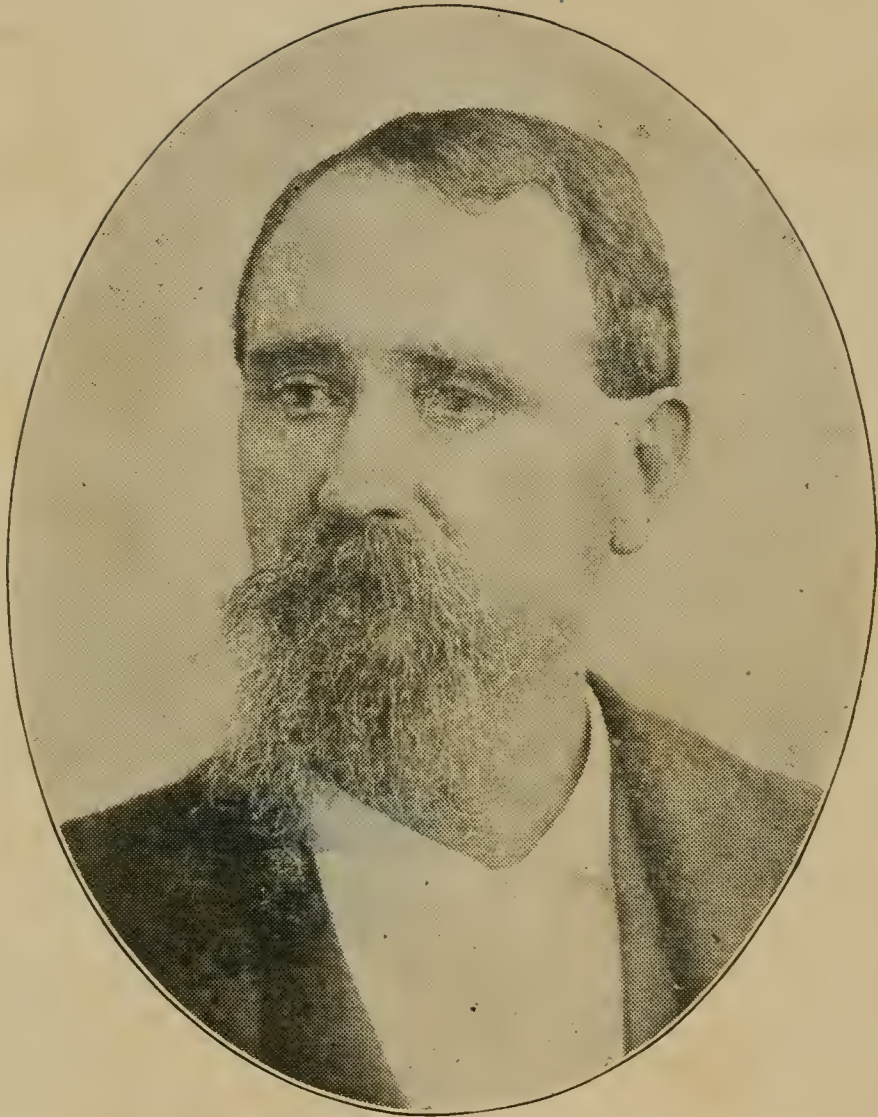
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## PREFACE.

Hermitage, Mo., January 6th, 1907.

The object of the Author in presenting this book to the people of the county is to preserve some of the local history and biography, and the only regret now is that the work was not performed twenty years ago, when many of the old people now dead were alive. The matter for the book was not written like a real estate agent's advertisement, but to give our people as plain, intelligent statement as to conditions in the county, and territory from which it was organized, and history of its pioneers as far as traditions and facts could be gathered. An enormous fund of information that might have been gathered, and more correctly presented has perished with the departure of the good old men and old women who were living here twenty years ago. Ours has been the difficult task of extracting such truths as were wanted from the few remaining old people, and meager parts of the official records preserved from fire, and it will be found that some of our dates and conclusions are doubtful or incorrect. Four good old men living in the county at the time differed in their dates about four years when giving the Author information about the destruction of the first Court House. To him who has not attempted the collection of historical data, the obstacles to be surmounted are unknown. Doubtful or incorrect traditions, conflicting statements, imperfect records, and the general obscurity which, more or less, envelopes all past events tend to mislead and bewilder, when such a task as the Author has tried to perform is undertaken. We have not furnished a history without errors. Theorists may think such a thing could be done, but thoughtful, practical people realize the contrary. We feel that all thoughtful people will appreciate our work, and that if it is preserved it will be useful to future generations. The family histories and family records came directly from members of families, and we do not expect many errors in them, but they after passing through hands of writer, copyist and printer will not be found to be without errors. Many requests were sent to members of old families for family records, that were not furnished, but the loss, if any, is not to the author of this history. We have received valuable assistance from several men, which we highly appreciate. Nothing promised to be given in this volume is omitted, and many things not promised are

given. We call special attention of the young people to our short sketches as to early history of settlement, manners, customs, and disadvantages under which early settlers lived. In order to furnish names of all county officials, with dates and terms of office, we were compelled to search and compare scraps of old records, indices, and a bushel or so of old, musty, mice-eaten, papers, and from the same source we gathered many other facts, and conclusions. A perfectly correct statement of dates, facts, and conclusions, with the disadvantages under which we have labored can only be accomplished in the imagination of one who lives on theories and dreams. We used every effort that we could call to mind, and probably expended twenty dollars for postage, and stationery in trying to procure family records, and family history, which we are sorry we cannot present in this book, but the fault is not ours. We also used strong efforts to procure plates so that pictures of noted old and new buildings, and noted citizens could be produced in this volume, but failed to arouse sufficient interest among our people. If we should have occasion to issue a second edition of the book we may use further efforts to procure these interesting matters, but for the present have done the best we could. We submit this volume to our subscribers, with the desire that it be received, with due allowances for disadvantages under which we labored in its production, and with thanks to friends, who have kindly given us information, and hope that it will be appreciated by all who have chosen Hickory county as a home in which to live, raise their families, and be buried beneath her surface.

THE AUTHOR.



# HICKORY COUNTY.

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## COUNTY ORGANIZATION.

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By an Act of the legislature approved on the 14th day of April, 1845, the boundry lines of the county were fixed as they now exist, except that the Northeast corner of the county was described as being at the Northeast corner of Section One (1,) Township 38, Range 20, instead of the Northeast corner of Section Twelve (12,) same Township and Range. The act provided that three commissioners; Henry Bartlet, William Lemon and James Johnson, should meet at Judge Joel B. Halbert's residence, then located on the Warsaw and Buffalo road, one mile South of where the town of Cross Timbers is now situated, on the first Monday in May, 1845, for the purpose of organizing the county. Prior to the date of this meeting, on April 25th, 1845, John C. Edwards, Governor of the State, appointed Joel B. Halbert, President of the county court, Jonas Brown and Amos Lindsey, associate justices. Jonas Brown lived about two miles North of what is now the town of Pittsburg, where Napoleon D. Lewis now lives, and was buried near his old residence about 1865. Amos Lindsey resided on the East side of the county, near the county line in Section 12, Township 36, Range 21, about five miles Southeast of the town of Preston. John S. Williams was appointed sheriff and collector; Thomas Davis, treasurer; and Alfred H. Foster, clerk of the county court and clerk of the circuit court, probably May 6th, 1845. These officials, and the commissioners appointed by the Act of the legislature met at the residence of Judge Halbert in May,

1845, and transacted quite a large amount of business. A great deal of the county records having been burned in the destruction of two court houses by fire it is impossible to tell where the county court again met after May 1845, until August 1846, but it probably met at the residence of John Heard, about half a mile North of what is now the town of Wheatland, on the 10th day of August 1846. Having been elected judges of the county court, Amos Lindsey was commissioned as President of the court, and Jonas Brown and Armstead Runyan, associate judges, and it is believed that the court thereafter met at the residence of Thomas Davis, county treasurer, near the Southeast corner of the original town of Hermitage, in the old log buildings now belonging to Mrs. Eva Liggett-Crowley. On the 23d day of December, 1846, the legislature passed an Act appointing William Greene, of Camden county, William Divern, of Polk county, and Charles H. Yeater, of St. Clair county, as commissioners to locate a permanent county seat for the county to be named, and known as "Hermitage." These commissioners met and selected the present town of Hermitage sometime in 1846 as the permanent county seat, which action of these commissioners was ratified by a majority of the people, but the good people of the west side of the county continued to advocate county seat removal until 1896. On August 10th, 1846, Jacob A. Romans, who was afterwards a member of the county court was appointed county seat commissioner, and as soon as the county seat location was settled, and the Northwest one-fourth of the Southeast quarter of Section 23, Township 37, Range 22, was surveyed and laid out into lots, streets and alleys, he proceeded with the sale of lots, and from the receipts of the sale of lots paid into the county treasury in the end \$840.21 1-2. County accounts at that time were kept to one-fourth of a cent. With this money and \$200. borrowed from the "Internal Improvement Fund" May 3d, 1848, a court house was built on the West end of Lot 2, Block 8, in Hermitage, where the iron building owned by the widow and heirs of Ezekiel D. Blair now stands. It was a two-story frame building and was destroyed by fire in 1860, the lower room being used for school. The jail was of heavy logs hewn with the broad-ax, and had double walls, and was built on the South end of Lot 4, in Block 3, the lot on which Harry M. Lopp's photograph gallery now stands. It was abandoned about the close of the Civil War and shortly afterwards was sold and



torn down, and some of the logs are now a part of a barn standing on Lot 2, Block 15, in Hermitage, while other of the logs are in an ice house near the same place. A second court house was built in 1860, on the South side of the public square, South of where the present court house stands. It was a substantial brick, two stories high, 40 by 42 feet, and built very near on the same plan as the present court house, and was destroyed by fire January 6th, 1881, with important records of circuit court, county court, and deed and mortgage records. The Records of the probate court and the collector's books were not destroyed. The roof and part of the upper story of this court house were blown away by a cyclone in April 1879, and repairs had been finished only a little more than a year when it was destroyed by fire. In 1870-71 the stone jail now standing in the Northwest corner of the public square was built by Philip Schleifer, of Polk county, James A. Brakebill supervisor, at a cost of \$4,500. It was unroofed by the cyclone of 1879, and joists and roof burned out in 1899, and it was repaired on the inside with a heavy coat of cement, and steel cells put in. It had never had cells, and prisoners had frequently escaped from it. The question of removal of the county seat which had disturbed the county from 1845, was settled in 1896, by the building of the present substantial court house. As we have said a second court house was burned January 6th, 1881, and up to 1896, about 15 years the county was without a court house. Courts were held, and officers stored away in any sort of building that could be rented in town, and county expenditures for rent were enormous. A court house could not be built unless two-thirds of the voters of the county favored it, and a two-thirds vote could not be had, because so many of our good citizens wanted the county seat removed. It began to be talked pretty strongly by the opposition to removal about 1889 that a court house could be built by subscription, but the talk did not receive much encouragement for a while. In the early part of 1895, the author of this book, at the earnest solicitation of Judge William C. Hickman, who resides on the Warsaw and Buffalo road three miles South of Cross Timbers, wrote a subscription paper, giving a complete description of the brick work of the present court house. Judge Hickman caused numerous copies of the petition to be made, and found plenty of enthusiastic Hermitage and East side people to circulate them. The result was that money

enough was raised, except about \$350. to build a court house costing about \$5,350. and in 1896 it was finished. The money was principally raised in Center township and East side townships. A few men on the West side of the county contributed liberally. Now to resume our story about officials of the county and official succession, Thomas Davis took the county treasurer's office at the organization of the county in 1845, served in that office until the Civil War came on in 1861, and on March 18th, 1850, he was commissioned judge of the probate court while holding the office of treasurer. Ephraim F. Halbert who now resides in Hermitage, and is past 76 years old was commissioned county treasurer on December 16th, 1862, and on November 8th, 1864, he was elected treasurer, and again elected in 1866, and in 1868, and was succeeded by James R. Wilson, father of Robert F. Wilson, of Wheatland, who served four years, when Mr. Halbert was again elected to that office and served until 1876, and was succeeded by John A. McCartney, who served six years, and was succeeded by William Howard on January 1st, 1883, and he was succeeded by James R. Marsh, who served two years, and was succeeded by Benjamin F. Creed, who served four years, and was succeeded by Ezekiel D. Blair, who served two years, and was succeeded by Richard N. Fugate, January 1st, 1893. Mr. Fugate was re-elected November 6th, 1894, and served until February 19th, 1896, when John W. Montgomery was appointed to succeed him. John T. Ferguson was elected to this office November 3d, 1896, and served four years, when he was succeeded by John E. Morton, who served four years, and was succeeded by Dee Blair, who served two years, and was succeeded January 1st, 1907, by Allen M. Huckaby the present incumbent.

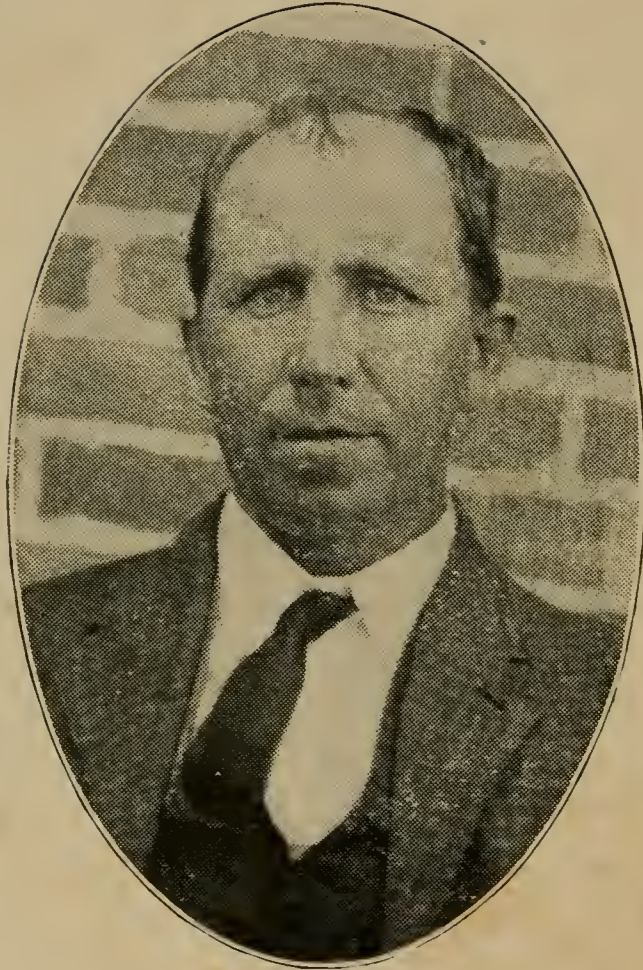
We left the county court in 1846, composed of Amos Lindsey, Jonas Brown and Armstead Runyan. On August 7th, 1858, Amos Paxton was elected one of the judges of the county court. On August 7th, 1850, it is found that Isham B. Hastain signed his name to the record as President of the county court, but have found no record of his appointment or commission. November 5th, 1850, we find that William F. Bradley was President of the county court, and continued to be so in 1851, but we find no appointment or commission in the records. In 1852 Lewis B. Hawkins was a member of the court. Charles S. Brent was commissioned President of the court August 4th, 1852, and on the same day William F. Bradley appears in the





COURT HOUSE, HERMITAGE, MO.  
Built in 1895.





EUGENE T. LINDSEY,  
Collector of the Revenue.

record as a member of the court. Marcus S. Graff was President of the court in 1854-5. Alfred H. Foster, who had been clerk of all the courts was commissioned President of the county court October 19th, 1855, as were also Isham B. Hastain and Urias H. Owings, commissioned as judges on the same date. On August 6th, 1858, Alfred H. Foster, Jacob A. Romans, and William Woodrum were elected judges. John L. Hall was elected one of the judges of the county court in August 1860. January 14th, 1862, Jacob A. Romans was appointed judge but resigned in August of the same year. On January 23d, 1862, Isham B. Hastain was appointed, and on June 9th, 1862, William Woodrum was appointed, and on August 15th, 1862, Ephraim Dent was commissioned. In January 1863, John Lawrence was commissioned as Judge for six years, and was re-elected and served until January 1st, 1876. He was noted and eulogized as being the cause of his county not getting a fraudulent railroad bond debt, saddled on it as was done by the county courts of all the counties adjoining Hickory county, except Camden. On April 17th, 1865, John Pitts and Isham B. Hastain were appointed as associates of Judge Lawrence, and in November 1866, Henry C. Butler and Thomas S. Morgan were elected as associate judges. Judge Morgan died July 23d, 1869, and was succeeded by William F. Bradley who was elected November 5th, 1869, and at the November election 1868, John A. Pare was elected and served six years. In 1870 Mansfield H. Bernard was elected as associate judge, and on November 5th, 1872, James H. Nunn, who then wrote his name Nun, was elected associate judge, and served until January 1st, 1879. James M. Gardner was elected associate judge November 7th, 1876, and served two years. At the November election 1878, Marmaduke E. Ferguson was elected President of the court, with William C. Hickman and Joel N. Boone as associates. This was the first court that had been elected since 1860, that was Democratic in politics. Judge Ferguson's term was four years and in November 1880, Nathan K. Pope and Thomas H. Lord were elected associate judges. At the November election 1882, James H. Nunn was elected President of the court, with William C. Hickman and James T. Wallen associate judges, and November 4th, 1884, Thomas C. Anderson and James T. Wallen were elected associates. On the 2d day of November 1886, James A. Brakebill was elected President of the court, and Ben L. Mallonee and James M. Gardner



associates. About the 1st of March 1888, Judge Brakebill resigned, and on March 12th, 1888, Joseph S. Hartman was appointed to serve until January 1, 1889, and on November 6th, 1888, Ben L. Mallonee was elected President of the court and James M. Gardner and Achilles Morgan associate judges. In November 1890, Judge Mallonee was again elected President of the court, with Joseph Riddle and James K. Moore as associates. On November 8th, 1892, Joseph Riddle and Vincent T. Cunningham were elected associate judges. At the election in November 1894, Francis J. Hooper was elected President of the court and Peter Solberg and Vincent T. Cunningham associates. In 1896, James H. Sharp and Peter Solberg were elected associate judges. In December 1897, Judge Hooper died and Ephraim F. Halbert was appointed on January 3d, 1898, to serve until January 1st, 1899. James Cossairt was elected President of the court on November 8th, 1898, and James H. Sharp and Joseph Riddle as associate judges. November 6th, 1900, Henry F. Blair and James H. Nunn were elected as associate judges. At the November election 1902, James H. Sharp was elected President of the court and James H. Nunn and Melville H. Cooper associates. Judge Cooper was re-elected associate judge in November 1904, with William L. McCaslin. On November 6, 1906, Joseph Riddle was elected President of the court with D. E. O. Thomas and William L. McCaslin as associates, and were succeeded January 1st, 1909, by Nathan K. Pope and Joseph O. Carpenter, the present incumbents. Josiah Dent sat as a judge of the county court at the July term 1865, but we have found no appointment or commission on record. The record does not show that a term of county court was held after October 4th, 1861, until August 4th, 1862. This was because of excitement caused by the Civil War.

From the organization of the county in 1845, to 1890, funds known as the "Internal Improvement Fund," and "Road and Canal Fund," donated to the counties of Missouri by the general government under acts of Congress had accumulated, and been loaned out to our citizens until these funds amounted to about \$8500. although large amounts of these funds had been lost or misplaced. County courts had not seen fit to use them for any other purpose than as loanable funds. But the court on June 21st, 1890, composed of Ben L. Mallonee, President of the court, and James M. Gardner and Achilles Morgan associate judges, decided that these funds would be more

beneficial to the people of the county if used in the erection of a bridge across the Pomme de Terre river near Hermitage, so on June 21, 1890, the court by Patrick Chancellor, surveyor and road and bridge commissioner and F. Marion Wilson, clerk of the county court, entered into a contract with the "Wrought Iron Bridge Company, of Canton, Ohio," for the construction of an iron bridge across the river half a mile East of the court house for the sum of \$5699. The bridge company soon took up the work and early in the year 1891, the bridge was completed and paid for from the "Internal Improvement Fund," and "Road and Canal Fund." A wooden bridge had been built across the river in 1860 and 1861, by Alanson F. Doak and Thomas Wilson about one-fourth mile above where the iron bridge is now situate, but a big rise in the river washed it away in a few days after it was finished. After the iron bridge was built and paid for the county court elected in November 1894, Francis J. Hooper, President of the court, and Peter Solberg and Vincent T. Cunningham associate judges, discovered that there was almost enough of the "Internal Improvement Fund," and "Road and Canal Fund" left, to build another bridge across the river, so that on May 5th, 1896, they entered into contract with D. M. Eddy and J. A. Dice, of Warsaw, Missouri, for the construction of a wire suspension bridge, across the river a short distance above the south ford and about a fourth of a mile from the court house, for which they paid \$2100.

We must now go back to the organization of the county, and trace another line of officials, and we select the office of clerk of courts. From the organization of the county until January 1st, 1883, the same clerk filled the offices of circuit clerk and recorder, clerk of the county court, and in some years clerk of the probate court. Alfred H. Foster was the first clerk of the courts of the county, and was probably first commissioned about April 25th, or May 6th, 1845, and while he recorded the commissions of all the other officers of the new county did not record his own commission unless he recorded it only in the circuit court record. He served until after the August election in 1853, and was succeeded by William Paxton, who last signed the record on October 9th, 1859, and was succeeded by Alanson F. Doak early in 1860, who last signed the record as clerk, April 2d, 1861. During the time he was clerk, Robert F. Doak, his son, who now resides at Cross



Timbers, appears to have been his deputy and did the greater part of the work. From this date to July 7th, 1862, no county record was made, but on the 7th day of July 1862, William H. Liggett was appointed clerk of the county court by the judges of the court by a writing signed by the three judges and recorded in the county court record. On June 1, 1862, he was appointed clerk of the circuit court and ex-officio recorder, by Burr H. Emerson, judge of the circuit court of the 7th judicial circuit, and was sworn into office at Linn Creek, Missouri, on June 9th, 1862, by Thompson J. Kelley, judge of the probate court, and served by this appointment and a subsequent election until January 1st, 1867, when he was succeeded by William Q. Paxton. Mr. Paxton served eight years and was succeeded by Moses N. Neihardt on January 1st, 1875, who served eight years and was succeeded by Samuel Dent, as to the county clerk's office, and by William L. Pitts as clerk of the circuit court and ex-officio recorder. Mr. Dent served four years and was succeeded by F. Marion Wilson, January 1st, 1887, who was succeeded by William F. Coon, January 1st, 1891. Mr. Coon served eight years and was succeeded by Moses N. Neihardt, January 1st, 1899, who served four years and was succeeded by Paul Murphy, who served four years and was succeeded on January 6th, 1907, by Len G. Mallonee, the present incumbent. William L. Pitts served eight years as clerk of the circuit court and ex-officio recorder, and was succeeded by Benjamin F. Creed, January 1st, 1891. Mr. Creed served four years and was succeeded by William U. Morton, January 1st, 1895, who served four years and was succeeded by Samuel L. Williams who served four years, and was succeeded by Thomas J. Taylor who served four years, and was succeeded January 6th, 1907, by Amos F. Cossairt, the present incumbent.

The offices of sheriff and collector were held by the same man until 1874. The first sberiff and collector of the county was John S. Williams. He was appointed on May 6th, 1845, to serve two years, and by appointment and election served until September 1st, 1850, when he was succeeded by John Mabary who served until August 12th, 1854, when he was succeed by Henderson Dollarhide, who died in office in the summer of 1855, and Zebulon Lewis appears to have acted as sheriff until September 4th, 1855, when Alanson F. Doak was appointed. Mr. Doak held the office until the election in August 1858, when he was succeeded by William Y. Evans who served until

sometime in 1861. We do not find that the county had another sheriff and collector until August 12th, 1862, when Harrison H. Jamison was appointed. Mr. Jamison appears to have been elected November 4th, 1862, but resigned about July 1st, 1863, and on July 11th, 1863, George S. Selvidge was appointed to fill the vacancy, but only served for a few months, and was succeeded by John W. Quigg, October 15th, 1863. Mr. Quigg by this appointment and subsequent elections held the office until he was succeeded by William A. Pitts, who was elected November 3d, 1868. Mr. Pitts served four years and was succeeded by John D. Pitts, who was elected November 5th, 1872, and served two years in both offices, but was defeated for the office of sheriff November 5th, 1874, by William D. Harryman, but was elected to the office of collector. Since that time the offices of sheriff and collector have been separate. Mr. Pitts held the office of collector until about March 1st, 1876, when he defaulted. Jesse M. Cooper was appointed by the Court to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. Pitts. W. D. Harryman was again elected sheriff at the November election 1876, and was succeeded at the November election 1878, by William L. McCaslin, who was succeeded by Wm. McCracken who was elected November 2d, 1880, and re-elected November 7th, 1882, and was succeeded by Thomas H. Lord, who was elected November 4th, 1884, and re-elected November 2d, 1886, and was succeeded by George W. Lindsey who was elected November 6th, 1888, and again elected November 4th, 1890, and was succeeded by Melville H. Cooper who was elected November 4th, 1892, and was succeeded by James K. Moore, who was elected November 6th, 1894, and re-elected November 3d, 1896, and was succeeded by David E. Hitson who was elected November 6th, 1898, and re-elected November 8th, 1900, and was succeeded by Lewis W. Hogg who was elected November 4th, 1902, and re-elected November 8th, 1904, and was succeeded by David E. Hitson who was elected November 6th, 1906, and was succeeded by Thomas H. Lord the present incumbent. In the office of collector, Ezekiel D. Blair succeeded Jesse M. Cooper, who was appointed March 13th, 1876. Mr. Blair was first elected November 7th, 1876, and re-elected in 1878-80, and was succeeded by Joseph S. Hartman who was elected November 7th, 1882, and was succeeded by William McCracken who was elected November 4th, 1884, and was succeeded by James Vaughn who was elected November 2d, 1886, and was succeeded by



Amos M. Paxton who was elected November 6th, 1888, and re-elected November 4th, 1890, and was succeeded by Edwin H. Yeaw who was elected November 8th, 1892, and was re-elected November 4th, 1894, and was succeeded by Wash F. Reser who was elected November 3d, 1896 and re-elected November 8th, 1898, and was succeeded by John H. McCaslin who was elected November 6th, 1900 and re-elected November 4th, 1902, and was succeeded by Eugene T. Lindsey who was elected November 8th, 1904 and re-elected November 6th, 1906 for a term of four years.

The first probate judge of the county was Aaron Triplett, who was appointed by the Governor, August 24th, 1849, but no term of the court was held until December 3d, 1849, although the record shows that Alfred H. Foster did considerable writing and signed it as "clerk" in vacation. John S. Williams was present as sheriff at the court. Thomas Davis was commissioned probate judge March 18th, 1850, and was succeeded by William Paxton who was commissioned by Governor Sterling Price, September 5th, 1853, and served until this court was merged into the county court in December 1859. In 1867 the probate court was re-established by an Act of the legislature and on July 23d, 1867, William H. Liggett was appointed judge of the court. He was elected November 3d, 1868, and by successive elections served until January 1st, 1879, when he was succeeded by George S. Selvidge who served until January 1st, 1883, and was followed by Charles S. Essex who served four years, and was succeeded by Moses N. Neihardt January 1st, 1887 who served four years, and was succeeded by James J. Ramsey, January 1st, 1892. Judge Ramsey served four years and was succeeded by Luther J. Slavens who was elected November 6th, 1894 and served eight years, and was succeeded by Joseph S. Hartman January 1st, 1903. He served until after November election 1904 and resigned and removed to Aztec, New Mexico. John W. Montgomery was appointed to fill the vacancy November 29th, 1904, and served until January 1, 1907, when he was succeeded by James H. Holt the present incumbent.

James Lester was appointed assessor November 1st, 1846. John Dollarhide was elected assessor in 1850-2, and Joel J. Bradley was elected in 1854, and John Dollarhide was again elected in 1856, but the legislature changed the law in 1857 and he only served one year. Under the law of 1857 the



county was divided into four districts, running North and South through the county and appointments made by the county court. District No. 1, was Stark township and in that township in 1858 Asa Johnson was appointed. In district No. 2, Dr. B. F. Barnes was appointed. In district No. 3, Robert Allen was appointed and in district No. 4, Harrison H. Jamison was appointed. In 1859 district No. 1, had Lewis B. Hawkins, No. 2, John C. Dollarhide, No. 3, Marcus S. Graff, and No. 4, Harrison H. Jamison. In 1860 the law had again been changed and Harrison H. Jamison was elected county assessor. Harrison H. Jamison was appointed county assessor February 7th, 1862, but Vanrensaler Bennett made and returned the assessments for 1862-3. Lyman Stiltz was appointed assessor in February, 1863, but being in the army in Company "B" 8th Regiment Missouri State Militia he refused to quit the army and become assessor. Lycurgus Coon was appointed assessor June 22d, 1863, his term to end November election 1864, and the record recites that his appointment was made because of the resignations of Vanrensaler Bennett, Lyman W. Stiltz, Martin K. Pitts, Amasa Yeaw, and Asa Johnson refusing to serve. Mr. Coon gave bond and took the oath of office. Robert Allen was appointed March 8, 1864, and Asa Johnson was again appointed on October 1, 1864, and the record of December 29, 1865, shows the appointment of Ephraim Dent. On November 6, 1866, James A. Brakebill was elected assessor, and by re-election in 1868, served two terms, turning the office over to F. Marion Wilson, who was elected November 5, 1870. Samuel Dent was elected November 3, 1874, and was succeeded by Amos M. Paxton, who was elected November 7, 1876, and was re-elected and served four years, and was succeeded by William F. Coon, who was elected November 2, 1880. On November 7, 1882, James A. Pine was elected and was re-elected November 1884, served four years and was succeeded by Melville H. Cooper, who was elected November 2, 1886, and succeeded himself by re-election November 6, 1888. William A. Lightfoot was elected November 4, 1890, and was re-elected in 1892, and served four years, and was succeeded by Herod M. Holt, who was elected November 6, 1894, was re-elected in 1896-'98, and retired January 1, 1901, and was succeeded by S. C. S. Vaughn, who was elected November 9, 1900, and re-elected in 1902-'4, his last term expiring January 1909, and was succeeded by Thomas S. Hall the present incumbent.

Under the law of this state up to March 9, 1872, there was no office of prosecuting attorney, criminal prosecutions being attended to by a circuit attorney, who visited all the counties in his judicial circuit, but on May 22, 1867, the county court appointed Charles Kroff, county attorney, and the record shows that he was continued in office by his election November 4, 1868. In 1872 on November 5, Sidney Wilson was elected the first prosecuting attorney, and in 1874 was re-elected but resigned about May 1, 1876, and was succeeded by Ernest P. Baldwin who was appointed May 31, 1876. At the November election in that year Charles Kroff was elected to this office and served two years, being succeeded by Ernest P. Baldwin on January 1, 1879. In November 1880, Mr. Baldwin was again elected for a term of two years, at the end of which he was succeeded by F. Marion Wilson who served four years, and was succeeded by Alexander W. Brownlee on the first day of January 1887. Mr. Brownlee served two years, and was succeeded by William D. Harryman who was elected on the 6th day of November 1888, and re-elected in November 1890, and was succeeded January 1, 1893, by William L. Pitts who served two years, and was succeeded by John W. Robertson on January 1, 1895. Mr. Robertson served two years and was succeeded by William A. Dollarhide who was elected November 3, 1896, and served two years, and was followed by Hazen Green who was elected November 6, 1900 and re-elected in 1902, served four years, and was succeeded by William A. Dollarhide, January 1, 1905, who served two years, and was succeeded by John W. Montgomery on January 1, 1907, and was succeeded by F. Marion Wilson the present incumbent.

The Coroners so far as the records show have been: Wm. H. Duncan, James H. Gill, Ephraim Dent, Madison Maxwell, Dr. Samuel L. Coble, William P. Daugherty, Daniel C. McNeil, Peter Solberg, Henry C. Brookshire, William C. Gentry, William F. Warren, John J. Bramberg, John W. Mowell, John H. Newman, George B. Viles, William C. Gentry, Albert S. Johnston, William C. Gentry, and William S. Woodford.

Superintendent of Schools were John Whitaker, Abel E. Martin and David B. Biddle.

County School Commissioners: David B. Biddle Alexander Murphy, Millard F. Butler, Alexander Murphy, John E. Bradley, Charles D. Tharp, Edward F. Wright, Harry H. Rodgers, L. H. Morton, Arthur Davis and S. Z. Odenbaugh.



Surveyors: James Blakemore, Benjamin H. Massey, Daniel E. Davis, John W. McAndrew, Patrick Chancellor, Arthur H. Edwards, Eric Eklof, and William F. Simpson.

Public Administrators: John S. Williams, William Paxton, James R. Wilson, William L. McCaslin, F. M. Butcher, A. J. Butcher, Samuel W. Ream, Levin B. Wright jr., William L. McCaslin, Joseph Nease and Theodore Lindsey.

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## EARLY HISTORY AND THE WAY IT WAS DONE.

If the young people of Hickory county, just now growing into manhood and womanhood could live one month under the surroundings and conditions that existed here in 1840, 1845 and 1850 and, even to a great extent up to 1860, they would get a large amount of information and experience that they can never get anywhere in this country. As late as 1850 sawed boards or plank were not seen or used in or about the construction of dwellings or other buildings. The saw mills were not started then, and there was not a mile of railroad in Missouri. The only chance to get freight from outside the state was by steamboat lines that plowed the waters of the unimproved rivers. All heavy freight to this part of the country was brought up the Missouri and Osage rivers, to Jefferson City, Boonville, Tuscumbia, Linn Creek, Warsaw and Osceola and then hauled out among the people with ox teams, taking about ten days to make the trip to Boonville and back home. Springfield at that time hauled the greater part of the goods sold there from Linn Creek, then called Erie. For building houses the broad ax to hew logs and puncheons, and the froe to "rive" or split blocks into three and four foot boards to cover houses, and outbuildings were always in demand. These boards were laid on the building on what were called ribs and ridgepoles, which were laid on top and run from one end of the building to the other. No such a thing as nails were used. The boards were laid down and weighted down with logs running from one end of the house to the other, usually, not so large as the logs used to erect the walls of the building, but large enough to hold the boards. The man who was an expert with the broad ax was in great demand, at as high as fifty cents a day in corn, bacon or wheat. Actual cash not being



much in use. Deer skins and furs were next to legal tender. The school houses were little if any inferior to the best dwellings but were often built of round logs without hewing, and the roofs put on the same manner as they were put on dwellings, the floors made of split logs or puncheons, smoothed on the broadest side with the broad ax, and many of them were the bare ground inside the log pen or school house. The cracks in the houses were smoothly daubed with yellow clay with some man's naked hands, which left the finger print to show for itself. Trowels were of no use in those days. Naked hands were made before trowels. Stone was plentiful but the easiest and usual way to build a chimney to a school house or dwelling was to cut a hole in one end of the building six or seven feet high and build a pen of split logs as high as the hole, then draw in the chimney by using shorter timbers and building it a little higher than the building with split timbers and pieces of poles. A chimney was no good unless it tapered from about seven feet above the ground to the top, as it wouldn't draw. Here again good daubers were a necessity, for unless the chimney was so well daubed with clay, or some other dirt, as to cover every bit of the wood there was great danger of the house being burned. In the fire place it was a great convenience and safety to build a back wall of most any kind of loose stone and stand up large flat stones against the walls of the chimney on the right and left of the fire. "A fellow" could chew tobacco and squirt the tobacco juice into the fire place and hear it fry, with great ease and satisfaction. Nobody but a numb-skull would have bought a spittoon if he had known of such a thing. No quarrels then in the family about a person missing the spittoon and hitting the carpet because there was no carpet. Some few of the people built chimneys of stone a long time ago but they were of the more wealthy class, and were regarded by their neighbors as slightly "stuck up," and didn't have much more influence in the community than a millionaire would have had in a community of Populists in 1878. The seats for the children in the school houses were made of puncheons like those in the floors, if there was a puncheon floor. It was all easy and cheap. An auger was procured and two holes were bored at each end of the puncheon in the rounding or sap side and pegs or legs were driven into the holes in the puncheon, and it was turned over and set up in the floor, and there was your bench for the children. It

was often about the right height for the big boy or girl, but awfully awkward, unhandy and tiresome for the little boy and girl, who had to sit all day long with their feet hanging down and not reaching the floor. Many a poor little boy and girl whose legs went to sleep went to sleep themselves and fell off onto the floor. The writing desks too, were cheaply and easily constructed, as was also the windows in these school houses. They were just immense for cheapness and durability. Here again the auger was brought into use with the puncheon, and holes were bored on the inside of the building in one of the straight logs in the wall, and several long pins driven into the holes and the floor puncheon, as nice and smooth one as could be found was laid on these long pegs or pins that were driven into the wall, and the puncheon pushed back close against the wall where it lay, as solid as the "Rock of Ages" if one of the pegs didn't break or season and work out of its place. Then the next thing was light—a window, that was not troublesome to locate, since the writing desk was up. The first log in the house above the writing desk was cut out or sawed out, and there was plenty of light, and fresh air right in your face when you was sitting at the desk. Young man, if you had gotten your "schooling" with all these conveniences about you you would have known some things that you do not know. Of course, there was plenty of wood and a wide fire place in the school house, but the people usually preferred to have their schools in warm weather. The country was sparsely settled and the roads to the school house for some of the children were long, and none of the children had more than two winter wraps, and the question of shoes was a serious one to contemplate when winter was coming on. The quick steam tanneries that burn up the leather were not in operation then, and the leather to make the shoes had to be tanned near home, and the shoes made near home. If "Old Brindle" or one of the yellow steers died, after the hide was peeled off it was taken to the old man Clark's tan yard, and he by some kind of a process, mostly with ashes and the currying knife took the hair off and put it in a box in the ground that he called a "tan vat," and it was necessary for it to stay there from eighteen months to two years and soak in a lot of ground or pounded black oak bark, and the ooze or juice that it made before it was tanned leather and fit to make shoes of. It often happened that cold weather came on and neither "Dad" nor



“Grand-daddy,” nor old man Jones had any tanned leather to make shoes, so the children and old folks had to have shoes or go barefoot all winter, which the children sometimes did; so a hide was taked out of the “tan vat,” not more than half tanned and it was made into shoes that would swell, stretch and crawl off the children’s feet in wet weather, and when the shoes became dry they would shrink until many a poor boy and girl raised a squall at the idea of putting on their shoes when their feet and ankles were sore because of the cuts and bruises of the raw hide shoes. The old folks fared no better on the shoe matter. Every cobbler who could peg raw hide into shoes was in demand, and some outrageous looking things were made and called shoes. They were all put together with an awl, hammer, wooden pegs, and flax thread, gummed with wax, or what was called “whang leather,” made of the dressed skins of deer, squirrels, house cats etc. A man or boy who could not dress one of these hides so it would not get hard after becoming wet and then drying, “didn’t know much about “whang leather.” The children took their dinners to school with them, which generally consisted of corn bread, made of coarse corn meal with a good deal of bran in it, water and salt, and no grease, fat meat, or some of a lean hog that had been killed in the woods wild and had probably never eaten a grain of corn, and sometimes a bottle of milk. Cows gave down their milk then just like they do now, and gave plenty of it, but there were no Jerseys, and no reds, roans, or Herefords to make beef. Sometimes the people had wheat bread, but the wheat had been frailed out with a club or tramped out on the ground by horses traveling in a circle over the bundles with the heads up; the hoofs of the horses beating the grains out of the bundles and driving them down through the straw to the dirt floor making a mix up with the dirt, chalf, and offal of the horses that tramped the wheat. Then the wheat was gathered up, piled, and loose wheat swept into a heap on the tramping floor, and fanned a time or two through a little machine called a wheat fan that stirred about as much wind as pulling a turkey backwards. The wheat was then taken to mill to be ground, the mill having little machinery to take the refuse out of the wheat, or bran out of the flour. It was such flour as this that the people used here as late as 1855, but they would not use it now, and are almost ashamed to say that they ever did use it. Further about the schools. Some of the teachers had been



over to "Rule 3" in Smiley's Arithmetic, but others did not know multiplication, subtraction and division. Everyone in school, talked, read and spelled aloud. No student was ever punished for making a noise. It was the more quiet ones, who were scolded because they were regarded as not being studious if they did not make a noise in "getting" their lessons. At the busiest time during school hours you could hear the children a quarter of a mile away, spelling and reading. Some big "leather-head" of a boy would try to spell louder, when "getting" his spelling lesson than anyone in school, and he was usually commended by the teacher as the most studious boy in school. Back in these years and times that we have been attempting to give a glimpse of, the first institution or business a new town like Hermitage, Preston, Pittsburg and Quincy needed was supposed to be a "grocery," in which was to be kept green coffee, dark brown sugar, powder and lead, and a lightning quality of whiskey. It was the rule for the boys and men to gather at these places every Saturday, and on all public days going there on horseback, on foot, and with ox teams and wagons, and a great many of the men and boys buying and trading for a good supply of whiskey, having a few fights, and taking coffee home for the women to parch, and some of the brown sugar to hide from the children. The men and boys usually leaving the "grocery," very late in the evening, and getting home after dark, to the women and children, log house and dirt floor, with the coarse, rotten paper in which the coffee and sugar were wrapped bursted and part or all of the coffee and sugar wasted. No coffee for the women to parch and no sugar to hide from the children. In these times no man had an outfit for living and raising a family without a rifle gun, shot pouch, and powder horn, a pair of bullet molds, a stock of flints that would make the fire fly, and two or three dogs, and a great many men took this outfit with them to town on Saturdays, where the "grocery" was situated, and if they could not get a man fight, the dogs would get up a fight and that would cause a man fight. The fights were generally a fair fight with clinched and naked fists, but occasionally a knife was used, but that was regarded by most of them as being cowardly. The man who worked a team of horses with leather harness was looked at as "high-toned." Prior to 1860 the people here did not wear "store clothes," like they do now, and in 1850 to 1855 if you went to church or other gatherings not one

man or woman to the hundred had about them one thread of any clothing not manufactured in and about the home, by the spinning wheel and loom. If one did wear "store clothes," he or she was regarded as something of a "dude," although the people had never heard the word "dude" up to this time. Only a very few full suits of "store clothes" until about 1858, and they were worn by some men from the cities or some Northern or Eastern man, and these were few and far between, for Northern and Eastern people were not generally welcome in a slave state. A man then who wanted the "nigger" freed was a "black" abolitionist," and it was thought, by a great many, that if he got justice he should be run out of the country, but sentiment has so changed now that perhaps, no man in the county wants negro slavery. A Vermont Yankee Doctor, came into the neighborhood of Preston before the Civil War, and to make himself agreeable, and a fit man to live in a slave state, bought a crippled "nigger," cheap, and went with the Confederacy when the Civil War came up.

Farming that was done in the 50's would be thought to be done at great disadvantage, if done that way by the farmers of to-day, but it was sufficient for its day. Farmers opened up and plowed all their land and raised all the crop they needed for home consumption. They did not need much surplus because there was next to no market for a surplus of any kind of crops, and for cattle and hogs they had no outside consumers, except for a few cattle and hogs that could be sold in the larger towns, or driven on foot to St. Louis, then not as large as Springfield. Kansas City, Springfield, St. Joseph and Chicago were all on the map, but half a dozen fat cows and two dozen fat hogs would have overstocked the market of the largest one of them on any day in the year. Besides if fat four year old steers had been driven to the Chicago market on foot it would have been necessary to have taken them to a blacksmith shop and have them shod before starting to market. The lands put in cultivation were for the most part small fields of rich timber land, that were cleared of their brush, saplings, and trees, and strong, heavy, rail worm fences were erected around them. The ground was broken the first time with yokes of oxen, with nearly all sorts and shapes of strong grub plows, and coulter, made in the country or village blacksmith shop of iron, for the purpose, and generally to suit the man who wanted the plow made. There was some steel but it was



scarce and high priced. Horses were not used in plowing new lands, and few of them were ever hitched to wagons to draw them. The farmer usually said that when he wanted to pull a heavy load he wanted a yoke of big steers. Most of the steer calves were yoked together at one and two years old with a wooden yoke that rested on the top of their necks, and for larger oxen with strong bows of hickory or white oak, so bent as to be nearly in the shape of a well shaped hen egg. This bow was put on the oxen's neck from below, and the upper two ends, which usually stood seven or eight inches apart went through large auger holes in the yoke that lay on top of the oxen's necks, and key holes and keys through the ends of the bows that extended above the yoke kept the bows from slipping down and releasing the oxen from the yoke. The load to be drawn was made fast at the center of the yoke between the oxen by means of a staple that went up through with a ring in the staple, these being made of iron, by the country blacksmith. When "Old Tom and Buck" and "Jack and Ball" were hitched to a heavy load, one pair of oxen before the other, and urged forward with their shoulders pressing against the bows and the tops of their necks and front withers pressing against the yoke, with a man behind them with a platted raw hide whip six feet long and a cracker on the end two feet long, and the whole whip outfit well fastened to the little end of a tapering green hickory pole, about as long as whip and cracker both, and an inch and a half in diameter at the big end, and the driver would pop his whip until you could hear it distinctly for a half mile, the load behind these four oxen would move if it wasn't everlastingly fast to the earth. The farmers for plowing land for first plowing in the spring, that had some of the stumps and roots out of it used what was called a Carrie plow, and "Carrie" was probably the most suitable name that could have been given, for one of them would carry dirt from one end of the row to the other and carry it back to the same place. The stock or wood work of these plows somewhat resembled that of the modern breaking plow, but iron was scarce at that time and steel too scarce, and valuable to make into plows; so if you will go and buy a modern Peoria or Moline 12 or 14 inch breaking plow, and take it to a blacksmith shop, and have all the back part of the wing, shear or turning side cut off about two thirds of the way forward towards the point, and leave the shear or wing in shape so it will have three points,



and then supply the place of the steel you had cut off with a wooden piece about a third longer than the steel you had cut off, and twisted or turned in the same shape of the steel, you will have a wooden "mold board," and complete "Carrie," except that the metal will be steel instead of iron, and you may be sure that it will carry dirt. To plow corn the farmers had shovel plows which were single iron plows on a wooden stock. The plows were somewhat like the plows on a cultivator but were larger. The "bull tongue" plow was also in use. It was a single plow with a wooden stock, but the plow part was longer, stronger and narrower than the shovel plow. Some of these old plows could be seen in the county not many years ago. There were no iron and steel garden rakes and hoes, except those made by the country blacksmith, and but few such things were ever made. In the 50's the grain was nearly all cut with the cythe and cradle, but the old fashioned sickle had not been forgotten and was often used in tangled or blown down grain. The chopping ax was probably the most used tool in these years, and cash had to be paid for a new one, and the blacksmith who could "upset"—put steel into the edge of one that was worn out so it would not chop, and temper the steel so that it would not break or bend about the second stroke that was given to a sound log was a valuable man to have in the community, and was worth going ten miles to see. The blacksmith who could make smooth horse shoes and horse shoe nails from old wagon tires and other old iron was very much in demand. The people did not need much horse shoeing, but they also sometimes wanted their oxen shod when they wanted to make long trips, and the blacksmith was expected to make all the shoes and nails, largely out of old irons; so you see the blacksmith was a necessity in every community. Blacksmith shops were so necessary and useful that shops were comparatively numerous, and many a spot at a cross road, or along the public road, or in a town where a blacksmith shop has stood and the smith has hammered old irons has been forgotten, but are found occasionally by finding a pile of old cinders. All the blacksmiths in this section of the country burned charcoal. Perhaps a load of stone coal never was brought to this county until after the Civil War. The manufacture of articles made of iron and steel in the great shops of the country has driven a great many country blacksmiths out of business in the past 45 years.

The man now, who was a boy in the early 50's, large enough to go to mill ten to twenty miles and ride the old family horse on a bag of corn or wheat containing about a bushel and a half had sorrows and troubles of his own on these milling trips. If the old gentleman didn't yoke up the steers, and hitch to the wagon or cart, and take three or four bushels of corn to the mill the boy was in it for the trip, and he was put on old "Sorrel" with the bag of corn or wheat, generally corn, and started for the mill, and many a poor boy's bag of grain fell off on the ground, and he cried and "tugged" and "tugged" and cried, trying to get it back on his horse until he could see stars, and wished he was dead, and then had to wait for someone to come along and put it on for him. If the bag fell off as he went back home, so much the worse, for it was likely that he had set around the corn cracker (mill,) waiting for his "turn" to be ground until he was very hungry, and if in winter almost without fire, and was nearly frozen to death. Those old millers never did have a fire except a lot of smoking chunks. If in spring or summer he probably had had an old "Missouri Ague" chill with a shaking that made his teeth rattle, which was always immediately followed by such a high fever that the boy almost burned up. Such chills and fever were so common that everyone had them, and when you first got out of bed after having one of these chills you felt like a thin, old house cat looks and you didn't feel any worse than you looked. After you had them for a while, which you was very likely to do, if you didn't take quite a good deal of bitter tea, made from roots and herbs, and a lot of quinine if you could get it, and then stay out of the morning dews that fell on the tall weeds and grass every night almost like a rain. A Missouri shaking ague was a terror, but the old fashioned kind of it left the country when the thousands of wild turkey and deer left it, and neither have come back to stay and never will. Clearing up the woods, broadening the farms, plowing almost half the lands, the building of more numerous residences, more school houses and churches, has driven out the shaking ague, the deer and turkeys, and a great many of the old "fogies."

In the 50's the young people in their "courting" and making love, affairs, were at great disadvantage, but they did not realize it. Horses were not plentiful, but the going to meetings was done on horseback, on foot, or by yoking up the oxen, hitching to the home-made ox wagon, putting the good wife,



and every little "brat" of a child in the wagon bed, calling, only, about two of the dogs, and starting out from home, with "Dad" issuing the usual commands to the oxen:- "wo-haw Buck, gee, Jerry!" Everyone in clean home-spun clothes, and all jolly and happy. If the young man wanted to "spark" his girl, he had to crawl into the wagon with the family, he and his girl go on foot, or if he was up in the world enough to own a "scrub" saddle horse, he and his girl could both ride the horse. It was just delightful for a young man to have such a horse to take his girl to meeting, night or day. The horse saddled, his tail tied up, the rider on him rides up to a stump, log or block and his girl hops up behind him on the horse, as light as a feather, and away they go five, ten or fifteen miles to some place where there is to be preaching at the residence of some man who has a roomy log house. The girls didn't need any "high falootin" riding skirts. In these days when the boys and girls went to preaching in their home-spun clothes, with the girl riding behind him at nearly all hours of the day or night there were not many Harry-Evelyn-Thaw-Stanford White cases. Virtuous conduct seemed to be adhered to for virtue sake.

No attempt will be made to give a description of all the household furniture of those days but as the author of this little book all through life, has been fond of sleeping and eating, a description of bedsteads and cooking utensils will be given. There were many kinds and contrivances called bedsteads, some of which were made by boring two holes in the inside wall of the house near a corner, and putting one post out in the floor with two auger holes through it near the top end. There were two poles or railing driven into the holes in the wall and the other ends went through the holes in the post, which made a stout platform. But the best and most substantial bedstead of the good farmer had four posts with places mortised into them for the ends of the bed rails to be driven into and pegged with wooden pegs driven into small auger holes. These bedsteads were strong and substantial. In both the long and short rails were auger holes, about six inches from each other made with a half inch auger through which were woven across the bedstead, from side rail to side rail, and from end rail to end rail, about one hundred feet of half inch cotton or hemp rope. On this web of rope the beds were spread, and the old people and infants slept, while those two or three years old, and on up almost to manhood and womanhood slept on

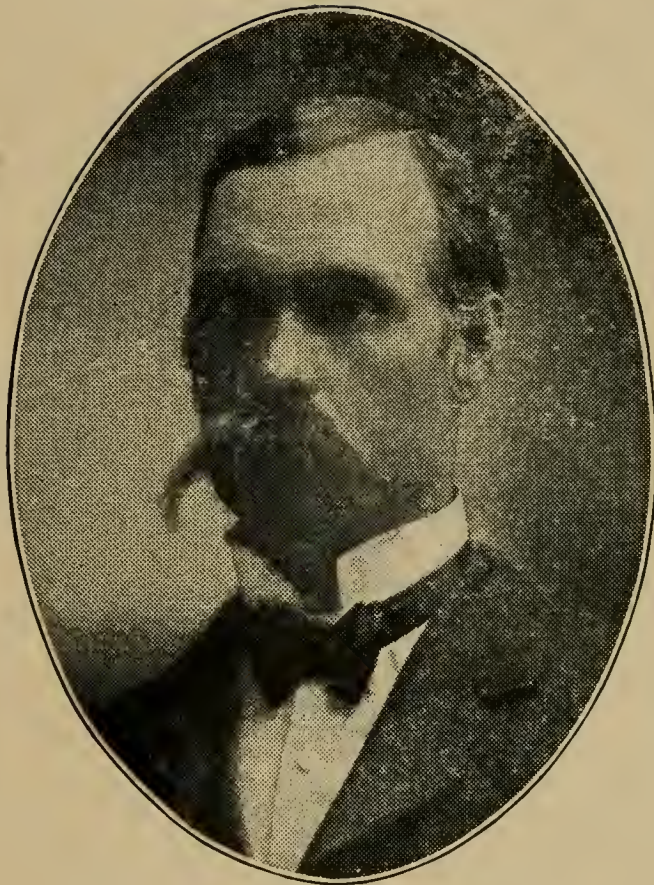


what was called a "trunnel" bedstead, made on the same plan of the larger bedstead, but small enough to be shoved under the large bedstead, out of the way during the day. The ropes or cords in the bedstead, would stretch in a few months until two persons sleeping in the same bed would roll against each other, and, then the ropes or cords had to be drawn tighter to make the bed comfortable enough on which to sleep. Many a poor innocent babe, at from two weeks to two or three months old was smothered to death by the parents rolling together on one of these beds after the cords had sagged down. Perhaps not a cook stove was brought to Hickory county until after 1860. Cooking was done with several cooking vessels, but the leaders were cast iron tea kettles, in which coffee was boiled until it was black; the skillet, a cast iron vessel, with a long solid cast iron handle, cast iron legs about two inches long which, when 12 inches in diameter was about three inches deep, which was for the purpose of frying meats, eggs etc., and baking bread. But when bread was to be baked, a cast iron lid made with the skillet and for it was used to cover it. A pile of live coals was taken out of the fire place on the flat stone or hearth or the naked ground where a flat stone hearth should have been, in front of the chimney fireplace, and the skillet set on the hot coals, the dough for bread put in it, and the lid put on the skillet. and a lot of live coals put on the lid, and the dough being between two fires was usually cooked pretty quick. The oven was much like the skillet with the long handle broken off. It had ears to lift it by, had a lid like a skillet and was used for making bread, and sometimes was used as a skillet. The dinner pot was a necessity. It was of cast iron with legs usually two or two and a half inches long, the bowl or main body of it was nearly round, with an open top. It was set on coals or upon the wood in the fireplace, and was used to boil meats and all sorts of vegetables. It had ears on two sides at the top, and a bail could be hooked in these ears to lift it. These vessels were all made by pouring molten iron into molds like "running" bullets in bullet molds. The outside of them was somewhat rough, but the inside was as smooth, black and slick after they were cooked in once or twice as the skin on a young negro girl's forehead.

The first mill built in the county that was of much importance was built by Amos Paxton for a man named Rankin in Section 34 Township 38 Range 22, down the Pomme de Terre

river, below Hermitage, about six miles, by the roads if there had been any. It was a water mill and was patronized for 20 or 30 miles around when the water in the river was sufficient to run it. The Lopp people also built a dam across the river about three miles above Hermitage a short time after Rankin had his mill built, and Jonas Brown built one on Lindley creek above the ford on the Bolivar and Warsaw road, something like three fourths of a mile, but these could not be run when the streams were low, and the people were forced to go to the Brice mill at Bennett mill old place, 12 miles this side of Lebanon, the Deloney-Howard mill on Little Niangua about 15 miles below Almon, or the Hightower mill, where the Arnholdt mill now stands, about five miles above the mouth of Big Niangua. About this time William Montgomery, also built a little mill on Mill creek, about 23 or 24 miles East of where Preston stands. The older Cruce also had a tread mill on what was known as the Joseph S. Naffziger, place Southwest of Wheatland about five miles, in Section 32 Township 37 Range 23. Mills could be operated for a longer time in the year on the Nianguas than on Pomme de Terre and Lindley creek, and at the Brice mill, because the Nianguas are almost made by springs, and the spring near the Brice place does not rise and fall very much. William Dollarhide run a distillery on the John Jackson, old place Southeast of Preston and got his meal ground to make his "still beer" at the Jonas Brown mill on Lindley creek. Mr. Dollarhide probably had the first distillery in the county. The first steam mill was built by the Donnells, William L., and Thomas, about where the mill now stands that is owned by Doak & Scruggs, North of Cross Timbers. They also had a store a short distance Southwest of the mill. These water mills built in what is now Hickory county were probably all built from 1842 to 1846. Prior to this, of course milling was more unhandy, the country being more sparsely settled. The first blacksmith shop in what was Stark Township was probably at the William L. Brookshire place, about a mile south of Judge Hickman's residence and was run by William Bone, and very early Daniel Epley had one about 150 yards East and a few degrees to the North of where the residence of John M. Dollarhide now is. From the later 40's through the 50's the tan yard of Thomas Davis situated near the town survey to the North of Hermitage, was probably the largest thing of the kind in the country. Signs of it may yet be seen at the place. A





ERIC EKLOF,  
County Surveyor.



ALMON WATER MILL HOUSE,  
Built long prior to the Civil War.



man by the name of Feaster was the expert leather "currier" at this tan yard for several years.

The principal crops raised by the first settlers were corn, and vegetables, such as potatoes, cabbage and onions. As the settlers increased crops of oats and rye and small crops of timothy and red top hay, and wheat began to be raised, but it was not fully understood by the farmers until the close of the Civil War how valuable the hay crop could be made. Hungarian grass, a kind of millet was raised to feed cattle before the war, but it was not much of a success, either as a crop or a feed. Alfalfa, red clover, and kaffir corn were not on the list of crops. Molasses cane or sorghum began to be cultivated about the middle of the 50's, and the juice was mashed out of it with wooden cane mills that had rollers from 16 inches to 2 feet in diameter and you could hear one of those cane mills screaming and squalling at a distance of half a mile, no matter which way the wind blew. When the juice was mashed out it was put into iron wash kettles and boiled to the proper thickness for molasses. When this new way of making molasses was in its early days it was amusing to see the children and some of the older people sopping into the kettles where it was boiling, and getting the half made molasses all over their faces and hands and in their eyes and hair. The molasses when finished were not the cleanest mess on earth, but they were sweet, and cheap, and filled the place of the dirty cane molasses that the people who were able to buy had been buying for many years. The first of these molasses made were unclean, but it was only a few years until zinc pans were on sale, made for the purpose of boiling the juice down to molasses, and greater care was taken as to cleanliness, but when the people first commenced making these molasses many a poor boy groaned with pains in his stomach after drinking too much of the cane juice, or sopping the kettles too much. One young man who had drank two quarts of the juice from an old wooden mill asked the man who was doing the grinding of the cane if he thought that two quarts of the stuff would hurt a "feller."

## FINANCIAL CONDITIONS.

In the 40's and early in the 50's there was not much money in this part of Missouri. It is probably not true of this county, as it was organized as late as 1845, but it is true that in some of the older counties of the state cash was so scarce at one time that taxes were paid to the Collector in deer skins and furs, which were sold in the markets by the Collector, and the money applied on taxes. There was some subsidiary coins, Spanish silver dollars, but only occasionally was an American silver dollar seen, as only about eight million of them had been coined as late as 1860. There were quite a lot of American gold coins prior to 1850, that had been coined at New Orleans and Philadelphia from gold mined in the Carolinas and Georgia, but don't imagine for a moment that the average farmer had his pockets full of them, for they were almost too dear for them to own, unless they were of the more wealthy class. The gold mines of the Carolinas and Georgia, were rather extensively worked prior to the discovery in California, and we believe have never been entirely abandoned. We used to hear the fathers say that they could tell where the gold pieces were coined by their color, the gold from California being a deeper or richer yellow color than the gold from the Carolinas and Georgia. There were also some foreign gold coins, and along in the 50's and up to 1860, quite a lot of paper bills issued by State banks that were under, really no sort of restraint or bank inspection laws, and when a man had twenty thousand dollars in one of them he could not tell whether he was wealthy or poor. Banks went broke and the bills were at a discount so often that all was uncertainty as to the value of the bills from one morning to another. Many a man supposed he had his thousand of dollars, one week and learned next week that the only money he had that had purchasing power was a few silver halves, quarters, dimes and half dimes he had in his purse. If a man had bills issued in another state communication was much slower than now, and it was sometimes a week or ten days before he found out that he was "busted." This situation was remedied early in 1862, by an Act of Congress that taxed these shoddy banks out of existence. The discovery of gold in California, in 1849, began to increase the supply of money here to some extent about 1853-54, and it was a wonderful benefit, for the summer of 1854, in Missouri was as dry as



the summer of 1874, or 1901. This part of the country had not fully recovered from the crop failure of 1854, when the financial panic of 1857, came all over the country, and the country had not recovered from that when the Civil War came in 1861, although the gold mines of California had scattered a lot of gold coin everywhere. Looking back now to the 50's, and on down to 1860, it looks like the nation would have been absolutely insolvent in 1860 had it not have been for the discovery of gold in California. Early in 1861, before Mr. Buchanan, had retired from the presidency, the government borrowed money that cost 16 per cent, and in 1862, pretty good cows sold for \$5.00, when such cows now, although, those that were of inferior grade, would sell for \$20.00, in gold. The \$5.00 per head, then paid for cows was paid in "Green Backs," issued by the government under an Act of congress of March 12th, 1862, after the war had commenced, and was at a discount of about 25 per cent, but was a legal tender, and you was bound to take it, and generally glad to get it. We believe the country never did have that thing called money that all kinds of it had exactly the same purchasing power until 1879. In the 50's the retail country merchants did an extensive credit business, and doing business that way led purchasers to buy more than they would have bought otherwise, many creditors failed to pay their bills, and as a result of this credit system, the scarcity of good money, and losses from worthless "wild cat" bank bills many merchants were unable to pay their debts. The losses of average farmers here because of the "wild cat" paper bills were not great, for a great many of them never had cash enough due them, so that they would have more than two or three ten dollar "wild cat" bills, and these very soon went into the hands of the "grocery keeper," or "store keeper." About all the coin went out of circulation in 1861, and up to early in 1863, you could often not get a bill changed, if you had one. But congress by an Act provided for an issue of 5, 10, 15, 25 and 50 cent paper bills, and they were issued to the amount of several million dollars, and the people then had plenty of change. Some of these small bills may yet be seen in the country.

## SHORT SKETCH OF THE EARLY SETTLEMENT.

It is uncertain as to what year it was that white people first came to what is now Hickory county, but it is likely that it was as early as 1827. The lands in this county were not surveyed and report of survey filed until in 1837, and no entries of land were made until 1838. The first settlers evidently came in on the old wagon roads from St. Louis and the counties near St. Louis, and from the Missouri river at Boonville. Two main old roads led out from these points as early as 1821, one from St. Louis Southwest through what are now the counties of St. Louis, Franklin, Jefferson, Crawford, Phelps, Pulaski, Laclede and Webster to Springfield, and the other from Boonville South through Cooper, Pettis, Benton, Hickory and Polk to Springfield, and then on to Fayetteville, Arkansas. These roads were marked and cut out, and became Government roads in 1835, under Act of Congress. The Boonville and Springfield road passed through by Quincy and Elkton. The early settlements of Southwest Missouri were generally at the heads or mouths of streams, and the settlements up and down the streams followed. The Inglis and Zumalt people settled on what is now Inglis creek in the Southeast part of the county probably as early as 1830, but founded no big settlement. Joseph Blackwell came here from Tennessee with his family about 1828, and James S. Blackwell, who resides at Elkton, in Tyler township, was born on the Jonas Brown place North of Pittsburg, nearly 75 years ago. Mr. Blackwell sold this place to Jonas Brown for \$200. in gold. Martha J. Nowell, who afterwards married Phillip H. Lacey, and died Oct. 29, 1885, was born not far from Quincy, June 8, 1829. Montgomery Township was no doubt named for Joseph C. Montgomery who lived near the Walker springs, five miles North of Wheatland, as early as 1832. He was a judge of the County Court of Benton County in 1835 and 1836 and that Township brought the name "Montgomery" township with it into the organization of this county. There was a very early settlement Northwest of Cross Timbers, about the Benton and Hickory County line, near or on Turkey creek, and the head of prairie hollow, that had Dawsons, Youngs, Holloways, and Lakes, and organized an old Baptist church. Samuel Judy, who afterwards entered the Northwest quarter of Section 21, Township 36, Range 23,



(December 22, 1838) lying two and one half miles West of Elkton, and now assessed to W. A. and E. P. Brown, lived near Quincy or perhaps on the present site of Quincy on the "Military" road, and run a blacksmith shop as early as 1832, and the Post Office here run by Aaron Ripetoe was no doubt the first Post Office in the county. A long time ago but not nearly so early there was a Post Office at the Vanrensaler Bennett place three miles North of Wheatland named Bledsoe, perhaps following the name of one of the sons of Judge Joseph C. Montgomery, who lived at the Walker spring and may have at an early date kept the Post Office. John Stark settled near the mouth of Stark creek about 1830 and died there about 1866. One of his sons James C. Stark lived over there in that neighborhood until very recently and now lives in Taney County, Missouri, but there are several grand-children and great-grand-children of the old man, John Stark in that neighborhood now. There was a man named Drenan, who settled on Little Niangua, not far from the mouth of Stark creek as early as 1831 and his descendants may be found in that part of the county now. For an account of the early settlement of Little Niangua country see the history of William Montgomery's settlements under the head of Family Records. Jesse Driskill settled sometime in the 30's, about two miles Northeast of where Preston now is, and his numerous descendants may be found down further North along Stark creek at this time, the eldest of whom are Obediah and James K. P. Driskill. A man by the name of Culberson settled the Thomas S. Morgan old farm in the 30's, and a man named Clifton first settled the McHuffman old farm on Little Niangua in Section 35, Township 38, Range 20, about 1834. William R. Lopp's grand father or grand mother lived on the Andrew Alexander place on Lindley creek as early as 1835.

Most of the early settlers came from Tennessee, Kentucky and North Carolina, some however came from Ohio and Virginia. The following land entries, in parts of the county show with the greatest certainty when and in what sections of the county the first permanent settlements were made: Robert H. McCracken, October 22, 1838, S. E. quarter Section 27, Township 36, Range 23. William J. Metcalf, October 22, 1838, N. E. quarter Section 27, Township 36, Range 23. Samuel McCracken, December 22, 1838, W. half S. W. quarter Section 26, Township 36, Range 23. About this time half a dozen other parties entered other rich lands about Elkton and West of there on

and near Weaubleau creek, and on down the creek as far as Section 1, Township 36, Range 24, where Wm. G. Banyham entered what was once called the O. P. Fletcher place on Big Weaubleau on December 28, 1838. Thos. Holland on December 7, 1838, entered the E. half S. W. quarter and W. half S. E. quarter of Section 11, Township 36, Range 23, and about that time John P. Rogers, J. H. Henderson, Bird Estes, James Brians and others entered all the other land down that little creek to Big Weaubleau creek. The lands in Sections 1, 2, 3, and 4, Township 35, Range 23, were entered by James B. Maloch, Robert B. Runyan, John H. Taylor, James McCracken, William R. Vestal and others in 1839 and 1840. John T. Thomas entered the W. half N. W. quarter of Section 4, Township 37, Range 23, a little South of Quincy, November 30, 1838 and also land in Section 5. Others shortly afterwards entered lands on down Hogle's creek. Jonas Brown entered 160 acres, the place where he made his farm two miles North of Pittsburg, May 20, 1842, and other entries up and down Lindley creek followed in two, three and five years. Barney Pitts and James G. Pitts entered land up on Pomme de Terre in Sections 28 and 35, Township 36, Range 22, August 23, 1847, and that appears to have started entering land up and down the river. Thomas Davis entered on March 31, 1847, the S. W. fourth N. E. quarter Section 23, Township 37, Range 22 lying immediately North of Hermitage, and William Waldo on April 23, 1847, entered the 40 acres immediately South of the old survey of Hermitage. This started land entries in the vicinity of Hermitage. The first entry made in Township 37, Range 21, was made by Alexander Foster November 28, 1843, of S. E. fourth of S. E. quarter of Section 22, and the next by Jesse Driskill September 2, 1844, of an 80 acres lying immediately North of the Fisher graveyard. No other entries were made on Stark creek until after 1850, except the entry of William Edde for the W. half N. W. quarter and the N. E. fourth N. W. quarter Section 24, Township 37, Range 21, made January 18, 1845. Amos Lindsey and James Lindsey entered land in Section 1, Township 36, Range 21, in May and September 1847, and Amos Lindsey and Daniel Darby entered land in Section 12, Township 26, Range 21. Luke Palmer entered the N. E. quarter Section 15, Township 37, Range 21, November 28, 1847. Eliza Inglis entered 80 acres in Sections 4 and 5, Township 35, Range 21, November 22, 1848. James D. Donnell entered the lands where Cross



Timbers is located, July 8, 1848. Samson Norton entered the N. E. fourth of the N. E. quarter of Section 8, Township 38, Range 22, March 31, 1847, and the N. E. fourth of the N. E. quarter of Section 10, Township 38, Range 22, was entered by Alexander Breshears, April 5, 1847. James Atkinson and Ira E. Tilford entered land in Section 15, Township 38, Range 23, December 30, 1843, and the 160 acres where the town of Quincy now is was entered by Isaac M. Cruce, October 11, 1843. Noting the location of these entries it will be seen that they were mainly on lands that were rich, timbered, and well watered, about the heads and up and down the streams. Level ridges and prairies were not wanted. The pioneers wanted lands that looked somewhat like such as they had left behind them in the older states. There was also an early settlement near Avery.

The early settlers had troubles and vexations about building their log houses, and other log buildings, especially when the logs were large and heavy. Between 1840 and 1850, the country was so sparsely settled that the man who had a house to raise had to go ten to fifteen miles to invite his neighbors to help him. No neighbor ever charged anything for helping, even if he did go fifteen miles and work two days. A man who would have made a charge would have been thought to be too close and stingy for a neighbor, and if he afterwards had a building to raise would not have gotten help. The pioneers, also had big log rolling days. The timber in the creek and river bottoms was large, thick and heavy and after the land was cleared, the timber cut down, and trimmed up and rails made, and the land fenced there were on most fields heavy green logs lying around so that the ground could not be plowed until the logs were rolled together and burned. It had to be out of the way of the plow, and after the house, smoke house, corn crib and stable were built the logs were of no use to the farmer. There were no saw mills in those days. Hundreds of thousands of what would have made the finest of walnut lumber went up in smoke and ashes after these log rollings. The men came far and near to these log rollings, and many of them were powerful men physically, among whom we call to mind and name a few that we have known or heard of, as follows: The Palmers, Wilson, John and Reuben; William Whelchel, Horace Dark, William, John and Merideth Richards; Josiah Dent, Joe, Green and Elisha Stephens; Bill Anderson, the Hicks men, William Bird, Charles Barber, John W. Quigg,

Amos Paxton, Amos Lindsey, William M. Dorman, Nathaniel McCracken, John H. Brannon, Camel Jordan, Jacob Bartshe. The men did not always go alone to these house raisings and log rollings. The wives and grown up daughters often went to a quilting had by the good wife of the man who had the house to raise or the logs to roll, and everybody stayed all night, or until within a few hours of morning, and after the day's work was done the old fashioned fiddle was brought out and tuned, and there was a dance that made the big log house shake, and the puncheon floor rattle. It was not often that there was a house raising or a log rolling had without plenty of whiskey, and plenty, meant all the people that were there wanted, but it was whiskey that had come from a distillery, and not from a cellar or dark room where poisons are mixed, and then called whiskey. Most every one present drank of the whiskey, including the females, but not as great a percent of them became besotted on pure whiskey then as become besotted now on various combinations of poisons called whiskey. There may have been, and probably was, an excuse for those who invaded and cleared up a wilderness using pure whiskey, but the use of pure whiskey by the pioneers of this country when they were opening up a wilderness is quite a different thing from filling up on high priced poison, when the person taking the poison is not sick. It may have been partly the necessities, and dependence of the people on each other that made them so, but no matter what the reasons for it those who were the pioneers here were much more clever, open hearted (handed) and much less selfish than we are now, and we are growing more selfish each year. Borrowing among neighbors, such things as meal, coffee, in fact anything the borrower was without was a common every day matter, and but very few people had things they would not loan, even half they had or a little more than half, and there was generally no half heartedness about it. There was not many of that sort of stingy fellows in the pioneer days, whose chins grow to a sharp point before they are forty-five years old, but we have them with us now, and they are increasing in numbers.



## JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

The following are names and dates when first Justices of the Peace were commissioned in this county:

### CENTER TOWNSHIP

Andrew C. Richey, August 5, 1845.  
James McEwin, August 3, 1845.  
William R. Donnell, August 3, 1845.  
James E. Foster, August 20, 1845.

### STARK TOWNSHIP

John Neal, August 3, 1845.  
Riley Riddle, August 3, 1845.  
Asa Johnson, August 3, 1845.  
James C. Driskill, August 3, 1845.

### TYLER TOWNSHIP

Urias H. Owings, August 5, 1845.  
William Rountree, August 5, 1845.  
Armstead Runyan, August 20, 1845.  
Alvin Poe, August 20, 1845.

### GREEN TOWNSHIP

Charles F. Friend, August 3, 1845.  
Thomas Glanville, August 3, 1845.  
Isham B. Hastain, August 3, 1845.  
William M. Dorman, August 3, 1845.

### MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP

John Cyrus, August 3, 1845.  
Robert C. Crockett, August 3, 1845.  
William Walker, August 3, 1845.  
John W. Murry, May 4, 1845.

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## STATE SENATORS.

The county has been honored since 1864 by the election of the following State Senators: William L. Snidow, William Q. Paxton, Ernest P. Baldwin, and J. Houston Childers.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

The following is a list of the Representatives in the Lower House of the Missouri Legislature:

Joel B. Halbert,	1846.	Joel B. Halbert,	1848.
Meekin Pitts,	1850.	John S. Williams,	1852.
J. F. Powers,	1854.	John S. Williams,	1856.
Richard I. Bobertson,	1858.	John S. Williams,	1860.
Meekin Pitts,	1862.	Joseph Whitaker,	1864.
William Kidwell,	1866.	William L. Snidow,	1868.
Ephraim Dent,	1870.	William L. Snidow,	1872.
William L. Snidow,	1874.	William L. Snidow,	1876.
Joseph Whitaker,	1878.	William L. Snigow,	1880.
George S. Selvidge,	1882.	William L. Snidow,	1884.
William L. Snidow,	1886.	Alanson H. Dent,	1888.
E. Madden Kerr,	1890.	E. Madden Kerr,	1892.
Daniel R. Jones,	1894.	William L. Snidow,	1896.
F. Marion Wilson,	1898.	Ezekiel D. Blair,	1900.
John W. Campbell,	1902.	John Whitaker,	1904.
John Whitaker,	1906.		

Of those now living, are the following: Joseph Whitaker, Weaubleau; Ephraim Dent, Wheatland; George S. Selvidge, Meade, Kansas; Alanson H. Dent, Osceola; E. Madden Kerr, Elkton; F. Marion Wilson, Hermitage; John W. Campbell, Stockton; John Whitaker, Weaubleau; and J. Houston Childers, Muskogee, Oklahoma. Later:-Since the copy for this book was written Hon. E. Madden Kerr, was again elected to to the Legislature and died during the 1909 session, and Hons. Joseph and John Whitaker have both died in Weaubleau.



## CIRCUIT COURT.

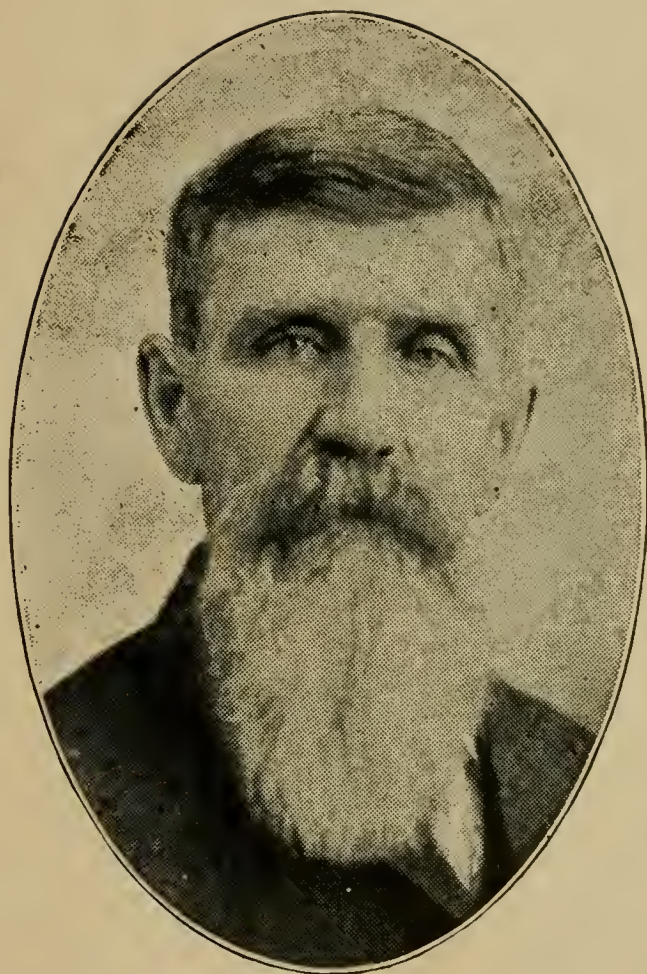
The records of this court from the organization of the county to 1858, were destroyed by the burning of the Court Houses in 1860 and 1881, but from parts of old Minute Books, old Index Books, and Court Dockets, and information received from old settlers the statements here given are believed to be very nearly correct. The first term of the Circuit Court was convened at the residence of Thomas Davis, probably in September 1845, anyhow it was warm, pleasant weather. But little business was transacted. The meeting of the court and officers was at the residence of Thomas Davis, then County Treasurer, near the Southeast corner of the original survey of the town of Hermitage; and was in the buildings now standing near the Northwest corner of the South East one fourth of the South East quarter of Section 23, Township 37, Range 22, known as the Davis-Woodrum-Liggett place. Foster P. Wright was Judge of the court, Alfred H. Foster Clerk, and John S. Williams Sheriff. A grand jury was summoned, and met and transacted its business out among the spreading oaks. One old gentleman who was a member of that grand jury told the author of this little book, a few years ago that some of the meetings were held under a white oak tree that stood in the alley about 40 feet East of the Southwest corner of Block One of the original survey of the town of Hermitage. The tree was dead in 1872, but stood there until about 1875. This information was received from James Lindsey, an old and highly respected citizen who died only a few years ago, and John C. Dollarhide, who is yet living at a ripe old age, having lived in the county since 1840. While there was strife and contention between the East and West sides of the county as to the location of the county seat, Circuit Court was never held anywhere in the county only in and about the town of Hermitage, probably because the Wilson County Tennessee people largely held the offices and used their "pull" for Hermitage. Foster P. Wright continued to be Circuit Judge until 1850. Waldo P. Johnson, who was afterwards United States Senator from Missouri, a Senator in the Confederate Congress, and in 1875 President of the Convention that made the present Constitution of the State of Missouri, was Judge from 1851-53, DeWitt C. Ballou 1854-58, Foster P. Wright 1859-61, Burr H. Emerson 1862-71, David McGaughey 1871, Robert W. Fyan 1872-82,

Fyan elected to Congress November 1882, and Ben V. Alton appointed for 1883-84. Washington I. Wallace was elected in November 1884, and served until January 1, 1893, when he was succeeded by Argus Cox, of Mountain Grove, Wright County, Missouri, who is the present incumbent. Judge Wallace last signed the record November 19, 1892, and Judge Cox first convened court here on May 8, 1893.

The oldest circuit court record preserved from the fire in the court house is of Monday morning September 13, 1858. Present: DeWitt C. Ballou, Judge of the court; Thomas W. Freeman, Circuit Attorney; William Paxton, Clerk; and William Young Evans, Sheriff. The names of Grand and Petit Jurors were as follows: Grand Jurors, H. H. Jamison, Foreman, William Park, John T. Thomas, David McGee, Benjamin F. Sims, Peter L. Yoast, James G. Wallace, Lewis Parker, G. W. Webb, James Stephens, Ephraim Dent, Thomas Pentecost, Jacob Reser, Abraham Charlton, William H. Gregory, and Thomas Lawrence. Petit Jurors: Samuel Tillery, William H. Hendricks, Nathan Glasscock, Gideon Creed, Manuel Mashburn, John Pitts, Charles F. Shook, Isaac T. Dorris, James Lindsey, A. W. Kennedy, John Stark, D. A. Boaz, Edward Lucas, John Miller, Joseph Edde, James Stephens, Amasa Curtis, Richard C. Skinner, William W. Donnell, Jordan Rhea, and L. B. Hickman.

September Term, 1860. Foster P. Wright, Judge. Grand Jurors: Marcus S. Graff, Foreman; A. W. Kennedy, Silas Dillon, Wilson G. Palmer, James L. Hicks, Josiah Dent, D. B. Calhoun, Wallace W. Drennon, Andrew Vandiver, Thomas R. Hankins, Joel Wheeler, James Alexander, Jesse H. Parsons, Samuel McAfee, John P. Cooper, and John Durnell. Petit Jurors: Lewis B. Hawkins R. J. Irvin, James E. Foster, Edward Farris, A. P. Donnell, Hiram Dixon, Annanias B. Reser, John A. Pare, Young Pitts, Henry Airhart, William Thompson, David McGee, D. A. Whitlaw, Squire L. Pine, A. C. Ritchey, A. G. Black, Levi Breshears, William F. Bradley, Green B. Stephens, Elisha Estes, John Starkey, Lewis Parker, Preston Richardson, and Horatio N. Cooper. Court adjourned September 13, 1860, and did not meet again until September 14, 1863, when the court was presided over by Burr H. Emerson, Circuit Judge.





NATHAN K. POPE,  
Judge of the County Court E. District.



JOSEPH RIDDLE,  
Presiding Judge of the County Court.



## COUNTY INDEBTEDNESS.

This county was always managed so that it never had a bonded debt. All of our neighbor counties, except Camden, became involved in fraudulent railroad bonded debts in the 70's through the actions of their County Courts, and nearly all the leading men in and about Hermitage and Wheatland were over anxious at the time for our County Court to involve our county in the same way. But at that time we had as two members of the county court John Lawrence and John A. Pare, both of Green township. Judge Lawrence was absolutely immovable in the direction of issueing bonds, and Judge Pare, while he would perhaps under the strong pressure of sentiment, have consented to the issue, was not favorable to it. Judge Lawrence was nicknamed and abused for what was said to be his stubbornness, but was afterwards re-elected because of the stand he took on this bond question. The ravages and devastation of the country by the Civil War, building a new jail, and repairs on the court house, with perhaps some unnoticed extravagance, had gotten the county into a county warrant debt by 1875, that amounted to about eight or nine thousand dollars. At the time of the adoption of the present Constitution of the state, (November 30, 1875,) it was provided that all such back indebtedness should be provided for by a levy of taxes at the the May term 1876, sufficient to pay it off and cancel all old outstanding county warrants. A levy was made at the May term 1876 by the county court, and again in 1878 and 1879, but because of a desire not to raise a hue and cry about higher taxes, enough was never levied to pay off the old warrant debt, and about \$2,000 of it is not out of the way yet. County warrants were continuously at a discount from 1864 to 1903. In 1889 they were disouted at the Hickory County Bank, then doing business in Hermitage, 15 cents on the dollar. In 1885, the Prosecuting Attorney, in view of the condition of the county finances and a decision of the Supreme court rendered by Judge Thomas A. Sherwood in a Douglas county case involving the payment of fees, advised the county court to make an extra levy of 20 cents on the \$100 valuation of the property in the county, over and above the 50 cent, maximum rate fixed by the Constitution of the state. The levy was made at the May term of the county court 1885, amounting to about \$3,450 and as no county warrants were issued against it about \$3,250

of it was collected and outstanding county warrants paid with it. Had the levy been continued for three years all outstanding county warrants would have been paid and thousands of dollars in interest and discount on county warrants saved to the people. But the people raised a storm about higher taxation, for political effect, the Sherwood decision was overruled, and our county court made no more such levies and the people continued to be taxed to the fullest extent allowed by the Constitution of the State to pay current expenses and interest on outstanding warrants, and speculators had a pic-nic discounting warrants until 1903. It would take several days to ascertain the amount of interest that has been paid on county warrants, but it will probably reach \$10,000. In 1903, the Hermatage Bank, with Joseph S. Hartman as President and Willliam L. Pitts, Cashier, decided that that institution would carry all county warrants brought to the bank, at par, and since that time all warrants have been worth one hundred cents on the dollar, and speculators in warrants who received 6 per cent interest on them, and discounted them when they bought them from 5 to 15 per cent have gone out of fashion.



## PERMANENT SCHOOL FUNDS, COUNTY AND TOWNSHIP.

These funds were derived from the sale of 16th Section lands, Swamp lands, and fines and forfeitures. By the Act of Congress admitting the state into the Union every 16th Section in the state was given for school purposes. The proceeds of the sales of these lands are the Township school funds. At a later date Congress gave the state for school purposes all lands in the state where more than half of a forty acres was swampy or frequently overflowed, for school purposes, and these lands were patented by the state to the counties in 1869, and they were sold and the proceeds became a part of the county school fund. Prior to the selection of these lands as Swamp lands many persons had been allowed to enter such lands at the Government Land Offices, and they appeared to be lost to the counties, but in 1882, the county court of this county through George S. Selvidge and William McCracken procured an adjustment of this matter with the Government and the county school fund received \$2,327 and about 640 acres in Land Scrip which was located on some of the best tracts of then vacant Government land in this county in 1884, by Patrick Chancellor and F. Marion Wilson, and the lands have now all been sold and the proceeds are now a part of the county school fund. The criminal laws of the state have been fairly well enforced in the county since its organization, and numerous fines have been collected, and with a few collections made on forfeited recognizances all has been turned into the county school fund principal. These funds have all of the time been loaned out to the citizens of the county, for a great many years at 10 per cent interest, but of late years at 8 per cent, that being the highest rate of interest allowed by the law. The interest collected on these funds is distributed annually among the school districts of the county, together with moneys received from the state arising from an appropriation of one-third of the state revenue and interest collected from the state on a loan of the state school fund to the state, and the levies in the several school districts for teachers fund, and all these can only be used in paying teachers in the district schools. The moneys needed for building or incidental purposes must be raised by levies on the taxable property of the several school districts. The county school fund and township school funds

in this county now (1907) amount to about \$32,000, although quite a large amount has been lost on bad loans, especially as a result of the war of 1861-65 and the burning of Bonds and Mortgages in the Court House that were evidence of loans. The amount apportioned to each child within school age for the year 1906, from all of these sources was on an average among the districts of about \$2.10, some school Townships having a little larger Township fund than others. There are sixty-five school districts in the county two of which, Wheatland and Weaubleau, are special, separate districts. These have six directors and a Treasurer, independent of the County Treasurer, who receives and pays out their moneys. Nearly all of these districts have at least six months school in each year, and several of them have seven or eight months. These schools employ over seventy teachers. Of the Christian College at Weaubleau we shall speak when giving a history of that town. We have had no such officer as County Superintendent of Public Schools since 1874, and no institution can progress as well without a head-man as with him. But County School Commissioners we have had since 1874, have all been active and enthusiastic school men, and although, only receiving very small pay for their services have been of great benefit to the schools. Since 1874, the law has permitted this or any other county in the state to have a county Superintendent of Schools, if a majority would vote in favor of such a proposition, but a lack of interest and a penny-wise and a pound-foolish sentiment have kept the schools in their present situation on that matter.



## INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT FUND, AND ROAD AND CANAL FUND.

These funds were both donated to the counties by the general government through the state government. The Internal Improvement Fund was derived from the sale of 500,000 acres of public lands, donated by the general government, the proceeds to be used for making internal improvements in the counties, such as canals, ditches, roads etc., but not including county buildings. The Road and Canal Fund was derived from three percent of all sales or entries of government land in the state and the same Act of congress is still in force. That is, if the general government receives \$50. for 40 acres of land \$1.50 goes into the Road and Canal Fund. As soon as Hickory County was organized it began to draw from these two funds annually, and drew the same amount as any other county in the state. The first draw made by the county from the Road and Canal Fund was November 4, 1845, \$189.78 and the first received from the Internal Improvement Fund was March 29, 1847, when \$181.95 was received. Our County Treasurer continued to receive money from the Internal Improvement Fund until August 10, 1860, when \$8,444.12 had been received. Money continued to be received from the Road and Canal Fund until November 17, 1859 when it appears that the county then had on hands \$2,195.30. No more appears to have been drawn from the Internal Improvement Fund after August 10, 1860, although some of that 500,000 acres of land given by the general government was not sold by the state until 1866. The next drawn from the Road and Canal Fund was in August 1872, when \$271.66 was drawn. The Road and Canal Fund money has been drawn by the county regularly since 1872, and probably will continue to be drawn as long as there is vacant government land in the state to be taken by cash entry. There is evidently due the county some balance from the Internal Improvement and the Road and Canal Funds from 1860 to August 1872. We have already stated that the balance of the money belonging to these funds in 1890 has been invested in bridges.

## RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS AND CHURCHES.

An attempt to give an early history of the church organizations and church buildings of the county would be a failure, but all the leading Christian denominations were represented long before the organization of the county. The first organization that we have any record of was the "Old Baptist" organization Northwest of Cross Timbers, that has already been mentioned. The earliest organization of the Christian church in the county was in the neighborhood of Antioch church Southwest of Pittsburg, where those people have recently erected a commodious and handsome building, and the church organization is in prosperous condition. A church was first organized there in 1843, a rather early date for that church in the West, for it had only been about eleven years, since Rev. Alexander Campbell had disagreed with the Missionary Baptist churches in Virginia, and organized this separate organization of Christians in that state. There is perhaps, but one organization of the "Old Baptists" now in the county, and that is in the Dooley Bend neighborhood, about five miles Southwest of Hermitage. The Missionary Baptist people are much more numerous than any other Christians. At an early date they had a strong organization near Elkton, their church standing Northwest from where the town now is, and at this time they have a strong organization at their church in the town. The Missionary Baptist church at Macedonia, four miles North of where Wheatland now is, probably the strongest church organization in the county. It was organized in 1874, by Elder Landrine J. Tatum assisted by Elder George M. Alexander, and has a roomy and convenient church building. Half a mile North of Pittsburg, is a church building belonging to these people. About 1871 a church was built, but was replaced about 1889, by a larger and better one. The church organization was had there October, 9, 1869, by the following members:-Wm. Samples, Geo. R. King, A. L. Kirkpatrick, James Kirkpatrick. John Kirkpatrick, Edward N. Taylor, William Kirkpatrick, Elizabeth Kirkpatrick, Syntha Kirkpatrick, Phebe Samples, Rinda Duncan, S. B. King. Rev. G. W. Kelly was Moderator, and Geo. R. King Clerk. These people have a church building about a mile Southwest of Almon, and numerous members, an account of which is given in connection with the history of Almon.



The people who came here from Sweden in the early 70's who were Baptists erected a church building about 1877, about six miles East of Cross Timbers, and have built a new and better church since that time near the same place. These people about 1882, also built a church building about four miles Southeast of Hermitage, and both organizations grew and prospered. Another good church building stands on a ridge about three-fourths of a mile Northeast from Galmey, in Dooley Bend, where the Baptist church has a strong following, led by Elder Landrine J. Tatum, an enterprising, able and devout old christian gentleman. The Christian church people also have a church building at this place, and have quite a goodly number of members in this neighborhood. The Baptists also have a good, roomy church building at Nemo and a strong congregation. We have elsewhere mentioned numerous churches in the towns. The Presbyterians are not very numerous in the county, but up to the Civil War they had a church and numerous following in the neighborhood of what is now the town of Cross Timbers. The church building was known as the Halbert church, and stood at the edge of the woods, about a mile and a half North and a few degrees West of the town of Cross Timbers. Before the division of the Methodist Episcopal church in 1845, it appears that there were quite a number of Methodist people here, but the division of the church and later the Civil War very much retarded the progress of the church. The preachers and members had very decided opinions on the question of slavery, and the issues of the war. But both churches had congregations when the war came on, but the members of the M. E. church, South were most numerous. Since the war neither of these churches have built up fast, but the M. E. church, South is now stronger than the M. E. church. The latter church having only one country church building in the country, that being Prospect church in the Southeast corner of the county. A church building for the M. E. church, South was erected in 1883, about two and a half miles South of Hermitage. As we mention elsewhere both of these churches have church buildings in the towns. There are organizations of the Christian church at Quincy and Preston but they have no church buildings. The Menonites, a very devout people, have three church buildings on the Wheatland prairie, and hold regular services in their churches, and have quite a following among our German-American citizens.

Elders representing the "Latter Day Saints," came into the county about ten years ago and preached to the people and organized a church consisting of quite a number of members, among whom are some of our best citizens. These people about five years ago erected a substantial house of worship about four miles North of Wheatland.

A few of the old ministers of the county have been:

Primitive Baptist:-James Richardson, Elijah Williams, Munford B. Robinson, John Hatfield, and William G. Lindsey.

United Brethren:-Thompson Pitts, and Marquis Monroe.

Presbyterian:-L. R. Morrison, and John McMillan.

Missionary Baptist:-James T. Wheeler, George M. Alexander, William F. Spillman, William W. Palmer, and Landrine J. Tatum.

Methodist:-Aaron Milstead, ——— Curtis, Elijah F. Yeager, Thomas Glanville, Eli W. Morton, Anthony Bewley, and James Vaughn.

Christian:-Young Mims Pitts, ——— Smith, and Levi Bybee.



## ATTORNEYS WHO HAVE BEEN RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY.

Burr H. Emerson, who was afterwards Judge of the Circuit Court and died at Bolivar, Missouri, several years ago, James D. Perkins, who was killed by guerrillas at Warsaw Missouri, in 1864, Henry H. McKee, who moved to Joplin Missouri, and lived there a few years ago, Charles Kroff, who resides at Brownington, Missouri, and is practicing law, J. Edgar Kenton, who, when last heard of was in some of the Southern counties of Missouri below Springfield, Sidney Wilson, who left here in 1875 and died in Arkansas, William R. Hudson, who is President of the Bank of Humansville, Humansville Missouri, Amos S. Smith, who came here from Maryland in 1868, died in Wheatland Missouri in July 1890 and is burried in Hermitage Cemetery, Ernest P. Baldwin, who came here from Baltimore Maryland about 1869, was State Senator from this District, appointed First Auditor of the National Treasury by President Cleveland and died in 1897 at Atlantic City New, Jersey, as a result of an operation for appendicitis, F. Marion Wilson, who lives in Hermitage Missouri and is practicing law, Russell G. Pendleton, who lives at Aztec New Mexico and practices law, Thomas M. Nesmith, last heard of in Iowa, Alexander W. Brownlee, who died in Hermitage in 1889, L. F. Nafftziger, who is now in the banking business in Kansas, Charles E. Robson, who was a wanderer, William L. Pitts, retired banker, now living in Hermitage, Charles S. Essex, who is now Judge of the Circuit Court in Colorado, John H. Davidson, now at Eldorado Springs, Mo., engaged in the practice of law, Willis G. Robertson, now at Muskogee Okla., engaged in the practice of law, George S. Selvidge, sometimes at Meade Kan., and at other times at his farm near Wheatland Mo., has accumulated considerable property and is taking care of it, Robert A. Vance, who lives at Cross Timbers Mo., Ralph W. Emerson, son of late Burr H. Emerson is somewhere in Kansas, J. Houston Childers, who resides at Muskogee Okla., and is engaged in the practice of law, Lewis F. Hart, somewhere in the West, S. Harrison White, resides at Pueblo Colo., and is engaged in the practice of law, David M. McKinney, died in the state of Arkansas, Austin J. Pickett, died near Weaubleau Mo., a few years ago, William D. Harryman, resides at Wheatland Mo., practices law, engaged in the Milling Business and is Post Master, William

N. Carpenter, resides in DeWitt Ark., and is engaged in the practice of law, William M. Holland, resides in Dade County Mo., and is Probate Judge of that county, James J. Ramsey, resides at Elbert Colo., and is engaged in the practice of law, John B. Triplett-we have lost, Don J. Irwin, resides at Buffalo Mo., and is engaged in the practice of law, John D. Irvine, is at present City Attorney of some Kansas town, John A. Woodford, is Principal of the school at Cabool Mo., John W. Robertson and Hazen Green, are residents of Eufalla Okla., and are engaged in the practice of law, Luther J. Slavens, resides at Aztec New Mexico, Lillard E. Brown, resides near Cross Timbers Mo., on his farm, practices law and deals in cattle, Charles N. Simmons resides on a farm Northeast of Cross Timbers Mo., Lycurgus F. Lindsey, retired from a four year term as Judge of the Probate Court of Dallas County Mo., and is now at his mother's home about four miles Northwest of Urbana Mo., William A. Dollarhide, resides in Hermitage and is engaged in the practice of law, Theodore Pruett, resides at Anadarko Okla., and is engaged in the practice of law, R. M. Livesay, resides in Morgan County Mo., Abner Jones, now a resident of Unionville Mo., Robert F. Tyree, residence unknown, John W. Montgomery, Prosecuting Attorney of the county.



## FARMS MADE IN THE COUNTY SINCE 1867.

As late as the year 1867, the lands out in the open prairies of the county contained, comparatively few settlements. The farms of William Bradshaw, James M. Wright, Charles Huffman, George W. Woods, John C. Brown, Wm. S. Pickett, James M. Mitchell, Henry G. Bliss, George A. Bliss, J. N. Hickman, the Edward B. Huffman farm, the farm once belonging to William H. Scott, the William M. Jenkins, farm and others on North Prairie, in the neighborhood of Cross Timbers, were all coated with prairie grass as late as 1867, and a large amount of this land five or six years later. All the land in the town of Cross Timbers, East of the Public Square was covered with prairie grass as late at 1871. The farms on Fifteen Mile Prairie, in the neighborhood of Preston, belonging to Thomas Hartnett, Jacob M. Green, Pleasant Wilson, Asa B. Wilson, the greater part of the farms of Nathan Edde, Wash F. Reser, J. C. Edde, (Shisler,) Samuel B. Selby, John J. Lindsey, Calvin H. Franklin, Nathan K. Pope, Lizzie Edde, Charles Bandel, George W. Wilson, Pleasant E. Robbins, Joseph Riddle, and the farms of William Whillock, Leopold and August Bandel, William J. Edde, Alletha Edde, Amos F. Hayes, Rufus B. Green, Alfred L. Green, the Ben F. Simmons old place, the James A. Robertson farm, the farms of John Morgan, Achilles Morgan, Hulett Shumate, Joe T. Edde, and perhaps others on that prairie were made since 1867, by fencing, and turning the prairie sod.

Most of the soil on which Cross Timbers, Wheatland and Weaubleau, now stand had a coat of prairie grass as late as 1870. Only a few farms had been opened up out in the Twenty-five mile Prairie, West, Southwest and Northwest of Wheatland. The Thompson Blair farm, and Stout B. Davidson, William Parks place, and the Kirkpatrick place. The splendid, beautiful, and broad farms out in that prairie have nearly all been made since 1870. Thomas and Joseph Whitaker, Uriah Proctor, and a few others ventured out into Weaubleau Prairie, but settlers in the open prairie were not numerous. As we have suggested elsewhere, the early settlers preferred timbered lands rather than prairie, because most of them came from timbered countries, but these old people probably, soon discovered another good reason why they did not want prairie lands. Farming prairie lands fifty years ago was not

a success. Fifty years ago the prairie lands of this county would scarcely produce crops of any kind like they produce now, to the extent of being worth the work of farming, and those who settled the timbered lands made no mistake at the time in their selection of lands to till. But from causes which we do not understand the prairie lands, not extensively manured, have gradually improved in fertility until they now produce perhaps more valuable crops than the same number of acres of timbered lands. We do not attempt an explanation, but farmers who have noticed prairie crops in this county for the last forty years know that it is a fact that prairie farms produce much better crops than they did forty years ago.



## MINERALS.

There is an abundance of lead and zinc, and perhaps other metals in this county. In the pioneer days men who wanted lead bullets to hunt with, did not need to buy pig or bar lead if they would take time and heat a furnace hot enough to melt lead ore. Lead has probably been found in a hundred places in the county. Tons of it have been taken from the ground in Sections 17, 18, and 19, in Township 38, Range 21, Northwest of the town of Cross Timbers, and within a radius of two miles of Hermitage it is found most anywhere, but most plentiful in the hills of Crane creek, South and Southeast of town. Up in and about Dooley Bend five miles Southwest of Hermitage both lead and zinc are in sight in many places. In and about Pittsburg, ten miles Southeast, mining has been in progress at intervals for ten years, and car loads of cleaned zinc have been hauled from there to the railroad about fifteen miles away and shipped to market. Car loads of zinc have been dug, cleaned, hauled and shipped from the mines in Section 18, Township 36, Range 22, Northeast of Elkton, about two miles, and in Section 13, Township 36, Range 23, North of Elkton a good body of lead has been discovered. Down in the neighborhood of Quincy most anywhere in the Northwest part of the county lead and zinc are found, and there are strong evidences of oil being easily accessible, but the value of the minerals of the county will never be fully known and realized until railroad facilities are such that it will not take two car loads of mineral to dig, clean and ship two loads. Men now fifty years of age will, perhaps, never know the immense amount of wealth that lies hidden under the surface of the hills and valleys of the county. Treat this as a dream, as you may, but the mineral is here and will be brought to the surface, whenever there are railroads near enough to it to haul it away. No section of the country with mineral sticking out at every pore, ever failed to produce great wealth when it was developed. The mining regions of Jasper county contained no more evidences of their hidden millions of underground wealth fifty years ago than do the hills and valleys of our county.

**HICKORY COUNTY TOWNS.****ALMON.**

This village is not laid out and platted as a town. It is in the North East quarter of Section 14 Township 37 Range 20, on Little Niangua creek. The land on which it is situated was entered August 9, 1853. The first men who sold goods there were George C. Dunn and George W. Mabary, about 1870. Afterwards Daniel J. Parks, Alexander Gregory, Dock Burris, Sherman Vaughn, Samuel P. Gregory, George Cook, Allen Hall, George W. McDowell & Co., and G. W. Pennell. The present merchants are Henry R. McCain & Sons, James K. Parks, and Martha Pennell. A water mill was built about 1854, by either William or Amos Paxton. It passed into the hands of Asa Johnson and was repaired or rebuilt about 1856. Has been operated by Daniel J. Parks, Ceborn Bennett, and George C. Dunn, John D. Young and Herbert K. Porter, N. M. and Daniel R. Jones, and Peter Gillispie, and is owned at the present time by William Mitchell and Marshall Green. A Post Office was established in 1868, with Daniel J. Parks as Postmaster and the name given to it was "Goose Neck." Postmasters there have been since then: Alexander Gregory, Dock Burris, Sherman Vaughn, Samuel P. Gregory, George Cook, and Charles Green. The present Postmaster is Henry R. McCain. The Missionary Baptist church has a strong following in the neighborhood. A church organization was effected in 1858, or earlier, called "Little Niangua Baptist Church." Some of the leaders were Alexander Mc Huffman and George P. Epley. They first built a church about 1870. Previous to this they had held meetings at private residences and in green groves. In 1888, a more commodious church building was built about a mile Southwest of the business part of the village.

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**AVERY.**

This village is situated on the line between the counties of Hickory and Benton in Section 9, Township 38, Range 22. The first stock of goods brought there was brought by Wright & Rash, February 10, 1890. This store was opened in one room of George W. Wright's residence, about one mile East of the present site of the village. Sometime in the summer of 1889, a Post Office at the residence of John M. Breshears,



was established and he was the first Postmaster. This was on the Benton county side of the county line. It was kept there about a year, when George W. Wright was appointed Postmaster, and the office was moved over into Hickory county to Mr. Wright's store. John A. Breshears was later appointed Postmaster, and moved the office over into Benton county. About 1897, William A. Byrum built the first store building on the present site, and was appointed Postmaster, and the Post Office was again moved into Hickory county. A little later Thomas S. Heath, then doing business at Cross Timbers, built a store house a little over in Benton. He put in a stock of goods with John A. Jones as manager, which later was burned. One store is all there has ever been on this site on the Hickory county side. Five or six years ago Andrew Breshears put in a store on the Benton county side of the line, and has since built a roomy building and has done a good business. There is another store there now owned by Josiah Ketchum, and he is doing a prosperous business. A. B. Butler has a blacksmith shop there and is doing a great deal of work.

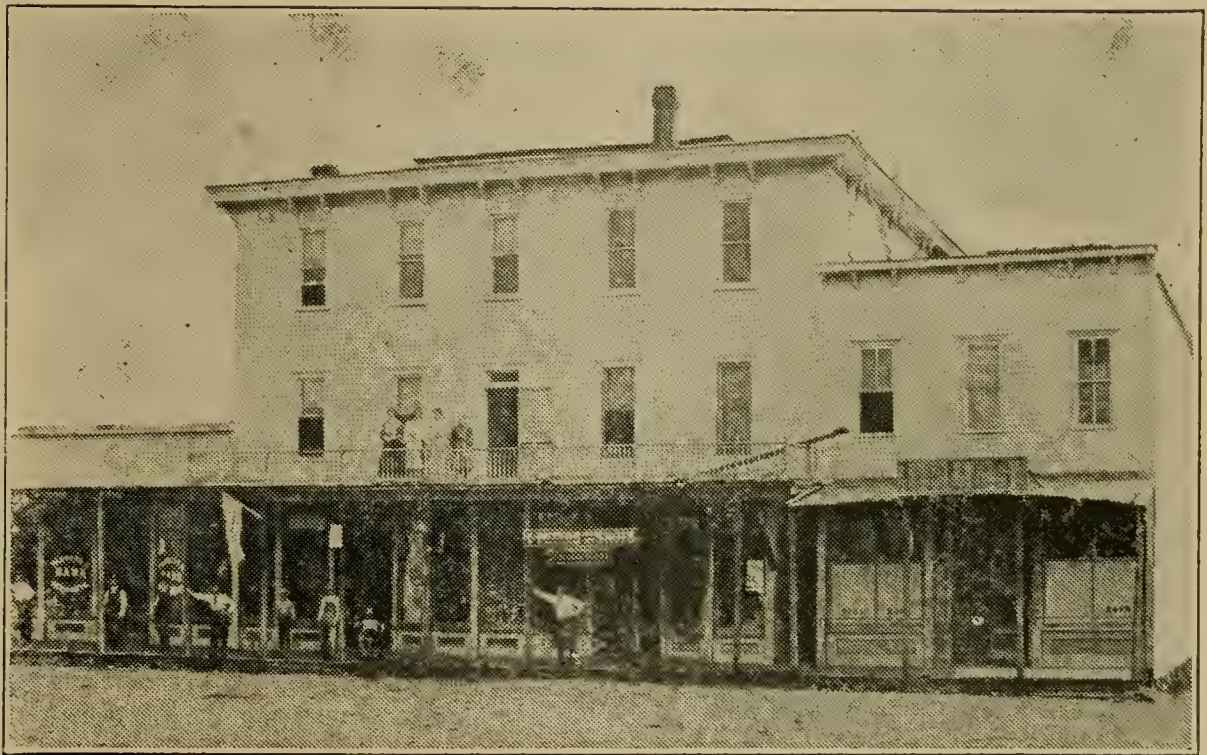
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### CROSS TIMBERS.

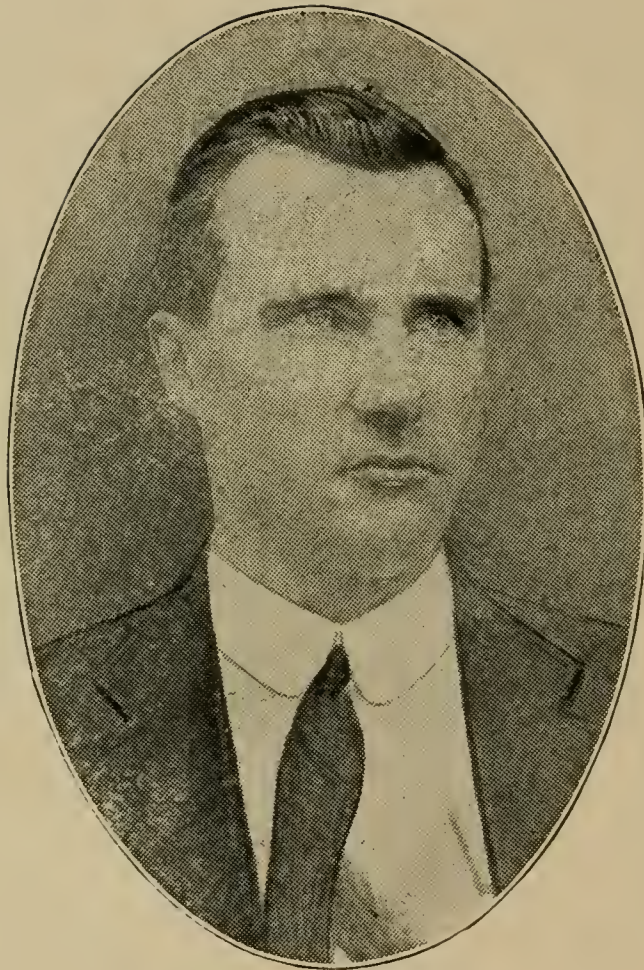
The original survey of this town was made in 1871 by Isaac R. Clark on the South West fourth of the South West quarter of Section 22 Township 38 Range 21. The forty acres was entered by James D. Donnell July 29, 1853, but in 1871 it with other lands adjoining belonged to Elisha Kirby. As early as 1865, Mr. Kirby owned this forty acres and the farm now owned by Virgil S. Williams, and sold goods in the two story frame building just North of the town survey now the Williams Hotel. The store of Kirby was kept in the room which is now the dining room in this hotel. The other rooms in the building had not been ceiled or floored. Mr. Kirby and his family lived in the log houses about fifty feet further West until about 1867. About the time Mr. Kirby had the town surveyed and platted he sold the farm and lands about town to Virgil S. Williams and built a residence on the town survey near where the residence of Mrs. W. H. Scruggs now stands. Mr. Kirby sold out and moved to the state of Texas about 1874. The plat of the survey of the town was recorded but the record was burned in the Court House January 6, 1881, and it has not been re-recorded, which makes it difficult to trace title to

lots in the old survey or additions. The first store in the town was owned by John C. Brown and William S. Pickett, both of whom now live in the town. Later the firm was John C. Brown and John Winfrey, the store building was built by John C. Brown, and stood about eighty feet West of where the new building now stands, recently built by the Bank of Cross Timbers. Dr. Campbell, of Warsaw, and a firm by the name of Brickey, sold goods in a building built by Mr. Kirby just within the town survey South of Mr. Williams' barn lot, near the Northwest corner of Block 6. James Johnson and Mathias C. Jenkins in 1873, built a steam mill down North of town where the Warsaw and Buffalo road crosses Turkey creek, at or about where the mill of Charles H. Scruggs and Alanson H. Doak now stands. Thomas S. Heath's father, Callaway Heath, was also in the mercantile business at the Campbell-Brickey place about 1872-3. Perhaps it was Mr. Heath who brought the Campbell-Brickey store there. Thomas S. Heath who in past years did an extensive mercantile business at Cross Timbers, Avery, and Weaubleau, clerked in one or more of those old stores at the Campbell-Brickey stand. About 1874, Elisha T. Condley and Asa Johnson engaged in the mercantile business in a building now standing on the Northwest corner of the South half of Block 5. They were followed by Mr. Condley and William Y. Bennett. Later came R. G. Mitchell, James Whillock, Heath-Noland & Co., Heath-Noland & Doak, Heath & Barnett, Heath & Spickart, Halbert & Manuel, Burris & Crudginton, George W. Crudginton, Condley & Halbert, John Spickert and others no doubt, forgotten by the author of this sketch. Mr. V. S. Williams has kept hotel at his present place since about 1872, and at one time had a very large trade, but of late years has about quit the business. Burdette L. Daniel kept hotel in a building that was rolled away from the place where the Grave's hotel now stands. Mr. Francisco was also at one time in the hotel business at that place. The first blacksmith shop, except one run by Mr. Kirby, was perhaps that of William Jenkins, an Indiana man, who came there about 1871. He had a shop on the Northwest corner of Block 5, about eighty feet West of J. M. Crawford's store building, just South of this in 1872-3, William L. Duvall had a saloon. Up to about 1874 the children in and about town had to go to school in an old church known as the "Halbert," old church that stood at the edge of the timber near a mile and a half North and West of town.





GRAVES HOTEL AND FARMERS & MERCHANTS BANK,  
Cross Timbers, Missouri.



AMOS F. COSSAIRT,  
Circuit Clerk and Recorder.



About 1876 a reasonably good two story frame school house was built in the Southeast part of town near where the Christian church now stands. In 1905-6 the school district (mainly the town) built a magnificent two-story brick school house-the best in the county, on a piece of land purchased from Virgil S. Williams a short distance North of the Northwest corner of the town survey, the main rooms being 24x56 feet, and it fronts to the South, with a space cut off down stairs for cloak room, stairway etc., 28x14 feet. There are two entrances; the main entrance on the South, and one from the East. Two of the rooms in the building are large enough to make four school rooms if they be needed. The town had no church, until 1885, when the M. E. church, South, people procured an acre of land from Virgil S. Williams on the East side of the North West fourth of the South West quarter of Section 22, within less than a fourth of a mile of the town survey, and on this acre built a very handsome church, which later was moved up into town and now stands across the street near the Northeast corner of the public square. More recently the members of the Christian church and others have erected a convenient and modern house of worship in the Southeast part of town. In 1895-6, William W. Graves built on the South side of the public square his well furnished three-story frame, 42 room hotel, much the best hotel in the county. The Bank of Cross Timbers was organized May 2, 1893, by George W. Crudginton, Joseph S. Hartman, William Bradshaw, William McCracken, Hickory County Bank, then of Hermitage, John Crudginton, and J. Houston Childers. It was incorporated for 50 years with a capital stock of \$10,000 three-fourths paid up, it grew and prospered, and in 1906 George W. Crudginton, President of the Bank, built a new building for the bank, where the old bank building stood across the street from the Southwest corner of the public square. The building is 42x66 feet, two stories, built of cement building blocks on the "Walton" system of hollow wall construction, which forms a continuous air space throughout the entire wall, making the wall fire-proof, frost-proof and moisture-proof. The main banking lobby is 20x36 feet, fitted with a modern fire-proof vault, 8x10 feet, and a "Mosler Patent Screw Door Bank Safe," with tripple time lock. The bank fixtures are made of quarter-sawed oak. The building fronts to the East, and the Presidents office is in the rear. The North room is occupied by Mitchell Bros., General store. The North half of the second story will be used

as a Lodge room, and over the banking rooms will be cut into offices. There are about 130,000 pounds of cement in this building. The lower floors and walks around the building are laid on beds of pounded flint boulders covered heavily with cement.

The Farmers and Merchants Bank was organized August 26, 1905, by John Spickart, Asa B. Wilson, Jacob E. Harvey, George A. Bliss, Fritz Muller, L. H. Davis, Henry G. Bliss, Granville C. Smith, Eli S. Williams, Elijah Crawford, John C. Brown, C. T. Davis, W. H. Gallaher, Emory E. Lacey, W. S. Davis, Hoyt E. Brown, William W. Graves, J. E. Scruggs, Herman Ritter, Herman Pfitzner and John Sally. It is incorporated for a term of 50 years with a capital stock of \$10,000 half paid up. This is a safe, reliable and growing institution, and is located in a substantial frame building on the South side of the public square.

Grand Army of the Republic, Post No. 437, was organized under Charter of May 21, 1889, with the following as charter members: George N. Adams, Thomas A. Burton, T. H. Carlton, Norvel M. Dickerson, Samuel W. Davis, John H. Edwards, Edward B. Huffman, William Krudway, John C. Brown, Robert F. Doak, James W. Dickerson, Burdette L. Daniel, Edmund Guier, John B. Godfrey, William J. Mawhinney, Thomas J. Mitchner, Thomas B. Malloy, Stephen A. Nix, James Palmer, Henry Shull, George A. Smith, John H. Teague, David C. Moore, William H. Moore, Thomas Moore, William Prine, E. D. Pinkston, Paul Shreck, Francis M. Southard, and Joseph H. Nease. Capt. R. A. Vance the present Commander has served as Post Commander 16 years, and at the same time held other important Department offices. He was twice Aid-e-Camp to Department Commander, and Chief Mustering Officer of Department of Missouri. The present officers of the Post are: R. A. Vance, Commander, Wm. C. Hickman, Sr. V. C., Daniel Taylor, Jr. V. C. George W. McClure, Chaplain and Instructor, Alfred B. Cothren, Adjutant, Jesse F. D. Moore, Officer of the day, E. C. Farris, O. G., Jesse Quick, Q. M., Charles Spencer, Sergt. Maj., George H. Roney, Bugler.

The Merchants of the town at this time are: Gregory & Thomas, General store, Joel B. Halbert, General store, Mitchell Bros., General store, James M. Crawford, General store, John T. Ihrig, Hardware and Farm Implements, J. E. Harvey, Groceries and Confectionery, T. H. Jenkins, Groceries and Restaurant, J. W. Newton, Furniture, A. C. Curl, Drugs, who is an eminent Physician and was one of the first to locate in the town.



Some of the resident Physicians have been: Alfred E. Ruby, A. C. Curl, George W. Griffin, M. G. Witter, George N. White, Johnson Williams, J. M. Havelly, John W. Mowell, J. B. Harris, and H. C. McHaffie.

Mr. Graves owned the first drugstore in the town, built the first two-story house after the town was surveyed, built his three-story hotel, and has since built the bank building in which the Farmers and Merchants' Bank of Cross Timbers is now doing business.

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### ELKTON.

The lands on which this village stands have never been surveyed and platted as a town. The store building of Kelley & Williams is near the Northeast corner of the Northeast fourth of the Northeast quarter of Section 26, Towuship 36, Range 23, and all of the buildings on the West side of the road and South of that are on this forty acres. It was entered December 30, 1839, with the Northwest fourth of the Northwest quarter of Section 25, which lies East of it, by Samuel H. Arbuckles. There are a number of buildings on the East side of the road, all on the Northwest fourth of the Northwest quarter of Section 25. There are also buildings on the Southwest corner of the Southwest fourth of the Southwest quarter Section 24, which was entered by Archibald Blue, June 15, 1840, and on the Southeast corner of the Southeast fourth of the Southeast quarter of Section 23, which was entered by Edward S. Whitehead, March 28, 1839. James Brown a long time ago kept store something like a quarter of a mile North of the business part of the town on the West side of the public road and afterwards moved up to near where the Kelley & Williams store building now is and sold goods there. The date when the first store building was built on the Northeast corner of Section 26, where the Kelley & Williams building now stands is not certainly known, but it was as early as 1865. Mr. Grimes had a store down further North as early as 1865. It probably stood where the Brown old store building stood. The first house on the town site was probably built by Dr. Archibald Blue. Alexander McFarland was there in business as early as 1854, and sold out to a man named Glazebrook who did business there. Joshua Hartzell was there in business in 1869-70, and James K. Estes in 1872-73, and he was succeeded by Frank V. B.

Thomas, who was succeeded by Judge William L. McCaslin in 1875, and he and Charles Czarlinsky, now a merchant at Wheatland, sold goods there in 1875-76. Mr. Czarlinsky drove over the country and bought furs. James Vaughn was there in business in the early 80's and as late as 1886. His brother, Sherman, followed him in business and remained there for quite a while, moving to Almon, and in these years Marion C. Rule and Marcellus B. McCracken were there in business. Mr. Rule bought the farm Northeast and North of town, improved the farm, and built a handsome residence North of town. Mr. Rule was followed by William C. Kelley and Samuel L. Williams, and that firm has been in business there since, except that the widow of Mr. Williams succeeded him, at his death, about four years ago. Lincoln Hackleman came there from Cedar county in the 80's and did a Drug and Notion business and was succeeded by Dr. Charles V. and Andrew J. Steward, who are yet there in business. The village now has a good, roomy, frame school house, a Baptist church built in 1888, and good business firms and people, among whom are William C. Kelly and his daughter Annis A. Williams, with a large stock of General Merchandise, the Steward Bros., with a stock of Hardware and Farm Implements, and an up to date stock of Drugs, Cigars and Notions, J. Henry Bass, also has a full General Store and is doing a prosperous business. W. P. Blackwell, deals in Produce and Leonard McCracken has a nice stock of Groceries. William Walters and A. F. Hastain are the village blacksmiths. Mr. Hastain has been at and about Elkton for less than a hundred years. Samuel Emery keeps hotel for the accommodation of the traveling public.

Some of the resident Physicians who have been there are: Archibald Blue, J. B. Remington, George N. White, Charles V. Steward.

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### GALMEY.

Galmey is a trading point, not surveyed as a town, situated near the Northeast corner of the Northwest fourth of the Northwest quarter of Section 9, Township 36, Range 22. The first business there was a blacksmith shop run by William T. Bennett, who now has a shop in Hermitage. James A. Hooper, who now lives near Pittsburg, put in a stock of goods there about nine years ago. Erasmus J. Kelly succeeded Mr. Hooper in the Mercantile business, and Elijah Parkhurst succeeded Mr.



Kelley. William W. Cowen is now selling goods there. H. Schoof succeeded Mr. Bennett, in the blacksmith business, and is there now. A Post Office was established there in 1888 and Erasmus J. Kelley was the first Postmaster. A concrete church building was built in 1901, and is a great convenience to the community for church services, or any other kind of respectable gatherings.

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### HERMITAGE.

Hermitage, the county seat, was surveyed and platted in 1847, included the Northwest fourth of the Southeast quarter of Section 23, Township 37, Range 22, and is within sixty rods of the center of the county. Williamson E. Dorman, (Buck,) moved his groceries and liquors, and the log house in which he had kept his store at Pittsburg to what is now Hermitage, before it was surveyed as a town, and it is not certain as to the time Aaron Trippett came. but he and William Waldo were in business here shortly after the town was surveyed. The exact date when the town was surveyed is not known, as the certificate made by the Surveyor, who surveyed it is not dated. The land on which it was located was entered by Thomas Davis, but was not entered until January 30, 1847. Thomas Davis, probably, settled the Southeast fourth of the Southeast quarter of Section 23, Township 37, Range 22, which corners with the town forty at the Southeast corner in 1843, or, early in 1844, and built and lived in the log houses now standing there, as early as 1844. One room of that house is now at least 64 years old, and in it Mr. Davis kept the first hotel and gave room for the courts. The second hotel or boarding place was opened by Williamson E. Dorman at what is now the Ephraim F. Halbert property which was then outside of the survey of the town. Mr. Dorman was a single man, and managed to run his hotel for three years before he married. In 1860-61, he built a new hotel where the Morgan hotel now stands on Lot 4, Block 8. In 1847, William Waldo built a business house on the North end of Lot 4, Block 2, near where the barber shop now is. John Lawrence, who was a brother-in-law of Mr. Dorman, built on the Northwest corner of Block 1, where Mrs. Nancy F. Blair's residence now stands. Oliver Edwards built where John H. McCaslin's residence now stands on Lot 1, Block 3, and it was his daughter, Mary E. Edwards, who became the wife of Williamson E. Dorman. Mr. Dorman

put up his second saloon building on Lot 3, Block 2, and dug a cellar under it, some of the rubbish that was in this cellar, being found when Charles Manuel and Slavens Coon & Co., dug the trenches for the foundations of their buildings 50 years later. Jno. C. Dollarhide kept a saloon in town at the same place in 1859-60, and sold out to Alexander Hall. The Donnell boys, Thomas, and another one, built the first business house on the Southeast corner of Lot 1, Block 4, and George W. Blackwell, Sr., and Charles M. Whelchel were keeping store there in 1865, it stands there yet. Mr. Dorman built a store house where the first Court House stood, after it was burned. The house where C. M. Bentley lives was built by George B. Alexander, two or three years before the Civil War. William M. Dorman, the father of Williamson E. Dorman, bought the lot and built a log house where Mrs. Minnie McCaslin now lives, about 1848, on Block 1, and that log house is now a part of the residence that stands there. Along in those years mills were scarce and Mr. Dorman built a mill run by oxen tramping a tread-wheel, and could grind about 80 bushels of grain in a day. It stood about 40 feet South of where Albert Pitts now lives. Later he and others built a steam mill near the South ford of Pomme de Terre about a quarter of a mile from the Public Square. This mill did a good business, but was about worn out at the close of the Civil War, but continued to be run until about 1874. About 1883, Mr. Dorman and his son, Olliver L. Dorman, and Joseph S. Hartman built a new steam mill on Block 13, in the North part of town, this continued to be run until it was superceeded in 1902 by a new mill built by Eugene Belknap, of Urbana, Missouri, which was burned June 28, 1906. Two weeks after the burning (July 12, 1906) the stone store building and warehouse of Slavens Coon & Co., situated on Lot 3, Block 3 was destroyed by fire. The store and warehouse probably contained \$15,000 worth of goods, of which about \$2,000 worth was saved. They had insurance to the amount of \$8,000 most of which was paid to them. The main store building was 28x100 feet, and the frame warehouse South of it was 28x42 feet. The town has had many disastrous fires. In 1881 the people in and about the town and Hermitage Lodge No. 288, A. F. & A. M. built a substantial brick church with second story for Masonic Hall on Lot 2, Block 4, and it is now used as a Union Church and Masonic Lodge Hall.

The main protection given to the town from 1862 to Jan-



uary 1, 1865, was largely given by Company "C" 60th Regiment Enrolled Missouri Militia, commanded by Capt. William H. Liggett, many of whom live in this county at this time, although their ranks have been greatly thinned out by death. They used the Court House for quarters.

In 1887, the School District, (mainly the town,) built a new two-story brick school house which cost \$2,400 which is yet in fairly good shape.

In 1899 the Missionary Baptist people built a substantial frame church building on the West side of the street running to the South bridge and near the river bluff

The first newspaper in the town was edited and run by James R. Wilson and James W. Ritchey. Its publication was commenced in 1869 and it was named "Hermitage Enterprise." It went into the hands of Henry H. McKee, and in a short time went out of business. In 1875, John D. Pitts, then County Collector, bought the plant of the Hickory County Mirror, which was being run at Wheatland, and moved it to Hermitage. This plant was bought by F. Marion Wilson, late in 1876, and with it Wilson and Ernest P. Baldwin published the "New Era" until sometime in 1880, when Wilson sold the plant to Courtney M. Wilson and it was taken to Stockton, Cedar County, Missouri. In 1882, Alexander Humble, an Illinois man, came with a new plant and started the "Hickory County Herald," which he continued to publish until after the November election in 1886. In July, 1885, William McCracken and F. Marion Wilson bought a plant from Charles L. Curtis, at Buffalo, Mo., and in that month commenced the publication of the Index. In December, 1885, McCracken sold his interest to Al. R. Miller, and Wilson sold his interest to Alanson M. Halbert; Miller in 1887 or 1888 sold his interest to Charles M. Bentley, and later Bentley bought the interest of Halbert, and became sole owner, but soon sold an interest to Alanson H. Dent, who remained only a short time, when he sold his interest to Bentley, who continued to publish the paper until he sold out to Luther J. Slavens, who had in June, 1895, commenced the publication of the "Hermitage Gazette," and afterwards purchased a Prouty Power Press. This consolidated the two papers under the name of the "Index-Gazette," which Slavens sold to William U. Morton, who had been formerly interested in the Index, in 1903 when the name was changed to the "Index" and in 1906 he sold the plant to Paul Murphy and he has published it since that time.

Early in 1898, John W. Armstrong bought a newspaper plant and established the "Hickory County Democrat," run it about three years and sold it to Wilson & Creed, who changed the name of the paper to the "Hickory County Republican," run it something over two years and sold it to Hazen Green, who sold it early in 1906, to Newton H. Franklin, who moved the office to Urbana, Dallas County, Mo., and has since been using the plant in publishing the "Dallas County Republican."

The Hickory County Bank was organized here January 26, 1889, by William H. Liggett, of Wheatland, James Vaughn, of Hermitage, Andrew J. Tillery and William Q. Paxton, of Humansville, and continued to do business here until it was removed to Wheatland, about April 1, 1894. It had a capital stock of \$5,000 paid up, and was not incorporated.

In June, 1894, Joseph S. Hartman, William L. Pitts, Arthur L. and Sarah A. Fisher, organized the Hermitage Bank and commenced business June 30, 1894, with a capital stock of \$5,000 paid up. It was not incorporated. It continued to do business, and prospered until deposits reached more than \$100,000 and in October, 1906, William L. Pitts, who had become sole owner, sold to the Citizens Bank of Hermitage.

The Citizens Bank was organized August 7, 1906, by John H. McCaslin and Leroy F. Mansfield, of Wheatland, William J. Edde, of Preston, William F. Coon and John W. Montgomery, of Hermitage, with a capital stock of \$5,000 all paid up. It is not incorporated. The bank is mainly under the management of John H. McCaslin, Cashier, and is doing a prosperous business.

In the early 90's Joseph S. Hartman and J. Houston Childers bought from George S. Selvidge a set of Abstract Books, and commenced an Abstract and Loan business, which has been continued through all the years since it was established, by Messrs Childers & Hartman, Childers & Bentley, and C. M. Bentley, who have run it very successfully. The Abstract Books and Abstract business are now owned and run by Dr. Alva Fisher, a very careful and painstaking business man. During Mr. Bentley's connection with the Abstract and Loan business he was also Postmaster for about eight years, but voluntarily retired from the position in 1906, and was succeeded by Roscoe C. Coon.

The mercantile business of the town consists of the General stores of Edgar H. Bandel and Albert Pitts, the Grocery, Clothing and Notion store of Ira Dooly, the Harness shop of



Fred Tillery, of Flemington, Mo., the Drug store of Bandel & Richards, the feed store of Ira Dooly. John H. Morgan owns and runs the hotel on the East side of the Public Square, and James K. Moore owns and runs the livery and feed stable South of the hotel. The town at this time has about 200 inhabitants.

Hermitage Lodge A. F. & A. M. No. 288, commenced work under charter dated October 15; 1866. The charter members and officers were: John W. Snyder, W. M., Ephraim Dent, Sr. W., William J. Snyder, Jr. W., Samuel Miller, Treas., L. J. Tatum, Secy., Perry J. Snyder, Sr. D., and John A. Morton, Jr. D. The present elective officers are: William L. Pitts, W. M., David E. Hitson, Sr. W., J. T. Amlin, Jr. W., Henry F. Blair, Treas., and Thomas J. Taylor, Secy.

Hermitage Lodge I. O. O. F. No. 670, was organized under charter dated May 19, 1904, granted to F. Marion Wilson, Joseph Hartman, Moses N. Neihardt, Josiah H. Childers, and Henry F. Blair. The first elective officers were: Moses N. Neihardt, N. G., Austin F. Pack, V. G., F. Marion Wilson, Secy., and Henry C. Brookshire, Treas. The present elective officers are: Austin F. Pack, N. G., Thomas M. Sanders, V. G., E. D. Blair, Secy., and Henry C. Brookshire, Treas.

Hermitage Camp M. W. of A. No. 3544, was organized May 19, 1898, with officers as follows: J. H. Childers, V. C., J. E. Morton, W. A., W. F. Coon, E. B., Ray R. Creed, Clerk, R. H. Green, Escort, U. E. Wilson, Watchman, E. D. Blair, Sentry, B. F. Cox, Physician. The present officers are U. E. Wilson, V. C., W. F. Coon, W. A., W. A. Dollarhide, E. B., George E. Wilson, Clerk, Ross C. Coon, Escort, John O. Johnson, Watchman, Marvin Sanders, Sentry, and H. C. Brookshire, Physician.

Physicians who have been residents of the town were: Benjamin F. Barnes, Samuel L. Coble, Madison Maxwell, William Moore, William J. Snyder, James R. Pack, Henry C. Brookshire, R. G. Scroggs, Zenis L. Slavens, George W. Pack, B. F. Cox, Henry S. Kelley, and John Oakes.

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### JORDAN.

This is a trading point started in 1904 by the building of a steam flouring mill. The main promoter being George W. Jordan, of Drakeville, Iowa, who was assisted by George T. Pulliam and W. P. Clifford, of Appanoose County, Iowa. Mr. Jordan came here in 1904 and he with his associates in Iowa, formed a joint stock company with \$5,000 or 50 shares of \$100

each. The members of the joint stock company who subscribed and lived in the neighborhood of the projected mill were: James C. Stark, Thomas L. Stark, Alfred Stark, James M. Stark, Obediah Driskill, Thomas Driskill, Marion Driskill, Clement S. Ashley, Henry Ashley, Charles Ashley, William Owsley, Elijah Owsley, David M. Gates, Charles Astrom, Claus Nelson, Ole Oleson, John Johnson, Thomas S. Hall, and Fritz Muller. It is situate near Stark creek near the Southeast corner of Section 20, and the Southwest corner of Section 21, Township 38, Range 20, about five miles directly East of Cross Timbers. At this time the mill is owned and operated by James M. Stark and George W. Huffman, and they manufacture flour, meal and chops, buy corn and wheat, cattle, hogs and horses and are doing a prosperous business.

There are two General stores, one kept by J. J. Bradbury and the other by William H. Ashley, and both are doing a nice and profitable business.

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#### NEMO.

This is a trading point and Post Office, seven miles Southeast of Hermitage on the Hermitage and Buffalo road, at the crossing of the Warsaw and Bolivar raod. A good district school house was built near the cross roads in 1888, and a good roomy church building was built by the Baptist people in 1892. A blacksmith shop was built there several years ago, but we have been unable to get the date. The first store was run by Thomas Bridges in 1896. He sold goods for quite a while and sold out to Charles Parker, who in turn sold to James A. Bush. Mr. Bush gave place to Allen M. Huckaby, the present County Treasurer, and was followed by J. W. Hooper and G. M. Dryer. Mr. Dryer sold his interest to Mr. Hooper, and last year Mr. Hooper sold to John T. Ferguson, a former County Treasurer of this county who is now in business.

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#### PITTSBURG.

This place was no doubt named Pittsburg because a number of the Pitts family settled near it before the county was organized. It is situated on the corners of four forty acre tracts of land, to-wit: Southeast corner of Southeast fourth of the Southeast quarter of Section 25, and Northeast corner Northeast fourth of the Northeast quarter Section 36, Town-



ship 36, Range 22, and on the Southwest corner of the South half Lot 2, of Southwest quarter of Section 30, (S. W. 1-4 S. W. qr.) and on the Northwest corner of the North half of Lot 2, Northwest quarter of Section 31, (N. W. 1-4 N. W. qr.) Township 36, Range 21.

The first man who sold goods there was Charles F. Friend, and he kept his store in a small log house that he built near where the East end of the Creed hotel now stands. He was there until after 1846, for he was appointed Justice of the Peace of that Township in 1846. A more substantial store building was built by John L. Hall a short distance North of where Friend's building stood, probably as early as 1844. John L. Hall was afterwards elected Judge of the County Court of this county and was later a wholesale merchant in Sedalia, Mo. Andrew J. Pitts came to the neighborhood in 1845, with the family of his father, Burrell Pitts, from the state of Mississippi, near Vicksburg. Dillard Pitts and Young Mims Pitts, sons of Jack Pitts had been there four or five years. Lewis Edwards then lived on the high hill South of Pittsburg and Charles lived in the log house mentioned and sold goods in one room of it. William M. Dorman had made settlement and lived near a spring on what is now the Joseph Davis farm a little Northwest of town. A man by the name of Beavers lived about a quarter of a mile West of where the business part of the town now is. The first school house in the neighborhood was South of the road at the John Jump old place about a mile South of where the town now is. Isaac Goodson was there in business in the 40's. Jonas Brown lived about two miles North of where the town is and had at that time the following children: William Brown, Preston Brown, James Milton Brown, Josiah Brown, Columbus (Muns) Brown, Sarrah Ann Brown, who married a man named Foster, and went to Wet Glaize in Camden County, Mo., and Jane Brown, who was the first wife of Michael W. Dorman. Williamson E. Dorman had a small log building there in which he kept what was then called a "Grocery," the principal goods kept being sugar, coffee, spice and pepper, and white whiskey. When the excitement arose about the county seat going to be located at Hermitage in 1846, Mr. Dorman hauled his house, store and all to Hermitage, and after clearing away the post oak brush where the residence of Mrs. Nannie F. Blair now stands in Hermitage, rebuilt his house and run his Grocery store. The store building built by Mr. Hall was repaired and

added to and used perhaps as late as 1880. Ben L. Mallonee, now the leading merchant of the town, and his brother, Leonard G. Mallonee, now of St. Louis, Mo., sold goods in the Hall old building, in 1867-68, Ben L. Mallonee continued this business later. Edward J. Kendall was in business in the house at that place in the early 70's. John T. Ferguson, now a merchant at Nemo, was there in business in 1878. William H. Houser did business there later. Judge Ben L. Mallonee erected a new store building North and West of where the Hall building stood about 1889, and again went into the mercantile business; has since built a new and better building and is still in business.

In 1866 and later Abel Benson run a blacksmith shop on the East side of the road North of the business part of the town about where the public road now crosses a little branch and bridge. He lived in that neighborhood as early as 1852. The largest and most convenient building to strike in 1870, and for several years thereafter, when a man was hungry, was a three or four room building, one story, situated about where the building stood where Charles Friend kept the first store near where the Creed hotel now stands.

The zinc mining business in the town and around it which sprung up in 1894 gave the town a boom, but owing to the distance that mineral must be hauled over rough roads with no bridges between there and the nearest point on the railroad work has almost been entirely abandoned. A hotel building was built a number of years ago, but was destroyed by fire in 1901. A new hotel was built by John Lightfoot in 1900, and is now kept by Herschel Creed. A steam flouring mill was built in 1894 by J. M. Gourley and William H. Houser and has been repaired and improved and is now owned and operated by John Hobson. The public school house is near a quarter of a mile away to the Northwest of town and was built about 1881. In 1894 several of the good citizens of the town and vicinity formed a stock company and built a nice, large, two story frame building in the East part of the town to be used for religious and other meetings, and society meetings. The first story now belongs to the M. E. church, South and the second story to the M. W. of A.

Pittsburg Camp M. W. of A. No. 4635, was organized June 7, 1898, with 18 charter members and officers as follows: Joseph W. Jones, V. C., William A. Lightfoot, W. A., Len G. Mallonee, E. B., Darius S. Coon, Clerk, Wesley Q. Freman, Escort, Judge F.





J. E. HARVEY'S BUSINESS BUILDING,  
Cross Timbers, Missouri.



LEN G. MALLONEE.  
Clerk of the County Court.



Samples, Watchman, William A. Ellison, Sentry, Dr. B. F. Cox, Physician. The present officers are: E. D. Simmons, V. C., R. F. Condley, W. A., S. K. King, E. B., J. L. Bastion, Clerk, Lonnie J. King, Escort, Len G. Mallonee, C. F., J. M. Martin, Watchman, James Floyd Sentry.

Some of the resident Physicians have been: B. F. Barnes, William C. Gentry, Jasper Millikan, George W. Pack, B. F. Cox, S. W. Igou, and Thomas D. Wrinkle.

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### PRESTON.

The town survey of this town is situated on the Southeast fourth of the Northeast quarter of Section 22, and the Southwest fourth of the Northwest quarter of Section 23, Township 37, Range 21, it is about 18 feet over five miles and one eighth of a mile East of Hermitage, the South line being with the North line of the town of Hermitage. The main street in the town running North is on the line between Section 22 and 23. The east side was entered by Richard I. Robertson, February 20, 1855, and on the West side of the street by Joshua Owen, December 7, 1849, but Silas C. Howard was the owner in 1857. On the 8th of December 1857, Silas C. Howard and Richard I. Robertson caused the town to be surveyed and platted by Daniel E. Davis, Deputy County Surveyor, under Benjamin H. Massey. It was laid out into eight blocks, block eight being designated church lot, and block 7, was not divided into lots. Blocks 7 and 8 are 211 1-3 feet square. The deed to the public for streets etc., was made January 21, 1858, and was acknowledged before Amasa Curtis J. P. Silas C. Howard was the first man to put in a store, and he and Richard I. Robertson were in business there before the town was surveyed and afterwards up to the Civil War. Robertson & Staten did business together and Trentham also did business there. In 1860 William R. Rains who was afterwards Second Lieut. in Co., "B" 8th Mo. S. M., had a wood shop there. By 1861, the town had grown to be an important business point, but at the commencement of the Civil War nearly all of its inhabitants sympathized with the Confederacy and went South, so that the town was almost deserted in 1862. Early in 1861, the people of the town and that section of the county became greatly excited about the issues of the Civil War. John Mabary, an Ex-Sheriff and Collector, and a highly respected citizen, with the assistance of

others, enlisted a Company of State Guards, at the instance of Claiborne F. Jackson, then, Governor of the State, and in a very short time Union men became so stirred up that Lycurgus Lindsey, Thomas S. Morgan, Aaron Darby, William H. Liggett, then a young school teacher, and others raised Company "D" Osage Regiment Missouri Home Guards, under an order of General Nathaniel Lyon, who was then in command of the Federal troops in the state, and, who was killed in the battle of Wilson Creek, August 10, 1861. Lycurgus Lindsey was Captain of Company "D" and Aaron Darby was a Lieutenant. After serving six months most of these men went into the service of the United States for three years. Captain Mabary died in 1863. Some of his men went South and were in General Sterling Price's army; some of them quit the service after a short time, and came home, or went elsewhere; some, even, went into the Federal army later. Richard I. Robertson lived North of town about where Wash F. Reser's residence now stands. His residence and all the business houses and other buildings in town were burned during the war, except a little frame building that stood near where Thomas W. Stewart's residence now stands; a small log building on Block 7, and the double log buildings that were burned a few years ago where Alfred Lindsey's hotel now stands. In 1865, Benjamin A. Reeder, who had been Captain of Company "I" 8th M. S. M., sold goods in the double log buildings, and in 1866, Alfred Lindsey and his brother, Anthony W. Lindsey, brought their store there from Buffalo, and continued in business in these log buildings until Anthony W. Lindsey bought the farm where Theodore Lindsey now lives East and Northeast of the Fisher cemetery and moved to it, and Alfred Lindsey built the present Post Office building and continued in business until about 1896. Since that time Joseph Edde, Wash F. Reser, Samuel P. Inks, William J. Edde, Sr., A. H. Crouch, T. H. Camp, Edde & Lewis, George W. Inks, Hulett Shumate, William J. Edde, Jr., James R. Marsh, S. P. Gregory, and others have done business there. The leading business men of the town are: George W. Inks, Winer D. Reser, Thomas Reser, Anthony W. Bowcher, and A. E. Tiderman, blacksmith shop, wood work shop and flouring mill. The blacksmiths have been: Newberry Hobbs, Joel Hobbs, Martin Hobbs, Theodore C. Piper, John B. Cross, Thomas Humphrey, Calvin Cook, George G. Cook, D. W. Hartnett, and A. E. Tiderman. In 1866-67, an old hewn log school house



stood about 200 yards above the mill, but was probably never used after 1866. A frame school house was erected on the present school house ground, probably about 1877. The bond given by T. C. Piper for deed for the lot to the school district was dated in 1876, but no title to the lot was had until it was decreed by the Circuit court in 1883. The old school house was removed and the present school house built, probably in 1895. The church on Block 8, was built in 1873, for a Union church, but those of the Baptist persuasion, perhaps, took more interest in the building of it than any other denomination. Members of the Masonic order built the second story, but the order never got title to the property. The Methodist Protestant church, East of town, was built in 1899, for the use of the Methodist Protestant church by members of that church; many others not members of that church contributed liberally. That division of Methodism has a large following in the town and neighborhood.

The steam flouring mill, about 80 rods South of the town, was built by James A. Blakebill about 1891, and, although it has changed hands several times it has always done a good business. It now belongs to A. E. Tiderman, who hammered out enough money to buy it in his blacksmith shop in town, and the chief miller is James A. Brakebill, a son of Judge James A. Brakebill, who built the mill.

In 1881, Preston Lodge No. 432, A. F. & A. M. was organized in the hall in the second story of the old church, with the following officers: T. C. Piper, W. M., Achilles Morgan, Sr. W., George W. Lindsey, Jr. W., R. G. Pendleton, Secretary, and John B. Cross, Treasurer. Some of the other members were: William J. Mabary, Rufus B. Green, and George W. Rains. Sometime after 1889, the organization was broken up and the members went to other lodges.

Preston Lodge No. 131, I. O. O. F. was organized about July 1, 1888, with George W. Pack, N. G., H. M. Holt, V. G., A. H. Crouch, Secretary and Conductor, Thomas W. Stewart, Treasurer, George G. Cook, Warden. The present elective officers are: Ellery Walker, N. G., Walter Robertson, V. G., Winer D. Reser, F. Sec., W. S. Woodford, R. Sec., Thomas W. Stewart, Treasurer. Some of the P. G.'s, are: William L. Wilson, H. M. Holt, Walter R. Brewster, Byron Ferguson, Thomas Stephenson, James H. Holt, and D. W. Hartnett.

Preston Lodge No. 8675, M. W. of A. was organized in

September 1901, with the following officers: L. E. Giffin, V. C., Asa B. Wilson, W. A., James H. Holt, E. B., D. W. Hartnett, Escort, Ernest P. Stewart, Clerk, Byron Ferguson, Physician. The present officers are: Ernest P. Stewart, V. C., George W. Wilson, W. A., Theodore Lindsey, E. B., James H. Holt, Escort, James M. Robertson, Clerk, W. S. Woodford, Physician.

The following Physicians have been residents of the town: Richard I. Robertson, Justice F. Powers, Alfred E. Ruby, A. H. Crouch, George W. Pack, George S. Millikan, Byron Ferguson, Thomas Reser, and William S. Woodford.

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### QUINCY.

The land on which this town is situated was entered by Isaac M. Cruce, October 11, 1843, but the place was settled ten years or more before that time. William Kirkpatrick entered the West half of the Northwest quarter of Section 32, Township 38, Range 23. January 6, 1843, which lies less than a quarter of a mile West of the town. Gladis Nowell and Ephraim Jamison entered tracts North and Northwest of town in Sections 19, 29, and 30, as early as May 1842. James Atkisson and Ira E. Tillford entered land Northeast of town in Section 15, December 30, 1843. The place before it was surveyed and platted went by the name of "Judy's Gap," because Samuel Judy had set up a blacksmith shop there, and operated it for several years and there was a gap or opening near this point between Hogle's creek prairie and twenty-five mile prairie. Mortimore Payne succeeded Judy, and about that time Aaron Ripetoe put up a country store and secured the appointment as Postmaster. He was, no doubt, the first Postmaster within what is now Hickory county. He kept his store and Post Office for several years, and in 1843 John Hunter succeeded him in business and did quite a prosperous business until some time after 1852. He was there in 1852, and received a deed from Isaac M. Cruce dated May 8, 1852, conveying Lots 7 and 8, in Block 1, to him as Trustee for the School district for school house and church purposes. There was a man in partnership with Hunter or in business there alone by the name of Armstrong. The town was evidently surveyed and platted at the instance of Isaac M. Cruce, in 1848, as he owned the land at that time. The deed to the first lot sold was made by Isaac M. Gruce and wife to Murry, dated February 3, 1849.



The date of the survey of the town cannot be given, because the Deed Record containing the plat and Surveyor's certificate was burned in the Court House fire January 6, 1881. Mr. Hunter sold out his business to Whitlow & Miller, who carried on a successful business until 1861. In the meantime William Eastwood run a stage line on the "Old Military" road. Charles Madden and George McGowan run a saloon, and Wm. Bird had a stock of drugs and groceries, and old man Raymond put up the first mill; an old fashioned tread wheel mill. John McDowell also had a carding machine run on the same plan. Then that destructive Civil War came up, and put a stop to business, and most of the citizens of the town and surrounding country, went into the Union army or went South, and the town was almost vacated. About 1863, James H. Raymond was discharged from the army to take charge of the Post Office, and he came home and run a little store, and it was robbed when Captain Rafter, a guerilla officer, was killed here, and John T. Thomas killed and William B. Charlton and Thomas Wilson seriously wounded. Until the war was over a number of persons run "dives" and small business here. After the close of the war William Thomas and Dr. William S. Swicegood, set up and run a general store, and Bennett Wellman and a Mr. StJohn run stores for a while. After this William Flesher run a general store here. A steam saw and grist mill was built on the creek half a mile West of town, but was sold out and moved to the East side of the county, and the machinery finally bought and moved back again about 1874. A log school house stood about half a mile North of town in which there was a school from four to six months in the year. In 1866 or 1867, there was a Woolen mill built in the Southwest part of town, that carded, spun and wove some of the coarser cloths and exchanged cloth for wool. Somewhere about 1874, Marmaduke E. Ferguson, Jame B. Brent and Lyman W. Stiltz built a steam saw and grist mill in Quincy, and soon after it was erected a very good school house in which a public school is kept up from seven to nine months in the year. The town now has a steam roller process flouring mill operated by J. E. Dicus, a general store and Post Office run by Bert E. Lord, a general store and harness business by Hally B. Amrine, blacksmiths L. W. Baldwin and William Stiltz, a grocery store by Samuel Estes, dry goods, clothing etc., by R. C. F. Cagle, Millinery stores by Miss Rena Stiltz and Mrs. E. E. Cagle, a drug store by Lyman W. Stiltz,

and Samuel A. Estes has a steam saw mill with corn burr attachment.

The A. F. & A. M. own a fairly good hall in the town in which Hogle's Creek Lodge held meetings for years, but the organization has been removed to Wheatland.

M. W. of A. Camp was organized March 13, 1896, with the following officers: J. C. Comer, V. C., E. E. Cagle, W. A., Thomas Wilson, E. B., N. L. Nowell, Clerk. The present officers are: G. W. Bishop, V. C., John R. Mitchell, W. A., James H. Goodman, E. B., J. H. Crouch, Clerk.

The town has no church building but services are held in the lower room of the Masonic building, by Methodist, Baptist, and Christians. The members of the Christian church are most numerous.

Some of the resident Physicians have been: ——— White, ——— Sammons, ——— Ford, B. L. Delozier, Josiah Childers, William S. Swicegood, James A. Sisler, Benjamin F. Stephens. Jeff J. Stephens, T. C. Hatton, Thomas J. Sheldon, W. E. Miles, George D. Dalgliesh, and J. B. Harris.

### WEAUBLEAU.

This town is situated on lands in Section 11, Township 36, Range 24, entered by William Hawkins October 23, 1840. It was the earliest land entry in the Township, except two, the East half of the Northeast quarter of Section 1, and the other a part of the N. M. Durnell old farm Southeast of town. These entries were made in 1838 and 1839. The first town survey was made at the instance of Rev. Emerson Barber, by Patrick Chancellor, County Surveyor, December 3, 1880, on the Northeast fourth of the Northeast fourth of the Southwest quarter Section 11, and the name given to it was "Haren." The first addition to the town was caused to be surveyed by A. A. John, August 20, 1883, by Patrick Chancellor. This survey was an addition to "Haren," and was not described as being on any forty acres, but was said to be South of "Haren." The next addition was made by Robert Dey, who caused lots to be surveyed on the Southwest fourth of the Southeast of the Northwest quarter of Section 11, May 29, 1886, by Patrick Chancellor. This was also named as an addition to "Haren," and on the same date William D. Harryman and Calvin Hartley caused to be surveyed 22 lots on the Southwest fourth of the Southeast



fourth of the Northwest quarter of Section 11, lying South of Dey's addition, and described as the South half of blocks 5 and 8, of Dey's addition, and known as the town of Weaubleau. The college addition was surveyed and platted on the Southeast fourth of the Northwest quarter of Section 11, July 28-29, 1893. Gentry's addition was surveyed and platted June 10, 1898, by P. M. Burns, Surveyor of Polk county, and is described as being part of the Northwest fourth of the Southeast quarter and part of the Southwest fourth of the Northeast quarter of Section 11. Upton & Leonard's addition, made by Joseph B. Upton and Ben F. Leonard, was surveyed by Patrick Chancellor, March 8-11, 1898, and is located on the South two-thirds of the North half of the Southeast quarter of Section 11. Broadway Heights addition was made by Ben F. Leonard and B. T. Perriman, and was surveyed by Rev. Green M. Botts, County Surveyor of Polk county, June 2, 1904, and is located on the Northwest fourth of the Southwest quarter of Section 12, Township 36, Range 24.

The first man who sold goods in Weaubleau, or what is now Weaubleau, was Jeff Sharp. He had a little store building and store there as early as 1871. It stood West or Northwest of the Institute building. About that time the first brick College building was erected in the tall grass where it now stands, and is used for a Christian church and other purposes. The principal contributors to this College building were: John Whitaker, Joseph Whitaker, Thomas Whitaker, Sr., William Swink, Francis Yoast, Dr. A. C. Marquis, Hon. Samuel S. Burdette, Thomas J. Tucker, C. M. Largent, George W. Durnell, Sr., and Monroe Durnell. After the walls of the building were up a wind storm blew the second story down, and that made quite a hitch about getting it rebuilt and ready for school. The Principals of the school in the old Institute building were: Prof. John Whitaker, ——— Wingfield, Rev. Emerson Barber, and Rev. Joel Meyers. In 1880 or 1881, Thomas Phipps and Daniel Rogers, built a saw mill at the old mill place, on the Southwest fourth of the Northwest quarter of Section 11, and a little later Mr. Phipps and Joseph J. Conn and his son put up a steam flouring mill. This mill passed into the hands of William D. Harryman and Calvin Hartley, and was moved to Collins, St. Clair county, about 1889. A. A. John built a store building where the town now is near where Dr. William C. Gentry built the two-story building where the store of James

A. Hawkins now is. Mr. John continued in business until 1894. L. D. John built and went into business in 1886 at or near where he is now doing business. There were built about 1881 or 1882, two buildings near the old mill place, perhaps on the Southeast corner of the Southeast fourth of the Northeast quarter of Section 10, and in one of them William D. Harryman and Calvin Hartley sold goods, and in the other a hotel was kept by an old man by the name of Hardy, father-in-law of William E. Crouch. Harryman & Hartley quit business there about 1885, and built a business house with I. O. O. F. hall in the second story about a quarter of a mile East of there. An I. O. O. F. Lodge was organized in 1883, but it was organized in the second story of the College building. The first public school building stood North and near where the old College building stands, and a larger and better school building was built in 1884, in the Northwest part of town. Perhaps Charles G. McMahan first kept hotel in the town, but John Baynham was there in a hotel where Mr. Pruett now runs the Commercial hotel about 1882. Robert Orr and John O. James were also there in the hotel business, and not far from that time, before, perhaps, William E. Crouch kept hotel East of the old mill place. August W. Doerman, came there about 1884, and went into business and continued in business until about the first of the year 1887. Along about these years Thomas H. Bird, Patric Chancellor, and James J. Ramsey, were in the mercantile business there. Had not A. A. John, L. D. John and Weaubleau Christian Institute been there after the flouring mill was removed and other men whom we have named went out of business, the town would have been almost abandoned. The conditions were very discouraging for the school for some time. There were not a great many such prosperous farmers, and large well cultivated farms in the neighborhood of the town in those years, and not a railroad nearer than Appleton City, and Clinton. But this was not allowed to be continued. In 1892, enterprising citizens of the town and neighborhood laid plans and determined, to awaken an interest in the high school, and put new life into the town. This was carried out in 1893, by the laying out of the College addition to the town into lots, streets and alleys on July 28-29, 1893, and the building of the present commodious, and convenient College building at the North end of town, away from the business center. The association that represented the builders was incorporated by



the Circuit Court of Hickory County, November 23, 1893, with William E. Crouch, Robert Dey, Thomas J. Tucker, C. M. Largent, and Thomas H. Houser as Trustees. Before the completion of the new College building the town began to grow, new residences and new business houses were built, and the town put on a great amount of new life, but only gradually, until the Kansas City, Osceola, and Southern Railroad, now Frisco, came in August 13, 1898. This put entirely new life and many new people in the town. Prior to the coming of the Railroad the Baptist people had erected a commodious church building in the West part of town. The residences and business houses built in anticipation of the coming of the railroad, and immediately after the arrival of its trains are too numerous to mention. August 13, 1898, was a boom day for Weaubleau. In the spring or early summer of 1898, the T. A. Miller Lumber Co., put in a lumber yard and in the fall of 1898, B. F. Tucker, an enterprising, and wealthy young man, who was born, raised and educated there, put in a lumber yard and is there in business now, he having purchased the stock of the T. A. Miller Co. In 1904-5, Mrs. Margaret J. Forshe, who had been in the hotel business almost from girlhood, erected a handsome, roomy hotel on the North side of the main street leading from the main business part of town to the depot, which she sold to Thomas J. McCracken in 1906. Also in the years 1904-5, William H. Nichols, with the assistance of others, erected near the Frisco depot, a fine, large, steam, full roller process, flouring mill which has done a large business since its erection. It has now passed into the hands of John P. Monroe & Son, the large stock feeders of Weaubleau Township. A large, convenient brick public school building was built in 1902, and the Methodist Episcopal church people, and people of the Christian church (sometimes called Campbellites) have nice, commodious church buildings, while the other Christian church, (sometimes called New Lights) keep in repair and use the lower story of the old Institute building as a place of worship.

July 25, 1899, the Bank of Weaubleau was organized, by Joseph Whitaker, Laura O. Whitaker, Thomas H. Whitaker, Della Whitaker, Ida Whitaker, and George Clinton Hardy. It has a capital stock of \$5,000 all paid up, and is a substantial, convenient and safe institution. In 1906, Thomas H. Whitaker, Cashier of the Bank of Weaubleau, and Prof. John Whitaker, who has represented this county two terms in the lower

house of the State Legislature built a large, magnificent brick building of two stories with two rooms below suitable for any sort of store rooms, one of which is now occupied by Mason & Robbinett, Druggists, and the other is occupied by William U. Morton, General Merchandise.

The business and business men of the town are as follows: L. D. John, General Store, Ben F. Tucker, Assignee for T. S. Heath & Son, General Store, William U. Morton, General Store, William S. Goans, Dry Goods and Groceries, L. L. Roberts, Groceries and Meat Market, Allee & Son, Harness, Famous Clothing House, Clothing and Gents Furnishings, Weaubleau Pharmacy, Drugs, Charles D. Tharp, Dentist, W. B. McCord, Dentist, W. C. Gentry, Physician, W. J. Mason, Physician, Marlow Bros., Second Hand and Racket Store, T. A. Griffin, Produce, J. C. Lowe, Produce, Hartley & Davis, Barbers, Knight & Son, Hardware and Implements, E. D. Brown, Groceries and Restaurant, R. G. Kittel, Photographer and Jeweler, N. E. Estes, Books and Stationery, Thomas J. McCracken, Hotel, W. E. Pruett, Hotel, Owens Bros., Livery, Feed and Sale Stable, T. S. Durnell, Livery, Feed and Sale Stable, W. W. Tharp, Marble and Granite Works, J. J. Ashinhurst, Blacksmith, Howard Buckalew, Blacksmith, Chas. Fields, Wagon Maker, Mrs. L. D. John, Millinery, Mrs. W. J. Mason, Millinery, T. J. Tucker, Daryman and Ice Dealer, B. F. Tucker, Lumber, John P. Monroe & Son, Flouring Mills, Bank of Weaubleau, C. C. Brookshire, Real Estate, Weaubleau Telephone Co.

Some of the resident Physicians have been: Emerson Barber, A. L. Fisher, Zachariah Barnes, George B. Viles, E. L. Burks, L. B. Selvidge. William C. Gentry, H. C. Brookshire, Wm. J. Mason, and Byron Ferguson.

Weaubleau Camp, M. W. of A. No. 3886, was organized April 2, 1898. Present officers are: J. E. Bradley, V. C., E. W. Fentress, W. A., I. O. John, E. B., W. W. Tharp, Clerk, W. C. Durnell, Escort, F. C. McCartney, Watchman, I. A. Knight, Sentry.

Hickory Camp, W. O. W. No. 505, was organized April 25, 1906, with the following officers: J. A. Jamison, C. Com., J. McNabb, A. Lt., J. D. Sims, Banker, Guy Robinett, Clerk, W. A. Leach, Escort, D. Whitson, Watchman, H. Nelson, Sentry. Present officers are: J. A. Jamison, P. C. C., Guy Robinett, C. C., J. W. Thompson, A. Lt., J. D. Sims, Banker, W. A. Leach, Watchman, W. J. Fitzhugh, Sentry, T. J. McCracken, Escort, and G. M. Priest, Clerk.



Weaubleau District Court No. 655, Court of Honor was organized April 13, 1900, with the following officers: Theo. Pruett, Chan., Mrs. S. C. Gentry, V. C., Mrs. N. E. Estes, P. C., M. J. Morton, Recorder, Mrs. E. A. Cox, Chaplain, B. I. Lively, Cond., Wm. C. Cox, Guard, A. Wilkins, Sentinel. Present officers are: S. E. Hendrickson, Chan., Mrs. L. Tharp, V. C., N. J. Mitchell, P. C., L. L. Roberts, Recorder, Mrs. Frances Roberts, Chap., W. W. Tharp, Cond., E. W. Ryan, Guard, Mrs. S. E. Hendrickson, Sentinel.

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### WHEATLAND.

In December, 1869, Fredrick Kern and Joseph S. Naffziger, caused to be surveyed and laid off into a town, with streets, alleys, and a public square the greater part of the Northeast fourth of the Southeast quarter of Section 24, Township 37, Range 23, exactly four and one-half miles West of Hermitage. Fred Kern built a dwelling in 1866, where the Wilson hotel now stands. Melville H. Cooper, perhaps, was about the first to build a business house, but not far from the same time Wm. M. Dickson, Perry G. Snyder, Newman & Mendenhall, and John Sutter, built business houses. Removing the prairie grass and sod went on in a hurry, and it is difficult after a lapse of thirty-seven years to remember who was first or third. A steam flouring mill was built about a quarter of a mile North of town in 1870 by Joseph S. Naffziger, and after being several times repaired, stands there now, and is doing a fairly good business. It was not long after the town was laid out until there were almost complete blocks of frame business buildings on the East and South sides of the square, and the town has the best public well in the county, in the street at the Southeast corner of the public square. In 1871, a plain, comfortable school building was built, but was succeeded by a new two-story frame building in 1884 or 1885, and in it some of the most noted teachers of the county have taught school. The town had no church building until 1888, when a comfortable, roomy Union church building was built in the Southwest part of town, and since that time, the Methodist Episcopal deople have built a fine, well furnished church building, in the South center part of town; the Methodist Episcopal Church, South people have built a new and handsome building in the Northwest part of town, and the people of the Christian church have purchased the large

stone building on the East side of the public square, the second story of which is used for church purposes. The town has a number of splendid residence buildings and everyone has a well of nice, clear, pure water.

The first newspaper in the town was published by Dr. Moore in 1869, it was the "Hickory County Mirror." Dr. Moore run it for a few years, and transferred it to his son, Henry Almont Moore, who run it until about December 1875, and sold the outfit to John D. Pitts. F. Marion Wilson soon became the owner of it, and it was with that he and Ernest P. Baldwin published the "New Era," at Hermitage. In 1876, a company was formed and bought an office and published the "Wheatland Enquirer," managed by Walker, Woodburry and John H. Davidson, in succession. Its name was changed to "Wheatland Star" about 1882, and Henry A. Morre run it for a while and moved it to Humansville. Early in 1886 Alexander Humble moved the plant of his "Hickory County Herald" to Wheatland, and leased it to some parties, who established and run the "Hickory County Democrat" about a year. Mr. Humble then took the office and run the "Harpoon" a while, and in 1888, moved it to Collins, Mo., but returned that year or early in 1889, and established the "Wheatland Headlight," with Abraham Lincoln Smith. The light soon went out in the "Headlight" and Humble moved away.

Hogle's Creek Lodge No 279, A. F. & A. M. was organized at Quincy, Mo., in October 1868, with Lyman W. Stiltz, W. M., James B. Brent, Secretary, John Ragner, Albert A. Crouch, James A. Scrivener. Peter J. Stoll, Jacob P. Stoll, James R. Wilson, Hugh B. Combs, and William D. Harryman, as members. The present officers are: C. P. Scrivener, W. M. William H. Roman, Sr. W., John B. Taylor, Jr. W., Charles Czarlinsky, Treasurer, Don Harryman, Secretary, Olliver J. Watkins, S. D. William Crates, J. D., Roy Mansfield, S. S., H. P. Liggett, J. S., N. F. Meador, Tyler.

Wheatland Lodge I. O. O. F. No. 634, was organized March 24, 1903. The first Officers were: William D. Harryman, N. G., Howard Buckalew, V. G., John B. Taylor, Secretary, John G. Crutsinger, Treasurer, James K. Moore, Conductor, H. B. Wilson, Warden, Clyde Stover, I. G., Abe Sandage, O. G., J. R. Campbell, R. S. N. G., William B. Quigg, L. S. N. G., H. P. Liggett, R. S. V. G., William Miller, L. S. V. G., Russel H. Jenkins, R. S. S., James Breshears, L. S. S., J. K. Moore, Chaplain. Present elec-



tive officers: Clyde Stover, N. G., John W. Diener, V. G., William D. Harryman, Secretary, William F. Crates, Treasurer.

Old Hickory Camp No. 3596, M. W. of A., was organized on the — day of ——— with the following officers: E. E. Buzzard, V. C., Wm. H. Kern, W. A., W. H. Bailey, E. B., Harry Kinney, Escort, C. V. Gist, Watchman, H. P. Liggett, Clerk. The present officers are: C. P. Scrivener, V. C., George C. Bartshe, W. A., Wm. Miller, E. B., A. B. Heard, Watchman, W. F. Crates, Sentry, Charles A. Gist, Escort, John. W. Powell, Clerk.

About April 1, 1894, the Hickory County Bank was moved from Hermitage, and filed banking contract April 9, 1894, and commenced business in a splendid, new two-story brick building, which stood East of the public square, where the stone store building now stands. In about a year after the removal the bank building and all the furniture were burned, but the bank vault and safe saved the bank records, papers and funds from destruction. In a short time William H. Liggett, President of the bank, built the brick building now used by the bank, and the business was moved there, where it remains. The bank now has a capital stock of \$10,000 and its present officers are: H. P. Liggett, Pres., Mrs. M. L. Jackson, V. P., and J. B. Crowley, Cashier.

Present business: General Stores of Williamson & Garrett, Charles Czarlinsky, and John W. Powell, Hardware and Implements, Leroy F. Mansfield, Drug Stores, Wm. L. Powell, and W. F. Crates, Grocery Stores, Wilson & Heard, and Joseph Dent, Barber Shop, Clyde Stover, Hotels are kept by J. S. Wilson, and Mrs. Margaret J. Forshe, Blacksmiths; William Miller, and John Harryman, Resident Dentist, C. P. Scrivener, W. D. Harryman, Proprietor of Wheatland Roller Mills, Furniture Store, S. E. Marston, Millinery Store, Miss Maggie Marston.

The town now has a population of about 250.

Some of the resident Physicians have been: John H. Newman, Ira N. Mendenhall, John Messick, Zachariah Barnes, Sylvester Redfield, William Moore, William J. Snyder, L. B. Selvidge, John W. Clayton, Henry C. Brookshire, George N. White, Arthur L. Fisher, Albert S. Johnston, and Alva Fisher.

## CIVIL WAR.

In the spring of 1861, when this war came on there was probably not more than 700 able bodied men between the ages of 18 and 45 years in the county, and these were divided between the Union and Confederate armies. From what is now remembered by those who went into the contending armies it is believed that not more than one-third went to the Confederate army. Even some slaveholders such as Joel B. Halbert and Barney Pitts were on the side of the old Union. It was not so much the Slavery question that divided the people of this county, but fear of the effects of dissolving the old Union, and the old doctrine of "State Rights," and resentment against the election of Mr. Lincoln to the Presidency.

Benjamin H. Massey, who had been County Surveyor, organized and commenced to drill a company of State Guards, (Confederates) early in 1861, with headquarters at the Donnell steam mills, about where the Cross Timbers mills now stand. This was then in Center Township. This company arrested Col. Joel B. Halbert, his son, Enos M., and several other prominent Union men, and made them mad. There was an organization, also that met at Quincy, a time or two, and once at Hermitage, but it was enrolled, at least, partly on false pretenses, but intended by its Captain, Levi Satterfield, for an organization of State Guards. Some of the men quit the organization, but Satterfield went with the Confederacy. Thompson Blair, a man truly loyal to the general government, was elected to a Lieutenancy in the Satterfield company, but abandoned it. Those about Quincy, who espoused the caused of the Confederacy with the most noise were: Henry Whitlow, Charles Madden, Lester Baker, and a few others. John Miller, who, perhaps, had more fighting, and less talking nerve, than some others, made up a company, many of whom served during the war with Gen. Joe O. Shelby, among whom was, Capt. John Miller, himself, who was the General's Brigade Quarter Master. In connection with our sketch concerning the town of Preston, will be found something about the organization of Capt. John Mabary's company of State Guards, and Capt. Lycurgus Lindsey's company of Home Guards. It is, probably, not out of place, and justice to say, that Dr. Richard I. Robertson, Dr. J. F. Powers, a Vermont Yankee, who owned a cripple negro, Silas C. Howard, and Benj. F. Staten, were the principal and



earnest advocates of secession in and about Preston, and were the cause of the organization of the Mabary company, with John Mabary, as Capt. because he had the nerve and courage while Robertson, Powers et al were purely noise makers and agitators.

There were not many open advocates of secession in and about Hermitage, in 1861, of the fighting kind. It is said that John C. Dollarhide, Rev. Munford B. Robinson, and a few others made some noise, but did not create much excitement. The county officers, and ex-officials, most of whom sympathized with the South, do not appear to have been of the outright agitator sort, like they were in some counties in Missouri. Thomas Davis, county Treasurer, who finally went with the Confederacy, was weak in the faith as a secessionist, as were two or three others, but there was a strong pull in trying to induce them all to go South.

In Tyler Township, Devers Gilbreath, Lewis and William Parker, John and James Claybrook, James Spillman, Rolly Bright, James Wallace, Granville Creed and others, caused excitement among the Union men and on the other side the following took the side of the Union: Isham B. Hastain, John Pitts, Dr. William Coon, Emanuel Mashburn, Gideon Creed, John Powell Rogers, William Mashburn, Wright M. Bolinger, Jack and Pres Richardson, William A. Pitts et al.

In the Pittsburg neighborhood the people were largely on the side of the old government, but there was quite a sprinkle of secessionists, who soon had to move out, for Pittsburg, was an unsafe place for a man who sympathized with the South to try to live during the war.

The people generally, were as well informed as the people anywhere, but they had but little idea as to what the results of a civil war would be in the way of destruction, and devastation of the country, and those who knew the least about such things made the most noise. If they could have had, only a glimpse into the future four years, perhaps, no such war would ever have come. From the standpoint of the most intelligent in 1861, no good ideas about the devastation that might be made by the contending armies could be formed, even by men of some military experience. The battle grounds of Wilson Creek, Shiloh, Murfresburo, Anteitam, and Petersburg, soaked and drenched with the blood of young, honest, vigorous, well-meaning Americans, could not be seen nor

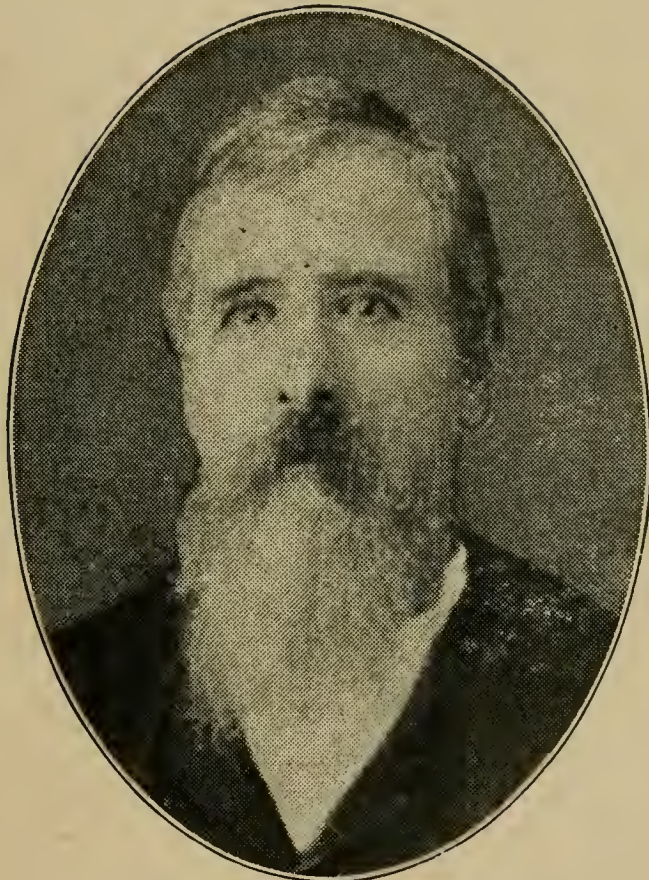
imagined in the distance, but ignorance of results brought its unexpected fruits. But now happily for the country the war prejudices are almost entirely gone, except from the minds of those who choose to feed their minds on prejudice and eternal hate, instead of reason and common sense.

Most of those who went to the Confederate army never returned, and that makes it harder to estimate the number who went. Most of those in the service for the Union came home, and were again among the people. The Eighth Regiment Missouri State Militia contained more men from this county than any other Regiment, among whom may be mentioned the following:

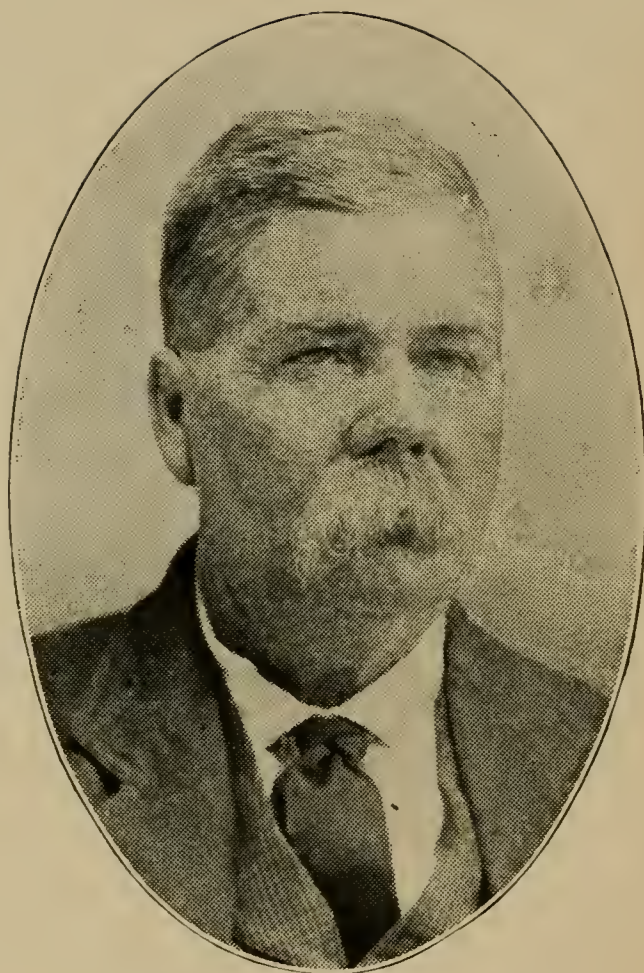
Company "B." Captain John Lindsey, First Lieut., Ly-eurgus Lindsey, Second Lieut., William R. Rains, First Sergeant, Lyman W. Stiltz, John J. Lindsey, Alfred Lindsey, Thomas Lindsey, James F. Lindsey, M. C. McAfee, Jasper Knight, John A. Browder, James A. Robertson, William J. Robertson, William J. Mawhinney, William H. Moore, George W. Graves, John M. Hart, Nathaniel P. Williams, Eli T. Rhea, Joel B. Halbert, Ephraim F. Halbert, Samuel Blackwell, William T. Jordan, Henry McAfee, William H. Liggett, William Skinner, William C. Hickman, Thomas T. Skinner, Redin Clymore, James M. Rains, William H. Dooley, John A. Evans, Lewis Freeman, William C. Johnson, William W. Cross, Jesse F. D. Moore, Alexander C. Jordan, Samuel V. Blackwell, William F. Blackwell, James S. Blackwell, William Campbell, Nathaniel Simpson, Jesse Dollarhide, Newberry Hobbs, George A. Hart, Charles Ellison, John W. Jordan, Charles M. Welchel, Sr., Charles M. Welchel, Jr.

Company "C." Meredith Richards, Henry Crawford, James M. Pitts, John R. Bradshaw, Francis M. Pitts, J. K. P. Rountree, George W. Mashburn, William W. Rountree, F. K. Brown, Mc-Cloud Benson, William C. Pitts, Second Lieut., Leonard Richards, Logan T. Pitts, Michael W. Dorman, William D. Pitts, John B. Pitts, James H. Mashburn, Samuel Lopp, John Lopp, Jonathan R. Crane, Abel Benson, Charles M. Burton, John B. Benson, Jonathan T. Pitts, Lewis Delmont, William H. Dooley, John Dooley, Harrison H. Jamison, William R. Lankford, Jesse Hartley, M. M. Pitts, John Lewis, Andrew J. House, William M. Dixon, Thad W. Miller, Bennett Starkey, William H. Moore, Henry Moore, William Hogg, John Hogg, William N. Pitts, Andrew J. Tillery, John H. Jones, Samuel Dent, Wm. McCrack-





LIEUT. LYCURGUS LINDSEY.



ALLEN M. HUCKABY,  
Treasurer.



en, James Ewell Pitts, who was killed in battle.

Company "I." Captain Jacob Cossairt, Second Lieut., Ethan Paxton, Levi R. Breshears, Wesley Walker, Thomas J. Thornton, John Kinross, Benjamin F. Fugate, Wm. Kinross, Henry T. Breshears, Jacob Bartshe, George Bartshe, Thomas H. Lord, Wm. H. Lord, Jonathan Scarbrough, James Bartshe, James Lord, Jas. Byford, Wm. M. V. Pippin, Wm. B. Charlton, Jas. M. Garner, Wm. N. Jordan, Eli S. Cates, Jno. A. Morton, Jas. Cates, Marion Cross, Henry Carter, Jas. T. Wallen, Jno. T. Colbert, Jos. Tilford, J. N. Daugherty, Jno. Reed, Wm. Lunderman, Sant Lunderman, J. N. Cross, Wm. Thomas, H. C. Collins, H E. Moore, Green Pitts, Geo. W. Murphy, J. H. Raymond, Jno. Murphy, Jno. W. Paxton, Jno. W. Quigg, Wm. Q. Paxton, F. M. Harlan, Woody Vaughn.

The following men, which we note from memory, from this county were in other Companies and Regiments:

	Co.				S.	M.
Samuel Dent	"	"A"	8th,	Mo.	"	"
John Bartshe	"	"A"	"	"	"	"
Jasper N. Jordan	"	"A"	"	"	"	"
Thomas A. McCracken	"	"A"	"	"	"	"
John Pitts	"	"A"	"	"	"	"
C. C. Pitts	"	"A"	"	"	"	"
Thomas J. Hayes	"	"G"	"	"	"	"
Jasper N. Matthews	"	"K"	"	"	"	"
William C. Clymore	"	"F"	"	"	"	"
Alfred B. Cothren	"	"I"	"	"	Vols.	Cav.
E. P. Vaughn,	"	"I"	"	"	"	"
Thomas C. Hunt	"	"I"	"	"	"	"
George H. Johnson	"	"H"	"	"	"	"
John Heard	"	"M"	"	"	"	"
Burdette L. Daniel	"	"K"	11th,	"	"	"
Leroy Mullins	"	"K"	12th,	"	"	"
Joseph T. Wilson	"	"K"	"	"	"	"
R. F. Wilson	"	"H"	"	"	"	"
D. L. Hastain	"	"H"	14th,	"	"	"
H. C. Mashburn	"	"I"	"	"	"	"
B. F. Mashburn	"	"H"	"	"	"	"
John H. Mashburn	"	"H"	"	"	"	"
A. J. Mashburn	"	"H"	"	"	"	"
Wash F. Reser	"	"I"	"	"	"	"
James H. Hart	"	"H"	"	"	"	"
John W. Reser	"	"I"	"	"	"	"
Clement S. Ashley	"	"I"	"	"	"	"

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David C. Moore	Co. "F"	14th,	Mo.	Vols.	Cav.
Joseph Riddle	" "H"	"	"	"	"
Samuel Hunt	" "D"	15th,	"	"	"
M. H. Cooper	" "D"	"	"	"	"
Barney Pitts	" "D"	"	"	"	"
Timothy Martin	" "D"	"	"	"	"
Thomas J. Tucker	" "D"	"	"	"	"
William Alexander	" "I"	"	"	"	"
S. A. L. Reser	" "I"	"	"	"	"
Patrick Chancellor	" "C"	21st,	Inf'ty.	Mo.	Vols.
William J. Mabary	" "K"	9th,	Mo.	S.	M.
George W. Mabary	" "K"	"	"	"	"
John N. Mabary	" "K"	"	"	"	"
William R. Lopp	" "F"	7th,	"	"	"
George S. Selvidge	" "F"	"	"	"	"
Robert H. Wallace	" "F"	"	"	"	"
William B. Coon	" "L"	4th,	"	"	"
Jacob H. Sanders	" "B"	"	"	"	"
James M. Robinson	" "B"	"	"	"	"
William W. Sanders	" "B"	"	"	"	"
C. C. Tharp	" "M"	"	"	"	"
Thomas H. Glenn	" "I"	14th,	"	Cav.	Vols.
Melvin Yeager	" "I"	8th,	"	"	"
John D. Pitts	" "M"	"	"	"	"
Burrel Pitts	" "M"	"	"	"	"
David Parsons	" "M"	"	"	"	"
Chas. Rountree	" "M"	"	"	"	"
E. F. Yeager, Jr.	" "I"	"	"	"	"
James G. Johnson	" "G"	1st,	"	S.	M.
F. M. Kimball	" "B"	"	"	Lt.	Art.
Marquis L. Kelley	" "B"	"	"	"	"
Wright Collins	" "B"	"	"	"	"
James W. Dickerson	" —	6th,	"	S.	M.
Wallace W. Drennon	" —	"	"	"	" Cav.
Robert F. Doak	" —	"	"	"	" "
James C. Stark	" —	"	"	"	" "
Vilgil S. Williams	" —	"	"	"	" "
John C. Bernard	" —	"	"	"	" "
Joseph V. Bernard	" "A"	45th,	"	Inf'ty.	
Mansfield H. Bernard		9th,	"	S.	M. Cav.
Thomas F. Bernard		"	"	"	" "
C. Z. Harryman	" "F"	8th,	"	"	" "



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	Co.			Mo.	S.	M.	Cav.
S. W. Nowell	"F"	8th,			"	"	"
O. E. F. Lindsey	"F"	"			"	"	"
James A. Mullens	"F"	"			"	"	"
James Lindsey	"F"	"			"	"	"
Leroy Mullins	"F"	"			"	"	"
George M. Alexander	"F"	"			"	"	"
John Keller	"A"	7th,			"	"	"
William Swink	"E"	24th,			Inf'ty.	Vols.	
George W. Dotson	"E"	"			"	"	
Jefferson King	"I"	45th,			"	"	
Wilson Y. Ramsey	"C"	46th,			"	"	
James H. Ramsey	"A"	48th,			"	"	
Nathan R. Tucker	"D"	48th,			"	"	
Benjamin Pitts	—	68th,		U.	S.	Col'd Inf'ty	
Anderson Halbert	—	"		"	"	"	"
Sterling Halbert	—	"		"	"	"	"
R. B. Green	—	8th,		Iowa	Cav.		
Drury H. Green	—	"		"	"		
Ezra F. Darby	—	18th,		"	"		
William H. Darby	—	"		"	"		
George W. Darby	—	"		"	"		
James H. Nunn	—	7th,		Prov.	E.	M.	M.
Hugh B. Paxton	—	5th,		"	"	"	"
Samuel B. Selby	—	9th,		"	"	"	"
William F. Campbell	—	"		"	"	"	"
William Bradshaw	—	5th,		"	"	"	"
John W. Jelvidge	—	"		"	"	"	"
J. M. Breshears	"C"	Osage		Mo.	Home	Guards	
Edmund Guier	"D"	"		"	"	"	
Achilles Morgan	"D"	"		"	"	"	
Thomas S. Morgan	"D"	"		"	"	"	
A. B. Reser	"D"	"		"	"	"	
Daniel Bartshe	"D"	"		"	"	"	
James Lindsey	"D"	"		"	"	"	

Perhaps not more than thirty men were killed in the county during the war, but those farmers who were at home for the purpose of farming were annoyed until they made a poor job of it. In August 1861, after the battle of Wilson Creek the men and big boys went North to the Missouri Pacific railroad, and as far East as Jefferson City, and many of them enlisted in the Army for three years or during the war. Late in 1861, General John C. Fremont's Federal Army passed through the

county on the way to Springfield by the East and West side prairie roads and a great many men enlisted and went with the army. That was the only army that ever was in the county. The worst danger and annoyance during the balance of the war was roving bands of confederate guerillas passing through the county going somewhere else, and all the time watching to see some man to shoot at, or watching to see that they did not get shot themselves. In the winter, likely in 1864, 300 to 500 of them came in on the prairie North of Wheatland and crossed Pomme de Terre river about three miles North of Hermitage. Ethan Paxton, the gallant Second Lieutenant, of Company "I" 8th Regiment Missouri State Militia, with Captain Jacob Cossairt, gathered a few of their men who were out on scouting duty, some soldiers who were at home on furlough and some of the Enrolled Militia, in all not more than a hundred men and attacked and dispersed them, killing two or three and no doubt wounding some. The guerillas camped that night at James Lindsey's farm about four miles Southeast of Preston on the Warsaw and Buffalo road. Another gang of guerillas came through the North part of the county in the winter of 1864 and 1865 or in the early spring of 1865, and killed an old man by the name of Ashley, shot other men, among whom was William England, who now resides about seven miles Northeast of Cross Timbers. This gang also captured William Kidwell, who had been a Second Lieutenant in Company "F" 8th Regiment Missouri State Militia, took him along with them, took his clothes and shoes and he escaped in the night almost without clothing and barefooted and made his way back home. He lived at the edge of the timber on the East side of Section 13, Township 38, Range 21. Numerous other gangs of these guerillas did depredations in the county.



## OLD SCRAPS AND FILES OF THE COURTS.

NOTICE TO WILLIAM M. DORMAN.

State of Missouri, )  
County of Hickory,)      In the County Court May Term 1847.

Ordered by the court that William M. Dorman Esqr. be appointed for the purpose of ascertaining the number of children in Green Township on the last day of June 1847 over the age of six years and under the age of twenty and the names of parents or other persons with who such children respectively reside and the number of children residing with each and make a report thereof to the clerk of this court on or before the first day of September next which report he shall make under oath according to an Act of the Legislature of the State of Missouri approved February 11, 1847.

A true copy Test.

A. H. FOSTER,

Clerk of the Hickory County Court.

Delivered on the 29th, day of May 1847.

J. S. WILLIAMS, Shff.

Similar orders were made as to the enumeration in each of the five Townships then laid off.

State of Missouri )  
County of Hickory,)      In the County Court May Term 1848.

Ordered by the court that Robert Davis, Erasmus Rupard, and Dillard Pitts be appointed Judges to hold the election in Green Township on the first Monday in August 1848.

A true copy Test.

A. H. FOSTER,

Clk. of the Hickory County Court.

Executed by leaving a true copy and left the Poll Books with Dillard Pitts. Fees \$3.00

J. S. WILLIAMS, Shff.

WARSAW, DEC. 2D 1851.

MR. ALFRED FOSTER,

Dear Sir, I was appointed at the last term of the Benton Cir Court Circuit Attorney Protem to prosecute Wilson Pinkston for Larceny B. H. Emerson still continuing to defend him as he had been employed before he was appointed Cir Atty-I want you to send me a full record of the Indictment of Moses Pinkston for perjury in your county in which he was convicted. Make out a regular record of the proceedings beginning with

the term of the court empanelling the Grand Jury the finding of the indictment and the whole proceedings- & send it certified under the seal of the court to Thomas I. Bushey Clerk of the Benton Cir Court. I want it by the next term of our court.

Your friend Resp

DEWITT C. BALLOU

To the honorable County Court of Hickory County,

We the undersigned petitioners pray that your honorable body will grant us a road leading in a direction to Ocoola the nearest and best route through that section of the county this July 25 1847.

John Heard, W. C. Duval Jas Rankin Anthony Epperson  
Jas V. Wright Wm. Mc. Wright J. C. Montgomery Andrew  
Baker Wm Evans James C. Boyd Hugh Boyd John W. Quigg  
Daniel Bartshe Casey Denton Samuel C, Arterbery C. S. Brent  
Jesse Heard A. D. Conway D Blue Hiram Bayless Chas South-  
ard H. C. Butler

Internal Improvement Fund of Hickory Cty  
to Thomas Davis Dr

1849	To charge for receiving & disbursing &c	Internal
August	Impmt Funds up to this date amounting to \$1941,00 at 2 pr cent	\$38,82
	Charges for going to Jefferson City after Int Improvement fund 1859 for traveling 100 miles at 10c per mile	\$10,00
	Charges for risk in bringing money 1pr cent	\$ 6,26
		<u>\$55,08</u>

Casey Denton received the first dramshop license November 3, 1846.

Williamson E. Dorman was granted dramshop license November 4, 1846, and paid the license taxes as follows:

To State of Missouri	\$15.03 1-4
To Hickory County	\$10.06 1-2
Total	<u>\$25.09 3-4</u>

State of Missouri ) To the honorable County Court of  
County of Hickory) Hickory County Mo.

We the undersigned Reviewers appointed by your honorable body to view and mark out a road Leading in a direction from Hermitage Hickory County to warsaw in Benton county



to intersect the State Road near Jacob Bartsches we met and viewed out the Ocoola Road about half a mile and then turned to the right hand and crossed the prince Branch and kept up it about a mile and then run with the old path about a mile levaing Dents about a mile to the right and intersecting the State Road between Daniel & Jacob Bartsches we are willing to swear that we have done our duty to the best of our knowledge and that it is a road of utility

GEORGE W. BLACKWELL

J. W. QUIGG

Sworn to and subscribed this 8th Novr 1847,

A. H. FOSTER

Clerk of Hickory County Court

The first appointment of a Guardian and Curator in the county was the appointment of Andrew Yoast as Guardian and Curator for Peter L. Yoast, John W. Yoast, Mary R. Yoast and Andrew J. Yoast, and the date is August 5, 1845.

May 3, 1848, the County Court borrowed \$200. from the Internal Improvement Fund to use in building a Court House.

State of Missouri )  
County of Hickory )<sup>ss.</sup>

I John Mabary Shff of Hickory County do hereby appoint Isham B. Hastain my Deputy for and during this term of court. March 22nd. 1852.

J. MABARY Shff

I approve the above appointment

Mar 22, 1852-

W P JOHNSON Cir Judge

To the Honorable County Court of Hickory County.

We your humble petitioners would represent to Your Honorable body that a great necessity exists for a road leading from the town of Hermitage in a direction to Duroc on Osage and to extend to the State road in the lower end of North Prairie about one mile south of the Benton & Hickory County line and Your petitioners would pray Your Honor to grant a jury of men to select and mark out said road- J. S. Williams, James D. Williams, A. B. McFarland, James D. Donnell, Joel B. Halbert, Calvin Donnell, John Black, Samuel Taylor, Wm. Walker, Wm. P. Foster, Sterling B. Miles, Thomas Miles, James Peril, Jno. D. Richey, James E. Foster, W. P. Rash, Nimrod Wise, Gordon W. Rogers, Wm. P. Donnell, William Bird, Asa Johnson, A. Milstet, R. C. Crockett, J. W. Newberry.

Dated July — 1847.

State of Missouri )  
County of Hickory)

I do appoint Archy Bruce George Eply and Samuel Tobee as Commissioners to view and lay out so much of the road leading from Hermitage to Erie as will pass around the bottom above the first crossing of kishko traveling West and report the difference in the distance of the new and old road and whether it will discommode the traveling community to the next term of the County Court of sd county to be held on the 18th day of June next

given under my hand this 28th May 1852.

L. B. HAWKINS

Member of the County Court Hickory Co.

Mrs, Gladis Nowell decd

To Edward T. Major Dr.

1845 To legal services in prosecuting Isham Hobbs on charge of murdering A. Nowell \$25.00

State of Missouri )

County of Hickory) In the County Court Nov Term 1847

The within account of twenty five dollars was proved to the satisfaction of the court and allowed and placed to class 5

A. H. FOSTER Clerk

1847 Dec 4th Rec'd Payment in full of the within

E. T. MAJOR

By J. A. Blakely Paid int 12 1-2 cents

State of Missouri )  
County of Hickory)

I John Mabary Sheriff of Hickory County do hereby appoint Robert H. McCracken my Deputy for and during the present term of the Hickory County Circuit Court September 23rd 1850.

J. MABARY Shff

I Foster P. Wright Judge of the Circuit Court within & for said Hickory County hereby approve the above appointment Sept 23, 1850.

F. P. WRIGHT Cir Judge

Note from Teacher's Register of School taught in Dist. 1 Township 37 Range 20.

A. C. GLANVILLE Teacher

Teacher's wages \$23.50 per month. Books used; Webster's Elementary Spelling Book, McGuffey's First, Second, Third, and Fourth Readers, Smiley's Arithmetic, and Smith's Grammar.

Students, with their ages: J. W. Williams, 19, William



Cates, 9, A. J. Mabary, 8, Carrie Mabary 17, M. J. Mabary, 10, F. C. Mabary, 7, Fanny Mabary, 19, John N. Mabary, 15, F. M. Mabary, 12, George W. Mabary, 14, Sarah A. Mabary, 17, George H. Johnson, 14, William J. Johnson, 13, A. F. Johnson, 10, L. A. Epley, 10, E. A. C. Williams, 10, S. W. Johnson, 6, M. J. Green, 15, C. E. Hawkins, 10, M. F. A. Hawkins, —, J. P. Hawkins, —, C. A. Green, 12, A. T. Johnson, 7, M. C. Smith, 9, N. J. Smith, 6, J. G. Hawkins, 16, A. F. Hayes, 10, J. L. Hayes, 14, M. A. Hayes, 11, C. C. Green, 6, N. E. Green, 10, D. A. Green, 9, J. T. Williams, —, T. J. Hayes, —, Sophronia Cates, —, Laura Williams, —, M. J. Williams, —, M. A. Hawkins, 11, Gillum Harris, 12, H. P. Green, 13, H. E. Green, 11, George W. Rains, 19, Priscilla Harris, 7, Sarah E. Howard, 7, W. J. Mabary, 23, Jordan Mabary, 23, Ransom, Harris, 18, Catherine Cates, 16, J. J. Green, 24, Nathan Smith, 4.

#### Constable's Bond.

Know all men by these presents that we John A. Creed, Alvin Poe, and William Rountree are held and firmly bound and by these presents bind ourselves unto the State of Missouri in the sum of One thousand dollars to be paid to the State of Missouri to which payment well and truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs Administrators and Executors firmly by these sealed with our seals and dated this 8th, day of August 1845. The condition of the above obligations are such that whereas John A. Creed has this day been appointed a constable in Tyler Township Hickory County. Now if the said John A. Creed should execute all process to him directed pay ever all moneys coming into his hands as constable aforesaid Township and faithfully demean himself in office then the above bond to be void otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

JOHN A. CREED Seal

ALVIN POE Seal

WILLIAM ROUNTREE Seal

To the Honorable County Court of Hickory County,

We your petitioners (Citizens of Stark and Center Townships) would respectfully pray your honorable body to make the following described change in the boundry lines of said townships towit: Beginning at the S. W. corner of Section 34 Township 37 Range 21 and running thence North with that line to the Benton County line so as to include Sections 34, 27,

22, 15, 10, -3, of 37 21 and 34, 27, 22, 15, 10, 38 21 in Stark Township. Your petitioners believing this will not discomode either Township Benj. S. Staton, T. C. Nevil, D. S. Drenan, Edward Farris, M. A. Trentham, Wm. H. Anderson, Jarrel Carver, James Patterson, Nathan Simpson, C. H. Hudson, John Green, R. D. Beezley, Daniel E. Davis, Elisha Harlow, Daniel Epley, S. C. Howard, R. I. Robertson, A. E. Ruby, William R. Rains, Wm. D. Foster, James B. Owen, A. J. Owen, J. F. Powers, William Dollarhide, Joel Harlow, A. W. Frye, L. B. Hawkins, William T. Hawkins, M. A. Hawkins, E. Lucas, Joseph Edde, John Miller, John S. Gentry, James Stephens, Isaac Madison.

Filed June 25, 1860

A. F. DOAK Clerk.

Apportionment of School money to Townships in Hickory County for the year 1852.

Stark Township, 168 children	\$ 50.40
Center Township, 208 children	62.40
Montgomery Township, 165 children	49.50
Tyler Township, 120 children	36.00
Green Township 153 children	45.90
Total 814 children	<u>\$244.20</u>

EPHRAIM B. EWING,  
Supt of Common Schools.

State of Missouri ) In the County Court Adjourned Term  
County of Hickory) July 6, 1846.

Ordered by the Court that the elections hereafter held in Center Township Hickory County shall be held at the house of John McEwen in said Township.

A. H. FOSTER

A True Copy Test Clerk of the Hickory County Court.

State of Missouri ) In the County Court Adjourned Term  
County of Hickory) July 6, 1846.

Ordered by the court that Jesse Driskill, George W. Hayes and John Stark be appointed Judges to hold the election to be held at the precinct in Stark Township Hickory County to be held on the first Monday in August next.

A. H. FOSTER

A true copy Test Clerk of the Hickory County Court.

To the honorable County Court of Hickory County Mo,  
We the undersigned a majority of the Qualified voters in School Township No thirty six being desirous that said township should be organized for school purposes do petition your



honorable body to make an order to that effect, Dated this 23 day ——— 1852. C. F. Shook, Amos Lindsey, Elijah Darby, B. F. Fugate, John F. Morrison, James Lindsey, W. M. Haverstick, Aaron Darby, Jonas Brown, James Bradley, James England, Mark Andrews, James H. Moore, James H. Vaughn, A. B. Reser, S. A. L. Reser, Thomas Glanville, A. Darby, E. F. Yeager, Robert Davis, Lias Bowers, Henderson Dollarhide, J. A. Robertson, Abraham Lindsey. A. H. FOSTER Clerk.

Filed Nov. 1, 1852.

Received of Alex F. Gaston five hundred dollars the purchase money of negro girl Fanny aged about 19 years, which said negro girl I warrant unto the said A. F. Gaston his executors and assigns forever.

Witness my hand and seal this first day of October 1841-  
THOMAS YOUNG JOHN BAILEY Seal

I assign said negro girl Fanny to Ansel Cook, for value received. A. F. GASTON Seal

State of Missouri )  
County of Hickory) In the County Court May Term 1848.

Ordered by the court that P. H. Andrews Josiah Dent and William R. Donnell be appointed Judges to hold the election in Center Township on the first Monday in August 1848

A copy Test A. H. FOSTER

Clerk of the Hickory County Court.

Notes from Teacher's Register of school taught in Dist No. 4 Townshisp No 4 in Hickory county in 1854

SIMEON GARRETT, Teacher.

Teacher's wages \$18.00 per month. List of Books used: Webster's Elementary Spelling Book, McGuffey's First, Second and Third Readers, Pike's Arithmetic.

Students with their ages: William Starkey, 19, Elisha Starkey, 13, Elisabeth Starkey, 17, Anna Starkey, 14, Winney I. Starkey, Bennett Starkey, 13, Margaret Birdsong, 13, John Birdsong, 9, Mary Birdsong, 7, Joseph Rush, 16, John Rush, 7, Shadrack M. Garrett, 12, Elisha Garrett, 8, Nancy E. Garrett, 10, Margaret M. Garrett, 6, Chasteen Floid, 13, Jarvis Green, 8, Jerome Green, 6, Sally Starkey, 15, Lucinda Rush, 6, Susan Rush, 7, John Starky, 14, Emeline Rush, 18, Lafayette Huffman, 5, George W. Kelley, 14, William Kelley, 12, Robert Elliott, 12, Nathan Elliott, 10, Nancy Elliott, 14. Whole enrollment 30, average attendance 22.

State of Missouri )  
 County of Hickory) In the County Court May Term 1848.  
 Ordered that John P. Rogers Tavner N. Woods and Robert  
 B. Runyan be appointed Judges to hold the election in Tyler  
 Township on the first Monday in August next 1848  
 A copy Test A. H. FOSTER  
 Clerk of the Hickory County Court.

State of Missouri )  
 County of Hickory) In the County Court May Term 1848  
 Ordered by the court that Joel B. Halbert be appointed  
 Overseer on a road leeding from Hermitage to Durock from the  
 forks of the road to the State road leading from Versailles to  
 Bolivar in the North Prairie he is required to cause all dead  
 and dry timber standing within forty feet of and leaning  
 toward said road to be cut down and that he have hands  
 allotted him by the allotting Justice of Center Towship  
 A true copy Test A. H. FOSTER Clerk

State of Missouri ) In the County Court November Term  
 County of Hickory) 1846.  
 Ordered by the Court that Nathaniel McCracken be and  
 he is hereby appointed Overseer on Road district No. five on  
 the State road leading from Warsaw to Bolivar from the coun-  
 ty line to the house of Alexander Blue and that he have the  
 hands allotted to the former Overseer. And he is required to  
 cause all dead and dry timber standing within forty feet of  
 said road and leaning toward said road to be cut down  
 A true copy Test A. H. FOSTER  
 Clerk of the Hickory County Court.

State of Missouri ) In the County Court February Term  
 County of Hickory) 1846.  
 Ordered by the court that Jacob Reser James Adams and  
 James Rankin be and they are hereby appointed commis-  
 sioners to view and mark out a rout for a county road to commence  
 at the ford of Turkey creek South of Nathan Tuckers and run-  
 ning thence so far as to meet a road leading from Buffalo to  
 Warsaw they are required to lay out said rout on the best  
 ground that can by obtained not running through any mans  
 enclosures without his consent and they are required to make  
 and certify a copy of their proceedings to the ensuing regular  
 session of the court specifying through whose land said road



will pass and whether the owner and tenant of said land gave his or their consent to the location of said road.

A true copy of the order

A. H. FOSTER

Clerk of the Hickory County Court.

State of Missouri )

County of Hickory) May 5, 1860

We the undersigned commissioners appointed by the County Court of Hickory county March journed term to view and mark out the proposed change of the road leading from Hermitage to the bridge now building across Pomdeteree commencing at the North East corner of the public square running East with the line between W. E. Dorman and William Woodrum to the corner of their land and thence South with A. F. Doak William Woodrum line to near where it crosses the swage on said line and thence in a South East direction to where it intersects the old review in the corner of A. F. Doak field we believe it to be on better ground than the old review and about forty yards nearer

Sworned to and subscribed

J. S. WILLIAMS

THOMAS PENTECOST Commissioners

This roads runs the same now as it did from the North East corner of the Public Square to the North East corner of Fugate & Liggett addition to the town of Hermitage from there it run about a rod South of where it now runs to the North East corner of the Fair Grounds from there it run South on the line between the Fair Grounds and Blair's field and crossed the little draw running down from the Cemetery thence it run in a South East direction to near the South East corner of Blair's field where it reached the Old Stones, now known as the "Bridge Pier."

State of Missouri )

County of Hickory) In the County Court May Term 1848.

Ordered by the Court that Elisha Cook Joseph C. Montgomery and Harvey Estes be appointed Judges to hold the election in Montgomery Township on the First Monday in August 1848

A. H. FOSTER

A copy Test

Clerk of the Hickory County Court

To the Honorable County Court of Hickory County Missouri, Pursuant to an order of your honorable body appointing me to superintend the letting and building of a bridge across

Stark's Creek and commanding me to report at each term of the court would beg to Report: That I posted Notices in three different places in Stark's Township to the effect that I would on the 2nd day of January 1860 between the hours of 12 M. and 2 P. M. proceed to let out the building of the said bridge And on the day specified in said Notices I did let out the contract for the building of said bridge in like manner as set forth in the notices J. S. Reser being the lowest bidder I then and there closed the contract with him (the said Reser agreeing to build the bridge as per specifications for the sum of Fifty two Dollars and 50-100 (\$52,50) by taking his bond for the sum of One hundred and Eight Dollars payable to the County of Hickory with Thomas Drennon as security and conditioned he will build the bridge according to the specifications made by the court and that he will have the same in good traveling order on or before the first day of April 1860 And I would further remark to the court that I apprehend no danger of his failure to comply with his contract as he is progressing finely with his work.

Respectfully

D. E. DAVIS

Superintendent

#### WILL OF ISAAC COOK.

In the name of God; Amen, I Isaac Cook of the County of Yancy and State of North Carolina being in a low state of health but of perfect mind & memory blessed be God, Do make ordain and establish this to be my last Will & Testament in manner & form following viz

1st I give my body to the Earth to be decently burried at the discretion of my Executor & my Soul to Almighty God from whom I received it

2nd I give and bequeath to my son Ansel a dark roan horse known to be mine should I die before said horse, if not Ansel to have none of my estate

3th I give & bequeath the balance of my estate Real & Personal to my two sons Alexander & Elisha to be equally divided between them at my death consisting of one tract of land containing Two Hundred & Eight acres together with cattle & sheep known in the Family to be mine.

I do further appoint my son Ansei Executor of this my Last Will & Testament.

Revoking all former Wills Testaments or Codicils, hereto-



fore made by me

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal, in the year of our Lord 1834 & on the 19th day of July.

Signed Sealed Published &  
Declared in the presence of  
G. McDAUDE JOHN WOODY

his  
ISAAC X COOK Seal  
mark

TREASURERS OFFICE Mo  
FEB'RY 28TH 1850

A. H. FOSTER ESQR.  
Ag't of Hickory Ct'y

Dear Sir-Agreeably to your request I send you enclosed a check on the Bank of Mo. for One hundred and sixty one 50-100 dollars the amount of Road & Canal money due your county by last apportionment. Hoping you may receive it in due time, I am, dear sir.

Yours most respectfully  
PETER G. GLOVER, Tr. Mo.

WARSAW APL. 10, 1852

A. H. FOSTER ESQ  
Dear Sir

I understand our Infernal Supreme Court affirmed the Judgment Wright rendered against me in favor of Holland. Please let me know at your earliest convenience whether the opinion has been certified down and whether any proceedings were had in the case at your last Court, and if so whether Ex'n has been issued or ordered and to what County & also whether any Ex'n was issued last fall against White to Hickory County & oblige

Your friend  
FELIX HUNTON

State of Missouri )  
County of Hickory) November 28, 1850

To the honorable, the County Court of Hickory,

We your petitioners citizens of Hickory County would represent to your Honorable body that we labor under great inconveniences for want of a road to run from Hermitage to Erie in the direction to Hightower's mill in Camden County-We would therefore pray your honorable body, that you grant us a jury of review, to view and mark out a road leading in the direction above specified the beginning point to be, either at John Mabary's or William Eddy's, and there to leave the Erie

road at which place soever, the commissioners may deem most practicable or expedient, thence running in the nearest and best direction to the Camden County line near George Hayes there to meet or intersect a road leading to Erie Camden County by or near said Hightower's mill. This way being opened will be not only of great benefit & utility to the public in general, but especially so to the citizens near the road in passing from one County site to the other, also facillitate the passage and remove many difficulties, that many of the citizens of Hickory County have to encounter in traveling to said mill, where they are necessarily compelled to go at some season of almost every year and your petitioners will ever pray. Samuel Tobey, George Epley, E. M. Collins, J. B. Edwards, Ishmael Carver, M. G. Edwards, John Little, John Miller, George W. Hodges, Robert D. Beezley, Wm. Edde, Nathan Pippin, A. P. Sims, Elija Edde, Will Pippin, William C. Pippin, Audley Dennis, Jonathan Dennis, Joseph Edde, Jacob A. Romans, Asa Johnson.

State of Missouri ) In the County Court Adjourned Term  
County of Hickory) August 1845

Ordered that Benjamin Miller be and he is hereby appointed Allotting Justice in and for Montgomery Township and he is required to allot hands to the Overseers on Road Districts numbers seven and eight.

A. H. FOSTER

A true Copy Test

Clerk of said County Court

Similar orders of appointment of Alloting Justices were made for each of the five Townships then laid off.

The first Will filed for record in Hickory County after its organization was the Will of Joseph Dennis which was dated September 19, 1843, and was witnessed by Jephtha Culbertson and John P. McCormick, and was filed for record January 26, 1846.

The first Letters of Administration were issued to Joseph W. Jamison as administrator of the estate of Ephraim Jamison deceased dated April 15, 1846.



# HICKORY COUNTY

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## RECEIPTS FOR THE YEARS 1845, 1846, 1847.

Amount of Road and Canal Fund	\$ 189.78
Amount of County Revenue (1845)	383.65 1-4
Amount of fine vs Jesse Brown	5.00
Amount of fine vs William C. Brown	5.00
Amount of fine vs Wm. Hobbs	1.00
Amount of Road and Canal Fund	5.00
Amount of By Collector on Revenue	201.62 1-2
Amount of By Collector on Revenue	248.48
Amount of fine against John Young	1.00
Amount of Internal Improvement Fund	181.95
Amount of Internal Improvement Fund	150.50
Amount of License	68.80
Amount of County Seat Fund	84.00
Total	\$1525.78 3-4

## EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEARS 1845, 1846, 1847.

Paid by order of Court out of Road and Canal Fund to buy books	\$ 75.00
Amount of County Warrants on Settlement	341.82
Amount of Grand Jury Scrip (1846)	16.50
Amount of Orders on Clerk Circuit Court	3.00
Amount of Orders on Clerk Circuit Court	3.80
Amount of County Warrants on Settlement	460.18
Amount of County Seat Fund	82.00
Amount of Grand Jury Scrip (1846)	22.50
Total	\$1004.80
Balance on hand	\$ 520.98 3-4

In reading the foregoing "Old Scraps and Files" our readers have, no doubt, discovered many errors in the use of capital letters, spelling, punctuation etc. We copied these just as we found them on purpose, believing our readers would be interested in noting errors, and omissions as they read.

AUTHOR.

## MARRIAGE RECORDS.

Certificates of Marriages recorded and Records burned, found among old papers in the Probate Judge's Office.

John Heard and Sarrah Miller, married June 30, 1857, by E. W. Morton.

Norvel M. Dickerson and Mary Donnell, married August 26, 1858 by L. R. Morrison M. G.

Elijah Darby and Elizabeth R. Wood, married January 27, 1859 by E. F. Yeager M. G.

Jackson James and Mrs. Sally An Largent, married January 2, 1859 by Thompson Blair J. P.

Alonzo Potter and Martha S. Deven, married December 12, 1858 by David Swicegood J. P.

Paschal Brooks and Rebecca Luthy, married September 16, 1858 by Joel Harlow J. P.

William Wells and Jemima Moore, married December 4, 1859 by H. M. Dixon J. P.

Solomon Howard and Lusa Ann Vandiver, married April 3, 1855 by E. M. Callis J. P.

Jonathan Chaney and Elizabeth Starkey, married September 4, 1855 by William Henderson Minister.

Rev. John McMillan and Mrs. Mary Barton, married September 6, 1859 by L. R. Morrison M. G.

Monroe Durnell and Nancy Hartley, married January 13, 1859 by David Swicegood J. P.

William Drillen and Sarah Sanders, married December 22, 1859 by M. B. Robinson M. G.

S. W. Holland and Clarissa Dent, married August 18, 1856 by Milton Adkison M. G.

Benjamin M. Carr and Jane Dollarhide, married August 7, 1856 by Edward Lucas J. P.

William Wattenbarger and Martha Wattenbarger, married June 22, 1856 by C. F. Shook J. P.

Isaac L. Largent and ——— Durnell, married November 9, 1856 by Perry G. Washburn J. P.

Allen Adams and Mary Pruet, married November — 1855 by Albert Crouch J. P.



George W. Weever and Euphemia Nowell, married April 10, 1856 by Albert Crouch J. P.

John G. Brown and Sophia Bradshaw, married August — 1856 by James T. Wheeler M. G.

Peter M. Cowen and Nancy M. Bradshaw, married August 28, 1856 by James R. Wilson J. P.

William Russell and Hephzibah ———, married June 1, 1856 by William Jenkins.

Henry W. Holland and ——— H. Parker, married June 16, 1856 by J. T. Wheeler J. P.

William C. Pitts and Martha E. Richards, married February 28, 1856 by Thompson Pitts An Ordained Minister in the United Brethren Church.

David D. ——— and Matilda Pruett, married August 9, 1855 by James T. Wheeler M. G.

Malachi Largent and Mary Ann Poe, married December 30, 1855 by Richard Deshazo M. G.

Jacob Bartshe and Rachel Arterbery, married October 19, 1856 by William Paxton Judge of the Probate Court.

Brooks Clark and Nancy Moore, married ——— 1855 by C. F. Shook J. P.

Benjamin F. Fugate and Celia Ann Dye, married October 12, 1856 by E. F. Yeager M. G.

William Starkey and Lucinda Adams, married March 13, 1859 by Shadrack Mustain M. G.

William R. Anderson and Mary Ann Pippin, married May 4, 1859 by W. D. Stewart Minister.

Vernon Heard and Clarra ———, married March 9, 1859 by William G. Lindsey M. G.

Lewis Robisson and Elisia Jane Alexander. married May 16, 1859 by William G. Lindsey M. G.

John G. Brown and Eliza P. Creed, married April 24, ——— by James S. Patterson J. P.

William R. Childers and Amanda M. Benson, married October 24, 1858 by Edmund Guier J. P.

Samuel Tobey and Martha Harlow, married April 10, 1859 by Levi Bibey M. G.

Adam C. Glanville and Minerva ———, married Jan-

uary 14, 1859.

James Gilbert and Martha Jane Drake, married March 25, 1858, by Albert Crouch J. P.

Jacob H. Bruner and Sarah L. Yeager, married October 21, 1858 by Thomas Glanville M. G. M. E. Church S.

John G. Jordan and Martha C. Doak, married December 12, 1858 by Thomas Glanville M. G.

John B. Collins and Armenia Capps, married April 24, 1859, by Jas. T. Wheeler M. G.

Jonathan Scarbrough and Catherine Clardy, married October 6, 1853 by C. S. Brent J. P.

Josiah R. Kannaday and Sofronia S. Pitts, married August 22, 1859 by E. F. Yeager M. G.

David B. Pitts and Martha A. Creed, married March 23, 1859 by Jas. T. Wheeler M. G.

Simeon Roberson and Missouri Barbour, married December 15, 1859 by Joel Wheeler J. P.

Samuel V. Blackwell and Elizabeth Moore, married December 25, 1859 by H. M. Dixon J. P.

Granville S. Creed and S. E. Pitts, married September 22, 1859 by Jas. T. Wheeler J. P.

Luke H. Standefer and Nancy E. Wheeler, married November 10, 1859 by Jas. T. Wheeler M. G.

William J. W. Lunderman and Winsey E. Beavers, married November 27, 1859 by Jas. T. Wheeler M. G.

Jesse C. King and Narcissa G. Conger, married December 11, 1859 by Jas. T. Wheeler M. G.

Henry Woliver and Mary Short, married July 7, 1859 by R. F. Braden J. P.

Andrew Havner and Mrs. Mary Bird, married July 14, 1859 by R. F. Braden J. P.

George W. Rains and Saria Ann Mabary, married April 24, 1859 by Joel Harlow J. P.

Alford H. Bedsley and Lettey Hickey, married April 24, 1859 by Joel Harlow J. P.

Wm. Pippin and Margarete Biby, married April 28, 1859 by Joel Harlow J. P.

Avery Tobey and Saria Ann Tobey, married May 19, 1859



by Joel Harlow J. P.

Jesse M. Cooper and Martha S. Creed, married April 10, 1859 by James S. Patterson J. P.

Andrew Jackson Darby and M. Elizabeth Miller, married August 1, 1853 by Anthony Bewley M. G.

Mitchell Ross and Rebecca Dickerson, married August 25, 1853 by Thomas Glanville M. G.

G. W. Colly and Mary Jane Bates, married August 16, 1853 by Daniel Epley J. P.

Lowry Blackburn and Eliza A. Vaughn, married September 1, 1853 by Jas T. Wheeler M. G.

Micajah Turner and Martha Brookshire, married December 26, 1853 by Asa Johnson J. P.

George M. Elexander and Nancy Carter, married September 20, 1853 by M. B. Robinson M. G.

Wm. W. Boone and ——— E. Jopling, married March 9, 1856 by James T. Wheeler M. G.

Jonathan Skaggs and Nancy Chaney, married April 2, 1856 by James T. Wheeler M. G.

Hiram Hugley and Mary Jane Driscoll, married January 17, 1856 by E. M. Callis J. P.

Henry Bartshey and Frances Brooks, married March 26, 1856 by William Paxton Judge of Probate.

William M. Jamison and Ann J. Walker, married January 24, 1856 by William Paxton Judge of Probate.

Nuton Jordan and Sarah Breshears, married January 17, 1856 by M. B. Robinson M. G.

Vanrance Handcock and Sarah Ann Reed, married August 9, 1855 by Simeon Garrett J. P.

Thomas Cauthon and Elizabeth J. Jordan, married June 1, 1855 by M. B. Robinson M. G.

Josiah Denny and Cynthia Ann Thompson, married May 24, 1855 by L. R. Morrison M. G.

Benjamin F. Owings and Elizabeth S. Sims, married September 24, 1855 by Richard Owings M. G.

Colender Rodelandier and Polly Ann Stewart, married August 16, 1855 by Y. M. Pitts M. G.

Joseph Chriswell and Nancy Epley, married November 4,

1855 by E. M. Callis J. P.

Thomas J. Hewlett and Josephine M. B. Spillman, married February 20, 1855 by William F. Spillman M. G.

B. F. Barnes and Malinda F. Richards, married January 17, 1856 by Milton Adkison M. G.

James W. Miller and Prudence Doak married April 22, 1855 by James T. Wheeler M. G.

John Charlton and Luticia Parsons, married May 18, 1855 by Jas. T. Wheeler M. G.

Samuel Martindale and Phalvey Smock, married January 19, 1854 by J. H. Estes J. P.

William Parks and Nancy Elizabeth Barber, married October 13, 1853 by C. S. Brent J. P.

Joseph C. McCracken and Mary F. Bodine, married October 21, 1855 by William F. Spillman M. G.

Ezra Darby and Virginia Andrews, married April 13, 1854 by John C. Williams M. G.

Francis M. Follis and Eugenia E. Mantyne, married October 27, 1859 by Thompson Blair J. P.

Andrew J. Stephens and Sarah Dark, married July 17, 1861 by Benj. Staten J. P.

John Jackson and Jemima Dollarhide, married February 3, 1860 by E. F. Yeager M. G.

James W. Davis and Harriett M. Walker, married April 18, 1861 by E. F. Yeager M. G.

Josiah Largent and Nancy Conger, married January 30, 1861 by Jas. T. Wheeler M. G.

James S. Caywood and Nancy M. Duckworth, married February 28, 1860 by Robert Stewart J. P.

Edward S. Williams and Rachel Madison, married October 12, 1861 by Benjamin F. Staten J. P.

William R. Lopp and Louisa Dixon, married May 16, 1861 by James K. ——— J. P.

Robert F. Braden and Sary Jane Whitlow, married January 8, 1861 by E. W. Morton M. G.

Samuel Williams and Mary Ann Marlow, married July 16, 1861 by Shadrick Mustain M. G.

John Breshears and Susan Irig, married January 30, 1862



by James F. Hogan M. G.

William H. Moore and Amanda C. Hawkins, married January 15, 1861 by Thomas G. Roney J. P.

Joseph Hickey and Martha Ann Melton, married February 19, 1861 by Thomas G. Roney J. P.

William W. Rountree and Emily J. Cooley, married December 5, 1860 by Jas. T. Wheeler M. G.

John Carver and Mary Young, married January 1, 1861 by Thompson Blair J. P.

James M. Robinson and Alabama Sanders, married April 6, 1862 by James F. Hogan M. G.

Horas C. Howard and Sarrah J. Gill, married April 5, 1860 by John C. Williams M. G.

John M. Clark and Rebecca Caroline Cooper, married October 17, 1861 by Joseph Bond M. G.

Samuel W. Evans and Sarah Adaline Reed, married March 24, 1859 by Joel Wheeler J. P.

Jeremiah Vanderpool and Ellen Wyatt, married June 2, 1861 by E. L. Webb J. P.

William Pine and Caroline Selvidge, married April 11, 1861 by E. W. Morton M. G.

Samuel Dent and Almina Paxton, married July 11, 1860 by E. W. Morton M. G.

James Byars and Nany M. Cooper, married August 8, 1861 by James R. Wilson J. P.

David L. Marlow and Mrs. Mary E. Chaney, married August 14, 1861 by Calvin McDowell M. G.

George W. Thomerson and Margaret J. Thomas, married April 3, 1859 by Joel Wheeler J. P.

William H. Dunkirk and Sarah A. Garmire, married April 11, 1861 by William Woodrum Judge of the County Court.

Encs M. Halbert and Elizabeth M. Glanville, married August 23, 1861 by E. F. Yeager M. G.

Francis Marion Darby and Emeline Starkey, married January 3, 1861 by H. Linthicam M. G.

John D. Pitts and Nancy A. Sims, married March 17, 1861 by James T. Wheeler M. G.

Roberson H. Fisher and Eliza Ingles, married April 5, 1860

by William F. Spillman M. G.

Neal D. Taylor and Sarah F. Fisher, married May 3, 1860  
by Wm. F. Spillman M. G.

Wiley T. Tummins and Elizabeth Monroe, married March  
11, 1860 by Joel Wheeler J. P.

Mills Dawson and Lucinda Stewart, married September  
26, 1861 by John L. Hall Judge of the County Court.

William Dollarhide and Nancy Jackson, married October  
8, 1861 by Benj. F. Staten J. P.

George W. Fisher and Margaret J. Dooley, married Febru-  
ary 23, 18 60 by Marcus S. Graff J. P.

David B. Floyd and Martha P. Cooper, married January  
31, 1861 by Rufus Derrick M. G.

Joseph W. Miller and Mrs. Mary Gash, married September  
30, 1860 by E. W. Morton M. G.

David Thompson and Elizabeth Boaz, married January 5,  
1861 by William Dorrarhide J. P.

Jonathan R. Crane and Louisa Woodrum, married August  
5, 1861 by James F. Hogan M. G.

Ferdanardau Cook and Rhoda A. Brannon, married Janu-  
ary 6, 1861 by William F. Spillman M. G.

James A. Sweany and Phebe A. Cole, married August 18,  
1861 by John M. Millan.

William H. Gardner and Martha S. Mustain, married May  
5, 1861 by Morgan Kelley M. G.

Gordon Brown and Juley Pitts, married May 11, 1862 by  
Thomas Pitts M. G.

Thomas F. Donald and Frances E. Robinson, married Jan-  
uary 10, 1861 by John H. Millan.

William Campbell and Synthey Ann Boaz, married Octo-  
ber 11, 1860 by William Dollarhide J. P.

Lewis Richardson and Collie Catherine Roach, married  
October 14, 1860 by William Dollarhide J. P.



**FAMILY RECORDS.****WILLIAM ALEXANDER.**

William Alexander, was born November 21, 1821, and grew to manhood in Blount county, Tenn. Moved with his family in 1856, to Hickory county, Missouri. He died at the age of 78 years, near Pittsburg, Mo., and his widow and seven children live in Hickory county, Mo.

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**DR. MARK ANDREWS.**

Dr. Mark Andrews was born December 28, 1812, in Appamattox county, Va.; was married to Virginia W. Thomson in 1836, and came to Buffalo, Missouri, in June 1840; settled one and a half miles West of Urbana, about the last of February, 1849, where he lived until his death, June 30, 1865. He was a noted and successful physician, from 1850 to 1865. He owned a large tract of land and attended to overseeing the farming. Virginia, the wife, was a woman of more than average intelligence, and she was of great assistance to her husband. They raised a highly respected family, among whom are Dr. John P. Andrews, of Marionville, Missouri.

Virginia was born in Petersburg, Virginia, March 31, 1818, and died on the farm left by her husband, West of Urbana, February 16, 1898.

**CHILDREN:**

Mary E. and Robert J., born in Virginia.

Virginia A., Emily F., Lucy J., and John P., born in Buffalo, Missouri.

Jesse, Harriett V., Joseph W., Susan B., and Mark L. born on the old farm West of Urbana.

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**LEOPOLD BANDEL.**

Christian Bandel, father of Leopold, was born in Ainhalt Dessault Prussia, in 1792, and Johanna-Summers-Bandel, mother of Leopold, was born at the same place in 1795. The father of Christian Bandel, died in Germany, in 1854, and the mother came to America with her children in 1856. They first located in Davis county, Iowa, but moved to Hickory county, Missouri, in 1866, and settled near Preston. The mother and four Bandel Brothers came here: August, Frederick, Godfrey and Leopold. The mother died in Hickory county

in 1876, and the four brothers who came here are all dead.

Leopold Bandel was born in Ainhalt Dessault Germany, Mar. 27, 1838, and died Apr. 28, 1905. Nancy Dennis was born in Stone county, Missouri, August 4, 1847. Leopold Bandel and Nancy Dennis, were married June 20, 1867, in Hickory connty, Mo., by Thomas Holman, a Baptist Minister.

CHILDREN:

William, born Dec. 13, 1868, married March 8, 1896 to Eva Riddle.

Louis C., born Dec. 24, 1870, married June 14, 1899 to Ida Dennison.

Edgar, born Mar. 5, 1873, married July 11, 1900, to Pearl Edwards.

Godfrey, born January 15, 1875.

Mary, born November 11, 1876.

Jacob, born July 25, 1878, died August 13, 1878.

Caroline, born Nov. 3, 1879, died March 3, 1880.

James, born Feb. 6, 1881.

Annie, born Feb. 12, 1884.

Cora, born Mar. 4, 1886, died Mar. 20, 1899.

George, born Mar. 5, 1890.

Eddie, born Mar. 20, 1892.

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FREDRICK BANDEL.

Fredrick Bandel, was born in Prussia Germany, Mar. 21, 1824, died in Hickory county, Mo., December 8, 1891. M. Louise Bandel, wife was born in Prussia Germany, Dec. 25, 1834.

CHILDREN:

Fredrick A., born Oct. 28, 1853.

Charles J., born July 4, 1862.

William F., born Mar. 14, 1866, died Oct. 6, 1892.

Zennie M., wife of James M. Robertson, born June 16, 1868.

Elizabeth S., wife of William T. Whillock, born Dec. 22, 1870.

Nannie A., wife of ——— Misner, born Feb. 10, 1873.

Pauline M., born Oct. 25, 1875.

Emma C., wife of ——— Miller, born Nov. 28, 1880.

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BARTSHE FAMILY.

Jacob Bartshe was born in Pennsylvania in 1801, was married in his native state to Elizabeth Dirk. After their marriage they moved to Ohio, and from Ohio to Montgomery



county, Missouri, in 1840, and to Hickory county in 1841. The old man Jacob died in 1874 in Hickory county Mo., but it is not known when the wife, Elizabeth, died.

## CHILDREN:

Daniel, who was married four times, first to Eliza Ann Frye, second to Nancy Cook, third to Mary Pierce, and fourth to Lizzie Wright. He died about four years ago, about four miles North of Hermitage.

Catherine, who was married three times, first to James Haverfield, second to William Clardy, third to Jonathan Scarbrough.

Hannah, married John W. Quigg, and died in Hickory county about 1852.

Susannah, was married three times, first to Henry Collins, second to Siler Freeman, third to Sumner W. Carter, and now lives in Hickory county, Mo.

Elizabeth, married Jonathan Scarbrough, she died and then her sister, Catherine Clardy, married Mr. Scarbrough.

George, married Clarissa Brooks and lives in Idaho.

Henry, married twice, first to Frances Elizabeth Brooks, second to Elizabeth Butler. He now lives about five miles North of Wheatland.

Jacob, married Susan Brooks and now lives in Idaho.

James, married three times, first to Repa Harlan, second to Eliza Bangle, third to Martha Palmer, widow of Noah W. Palmer, and now lives in Idaho.

John, married Pencelia Harlan and lives about four miles North of Hermitage.

Mariah, died at the age of fourteen years.

Salma, married Columbus Brooks and lives in Idaho.

Rebecca, married John W. Cook.

Samuel, married Mahala Brooks.

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**HENRY BARTSHE.**

Henry Bartshe, son of Jacob and Elizabeth-Dirk-Bartshe, was born May 15, 1835 and married Frances Elizabeth Brooks, a daughter of Henry Brooks, Mar. 20, 1856. She was born Aug. 16, 1835.

## CHILDREN:

Jacob Henry, born Aug. 7, 1857, died Aug. 10, 1857.

Mary Catherine, born July 23, 1858, married Orin J. Butler.

Clarissa Josephine, born Nov. 7, 1859, married Thomas

## Hopper.

Susan Malissa, born Feb. 20, 1861, married Josph Dent.

Emily Frances, born Jan. 5, 1863, married Douglas Grove.

George Columbus, born Oct. 21, 1864, married Mary E.

## Jordan.

Manerva Ellen, born Oct. 24, 1866, married William Frickey, in the West, and died Aug. 20, 1900.

Cordelia Elizabeth, born Apr. 27, 1868, died July 28, 1869.

Frances Elizabeth, the mother, died June 1868, and Henry Bartshe married Elizabeth Butler Oct. 5, 1868, and to this union the following children were born:

Laura Jane, born Nov. 9, 1869, married Andrew Gardner.

William Emery, born Oct. 1, 1871, married Eliza Mnrphy.

Flora Arminda, born Aug. 8. 1874, married Alfred B. Heard.

John Harrison, born Nov. 4, 1876, married Bertha Paxton.

Sophronia Adeline, born Oct. 16, 1880, single.

Dora Caestine, born July 27, 1882, single.

Gussie Jinnette, born Feb. 29, 1884, married Cornelius Ferguson.

Ira Elmer, born Jan. 5, 1885, married Iva Allen.

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**DANIEL BARTSHE.**

Daniel Bartshe, born April 13, 1826, died Jan. 2, 1903. First married Levina Fry, who was born Sept. 18, 1813, died. Second marriage to Nancy L. Cook, who was born Apr. 10, 1841, died Apr. 4, 1874.

**CHILDREN:**

Dorcas E., born Sept. 19, 1869.

John, born Jan. 15, 1871.

Franklin, born Sept. 8, 1872.

Third marriage to Mrs. Mary Plerce, in 1874. She died Jan. 1, 1884. Fourth marriage to Lizzie Wright, Oct. 16, 1886.

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**JOHN BARTSHE, SR.**

John Bartshe, born June 9, 1841. Pencelia Harlan, born Feb. 13, 1840. They were married Dec. 27, 1860.

**CHILDREN:**

Sarah E., born Mar. 23, 1862, married James S. Blackwell.

Catherine J., born Aug. 29, 1865, married Robert H. Jenkins, Dec. 26, 1886.





MORGAN HOTEL, Hermitage, Mo.



EZEKIEL D. BLAIR.



William Y., born Feb. 4, 1867.

John V., born Sept. 12, 1869, married Sarah C. Blackwell,  
Mar. 23, 1890.

Pencelia, born Sept. 12, 1869, married James S. Rash,  
Dec. 21, 1887.

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### JAMES S. BLACKWELL.

James S. Blackwell, born in what is now Hickory county,  
Feb. 29, 1836, married Elizabeth Carter May 2, 1860. She  
was born Dec. 14, 1844.

#### CHILDREN:

William P., born Feb. 27, 1865, married Nancy E. Eskew,  
Aug. 14, 1885.

Nelson R., born Feb. 9, 1867, married Amanda Fisher  
June 23, 1889.

Malissa A., born Dec. 10, 1868, married \_\_\_\_\_

Hiram C., born Oct., 31, 1871, married Bessie Welch, Sept.  
9, 1900.

Henry L., born May 11, 1874.

Elmer O., born July 17, 1878, married \_\_\_\_\_

James P., born Feb. 9, 1881, married Ethel Fisher Jan.  
25, 1903.

Elizabeth C., born Sept., 27, 1884, married Oscar Fisher  
Aug. 2, 1903.

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### THOMPSON BLAIR.

Thompson Blair, was born in Bath county, Ky., in 1811,  
while a young man he came to Lincoln county, Mo., where he  
married Sarah M. Downing, a native of that county, in 1840.  
Sarah M., was born in 1820. Thompson Blair died in Hickory  
county, Mo., May 9, 1874, and Sarah M., died at Collins, St.  
Clair county, Mo., Dec. 1, 1898. To them were born ten chil-  
dren as follows:

James H., born in 1841, and died during the Civil War in  
the United States Army.

Margarett, born in 1842, and died in infancy.

Ezekiel D., born in 1844, married Nancy F. Walker in 1872,  
and died in Sept. 1903.

Henry F., born in 1848, married Josie Rayl, at Sedalia,  
Mo., in 1872.

Thomas T., born in 1846, unmarried, now lives in California.

Julia, born in 1850, married Seth Hartzell, in 1871, died in Iowa in 1889.

Sarah J., born in 1853, married Robert C. Orr, in Quincy, Mo., in 1876, now lives at Excelsior Springs, Mo.

William J., born in 1855, unmarried and lives in California.

John R., born in 1857, was in the West several years, married Stella Boone, in Hickory county, Mo., has one child, Boone Thompson, born Dec. 18. 1903, now lives six miles South-west of Wheatland.

General Marion, born in 1860, was killed in July 1882, by a fall from a frame swing in Hermitage.

In the fall of 1850, Thompson Blair, with his family came from Lincoln county, to Hickory county and in 1851 settled on the prairie two and a half miles Southeast of Quincy, where he remained until August 1861, when on account of the Civil War, he moved with his family, first to Lincoln county, Mo., then to Illinois, and finally went with his family, to Utah and California, but returned to the old home place Southeast of Quincy, in 1869, where he remained until his death. Before the Civil War he had accumulated a large amount of land and personal property, but lost nearly all by moving, and as a result of the war, except 120 acres of the old homestead, and 80 acres of timber. He was always truly loyal to the General Government, but after the battle of Wilson Creek, in August 1861, he feared that Missouri was going with the Confederacy.

#### EZEKIEL D. BLAIR.

Ezekiel Downing Blair, born in Joe Davis county, Ill., Mar. 23, 1844, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Sept. 19, 1903. Nancy F. Walker, born Apr. 13, 1850, in Hickory county, Mo. Ezekiel D. Blair and Nancy F. Walker, were married Apr. 25, 1872, in Hickory county, Mo., by Rev. Levi Bybee, a Minister of the Christian church.

#### CHILDREN:

Minnie E., born at Quincy, Mo., Jan. 25, 1873, married to Dr. B. F. Cox, Feb. 24, 1895, who died Dec. 19, 1903, -one child Lona Blair Cox, born Jan. 21, 1896, remarried Oct. 14. 1906, to John H. McCaslin.

E. D., born July 1, 1877, in Hermitage, married Edith M. Taylor, Mar. 29, 1903.

Winnie, born Feb. 22, 1880, in Hermitage, died July 2, 1885.



Waverly, born Dec. 1, 1883, married Roscoe Conkling Coon. Mr. Blair was a good business man, served the county three terms as Collector of the Revenue, one term as County Treasurer, and one term in the lower house of the Missouri Legislature, and was honest and faithful to every trust imposed. His son, E. D. Blair, Jr., was County Treasurer for one term and is at present Assistant Cashier of the Citizens Bank, of Hermitage, Missouri.

### JOEL N. AND MARY A. JOPLING-BOONE.

John Boone, father of Joel N. Boone, born in 1789, in N. C., died Nov. 22, 1837. Isabelle-Kincaid-Boone, mother of Joel N. Boone, born in N. C., in 1795, died Mar. 9, 1843.

Benjamin Jopling, father of Mary A. Boone, born Dec. 20, 1801, died Feb. 20, 1870.

Dacey-Smith-Jopling, mother, of Mary A. Boone, born Aug. 9, 1811, died in Aug. 1869.

Benjamin Jopling and Dacey Smith were married in Burke county, N. C., in July 1830.

Joel N. Boone, son of John Boone, and Isabelle-Kincaid-Boone, was born in Caldwell county, N. C., May 21, 1824.

Mary A. Jopling, daughter of Benjamin Jopling and Dacey-Smith-Jopling was born in Caldwell county, N. C., May 17, 1831.

Joel N. Boone and Mary A. Jopling were married in Caldwell county, N. C., Sept. 3, 1851, came to Hickory county, Missouri, Dec. 22, 1854. Both died in Hickory county, Joel N., Aug. 26, 1902, and Mary A., May 4, 1904.

#### CHILDREN:

Augustus W. S., born in N. C., May 24, 1852, married Emma Pruett, in N. C.

Wm. Edgar, born in Hickory county, Mo., April 6, 1856, married Mary Romans, in Hickory county, Mo.

Horace Durant, born in Hickory county, Mo., Nov. 6, 1858, married Ann Ragner, and died Feb. 12, 1894.

Benj. Elijah, born Nov. 20, 1860, single.

Emma Catherine, born Feb. 28, 1863, died Mar. 5, 1863.

Harriett Virginia, born June 10, 1864, died Nov. 20, 1866.

John Marshal, born Oct. 20, 1866.

Margaret Stella, born Nov. 10, 1869, married John R. Blair, Mar. 29, 1903.

Mary Nixon, born Nov. 23, 1872, single.

Edith Ann, born Apr. 1874, single.

Joel N. Boone, was a member of the county court of this county one term, and Postmaster at Wheatland, Mo., during the administration of President Cleveland.

Copy from his Dairy:—The move to Missouri in 1854, written by Joel N. Boone.

I started from dear old state of North Carolina, to find a home in the West. I left Lenoir, about the first of November, 1854, in company with Lemon H. Moore, the first night I stayed at the town of Morgantown, at the Mountain Hotel, then kept by Dr. Hoppolt, an old friend. Each of us had a good hack to travel in. Mine was made by that good old man, Noah Spainhour, who was at that time carrying on a shop for any and everything that could be made out of wood in the town of Lenoir. Well, from Morgantown we went direct to Cumming, the town of Forsythe county, Georgia, the home of my friend, Mr. Moore. I stayed about ten days in that town with old friends, such as Dr. Alex. Bogle, J. N. Puitt, and Jacob Leming and others. There I sold my team and hack to John Sims & his brother-in-law. T. Hills son took us to Atlanta, where we struck the Railroad—the next noon we were in Chatanooga, Tennessee, and from there we went to Nashville, and stayed all night. I expected next morning to go on a boat on the Cumberland, but the river was too low for a boat to run. We then took passage by stage to Louisville, Kentucky, 155 miles out of the way. There we got a nice boat the Conowago. I paid \$30. to go from Louisville, to St. Louis, Mo., but the water was so low in the river that the boat could make no speed on our journey, so we left the boat at Cairo, Illinois, and there I saw the biggest jimson weeds I ever saw. I could almost climb them. There we got on the Central & Illinois Railroad for St. Louis, and we got there and stayed over Sunday. (Here the paper is torn and the writing is illegible.)

#### JAMES A. BRAKEBILL.

James A. Brakebill was born in Monroe county, Tenn., Mar. 2, 1830, and is now deceased. Mary A. Moser was born in the year 1835, in Monroe county, Tenn. James A. Brakebill and Mary A. Moser were married in Monroe county, Tenn., Jan. 16, 1853, by Lewis Carter.

#### CHILDREN:

Henry Holston, was born in Monroe county, Tenn., Aug. 31, 1854, and died at Preston, Mo., about Aug. 1895.



Jacob Buchanan, was born in Monroe county, Tenn., Dec. 25, 1856, and died in Hickory county, about 1889.

John William, was born in Jasper county, Iowa, Aug. 2, 1859.

Etna Ann was born in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 2, 1863.

Iona, was born in Hickory county, Mo., Feb. 10, 1865.

Ofie Jane, was born in Hickory county, Mo., Mar. 9, 1867.

James A., was born in Hickory county, Mo., Aug. 22, 1870.

U. S. P. V., was born near Cross Timbers, Oct. 28, 1872.

Minnie D., was born near Cross Timbers, Feb. 6, 1875.

Bruno, was born near Cross Timbers, July 11, 1878.

Mone, the youngest daughter, now lives with her mother and brother, James A., at Preston, but we have been unable to procure date of her birth, and the copy of the Family Record furnished does not give dates of deaths.

### CHARLES S. BRENT.

Charles S. Brent, was born Mar. 9, 1807, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 26, 1858. Sarah H. McTyre, was born Dec. 2, 1808, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Apr. 26, 1894. They were married in Lancaster county, Virginia, in what is known as Northern neck between Chesapeake bay and the Rappahannock river, near Lancaster Court House. After their marriage they removed to Warren county, Ill., where they remained two years, and then removed to St. Clair, county, Mo., near Osceola, and after making another move or two, finally settled near Quincy, Mo., about 1837.

#### CHILDREN:

Dr. John W., who married Ella Johnson, of Boonville, Mo., and died at Tipton, Mo., Jan. 26, 1890.

James B., who married Sophronia Bennett, in Hickory county, Mo.

Alice C., who married Ira Amrine, of Buffalo, Dallas county, Mo.

Margaret, A., who married Lyman W. Stiltz, of Quincy, Mo.

Marcus L., who married Mary J. Tummins, of Quincy, Mo.

Sarah, who married Henry Lollar, who came here from North Carolina.

All of the children live in Missouri, except Dr. John W. Brent, deceased, and James B., who resides at Guthrie, Okla. It will be seen elsewhere that Charles S. Brent was at one time President of the county court of this county.

**DR. HENRY C. BROOKSHIRE.**

Dr. Henry C. Brookshire, was born in Hickory county, Mo., Mar. 12, 1848. He is the youngest child of William L. and Sarah-Varnell-Brookshire, who were born in Virginia and Tennessee, respectively. Both parents died in Missouri: the father in Mar. 1862, and the mother in Oct. 1886. The father was the son of Joseph Brookshire, a Virginian. They were married in Tennessee, and came to Cole county, Mo., in 1829, and came to what is now Hickory county, near Cross Timbers, in 1841. He and his wife had ten children, only three of whom are living.

Dr. Henry C., was first married to Mildred M. Woolery, a daughter of Andrew Woolery, Sept. 5, 1868, she was born in Cooper county, Mo., in 1850, and died in Barry county, Mo., May 16, 1886, leaving four children: Rosa L., wife of John Montgomery, Joseph A., now deceased, Charles C., and William H.

March 8, 1887, he married Miss Mollie E. Dodson, of Greene county, Mo., who was born July 19, 1865, and died Oct. 3, 1899, leaving a son and daughter: Roy Lowell, born Sept. 10, 1888, and Grace Blanch, born Dec. 5, 1889.

He was married again to Maria Brady, of Illinois, at Boonville, Mo., Jan 3, 1901, and they with the two children live in Hermitage.

He commenced the study of medicine in 1872, and has made it a life business. He attended Medical College at Keokuk, Iowa, and graduated from that school in 1876, and later took Post Graduate courses in the Missouri Medical College, St. Louis, Mo., and has all the time been in active practice when not in school.

**JOHN B. BROWN.**

John B. Brown, was born in Cambridge England, Apr. 30, 1807, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Aug. 27, 1886. He came to the United States about the year 1828, and settled in Franklin county, Mo., where he resided until the autumn of 1853, when he moved with his family to Hickory county, to the farm on which he died. In 1832, in Franklin county, Mo., he married Miss Nancy Richardson, who was born Oct. 23, 1818, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Sept. 5, 1884.

**CHILDREN:**

Milton, born Nov. 6, 1834, now living at Flemington, Mo.



William, born June 27, 1836, died at Winfield, Kan., May 8, 1905.

Amos, born Aug. 8, 1837, now living near Elkton, Mo.

James C., born June 17, 1839, died in Humansville, Mo., April 9, 1901.

John Urvin, born June 13, 1842, died in Franklin county, Mo., June 11, 1844.

Mary Jane, born Feb. 10, 1844, died July 18, 1868.

Benjamin F., born Nov. 21, 1845, died Jan. 24, 1887.

Elijah P., born Oct. 23, 1848, now living near Weaubleau, Missouri.

Sarah A., (Proctor) born Aug. 8, 1850, now living in Vernon, Colorado.

Victoria E., (Jamison) born Apr. 28, 1854, died near Humansville, Mo., Dec. 4, 1896.

Louis C. F., born April 27, 1859, died June 26, 1859.

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### ELIJAH P. BROWN.

Elijah P. Brown and M. J. Lively were married in Waynesville, Pulaski county, Mo., Oct. 8, 1872.

#### CHILDREN:

J. E., born Mar. 16, 1875, now in the mercantile business at Osceola, Mo., married.

Wm. A., born Feb. 4, 1878, now resides near Weaubleau, Mo., married Dora B. Crank, who was born Mar. 24, 1880.

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### JESSE C. BROWN.

Jesse C. Brown, born in Green county, Tenn., in 1789, married Nancy C. Parker, of Monroe county, Tenn., in 1827, died in Hickory county, Mo. Jesse C. and family came to Hickory county, in 1840.

#### CHILDREN:

William C., born in 1828, married Polly Horn, died in 1854.

Mathew N., born in 1830, married Manerva A. Hastain, Feb. 16, 1859, and to them were born, Belle, who married ——— Ray, Isham J. M., in 1864, William H., in 1870, and Mary A., who married Orton A. Paxton.

Elizabeth, the youngest daughter of Jesse C. Brown, married Andrew J. Yoast in 1854, and died in 1877.

**FRANCIS COSSAIRT.**

Francis Cossairt was born Feb. 5, 1805. Mary Jane Cossairt was born July 24, 1814.

**CHILDREN:**

Henry, was born June 5, 1832.

Jacob, was born Jan. 3, 1834.

Liza Ann, wife of John C. Patterson, was born Oct. 7, 1835.

John, was born May 13, 1837.

William F., was born June 23, 1839.

Sarah Elizabeth, who was the wife of ——— Rogers, and after his death married Edward E. Beezley, was born Jan. 14, 1842.

James, was born Apr. 1, 1844.

George W., was born Sept. 5, 1846.

Jemima, wife of Solomon Darby, was born Aug. 24, 1849.

Francis M., was born Oct. 24, 1854, and died very recently in Camden county, Mo.

**JAMES COSSAIRT.**

James Cossairt was born Apr. 1, 1844. Mary E. Lindsey was born Mar. 26, 1842. James Cossairt and Mary E. Lindsey were married May 23, 1872.

**CHILDREN:**

Amos F., born Aug. 23, 1874, married Barbara L. McCracken, May 21, 1896, they have children as follows: Opal, Aurillas, and Ermil.

Oliver L., born Nov. 3, 1877, married Adella Stephens, Mar. 10, 1901, they have children as follows: Elsie, and an infant.

**EDWARD COSTELOW.**

Edward Costelow was born April 19, 1809, married Dorcas Wilson, Dec. 22, 1842, died May 29, 1878. Dorcas Wilson-Costelow born Feb. 14, 1820.

**CHILDREN:**

Rhoda Ann Wilson, born Jan. 11, 1835.

Amanda Susan, born Oct. 10, 1843, married Mitchell Lord.

Mary Elizabeth, born Jan. 10, 1845, married Wm. Lord,

Nancy Louisa, born Sept. 14, 1847, married Joseph Rountree.

Isabelle, born date lost.



Sarah Frances, born Apr. 14, 1849, married Geo. W. Gardner.  
 John James, born June 26, 1850, married Nora Crooks.  
 Geo. Thurman, born Apr. 12, 1852, died Jan. 14, 1886.  
 Franklin, born Apr. 30, 1854, married Rhoda Meadors.  
 Edward, born May 4, 1857.  
 Emily J., born Aug. 16, 1859.  
 Daniel S., born Aug. 6, 1860.  
 Julia, born Apr. 2, 1862.

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### PETER COWEN.

Does not give dates of birth of either father nor mother.

#### CHILDREN:

Elizabeth, born Mar. 17, 1809.  
 Jenney, born Jan. 22, 1811.  
 Nancy, born Dec. 19, 1812.  
 Sarah, born Mar. 5, 1815.  
 Ann, born Mar. 6, 1817.  
 Margaret A. F. H., born in 1819.  
 Henry P., born Sept. 13, 1821.  
 Peggy, born Feb. 15, 1823.  
 Polly, wife of Chesley C. Pierce, born Aug. 25, 1825.  
 John Quincy Adams, born Sept. 13, 1827.  
 Caroline, born July 14, 1832.  
 Peter M., born July 10, 1834.

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### HENRY P. COWEN.

Henry P. Cowen was born Sept. 13, 1821, and died Mar. 4, 1901. Elizabeth-Massey-Cowen was born Nov. 27, 1827, died Aug. 16, 1901.

#### CHILDREN:

Mary Frances, born Dec. 13, 1850, married Francis M. Parsons, Nov. 8, 1877.

John Henry, born May 20, 1852, married Lucinda Jane Williams, Oct. 7, 1875, and she died May 16, 1882.

Peter Marion, born Feb. 22, 1855, married Allie M. Langford, Nov. 19, 1882.

Joshua Luster, born Feb. 28, 1857, married Amanda J. Mason, Nov. 2, 1881.

Nancy Jane, born Mar. 11, 1859, married John Williams, Feb. 23, 1882.

Margaret Ann, born Feb. 7, 1861, married Fayette B. Dooley, Oct. 22, 1879.

America Elizabeth, born June 21, 1863, married Allen H. Ward, Sept. 18, 1884.

Sherman Alexander, born May 6, 1865, married Nancy J. King, Oct. 29, 1889.

Andrew Franklin, born Mar. 5, 1867, married Irene Hollingsworth, Jan. 16, 1887.

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### GIDEON CREED.

Gideon Creed was born Mar. 18, 1817. Eusebia, wife of Gideon Creed was born Mar. 3, 1817.

#### CHILDREN:

Martha, who married David Brooks Pitts.

Elizabeth, who died single.

Mary Jane, who married Nathan K. Pope.

Ellen, who married John Hart.

Margaret who married Stephen D. Tidwell.

Frances, who married John W. Pope.

Benjamin F., who married Mary E. Lindsey, who died, and he then married Maud Piper.

William H., and "Ab," James and Newton, twins, died in infancy.

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### ALBERT CROUCH.

Albert Crouch was born Jan. 24, 1821, either in Randolph or Ralls county, Mo., and was killed by guerrillas about four miles North of Quincy, Mo., in 1862. Nancy Knox was born in Lincoln county, Mo., in 1830. Albert Crouch and Nancy Knox were married in Lincoln county, Mo., in 1851, and came to Hickory county in 1853, and settled about four miles North of Quincy, where Nancy now lives. Their children living are: Albert A., John H., Azel H., Mary F. Young, wife of Andrew J. Young, and E. Belle Pack, widow of Dr. George W. Pack, deceased.

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### JOHN CUNNINGHAM.

John Cunningham was born Apr. 10, 1815, first married Nancy A. Dodds, Sept. 8, 1836, wife died Jan. 12, 1845, married second time to Sara Ann Vinson, July 22, 1845, and she died Nov. 19, 1889. John Cunningham died Oct. 9, 1871.

#### CHILDREN, FIRST MARRIAGE:

Dewy, born July 15, 1837, deceased.

Elizabeth J., born Feb. 15, 1839.



Estiha A., born Sept 5, 1840.

John S., born Oct. 12, 1842, died Dec. 27, 1865.

Samuel D., born Jan 5, 1845, died Jan. 29, 1845.

CHILDREN, SECOND MARRIAGE:

Nancy, A., born May 10, 1846, deceased.

Hester A., born Oct. 25, 1847, died Aug. 3, 1848.

Calista, born June 18, 1849, deceased.

Vinson T., born May 21, 1851.

George C., born Mar. 31, 1853.

Wm. H., born May 3, 1855, died Mar. 25, 1894.

Thomas J., born Aug. 1, 1857.

John Cunningham moved to Hickory county, Mo., from Illinois in Apr. 1868.

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VINSON T. CUNNINGHAM.

Vinson T. Cunningham was born May 21, 1851, married to M. E. Goodman, who was born Sept. 23, 1853, Sept. 21, 1871.

CHILDREN:

John L., born July 31, 1872.

William F., born July 5, 1875, died Mar. 8, 1882.

Claud A., born June 16, 1878.

Eva A., born Dec. 8, 1880, died Dec. 9, 1892.

Lillie M., born May 21, 1891.

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DR. A. C. CURL.

Dr. A. C. Curl was born in Taylor county, W. Va., May 29, 1852. Lewis Curl, father of A. C. Curl, born in Clark county, O., in Sept. 1824, and his wife Mary-Reynolds-Curl, was born in Taylor county, W. Va. The Dr. first attended Medical school at Keokuk, Iowa. In 1882, he graduated from the Medical school at Joplin, Mo., but desiring to learn more and stand higher in his profession, he later attended the Missouri Medical College, St. Louis, Mo., and graduated from that school in 1888. In 1872, he was married to Louie Feaster, who was born in Benton county, Mo., Feb 26, 1854, and they have two daughters: May, who is the wife of O. C. Crudginton, Cashier of the Bank of Cross Timbers, and Bernice, who is at home with her parents. He located in Cross Timbers, in 1875, and has resided there continuously since that time, and enjoys a lucrative practice.

**JEDIDIAH AND REBECCA-SAYERS-DARBY.**

Jedidiah Darby was a Colonel of the Continental Army, and died at the age of 92 years.

**CHILDREN:**

Samuel, Ezra, Daniel, Moses, Aaron, Owen, Rebecca, Sarah, Elijah, Elisha, who is now living at the age of 85 years, Elizabeth, Nancy, now living at the age of 87 years, Isaac, Jacob, and Charlotte.

**DANIEL DARBY.**

Daniel Darby was born Oct 31, 1799, married Phebe Evans, Sept. 22, 1822, and died Nov. 27, 1862, in Hickory county, Mo. Phebe Darby, wife of Daniel Darby, was born Nov. 13, 1803, and died June 18, 1880.

**CHILDREN:**

Elizabeth, born Sept. 29, 1823, died Jan. 21, 1851.

Rebecca, born Sept. 17, 1825, died Jan. 24, 1842.

Joseph W., born May 19, 1832, died in January 1863.

Ezra F., born Oct. 30, 1834.

Ruami, born Apr. 4, 1837.

Ephraim E., born Dec. 10, 1839.

William H., born Apr. 28, 1842.

George W., born May 13, 1844.

Isabelle J., born Feb. 1, 1847.

**JOSIAH DENT.**

Josiah Dent was born in Madison county, Kentucky, Feb. 4, 1800, and died in Hickory county, Missouri, Nov. 9, 1875. Mary Jamison, wife of Josiah Dent, was born July 5, 1811, and died in Hickory county Missouri, June 29, 1875. Josiah Dent and Mary Jamison were married June 11, 1826, in Franklin county, Missouri.

**CHILDREN:**

Harris, born in Franklin county, Mo., May 8, 1827, and died in Oregon.

Celina, born in Franklin county, Mo., Oct. 6, 1829, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Apr. 25, 1852.

Ephraim, born in Franklin county, Mo., Dec. 12, 1831.

Martha Ann, born in Polk county, Mo., Sept. 2, 1834, and



died Apr. 23, 1847, in Hickory county, Missouri.

Mary Jane, wife of John A. Morton, was born in Polk county, Mo., Jan. 9, 1837.

Clara, wife of Shandy W. Holland, born in St. Clair county, Mo., May 22, 1839.

Samuel, born in St. Clair county, Mo., Jan. 12, 1842.

Sarah U., born in St. Clair county, Mo., June 10, 1845, and died in that county Sept. 19, 1845.

William H., born in Hickory county, Mo., Mar. 19, 1849.

Josiah Dent, the father of this family, settled the place where John F. Holland died a few months ago, in the year 1846.

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### EPHRAIM DENT.

Ephraim Dent was born in Franklin county, Mo., Dec. 12, 1831. Elizabeth F. Dent, a daughter of Joel B. and Tirzah Halbert, was born in Wilson county, Tenn., Aug. 20, 1838. Ephraim Dent and Elizabeth F. Halbert were married May 23, 1854, in Hickory county, Mo., by Rev. Levi R. Morrison.

#### CHILDREN:

Edward H., born April 13, 1855.

Nancy C., wife of Pleasant J. Rogers, born Nov. 15, 1856.

Alanson H., born June 1, 1858, married Iris Augustus Paxton.

Mary A., wife of Samuel T. Gardner, born Aug. 31, 1860.

Enos M., born Mar. 21, 1862.

Ida F., first wife of John H. McCaslin, born Oct. 25, 1863, died in Hermitage, Mo., Sept. 13, 1905.

Tirzah A., wife of William P. Crutsinger, born Sept. 9, 1865.

Clara A., born Nov. 24, 1866.

Josiah E., born Mar. 11, 1868.

Samuel O., born Feb. 18, 1870.

Minnie E., wife of Luther Ihrig, born June 18, 1871.

Hattie L., wife of John Crider, born July 14, 1873.

All of these children were born in Hickory county Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Dent, have at this time 49 grand-children, 24 boys and 25 girls.

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### SAMUEL DENT, SR.

Samuel Dent was born Feb. 28, 1832, and died in Wheatland, Mo., May 28, 1906, was married to Elizabeth Brown in 1854. Mr. Dent served three years in the Civil War in Com-

pany "A" 8th Regiment Mo. State Militia, and afterwards enlisted in the 14th Mo. Cav., and served nearly one year.

CHILDREN:

Joseph S., born May 21, 1856.

William P., born Apr. 17, 1858.

Mary A., only daughter, born in 1860.

Joseph S., now lives in Wheatland, Mo., and runs a Grocery store and Telephone office.

William P., lives on a farm near Wheatland, Mo.

Both have intelligent and interesting families.

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DOAK FAMILY.

Alanson F. Doak came from Wilson county, Tenn., to what is now Hickory county, in the early 40's. He brought with him his wife and four children, two boys and two girls. In a few years the oldest girl died at about the age of ten or eleven years. The father, Alanson F., as is shown elsewhere had been Sheriff and Collector of the County, and when the Civil War came on in 1861 he was Clerk of the courts and Recorder, with his son, Robert F., who now resides at Cross Timbers, as his Deputy, who appears from the scraps of the record left from the Court House fire, to have did most of the work. In February, 1861, the father lived in Hermitage, and the mother died, and when the family returned from the burial of the mother the son was taken sick and in four or five days died, Northeast of Hermitage, on the place now owned by the widow and heirs of Judge Solberg. The other sister also died at the Solberg farm, but we are unable to procure the date. This left of the once happy family, only the father, Alanson F., and the son, Robert F. The father died near Cross Timbers, in March, 1883. All of the members of the family, who have died were buried in the Walker cemetery North and West of Cross Timbers. Robert F., was born in Wilson county, Tenn., in 1829, and was married to his wife, who was a daughter of Richard Dickerson, December 4, 1851, by Rev. Levi R. Morrison, a Presbyterian Minister. First child born to Mr. and Mrs. Doak was a girl, and only lived a few hours. The second child born was a girl, Osean M., born July 3, 1854. She grew to womanhood and married James Cunningham, and died May 12, 1885, leaving a son, who is now in the United States Army in the Phillipine Islands. The third child was a boy, Alanson



F., born September 14, 1856. Alanson F., has been twice married, and now resides in Cross Timbers. He has bought, fed and sold cattle for a number of years, and now owns an interest in the flouring mill near the town, and valuable real estate near the town, and is otherwise well fixed financially. The fourth child, Richard D., was born July 31, 1858. He married Miss Addie Noland, and they have a family of three children, two boys and a girl, and live in the county seat of Armstrong county, Texas. The youngest child, Mary E., was born August 29, 1861. She married Lafayette B. Davis, who lives about four or five miles South of Hermitage, and they have an interesting family of eight children.

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### JOHN DOLLARHIDE.

John Dollarhide was born in the state of North Carolina, in 1782, and his wife, Jemimmah-Osborn-Dollarhide, was born in 1791, in Scott county, Va. The mother died in Hickory county, Mo., in 1871, and the father died in Hickory county, Mo., in 1862. Two brothers of John, went from North Carolina to Arkansas in an early day and another went to Louisiana. John and Jemimmah were married in Scott county, Va., and removed to Franklin county, Mo., in 1832, and came to what is now Hickory county, a few years later. He followed farming and school teaching in Virginia and in Missouri. He was elected Assessor of Hickory county, at the elections in 1850-52, and in 1856, but was defeated by Joel J. Bradley, in 1854. The children of John and Jemimmah were as follows: Nancy, who married Henry Dingus, Hiram, who went back to Virginia, William, who had served 24 years as Justice of the Peace in Hickory county, and died a few years ago about a mile East of Preston, Annis, who married Jonathan Compton, Jane, who married I. V. Newbery, Henderson, who was elected Sheriff of Hickory county, in 1854, and died in office in 1855, Jemimah, who married S. W. Short, Elizabeth, who married Barney Richards, John C., who is yet alive, and lives on Crane creek, about four miles Southeast of Hermitage, and has perhaps a clearer recollection of men and things that have transpired in Hickory county for 70 years than any other man now living. When the county was divided into four assessment districts in 1858 he was appointed Assessor for District No. 2, for 1859. Sarah, the next child, married Alen Mocdy, and Mary, the

youngest, married J. F. Compton. All are now dead except John C. William Dollarhide, the third of the children, of John and Jemimah, married Martha Holt in 1834, in Franklin county, Mo., who was borne in Tennessee, and died in Hickory county, Mo., in 1848, having born five children, only one of whom, Jane Spencer, is now living. In 1849, he was married to Elizabeth Riddle, widow of Riley Riddle, who were father and mother of Judge Joseph Riddle, who is now President of the County Court of Hickory county, and was born Aug. 6, 1846. To the union between William Dollarhide and Elizabeth Riddle, was born one son, William R., who died about three years ago. The wife died in 1855. On Oct. 8, 1861, he married Nancy Jackson, who was born in North Carolina, and is now deceased, and to them were born: Amanda, single, Louisa, wife of Anthony W. Bowcher, Virginia, who married Joseph T. Edde and is now deceased, India Anix, who is also deceased. We are greatly indebted to John C. Dollarhide for many facts we state about the early settlement of the county and its people.

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#### DOOLEY FAMILY.

Henry E. Dooley, born Mar. 12, 1799, and died Nov. 2, 1849. Jane Caroline, wife of Henry E. Dooley, born Feb. 11, 1798, in Pennington District, South Carolina, and married Henry E. Dooley, Jan. 22, 1823, in Marion county, Tenn. They came to Missouri in 1831, and settled in Dooley Bend, in what is now Hickory county, in 1837.

Richmond H. Dooley, son of Henry E. and Jane Caroline Dooley, born in Marion county, Tenn., May 25, 1829, married Nancy J. Rutherford, July 23, 1850, in Hickory county, Mo., and died in Polk county, Mo., Nov. 13, 1897. Nancy J. Rutherford was born in Callaway county, Mo., Jan. 27, 1834, and died Nov 17, 1889.

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#### WILLIAM M. DORMAN.

William M. Dorman was born Feb. 16, 1772. No record of wife's birth.

#### CHILDREN:

Michael W., born Sept. 2, 1820.  
 Williamson E., Born July 2, 1822.  
 Franky W., born Aug. 11, 1824.  
 Wilborn Jesse, born Nov. 31, 1827.  
 Harriett Ann, born Feb. 28, 1844.



## EDWARDS FAMILY.

Oliver Edwards, born Mar. 3, 1810, and died Mar. 7, 1851, in Hickory county, Mo. Amedia W. Edwards, wife of Oliver Edwards, was born June 12, 1814, and died in Hermitage, Mo., Sept. 24, 1869.

## CHILDREN:

Mary E., born Apr. 28, 1835, in Kentucky, died in Hermitage, Mo., Mar. 15, 1884.

Sidney Oliver (Zenis,) born Dec. 15, 1849, on Four mile prairie, Dallas county, Mo., and died in Hickory county, Mo., Dec. 7, 1906.

## WILLIAMSON E. DORMAN.

Williamson E. Dorman, second son of William M. Dorman, was married to Mary E. Edwards, a daughter of Oliver and Amedia W. Edwards, Jan. 22, 1851, in Hermitage, Mo. Their only child was Oliver L. Dorman.

## OLIVER L. DORMAN.

Oliver Lafayette Dorman, born in Hermitage, Mo., Aug. 9, 1852. Nancy Elizabeth Hargiss, daughter of Sarah Catherine Hargiss and Phillip L. Hargiss, born Aug. 2, 1855. Oliver Lafayette Dorman and Nancy Elizabeth Hargiss, were married at Wheatland, Mo., Aug. 23, 1871.

## CHILDREN:

Sarah E., wife of John Hartman, born Sept. 14, 1872, married Oct. 6, 1889.

Ella, wife of John P. Wilson, born Feb. 7, 1874, married April 8, 1888.

William Louis, born Oct. 4, 1876, married Dora Stroud, Mar. 13, 1901.

Effa May, born Mar. 1, 1878, died Sept. 19, 1878.

Walter Marvin, born Aug. 2, 1879, died Nov. 2, 1881.

Fanny Eva, born May 27, 1881, died Nov. 14, 1882.

Thomas Bentley, born Sept. 3, 1883, married Fannie Clark, May 24, 1903.

Ethel Belle, born Feb. 6, 1886, married Walter F. Wall, June 14, 1903.

Fredrick Fountain, born Mar. 17, 1888.

Claud Edwin, born Aug. 28, 1890.

Rama Nell, born May 15, 1896.

## DURNELL FAMILY.

George W. Durnell came from Kentucky, with his family to what is now Hickory county, in 1840, and settled near where Union School House is, about three miles East of Weaubleau. He entered land shortly after he came here and gave 20 acres to the school district for a school house site, and the district still owns the 20 acres of land, and has a good, convenient school house thereon. He and his good wife had ten children, six boys and four girls. The oldest son, William, was born in 1834, married, and raised a family, and died on Big Weaubleau Creek, Dec. 24, 1895. Sallie, was born in 1836, and died in 1860. James, was born in 1838, and was killed by guerrillas during the Civil War. Monroe, was born in 1840, raised a family, and lives in Weaubleau Township. John, was born in 1842, and when the Civil War came on enlisted in company "C" 8th Mo. State Militia, died in the army in 1863. Geo. W., was born in 1846, and died Jan. 8, 1870. Frances, was born in 1848, married Thomas J. Tucker, Nov. 19, 1865, and has a family. Mahala, married Thomas Burton, the first time, and the second time married Port. Collins, Mar. 20, 1870. Nancy, was born in 1854, married Perry N. Thompson, Dec. 5, 1869, and he died in 1898, and in 1904, she married William D. Niblack. Jackson, the youngest child, was born in 1856, married Paulina Brown, in 1877.

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 WILLIAM EDDE.

Willian Edde, was born in Virginia, and partly grew up there, went to Tennessee, and married Polly Dennis, and they lived there until ten children were born to them, and until the baby, Nathan, was two years old, and he is now, 66 years old, and lives a mile East of Preston, in Hickory county. The father and mother came, to what is now Hickory county, in 1842. Of their childred there were five boys, and two girls, who lived to manhood and womanhood. One of the boys, and two of the girls died in the 50's. The oldest girl, Ann Reser, is living in Green Township and is near 88 years old. Joseph, died in May, 1906. Jasper, is 75 years old and resides in Kansas, John, is about 73 years old and resides in Hickory county. William, was a member of one of the first Juries that ever served at a circuit court in the county. He died in Stone county, Mo., in 1862, and Polly, the wife, died in Hickory county, in 1849, Ann,



Joseph, John, and Nathan, all married in Hickory county, and have raised families here, and their children are regarded as some of our best citizens.

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### JOHN EDDE.

John Edde, a son of William and Polly Edde, was born Mar. 12, 1831, in Tennessee, married Harriett Alsup, who was born July 19, 1834.

#### CHILDREN:

Mary Ann, born Sept. 10, 1854, died July 30, 1855.

Sarah A., born Nov. 11, 1856, married Hugh L. Simmons, Oct. 11, 1877.

Eliza R., born May 23, 1858, married George W. Alexander, Nov. 11, 1875.

William H., born Mar. 3, 1860, died July 19, 1882.

Nathan Jr., born June 13, 1862, married Phebe Edmundson, Mar. 6, 1881.

Joseph T., born Aug. 14, 1864, first married Jane Dollarhide. and she died, and he married Miss Mollie Lewis.

Charles E., born Mar. 28, 1868, married Emma Browder, Oct. 4, 1891.

Albert P., born Nov. 28, 1859, married Caroline Bandel, Feb. 16, 1890.

James M., born Nov. 11, 1872, died May 13, 1874.

Clara A. born Dec. 28, 1875, died Jan. 15, 1888.

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### JOHN T. FERGUSON.

John T. Ferguson, born Aug. 24, 1843, married Susan Edds, who was born Jan. 24, 1848, on Mar. 26, 1865, in Tennessee. They came to Missouri Oct. 16, 1869.

#### CHILDREN:

Mary E., born May 25, 1866, married Judge F. Samples, July 26, 1881, died May 9, 1906.

William A., born May 17, 1868, married Margaret Low, Nov. 10, 1895.

George W., born Dec. 30, 1870, married Elie Alexander, Dec. 21, 1890.

Martha A., born Mar. 13, 1873, married Andrew J. Alexander, Mar. 10, 1889.

Francis C., born Mar. 23, 1875, married T. J. Brannon, date not given.

Tennessee P., born Mar. 12, 1877, died July 19, 1894.

John Calvin, born Jan 22, 1879, died June 14, 1879.

Caroline G., born Nov. 24, 1880, married Elmer Simmons, Feb. 16, 1901.

Cornelius, born June 2, 1883, married Gussie Bartshe, Sept. 2, 1904.

Lillie Ann, born July 27, 1885, died Sept. 12, 1886.

May, born July 17, 1887.

James M., born July 16, 1889, married Lillie May Cunningham, Mar. 31, 1907.

Florence E., born Nov. 29, 1893.

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### HENRY J. FISHER.

Henry J. Fisher, father of Dr. A. L. Fisher, of Wheatland, was of German descent, and was born in the state of North Carolina, May 10, 1812, died May 12, 1906. His father's name was Henry J. Fisher. Rachel White-Fisher, wife of Henry J., was born in North Carolina, Feb. 5, 1832. They came to Missouri in 1867.

#### CHILDREN:

Arthur L., born Feb. 28, 1849, married Sarah A. Pitts, daughter of Andrew J. and Malissa Pitts, who was born July 28, 1856, on Jan. 29, 1874.

N. F., born Jan. 27, 1856.

J. D., born May 5, 1857.

Martha L., born Oct. 18, 1859.

Susannah E., born May 31, 1862.

Henry J., born Mar. 9, 1866.

A. P., born Nov. 11, 1873.

Ellen D., born June 8, 1875.

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### DR. A. L. FISHER.

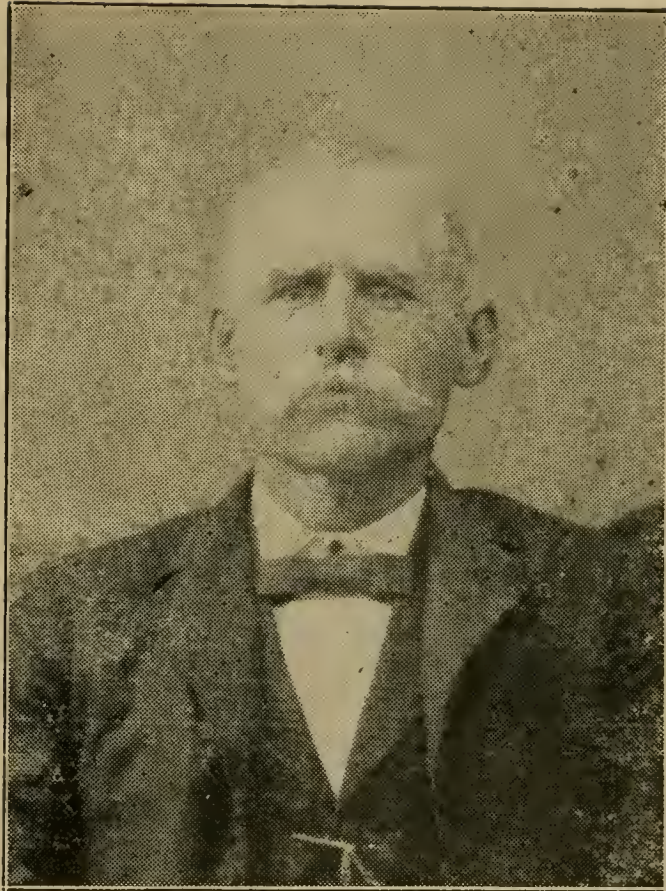
#### CHILDREN:

Alva, born Dec. 11, 1875, married Miss Daisy Johnston, Apr. 30, 1899.

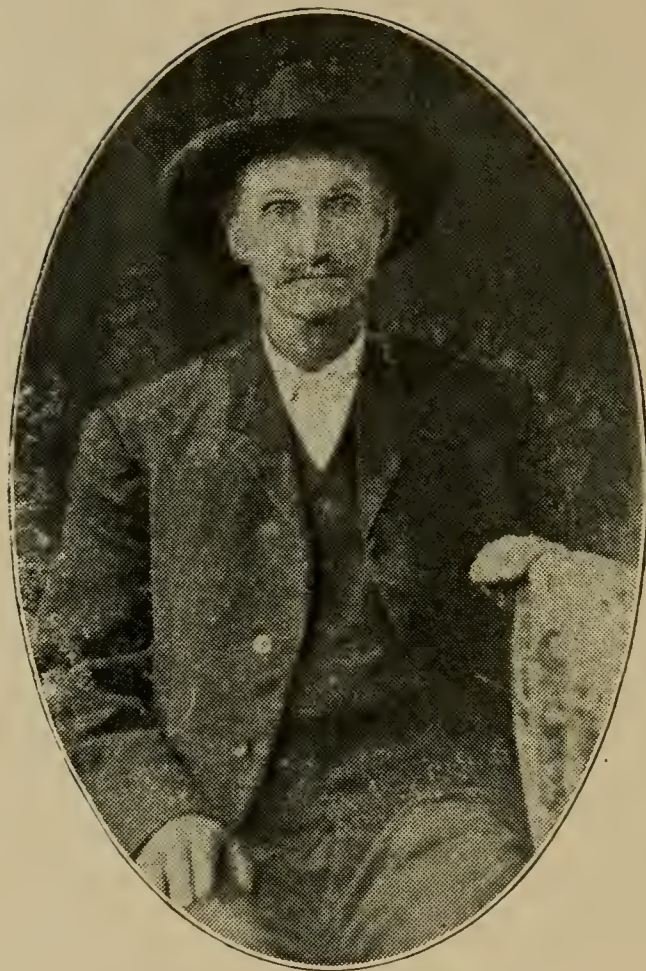
Zilpha, born May 1, 1885, married William Paul Murphy, a son of John and Sarah A. Murphy, Oct. 1, 1906.

Dr. A. L. Fisher, has been an able and successful physician in this county for 34 years. Is a great reader and thinker. He graduated at the Electric Medical Institute, at Cincinnati,





THOMAS H. LORD,  
Sheriff.



JOSEPH O. CARPENTER.  
Judge of the County Court W. District.



Ohio, June 7, 1882. The son Alva, is also a graduate of a Medical School, but has turned his attention to the Abstract business, and is now a resident of Hermitage, and owns a set of Abstract Books.

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### JAMES M. GARDNER.

James M. Gardner was born in Monroe county, Tennessee, Feb. 15, 1834. He is a son of Thomas Gardner and Catherine Thatch-Gardner. Thomas was born Jan. 1, 1806, and Catherine, was born May 13, 1813. They were married in Monroe county, Tenn., Mar. 26, 1832, and continued to live there until August 6, 1877, when Thomas, the husband, died. After the death of the father, the son, James M., went and brought his mother to Missouri. The grand-father, Thomas Gardner, was an Irishman, born in Virginia, but died in Tenn. James M. Gardner is the first of a family of nine children as follows: James M., George W., Henderson, Thomas J., Elizabeth R., Mary A., Eliza J., Martha B., William L., only four of whom are now living. James M., was married in 1857, to Margaret McSpadden, who was born in Bradley county, Tenn., June 26, 1837. She was a daughter of Samuel and Sarah McSpadden. They came to Hickory county, Mo., in 1858, and to their union has been born nine children as follows: Robert H., Sarah E., who married Dr. L. B. Selvidge, and he is now deceased, Amanda J., who married Thomas A. Nowell, Ulysses G., Mary C., who married Ben P. Nowell, and is now deceased, Barbara A., deceased, Hiram D., Elva T., deceased, and Luke Monroe.

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### GEORGE W. GARDNER.

George W. Gardner, was born in Tennessee, Sept. 8, 1837, married Armazinda Mitchell, who was born Sept. 20, 1838, and died Feb. 16, 1870, Nov. 15, 1857. He died in Hickory county, Mo., Oct. 1, 1905.

#### CHILDREN, FIRST MARRIAGE:

Martha C., born Sept. 20, 1858.

Samuel T., born Oct. 26, 1860.

John A. and William H., born Nov. 8, 1862.

Terry M., born Feb. 1, 1865.

Delila, born Mar. 14, 1867.

Alonzo, born Jan. 31, 1870.

Second wife, Sarah F. Costelow, born Apr. 14, 1849, married George W. Gardner, June 25, 1871.

CHILDREN SECOND MARRIAGE:

George, born May 5, 1872.  
 James A., born Mar. 25, 1874.  
 Andrew, born Feb. 26, 1876.  
 Norma, born July 25, 1878.  
 Charles Edgar, born Jan. 22, 1880.  
 Adie J., born Apr. 1882.  
 Arthur F., born Nov. 23, 1884.  
 Henry R., born May 18, 1887.  
 Robert B., born Oct. 30, 1889.

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JOEL B. HALBERT, SR.

Joel B. Halbert Sr., was one of the members of the first County Court, first member of the State Legislature from the county, and Lieutenant Colonel of the 60th Regiment E. M. M. in the Civil War. Ephraim Sherrill, father of Mrs. Tirzah Halbert, wife of Joel B. Halbert Sr., was born Oct. 22, 1773, in North Carolina, and died in Hickory, county, Mo., Oct. 17, 1867. Ann Sherrill, wife of Ephraim Sherrill, was born Jan. 17, 1771, died in Hickory county, Mo., Aug. 14, 1843. Joel B. Halbert, Sr., was born in Wilson county, Tenn., Oct. 18, 1803, and died in Hickory county, Mo. Tirzah, wife of Joel B. Halbert Sr., was born Mar. 24, 1807. Joel B. Halbert Sr., and Tirza Sherrill, were married in Wilson county, Tenn., May 25, 1825.

CHILDREN:

Francis Marion, was born Apr. 29, 1826, died July 20, 1850.  
 Nancy Ann, who was the wife of James D. Williams, born Mar. 20, 1828, died Mar. 17, 1854.  
 Alanson Sherrill, born June 26, 1830, died Aug. 26, 1852.  
 Ephraim Foster, born Jan 18, 1832.  
 Enos Morrison, born Mar. 19, 1834.  
 Eli Wilson, born Nov. 28, 1836, died Sept. 13, 1857.  
 Elizabeth Frances, wife of Ephraim Dent, born Aug. 20, 1838.  
 Joel Bradshaw, born Nov. 9, 1840.  
 Seventh Son, born May 29, 1843, died Aug. 27, 1843, not named.  
 Mary Jane, wife of William Q. Paxton, born June 25, 1844, died Sept. 11, 1868.  
 Edward Duffield, born Nov. 23, 1846.



Eli Rufus, born Dec. 24, 1848.

Christiana Juliet, wife of Albert P. Dickerson, born July 11, 1851.

Joel B. Halbert Sr., was married second time to Mrs. Charlotte A. Noland, Oct. 14, 1869, and to this union was born Robert Noland Halbert, Sept. 28, 1872.

Malinda Melvina Williams, daughter of Nancy Ann, first daughter of Joel B. and Tirzah Halbert, was born Feb. 26, 1854.

Robert G. Noland, first husband of Charlotte Hall-Noland-Halbert, was born Aug. 8, 1830, and he was married to Charlotte A., daughter of Thomas D. Hall and T. E. Hall, Jan. 20, 1852, and died Oct. 19, 1861, leaving children as follows:

Edward Homer, born Nov. 6, 1852.

James Solon, born July 14, 1854.

Thomas Jefferson, born Nov. 10, 1856.

Addie J., born Apr. 10, 1858.

Robert Hugh, born Oct. 23, 1859, died Aug. 21, 1862.

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### EPHRAIM FOSTER HALBERT.

Ephraim Foster Halbert, born Jan. 18, 1832. Margaret F. Donnell, born Aug. 18, 1834, and died May 6, 1898. Ephraim F. Halbert and Margaret F. Donnell were married Sept. 13, 1855, in Hickory county, Mo.

#### CHILDREN:

Alanson M., born Nov. 13, 1856.

Calvin B., born Aug. 31, 1859.

Emeline F., born Jan. 28, 1862.

Mary A., born Aug. 21, 1864.

Margaret, born Feb. 14, 1868.

Martha C., born July 21, 1871.

Charles A., born May 3, 1875.

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### PHILLIP L. HARGISS.

Phillip L. Hargiss, third son of Rev. Shadrack Hargiss and Nancy Ann Hargiss, was born in Summerville, Fayette county, Tenn., Sept. 5, 1834, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Mar. 2, 1888. The father, Rev. Shadrack Hargiss, died in Cattlesburg, Ky., Aug. 22, 1869, and the mother died in Kentucky, Nov. 14, 1850. Sarah Catherine Rice, daughter of T. J. and Elizabeth Rice, was born in Sumner county, Tenn., Dec. 27, 1837, and

was married to Phillip L. Hargiss, in Sumner county, Tenn., Mar. 28, 1854.

CHILDREN:

Nancy Elizabeth, wife of Oliver L. Dorman, was born in Sumner county, Tenn. Aug. 2, 1855.

Thomas Shadrack, born Jan. 31, 1859, in Sumner county, Tenn., married Jossie Pritchard, Mar. 20, 1880.

Edwin W., born in Green county, Ill., Apr. 26, 1861, married Fannie Powell, May 29, 1881.

William Pendleton, born in Jersey county, Ill., Apr. 21, 1868, married Josie Downs, Feb. 13, 1895.

Emma Arvilla, born in Wheatland, Mo., Nov. 8, 1875, married Henry W. Ramsey, Apr. 14, 1894, in Hickory county, Mo.

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CHRISTOPHER Z. HARRYMAN.

Christopher Z. Harryman was born in St. Louis county, Mo., June 20, 1813, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Nov. 15, 1892. Nancy Ann Smith-Harryman, was born in Henry county, Virginia, Dec. 24, 1824, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 4, 1879.

CHILDREN:

Nancy L., born Oct. 15, 1840, died July 5, 1895.

John F., born Aug. 13, 1842, died Mar. 10, 1865.

Martha A., born Sept. 18, 1848.

William D., born Oct. 8, 1850.

George S., born Mar. 4, 1852, died in Oct. 1896.

Hezakiah E., born May 2, 1854, died Aug. 19, 1857.

Mary E., born Apr. 20, 1857, died Sept. 11, 1857.

Sarah M., born Aug. 13, 1858.

Alfred Wesley, born Apr. 5, 1861, died Aug. 1, 1884.

Nathaniel L., born Mar. 7, 1866, died April 18, 1880.

James T., born date in Probate Record.

Christopher Z., born Jan. 26, 1884.

The father, Christopher Z., was first married to Martha Lineville, in Cole county, Mo., Jan. 5, 1840, and two of the children whose names and dates of birth are given in the foregoing record, Nancy L., and John F., were born of the first marriage, and the two last named in the foregoing family record, James T. and Christopher Z., were born of a third marriage, of the father, Christopher Z., with Mrs. Lucinda Cox, of Benton county, Mo. Mr. Harryman lived in Cole county, until 1844,



when he came to Benton county, and in 1848, came to Quincy, in Hickory county. In the Civil War, he served more than three years in Company "F" 8th M. S. M. and was in the terrible battle with the Confederates at Lone Jack, Jackson county, Mo., in which the Federal troops were outnumbered four to one. He was also in the battles at Humansville, Jefferson City, Boonville, and Sedalia. He was captured at Sedalia by the Confederates.

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### WILLIAM D. HARRYMAN.

William D. Harryman, the first child born to Christopher Z. and Nancy Ann Smith-Harryman, was born Oct. 8, 1850, in Quincy, Mo., and was married Dec, 19, 1876, to Miss Nancy M. Rogers, a daughter of John Powell and Nancy B. Owens-Rogers, who was born on Little Weaubleau Creek, in Hickory county, Mo., June 18, 1860.

#### CHILDREN:

Don, born Sept. 21, 1877, married Agee Reese, June 24, 1903.

May, born Jan. 16, 1879, married L. P. Forbes, June 9, 1903.

Eva, born Oct. 18, 1880, unmarried.

It will be seen elsewhere that Mr. Harryman has served his county as Sheriff and Prosecuting Attorney several years and is now Postmaster at Wheatland, which position he has held for several years.

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### ISHAM B. HASTAIN.

Isham B. Hastain was born in 1811, in White county, Tenn., married Rebecca Starkley, in 1834, moved to what is now Hickory county, in 1834.

#### CHILDREN:

Minerva A., who married Mathew N. Brown, born in 1835.

James P., born in 1837.

Rebecca, born in 1840.

W. D., born in 1842, died in 1864.

Daniel L., born in 1844, married Eliza Dorris, in 1867.

A. F., born in 1847, married Julia English in 1884.

Amanda, born in 1850, married George W. Mashburn, and is now deceased.

Martha E., born in 1853.

Robert, born in 1856.

## HICKORY COUNTY

## EPPY D. HAWKINS.

Eppy D. Hawkins, born Mar. 10, 1822, died Jan. 6, 1876.  
Emily Hawkins, wife of Eppy D. Hawkins, born Sept. 12, 1828.

## CHILDREN:

Nancy E., who married Joseph Aspey, and now resides near Galmey, Mo.

William J., who is President of the State Normal School at Warrensburg, Mo.

Albert L., who resides in Kansas.

Thomas M., who resides in Weaubleau, Mo.

Martha J., who married ——— Barber, and now resides at Boise, Idaho.

Mary A., who married ——— Snyder, and resides in Okla.

Eva J., who resides in Kansas.

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 JOSEPH HAYES.

Joseph Hayes was born in N. C. Dec, 7, 1791, married Lavina McConnel-Young, May 4, 1815, came from St. Geniveive county, Mo., to where the John M. Pippin farm is in Section 31, Township 37, Range 19, in 1838, and went to Texas in 1848. Died in Dec. 1869. Lavina McConnel-Young, was born Jan. 28, 1798, died Sept. 17, 1841.

## CHILDREN:

George W., born Mar. 3, 1816, married Nancy Lindsey, Oct. 10, 1840, died June 14, 1875.

Andrew J., born Sept. 21, 1817, died Feb. 18, 1818.

Polly C., born Dec. 2, 1819.

Benjamin F., born June 12, 1822.

Rebecca A., born May 16, 1824.

Nancy A., born Mar. 19, 1827.

Joseph M., born Nov. 30, 1830, died in Oct. 1831.

Charity E., born Jan. 14, 1833.

Judge W. R., of Skidmore, Bee county, Texas, born Dec. 30, 1835.

Thomas H. B., born June 24, 1838, died Sept. 10, 1838.

Amanda M., born Nov. 5, 1839.

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 GEORGE W. HAYES.

George W. Hayes, born March 3, 1816, married Nancy Lindsey, daughter of Amos and Mary Madison-Lindsey, Oct. 10,



1840. He died June 14, 1875. She died Feb. 3, 1893.

## CHILDREN:

Dr. Thomas J. Hayes, born Dec. 4, 1841, resides at Fresno, California, married Hannah Lindsey, Aug. 10, 1865.

Irene L., born in Jan. 1844, married Nathan R. Tucker, May 28, 1866, died in Apr. 1890.

Mary A., born Jan. 1, 1847, married Samuel P. Inks, Mar. 28, 1867, died Dec. 11, 1878.

Amos F., born Sept. 13, 1848, married Susie Scott, Nov. 9, 1879.

Lucy W., born Feb. 4, 1852, married John M. Pippin, Sept. 2, 1872, died Mar. 29, 1889.

Adella, born Jan. 12, 1854, married Robert P. Redifer, Jan. 24, 1882, and now lives in Riddles, Oregon.

Joseph, born Oct. 21, 1856, married Ellen Rains, Mar. 10, 1883, and lives at or near Forsyth, Mo.

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**WILLIAM C. HICKMAN.**

William C. Hickman was born in Wilson county, Tenn., near Lebanon, Aug. 2, 1832. He is a son of Snowden and Frances Newman-Hickman, who were born in N. C., and Va. The father died in Wilson county, Tenn., in 1852, and the mother died in Hickory county, Mo., in 1882, at the age of eighty-two years. The grandfather of William C., was also named Snowden, was born in N. C., and died in Wilson county, Tenn. The mother of Wm. C., was a daughter of Joel Newman, a Virginian, who died in his native state. Wm. C., was one of a family of six children, only three of whom were living in 1889. Dr. Zachariah, who lived at Benton, Ill., Martha Ann, who also resided in Ill., and the subject of this sketch. In 1851, Wm. C., came West, and traveled over a great deal of the country. In 1853, he went to California, driving an Ox team, over the Carson route, and was six months and eighteen days in making the trip. He made about \$2,400 in California, and in about four years returned to Tenn., coming back by way of Panama, Cuba, and New Orleans. After staying a short time in Tenn. he came to Hickory county, Mo., and purchased the lands on which he now resides. He was married to Martha Hicks Dec. 17, 1857, in Hickory county, Mo. She is a daughter of Thomas M. Hicks, and was born in Wilson county, Tenn., July 14, 1833. They have six children, now living: Fanny,

wife of George W. Morgan, of Kansas, Cora, wife of William Y. Bennett, of Collins, Mo., and Robert, Nina, single, Horace and Joel N., who reside in Hickory county, Mo. William C., has always been an industrious public spirited citizen, up-to-date with the younger men on public enterprises, has been a member of the county court two terms, although a Democrat in a Republican county, and as will be seen elsewhere was the first, and prime mover in building the present court house by subscription. During the Civil War he served as a member of Co. "B" 8th Mo. S. M., received no wounds, but on several occasions had his clothing cut and torn with bullets from the enemy's guns. Early in 1861, in a convention held at Buffalo, Mo., in which the question of secession was discussed he stood on the side of the union of the states, although many of his Wilson county, Tenn., friends among whom he lived were secessionists.

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#### THOMAS HOLLAND.

Thomas Holland and Nancy Shemwell, were married Dec. 11, 1820. Thomas Holland, was born in Kentucky, Jan. 24, 1797, and died in Arkansas, Jan. 26, 1879. Nancy Shemwell-Holland, was born in Kentucky, Nov. 20, 1800, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Dec. 3, 1855. There were sixteen children born to Thomas and Nancy Holland, only five of whom are now living, viz: Adaline O. Thompson, born in Kentucky, Jan. 14, 1823. Henry W. Holland, born in Kentucky, Sept. 20, 1826. Caroline I. Williams, born in Kentucky, Dec. 31, 1830. Shandy W. Holland, born in Kentucky, Apr. 21, 1832. T. J. J. Holland, born in Missouri, Jan. 30, 1840.

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#### SHANDY W. HOLLAND.

Shandy W. Holland was born Apr. 21, 1832, in Kentucky. Clara Dent-Holland was born in St. Clair county, Mo., May 22, 1839. Shandy W. Holland and Clara Dent were married in Hickory county, Mo., Aug. 28, 1856, Rev. Adkisson of the Methodist church officiating.

##### CHILDREN:

Thomas W. L., was born Mar. 11, 1859.

Mary A., born Jan. 31, 1862.

Clara I., born Apr. 8, 1864.



John F., born Sept. 15, 1866, died Nov. 22, 1906.

Landrine R. S., born Dec. 22, 1868, died Dec. 18, 1882.

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### WILLIAM R. JORDAN.

William R. Jordan was born in Middle, Tenn., May 16, 1836, came to Missouri, in 1860, and was married to Sarah A. Breshears, a widow, whose maiden name was Jordan, Oct. 14, 1861, and she was born July 11, 1832, and died in June, 1896. William R., died Feb. 20, 1901.

#### CHILDREN:

Nancy Jane, born May 15, 1862, married Lewis W. Butler, Dec. 1, 1905.

Mary E., born Feb. 3, 1864, married George C. Bartshe, Feb. 26, 1888.

Marshal L., born Sept. 26, 1856, died Oct. 13, 1894.

Emma Mabel, born Jan. 29, 1868, married William Thornton, Sept. 24, 1892, and he died in Nov. 1894, and she married Mayler Tockey, Sept. 3, 1905.

John W., born Oct. 13, 1869, married Gussie Pitts, Dec. 10, 1891.

Shandy A., born Apr. 28, 1873, married Rosa Breshears, Sept. 20, 1896.

William A., born July 18, 1871, married Lou Compton, whose maiden name was Cook, Dec. 25, 1901.

Terry L., born Nov. 14, 1876, married Norma Gardner, July 28, 1895.

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### PHILLIP H. LACEY.

Phillip H. Lacey was born in Alabama, Jan. 15, 1823, died in Hickory county, Mo., Aug. 27, 1881. Martha J. Nowell, born in Hickory county, Mo., June 8, 1829, married Phillip H. Lacey, May 8, 1845, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Oct. 29, 1885.

#### CHILDREN:

A. Clark, born Apr. 26, 1846, married Clara Davis.

John W., born Sept. 25, 1848, married Nannie Stewart.

E. Jane, born Aug. 16, 1851, married John DeWitt.

Aurelius L., born Feb. 26, 1854, married Mary E. Whitaker, July 28, 1881.

Phillip S., born July 26, 1856, married Lula Biddle.

Ethan H., born Mar. 21, 1859, married Ida Harland.

Frances, born Sept. 26, 1861, died Feb. 17, 1862.

Martha J., born Mar. 11, 1863, married John Ellis Morton, Nov. 25, 1880.

Sarah Rebecca, born Mar. 2, 1866, married William H. Gardner, Feb. 28, 1884.

Clara E., born Aug. 14, 1871, married James Williams, Dec. 27, 1896.

Maud, born Feb. 22, 1873, married Asa G. Goodman, Dec. 15, 1889.

### WILLIAM H. LIGGETT.

William H. Liggett was born in Guernsey county, Ohio, Mar. 14, 1831, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Dec. 20, 1901, and is buried in the cemetery near Hermitage, which was deeded by him for the benefit of the town and vicinity. Mr. Liggett's father, William Liggett, was born in Pennsylvania, Oct. 5, 1795, and died in Ohio, July 4, 1874. The mother, Nancy Vincent-Liggett, also was born in Pennsylvania, Feb. 9, 1797, and died in Sept. 1851, in Ohio. They married in their native state and became the parents of eight children. The Grandfather of William H. Liggett, Alexander Liggett, was born in Pennsylvania, Oct. 4, 1775, and died in his native state in 1866. The Grand-mother, Isabella McCoy-Liggett, was born Sept. 19, 1771, and died in 1841, in her native state. They were married Jan. 5, 1795. Mr. Liggett was a teacher in the schools of Iowa and Missouri, up to the Civil War. In the spring of 1859, he was married in Benton county, Mo., to Miss Louera E. Heath, and moved to his farm in Section 17, Township 37, Range 20, about three-fourths of a mile North of the Thomas S. Morgan old farm. From that place he removed to Hermitage, where John H. McCaslin and wife now live, in June 1862. To the union of William H. Liggett and Louera E. Heath were born: Alexander C., who died in Hermitage, at the age of seven years, Minnie, wife of S. A. Jackson, Ida M., who died at the age of twenty years, Eva I., wife of J. B. Crowley, Cashier of the Hickory County Bank, Henry Paxton, President of the Hickory County Bank, and Ernest Cuthbert, who now resides at Eldorado Springs, Mo.

Louera E., the mother, died in Wheatland, Mo., Dec. 28, 1901, and was burried in the Hermitage cemetery. A further history of Judge Liggett and his official history from 1862 to 1901 is found in the history of the county and with the towns of Hermitage and Wheatland.



## AMOS LINDSEY.

Amos Lindsey was born in South Carolina, Dec. 25, 1786. He was the first child of Abraham Lindsey, who was an officer in the Continental Army in the War of the Revolution. While a young man Amos emigrated to Virginia, where he was married to Mary Madison in 1810. They removed to Butler county, Ky., where all their children were born, eight boys and two girls. In the year 1834, they removed to Winchester, Ill., and came to Missouri in 1837, and settled on the "Fifteen mile prairie," where he died. When he made his settlement, there were only five families on or about the prairie. As will be seen elsewhere he was a member of the first county court of this county. He had previously been Sheriff of Butler county, Ky., for two or three terms. The first child born to Mr. Lindsey and wife was Irene, who was the wife of Jacob A. Romans, and was born Oct. 21, 1811, and died in Hickory county Mo., Aug. 7, 1889, after raising two daughters, one of whom married Ben F. Simmons, and the other married Rufus B. Green. Anthony W., was born Sept. 14, 1814, and died in Hickory county Missouri, June 9, 1890. He had a fair education, was a great reader, and perhaps knew more of the history of the world, and its peoples, and of the history of his own country, than any other man, who has ever lived in the county.

James and Abraham, twins, were born May 21, 1817. Abraham died Jan. 28, 1894, and James, died Oct. 1, 1903. Both raised families and died in Hickory county, Mo.

Nancy, was the wife of George W. Hayes, was born Apr. 20, 1820, who raised a family and died in Hickory county, Mo., Feb. 4, 1893.

Amos F., born Jan. 16, 1823, and died in Hickory county, Mo., when about 28 years of age.

Lycurgus, was born Nov. 8, 1825, and is now living on his farm about four miles Southeast of Preston. Further mention of him will be found with our reference to the War of 1861-65.

Alfred, was born June 23, 1828, and has raised a family, and lived in Preston, and been Postmaster, and kept store, the greater part of the time since late in 1866.

Thomas, was born Sept. 6, 1831, and raised a family, and died Apr. 23, 1903, in Dallas county, Mo., but within half a mile of his father's old residence in Hickory county.

John J., the youngest one of the family, was born Apr. 2,

1834, has raised a family on the farm where he now resides, about a mile South of Preston.

The old father, Amos, died June 24, 1875, and his wife Mary Madison-Lindsey died in 1868.

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### JAMES LINDSEY.

James Lindsey, a son of Amos Lindsey and Mary Madison-Lindsey, was born in Butler county, Ky., May 21, 1817, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Oct. 1, 1903. Cynthia Jones-Lindsey, daughter of G. W. Jones and wife, wife of James Lindsey, was born in Tenn., Dec 11, 1818, and died in Hickory county, Mo. They were married Mar. 18, 1841. G. W. Jones, the father of Cynthia, removed from Tenn., in the year 1828, and settled on the Lebanon and Tuscumbia road, about eight miles North of Lebanon, Mo., on lands that were known 20 years ago as the John Bohannon farm. Later Mr. Jones moved to Hickory county, and settled on Little Niangua, on what is known as the John Mabary old farm, where John N. Mabary now lives. It is believed that James Lindsey and Cynthia Jones were married at that place.

#### CHILDREN:

Mary Ellen, wife of James Cossairt born Mar. 26, 1842.

Ester A., wife of Herod M. Holt, was born May 19, 1844.

Leonidas, was born Jan. 9, 1847, died Apr. 24, 1893.

George W., was born Sept. 10, 1849.

Amos F., was born Jan 19, 1852.

Abraham L., was born Jan. 19, 1855.

Irene, widow of John A. Wesner, was born Oct. 28, 1857.

Estella Grant, wife of Livingston Miles, was born Apr. 22, 1860.

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### LYCURGUS LINDSEY.

Lycurgus Lindsey, son of Amos and Mary Madison-Lindsey, was born in Butler county, Ky., Nov. 8, 1825. Mrs. Lucy Tobey-Lindsey, was born near Madison, Ind., Dec. 2, 1833, and was married to Lycurgus Lindsey, Jan. 16, 1851. She was a daughter of Samuel Tobey, and Lucy Wheeler-Tobey.

#### CHILDREN:

Cynthia, was born Feb. 1, 1852, married John T. Pendleton, and died leaving one child, a girl, Neva, who married Geo.



W. Lightner, Jr.

Mary E., was born Dec. 27, 1853, married Benjamin F. Creed, and died leaving two boys, Raymond R. Creed, who married Etta Lord, and Thornton Creed, who married Maud True.

Josephine, was born Dec. 11, 1855, married Luther Johnson Slavens, has a family and lives at Aztec, N. M.

Emma, was born Feb. 3, 1858, married James S. Thurston, has a family and resides at Aztec, N. M.

Matilda, was born May 26, 1860, married William Franklin Coon, has a family and resides in Hermitage, Mo.

Laura L., was born Apr. 30, 1864, married Dr. John W. White, who died, has three children, married second time and obtained a divorce and now lives in Pueblo, Colo.

Eugene T., was born Sept. 8, 1871, married Pearl Turk, of Polk county, Mo., and has a family, resides in Hermitage, Mo., and is Collector of the Revenue.

More extended information about the father, Lycurgus Lindsey, is given elsewhere in this volume.

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### ALFRED LINDSEY.

Alfred Lindsey, was born in Butler county, Ky., June 21, 1828. He is a son of Amos and Mary Madison Lindsey. He came to Missouri with his parents and other members of the family in the spring of 1838, and lived with his parents until the Civil War came on in 1861, then joined the Missouri Home Guards, that were organized under orders from Gen. Nathaniel Lyon, of the United States Regular Army, and served until the Home Guards were disbanded, Dec. 20, 1861, at Jefferson City, Mo. He then enlisted in Company "B" 8th Regiment M. S. M., and served until honorably discharged, Mar. 1863, went to Illinois in June 1863, and remained there until May 1864, when he came home and lay out in the woods and outbuildings most of the time until the Civil War was over in 1865. Was married to Ruth C. Humphrey, at Buffalo, Mo., Nov. 26, 1866. She was born Feb. 17, 1842.

#### CHILDREN:

Theodore, born July 25, 1867.

Son, born Feb. 23, 1869, not named.

Elnora and Victoria, born Feb. 13, 1870, Elnora died Aug. 18, 1870.

Florence, born Nov. 29, 1871.

Leona, born Jan. 28, 1875.

Cora, born Aug. 8, 1877.

Minnie, born Mar. 10, 1879, died Mar. 15, 1879.

Son and daughter, born July 22, 1880, the daughter died July 22, 1880, and the son died July 28, 1880.

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### THOMAS LINDSEY.

Thomas Lindsey, was born Sept. 6, 1831, married Mary Jane Simmons, Oct. 14, 1866, died Apr. 23, 1903. Mary Jane Simmons, was born Oct. 24, 1839.

#### CHILDREN:

Lycurgus Franklin, born Oct. 3, 1867.

Mary Elizabeth, born Mar. 19, 1869, married to C. C. Lightner, Sept. 4, 1892, and they have three girls.

Victor Marshall, born Nov. 2, 1870, married Bettie Hayes, Sept. 4, 1895, and she died May 10, 1896, and he married Edna Crump, June 9, 1897, and they have two boys.

John Sheridan, born May 19, 1872.

Lorena Vane, born Feb. 18, 1874.

Sarah Margaret, born July 5, 1876.

Amos, born Nov. 8, 1878, married Ida Pitts, Feb. 4, 1902.

David Phillip, born Nov. 30, 1880, married Winnie Morgan Dec. 3, 1906.

Leona Blanche, born June 4, 1884.

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### JOHN J. LINDSEY.

John J. Lindsey, was born in Butler county, Ky., Apr. 2, 1834, married Aug. 15, 1869, to Mary W. Wright, a daughter of Edward F. Wright, and Melissa Kelley-Wright, who was born in Perry county, Ill., Dec. 10, 1850.

#### CHILDREN:

Lucilla M., born June 10, 1870, married William J. Edde, Jan. 3, 1894.

Viola B., born Aug. 9, 1872, died Dec. 1, 1875.

Flora B., born Oct. 21, 1874, married William Tankesly, Oct. 18, 1891.

Lillian E., born Nov. 12, 1877, married George W. Helms, Nov. 23, 1896.

Alfred H., born Jan. 25, 1880.

Charles F., born Mar. 14, 1882, married Iva Pope, Dec. 17, 1905.



Preston B., born Mar. 11, 1885.

Mary L., born Mar. 10, 1887.

Earl R., born Sept. 4, 1889.

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### EDWARD F. WRIGHT.

Edward F. Wright, father of Mrs. John J. Lindsey, was born in Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 6, 1806, and died in Perry county, Ill., Apr. 2, 1856. He was married to Melissa A. Kelley, in Henrico county, Virginia, Feb. 2, 1832. To this union nine children were born, only two of whom are living: Levin B. Wright and Mary W. Lindsey.

The wife of Edward F., was born in Chesterfield county, Va., Aug. 2, 1810, moved with her three children, James H., Levin B., and Mary W., from Perry county, Ill., to Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 2, 1866, where she died Feb. 14, 1878.

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### ABRAHAM LINDSEY.

Abraham Lindsey was born May 21, 1817, married, first, Cynthia A. ————, who was born Apr. 22, 1821, and died Aug. 12, 1844, married second time to Dorcas M. Wisdom-Runnels, who was born Dec. 5, 1823, May 4, 1847, she died Oct. 1, 1886. Abraham Lindsey died Jan. 28, 1894.

#### CHILDREN:

James F., born Dec. 28, 1842.

Virginia T., born Mar. 10, 1848.

Francis and Amos, born Nov. 15, 1849. Amos died Aug. 12, 1851.

Anthony W., born Sept. 27, 1852.

William J., born Aug. 9, 1854, died Sept. 10, 1880.

Cynthia A., born Oct. 20, 1857.

Emily M., born Oct. 7, 1858, died Oct. 30, 1886.

Thomas L., born Nov. 7, 1860, died Feb. 10, 1880.

Jessie F., born May 7, 1865, died Nov. 28, 1879.

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### JOHN MABARY.

John Mabary was born in Tenn., Mar. 1, 1816, but was principally raised in Clinton county, Ill. Sarah Dalton, wife of John Mabary, was born in Tenn., Mar. 17, 1815. They were married in Clinton county, Ill., May 15, 1834.

#### CHILDREN:

William Jasper, born on Black river, in Southeast Mo.,

Mar. 13, 1835, married Elizabeth Ann Payne, daughter of James Payne, in Polk county, Mo., Jan. 1, 1867.

Syntha, was born in Henry county, Mo., Jan. 24, 1837, died in Sept. 1837,

Sarah Ann, born Dec. 12, 1838, married George W. Rains, widow.

John Newton, born Jan. 3, 1841, in Hickory county, Mo., married ——— Ruby.

George Washington, born in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 3, 1843, married Louise Rains.

Francis Marion, born in Hickory county, Mo., Nov. 6, 1844, married Dulcena Parks.

Mary Jane, born in Hickory county, Mo., July 6, 1847, married George C. Dunn.

Andrew Jackson, born Feb. 9, 1849, died Sept. 10, 1866.

Frances Caroline, born in Hickory county, Mo., Oct. 5, 1850, married Ambrose Ruby.

John, the father, died July 23, 1863, Sarah, the mother, died Apr. 15, 1875,

John Mabary was a strong man of great common sense, but with a limited education. An inspection of the dates of entry, selections of tracts of land entered by him in Sections 20, 21, 22, and 26, Township 37, Range 21, and Sections 25 and 26, Township 37, Range 20, attest his great common sense in the selection of farm lands and timber.

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### WILLIAM JASPER MABARY.

William Jasper Mabary, was born on Black river in Southeast Mo., Mar. 13, 1835. Elizabeth Ann Payne, wife of William Jasper Mabary, born Aug. 19, 1848. They were married in Polk county, Mo., Jan. 1, 1867.

#### CHILDREN:

Henrietta, born Aug. 19, 1868, married William Stewart, April 19, 1893.

Robert H., born Nov. 30, 1870, married Lucy Stewart, Dec. 27, 1893.

Florence, born Feb. 5, 1874, single.

Effie E., born Mar. 5, 1876, married Wright Oliver, Feb. 21, 1897.

Fannie, born Nov. 8, 1880, married Everett Simmons, in April, 1897.



**BEN L. MALLONEE.**

Ben L. Mallonee was born in Baltimore, Md., Jan. 20, 1848, and came to Mo., in 1867, and was married to Lucy K. Kendall, Oct. 11, 1867, a daughter of Edward J. Kendall, who was born in Morgan county, Ill., Aug. 12, 1850. Ben L., was the youngest boy in the family of seven children, born to John A., and Rachel Lym-Mallonee, who were born near Annapolis, and Baltimore, Md., in 1790, and 1814, respectively, and died in Baltimore, in 1860, and 1862, respectively. The Grand-father, John Mallonee, was a soldier in the Continental army, and died at the age of 98 years.

**CHILDREN:**

Len G., born Sept. 2, 1870, at Pittsburg, Mo., married Atha Creed, Sept. 29, 1901.

Clara L., born Jan. 21, 1873, and died in Oct. 1878.

Fannie M., born Oct. 18, 1876, married Feb. 6, 1898, and died May 15, 1899.

Lou K., born Sept. 15, 1880, married Arthur Davis Mar. 7, 1901.

Rachel L., born July 27, 1883, at Pittsburg, Mo.

Victorine D., born Apr. 18, 1886, at Pittsburg, Mo.

Edward K., and Ben L., Jr., were born May 20, 1889, at Pittsburg, Mo.,

**MASHBURN FAMILY.**

William Mashburn and Sally Mashburn, his wife, with their children, came to what is now Hickory county, from Kentucky, in 1841. They both died in Hickory county, Mo., William in 1847, and Sally in 1873.

**CHILDREN:**

Charity, born in North Carolina, Feb. 13, 1807.

Turner, born in North Carolina, Jan. 1, 1809.

Jordan, born in North Carolina, June 15, 1810.

Martha, born in Kentucky, Dec. 5, 1817.

Emanuel, born in Kentucky, Jan. 1, 1820.

John Jackson, born in Kentucky, Feb. 11, 1822.

William, born in Kentucky, Sept. 22, 1829.

**FAMILIES OF THE SONS.**

Turner, was the father of James H., and Thomas C. Mashburn, of Humansville, Mo.

Jordan, was the father of Benjamin F., Andrew J., Henry

C., Thomas J., and Irvin.

Emanuel, was the father of George W., John H., William Turner, and Columbus A.

John Jackson, raised no family.

William, the youngest son, married Jane Pitts, and they have no children, he now owns and resides on the farm that his father, William Mashburn, settled in 1841.

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### WILLIAM McCAIN.

William McCain was born Apr. 9, 1828, married Mary C. Moore, Jan. 12, 1851. She was born Oct. 22, 1831. William died Oct. 27, 1897.

#### CHILDREN:

Tennessee J., born Mar. 23, 1852.

William A., born June 24, 1854, married Lucy A. Eidson, Feb. 10, 1878.

Sarah E., born Nov. 22, 1856, married L. C. Sheriff, May 20, 1875, died July 21, 1883.

James F., born Feb. 14, 1859, married Mahala Wilson, Apr. 13, 1880.

Henry R., born Apr. 9, 1862, married Sarah E. Curnutt, Feb. 9, 1880.

Eliza H., born Oct. 2, 1865.

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### HENRY McCASLIN.

Henry McCaslin was born Oct. 14, 1817, died in Hickory county, Mo., May 12, 1894. Rachel Parker-McCaslin was born Dec. 8, 1819, died Nov. 1, 1880, in Hickory county, Mo. Henry McCaslin and Rachel Parker, were married in Mar. 1835, and came from Tenn., to Mo., in 1852, and settled in Hickory county.

#### CHILDREN:

Margarett Jane, born in Tenn., May 14, 1837, married James C. Forshe, in Aug. 1853.

Mahala Catherine, born in Tenn., Dec. 3, 1835, died Jan. 2, 1836.

Sarah Ann, born in Tenn., Dec. 27, 1840, died in Hickory county, Mo., May 11, 1854.

William Logan, born Jan. 7, 1842, in Tenn., and married to Eliza Ann Lewis, Jan. 22, 1865, and is now Judge of the county court.

Mary Elizabeth, born Oct. 11, 1844, in Tenn., married to



William D. Niblack, in Hickory county, Mo., Dec. 15, 1864, and died Aug. 13, 1881.

Amanda Caroline, born Sept. 17, 1846, in Tenn., married Benj. J. Gott, Nov. 16, 1865, and lives near Springfield, Mo.

Daniel McKindre, born in Tenn., Sept. 8, 1849.

James Henry, born in Tenn., Aug. 1, 1852, died Sept. 14, 1852.

Nancy Angeline, born in Hickory county, Mo., Mar. 30, 1853, married Montgomery Knott, Mar. 22, 1874, and is now a widow.

Rachel Manerva, born Sept. 1, 1856, and died Oct. 11, 1857.

John Henry, born in Hickory county, Mo., Oct. 15, 1858, married Ida F. Dent, May 7, 1882, who died Sept. 13, 1905, leaving the following children: Gertrude A., born Apr. 29, 1883; Ethel May, born May 18, 1886; and Harry D., born Aug. 6, 1891. Mr. McCaslin is Cashier of the Citizens Bank, of Hermitage, Mo.

Alice Evalena, born in Hickory county, Mo., Nov. 28, 1862, married Benjamin Naffziger, Mar. 2, 1879, and is now deceased.

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### McCRACKEN FAMILY.

The earliest accurate information received about this family is that Robert McCracken, a full blood Scotchman, who lived and died in Scotland, was the father of two sons and a daughter, who came to America sometime in the 18th Century, before the War of the Revolution. Names of these children of Robert were: Joseph, John L., and Elizabeth Ann, Joseph settled in New York, and John settled in Maryland. Joseph was a Colonel in the Continental Army, and John L., was a non-commissioned officer. The descendants of Joseph and Elizabeth Ann, if they left any, are lost to the McCrackens of Hickory, Polk, and Green counties. The latter are the descendants of John L., McCracken, who settled in Maryland. He had six children: John, Robert, James, Ephraim, Thomas, and Sarah. Some of these children are believed to have been born in Scotland, but Thomas was born in Maryland, and it was he and his children who came to Southwest Mo. Thomas and his family moved from Maryland to North Carolina and settled in Roane county. From there the children scattered. Sarah married a man named Warthan, and went to Indiana. Where the other children went, except Thomas McCracken, is not known by the McCrackens here. Thomas McCracken, fifth son of John

L., was born Feb. 26, 1778, he was married in N. C., about 1805, to Elizabeth Holmes, a girl of pure Irish blood. He moved with his wife to Williamson county, Tenn., where their children were all born: ten sons and three daughters, in the following order: John Little, Aug. 9, 1808; Robert Holmes, Dec. 26, 1809; Samuel, Mar. 30, 1811; Nathaniel, Oct. 17, 1813; James, Sept. 28, 1815; Miles, Sept. 11, 1817; Doctor T., Aug. 7, 1819; Ephraim, May 17, 1821; Albert G., Jan. 28, 1823; Margaret J., Mar. 26, 1824; Elizabeth Ann, Nov. 26, 1826; Nancy M., Apr. 17, 1828. Joseph Carroll, Apr. 15, 1830. The following is a sketch of all these children of Thomas McCracken, who came to Missouri in the years 1838, to 1842: John Little, married Elvira McMinn, in Tenn., and moved to Green county, Mo., about 1840. They had nine children as follows: Calvin, Matilda, who married a man named Turner, and went to Texas, Emily, who married William Riggs, and lived in Springfield, Mo., Albert, who married and went to Arkansas, James, who married Sarah Jarrett, and went to Arkansas, John, who married Jennie Jarrett, Elvira, and Eliza. John Little McCracken, father, died in Green county, near Springfield, Mo., about 1878. Robert Holmes, and Samuel, came to Hickory county, in 1837, or 1838, and Robert Holmes entered land in Section 27, Township 36, Range 23, Oct. 22, 1838; this entry and another in the same Section by William Metcalf, being of the same date, were the first land entries in what is now Hickory county. Robert Holmes married Clarissa Richardson, and they lived, raised a family, and died on the land he first entered. To their union were born ten children as follows: Thomas A., John T., Christopher C., Saina, Martha O., Robert P., Richard M., Nancy, Cicero, and Nettie. Of these John T., Cicero, and Saina, are dead. The others live in Hickory county, except Nettie, the wife of F. F. Yoast, who lives in Polk county. Samuel McCracken, married Elizabeth Owens, and to them were born eight children, as follows: Joseph C., Margaret, Lafayette, Jerome B., Paris, Louisa, Samuel, and Leonidas. Samuel, the father, died of measles in 1855, and his widow lived on the farm where her husband had first settled in 1838, and raised the family. After the Civil War, her and two sons and a daughter moved to Texas. Joseph C., Lafayette, and Margaret are dead. Jerome B., lives in Hickory county.

Nathaniel, came to what is now Hickory county, in 1842. He married Arrissa Cates, of Polk county, Mo., and he as well



as his brothers, Robert Holmes, and Samuel, opened up his farm, clearing and fencing his land with a rail fence, building a log house with "clap-board" roof, "puncheon" floor, limestone chimney and "batten" doors. He and his good wife died at the old place. He Dec. 24, 1897, at the age of 84 years. To them were born eleven children as follows: James N., Ransom C., Emily, I. G., Robert A., Henry, Thomas J., Edith, McClellan, John R., and Julia. These children are scattered in the Southwest. Emily and Julia are dead, and Ransom C., and Thomas J., reside in Hickory county, Mo.

James McCracken came to Hickory county, Mo., in 1840, from Tenn., and entered land in Section 2, Township 35, Range 23. He afterwards married Ann B. Douglas, of Polk county, Mo., and lived in Bolivar, where to him and his wife were born three children: William Thomas Jewett, Albert J., and Intha Ann. The father, James, died of measles in Bolivar, Feb. 4, 1852, also the daughter, Intha Ann, died there about the same time. William T. J., improved the lands his father entered in Hickory county, after the Civil War, in which he served in Company "C" 8th Regiment M. S. M., and lived on the farm, until after he was elected Sheriff of Hickory county, at the November election 1880. He was Sheriff and Collector of the county, and resided in Hermitage, until 1891, when he was appointed Register of the United States Land Office, at Boonville, Mo. He moved with his family to Boonville, where he resided until Oct. 1893, and then came to Cross Timbers, where he took stock in and assisted in organizing the Bank of Cross Timbers, and was its first Cashier, in which position he remained until 1896, when he removed to Warrensburg, and remained there until 1903, a year or so of the time coming to Hickory county, and acting as Assistant Cashier of the Hermitage Bank. In Aug. 1903, he accepted a position in the Bank of Humansville, and is now Cashier of that bank and resides with his family in Humansville. Albert J., resides in Bolivar.

Miles McCracken, died at the home of his brother, Robert Holmes, in 1865. Doctor T., died in Polk county, Mo., Feb. 8, 1852, Ephraim, died near Rondo, in Polk county, July 6, 1898, Albert G., died in Green county, Sept. 28, 1878, Joseph Carroll, resides in Polk county, near Rondo, where his father, Thomas, settled in 1842. The father, Thomas, died on the farm Jan. 26, 1859, and the mother, Elizabeth, died Sept. 6, 1870. Joseph Carroll was married to Mary F. Bodine, of Hickory county, who

was born Sept. 13, 1837, on Oct. 21, 1856, and to them were born children as follows: Henry Clay, Marcus A., Charles C., Marcellus Belle, Theopilus P., William T., Sherman, L. C., wife of John E. Kendall, Virginia F., and Martha F.

### WILLIAM MONTGOMERY.

William Montgomery, father of John J. Montgomery, and Grand-father of John William Montgomery, present Prosecuting Attorney, of Hickory county, was born in N. C., Aug. 17, 1797, and his wife, Nancy Ballou-Montgomery, was born in Apr. 1800. William Montgomery and his son, John J., went to the state of California in 1850, and William died there Oct. 8, 1853. Nancy, his wife, died in Dallas county, Mo., Feb. 23, 1854. William Montgomery came to Missouri from Tennessee, and settled on the Gasconade river in what is now Pulaski county, Mo., in 1817, and moved to what is now Camden county, on Little Niangua, about two miles East of what is now the Northeast corner of Hickory county, in 1829, and settled what was known several years ago as the Hugh Allison-Drenon place, about four miles below where Fritz Muller now owns a large tract of land. In 1829 or 1830, John Stark settled near the mouth of Stark creek and Reason Jones settled what was once known as the James P. Huffman place, in the Niangua bottom, now a part of the Fritz Muller tract of land, about 1834. Wash Jones settled the Elias Cook old place in 1830, in Section 24, Township 37, Range 20, and included in his claim some of the John Mabary land, now owned by John Newton Mabary. William Montgomery moved with his family in 1831, to the farm now owned by John J. Montgomery, on Little Niangua, about one mile East of the Southeast corner of Section 36, Township 37, Range 20, and his son, John J., has resided there except about four years, he was in California, and a few years he was in Texas, until about three years ago, when he came to live with his son in Hermitage. In 1831, Joseph Hayes, who came from N. C., with William Montgomery, lived on what is now the John M. Pippin place in Section 31, Township 37, Range 19. Judge Mitchell Ross settled on Niangua below the Pippin place in 1832. Joseph Hayes was the father of Geo. W. Hayes, who married Nancy Lindsey, and died about 1875, on a farm on Little Niangua about a mile above Almon. Wash Young settled the place where Geo. W. Hayes died in the early 30's. In 1838-39, William Montgomery settled a place further



South than his farm on Little Niangua. It was on "Four mile prairie." He moved to it in 1840, and it was from there that he went to California. Uncle John J. Montgomery recites some amusing stories of early days in Missouri. In 1833, one of William Montgomery's daughters, Elizabeth Ann, was visiting with friends and relatives down near where the family had first settled on Gasconade river, and became engaged to marry a young man named John West. There was some difficulty down there, about consent of the parent, William Montgomery, or a Minister or Justice of the Peace to solemnize the marriage, so they with several friends set out on horseback and came up to where the parents lived. There was no trouble about the consent, but there was no Minister or Justice of the Peace, over there on Little Niangua, so they sent over into Benton (now Hickory) county, to get a Justice of the Peace, but the difficulty was not yet settled, for the Justice of the Peace, when he came did not think that he was authorized to marry people outside of Benton county, and the bride and groom and friends and relatives came over into Benton county, as far as the farm recently owned by William C. Pippin, on what is called the "Pippin hollow," and on the Pippin old farm, under a large white oak tree, among the woods and tall grass, John West and Elizabeth Ann Montgomery, were joined together in matrimony, by the Benton county "Squire," whose name was Riddle, in his own county. Jonathan Dennis and family lived on that hollow at the time. The married couple went back down into the Gasconade country, but moved back in a year or two, near William Montgomery's place.

The children of William and Nancy Ballou-Montgomery were: Robert Carroll, John J., (now living in Hermitage,) David M., Thomas J. B., Elizabeth Ann (West,) Ruth Amiga (Jones,) Margaret Evaline (Davis,) Charity Caroline (Pointer,) Nancy Emeline (Lakey.)

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### JOHN J. MONTGOMERY.

John J. Montgomery, born May 26, 1826. Julia W. Clark, born Dec. 12, 1836. John J. Montgomery and Julia W. Clark, were married Dec. 11, 1856.

#### CHILDREN:

John William, born Oct. 12, 1857.  
Gilford Waldo, born Apr. 17, 1861.  
Alley Virginia, born Sept. 2, 1869.

Some rather old Documents and Papers exhibited to the writer of this book by John J. Montgomery. Exact copies:

GASCONADE SEPTEMBER 4th 1825

We the subscribers do join ourselves in wolf hunt compeny for which we appoint William Montgomery Esqr as our Stockholder upon the underwritten condition, each subscriber Shall put up in Stock two Dollars and for want of cash he Shall put in his note due Wm Montgomery or bearer or his successor in office, we therefore agree that any Subscriber who Shall kill a wolf panther or wild cat Shall for each wolf have one dollar out of the joint fund and for each panther two dollars and for each wild cat fifty cents it is also undersood that if any Subscribers servent child or printice shall kill any of the above named animals it shall be as valad as he had killed them hissself provided they may noy have been penned previous to the partyes becoming a subscriber each subscriber who puts in his note Shall have that for pay first pro-ded it may not be drawn out first before he claims it for a scalp, we therefore do agree to meet at the house of Wm Gilasaby on the first day of January next to prove our scalps and draw money for them for which we make Montgomery the Sole Judge and authorize him to prevent fraudulance and Should there not be a sufficient number of scalps produced to draw all they money out of they bank at they first meeting we do agree to continue on from time to time under such rules as a Majority of us may agree in testimony whereof we sign our names Sept. 16, 1825

WM MORRISON \$2.00	JOHN HANSSIGER \$2.00	G HENSON notes
JONATHAN CAIN note	THOMAS G. WILSON paid	JOSIAH TURPIN \$2.00
JOHN COURSEY	HENRY Q. JOHNSON	GERGE DULL
WILLIAM BAKER	ISAAC N. DAVIS \$2.00	WM MONTGOMERY \$2
JACOB ANDERSON	BALEY WILLIAMS \$2	ELIAS WILLIAMS 2
WM GILLASPY	2	

PULASKI COUNTY JULY 19 1834

DEAR FATHER AND MOTHER

I have taken the opportunity of informing you that Elizabeth Ann and myself are well at present I received information by Mr. Ross that you and your Family was in the same state of health Elizabeth Ann have been sick five or six days-part of the time verry sick, Mrs Stark and Miram is now sick and has been dangerous, but are both better Mrs Stark is



mending as fast as could be expected Miram is still dwindling, have Feavors every knight-and Primus have also been sick-the circumstances have kept us from coming at the time we expected and circumstances have Occured that deprives us of going for some time we have taken a notion of going to my Fathers first, depending sickness induces us to do so, the Sickness is depending in my Brother-in-laws family Mr Wherry that if we dont do so we cant until the first of September, and I could not get back in time to take as much Fodder as I want. I would be glad you could delay coming until we return if you have no particular business and if you have come on and we will be out as soon as we come back we shall start about the 26th of the present instance and will aim to be back a little better three weeks which will be about the 24th or 5th of August

I Am Yours &C

JOHN WEST

Sealed with wax, without envelope and addressed William Montgomery, Little Niangua Mo. Favor Per Mr. Ross

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WILLIAM H. ASHLEY,

Lientenant Governor of Missouri, and exercising the Powers of Governor.

To all who shall see these presents-Greeting, Know Ye, That whereas the County Court for the County of Gasconade, in the state of Missouri, have nominated and appointed William Montgomery a Justice of the Peace, for the Township of Cullen in the county of Gasconade, Now Therefore, I do hereby commission the said William Montgomey a Justice of the Peace for the county and township aforesaid, and do authorize and empower him to discharge the duties of said office, according to law: To Have and to Hold the said office, with all the powers, privileges and emoluments, to the same of right pertaining unto him the said William Montgomery for four years, unless sooner removed according to law.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Missouri to be affixed. Done at St. Charles, this Eighth day of June A. D. 1824, and in the forty Eighth year of the Independence of the United States.

By the Governor,

WILLIAM H. ASHLEY

WM. G. PETTUS

(LS) Secretary of State.

JOHN MILLER

Governor of the State of Missouri,

To All who shall see these presents, Greeting: Know Ye, That, Reposing special trust and confidence in the integrity, learning and abilities of William Montgomery I have nominated, and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do hereby appoint him Judge of the County Court of Gasconade County, and do authorize and empower him to discharge the duties of said office, according to law: To Have and to Hold the said office, with all the powers, privileges and emoluments of the same of right appertaining unto him the said William Montgomery for the term of four years, and until his successor is duly commissioned and qualified, unless sooner removed from office.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the Great Seal of the state of Missouri to be affixed. Done at the City of Jefferson, this 23rd. day of January A. D. 1829, and of the Independence of the United States, the fifty third, and of the state the ninth

By the Governor,

JOHN MILLER

T. A. McBRIDE

(LS) Secretary of State.

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**THOMAS S. MORGAN.**

Thomas S. Morgan was born July 3, 1808, and died July 23, 1869, while serving as President of the county court of this county. Brooky Kyger, first wife of Thomas S. Morgan, was born Aug. 17, 1817, and died May 8, 1852. Thomas S. Morgan and Brooky Kyger were married Feb. 20, 1834.

**CHILDREN, FIRST MARRIAGE:**

Sylvester, was born Mar. 2, 1835, and now lives near Danville, Ill.

William S., was born Dec. 6, 1837, died Dec. 9, 1852.

Levi, was born Aug. 7, 1841, married and lives in Kansas.

Achilles, was born Aug. 27, 1843, has been Judge of the county court, and resides two and a half miles East of Preston.

Eliza S., was born Oct. 24, 1845, died Apr. 1, 1847.

John, was born Jan 2, 1848, resides two and a half miles East of Preston.

Caroline, was born in 1850, and died when about six months old.



Mary, was born Apr. 28, 1852, died Sept. 6, 1852.

Thomas S. Morgan and Pheby Ann Lightner, were married August 29, 1852. Pheby Ann Lightner-Morgan was born Feb. 27, 1827, and died Nov. 18, 1892.

CHILDREN, SECOND MARRIAGE:

Nancy Elizabeth, wife of Russell G. Pendleton, was born July 21, 1853.

Sarahfine, wife of William Padgett, was born Feb. 2, 1855.

Cynthia Ann, wife of Washington F. Reser, was born Feb. 9, 1857.

Susannah, wife of Matt J. Orr, was born Feb. 1, 1859.

Thomas D., was born Dec. 1, 1860, died May 5, 1862.

Liberty M., was born Jan. 1, 1864.

Martha, was born Feb. 21, 1866, died Mar. 8, 1866.

Jesse L., was born Oct. 11, 1867, died Sept. 5, 1888.

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**ACHILLES MORGAN.**

Achilles Morgan was born Aug. 27, 1843. Samantha Hires-Morgan was born Feb. 16, 1839. Achilles Morgan and Samantha Hires were married Dec. 31, 1871. Both had been previously married, he to Nancy Dollarhide, daughter of William Dollarhide, and she to ——— Hires, the son of Lewis Hires, who died in the United States Army, during the Civil War. James H. Hires, son of Samantha L., by former marriage, was born Aug. 16, 1862, and married Inda James Dec. 23, 1886.

CHILDREN:

Nancy E., born Dec. 22, 1872, married John A. Johnson, Nov. 29, 1891.

Thomas W., born Oct. 8, 1874, single.

Cora E., born Oct. 9, 1877.

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**JOHN MORGAN.**

John Morgan was born Jan. 2, 1848. Matilda Lain was born July 27, 1851, married John Morgan, Jan. 4, 1872.

CHILDREN:

Cynthia Elnora, born Dec. 5, 1872.

Lyman, born Aug. 1, 1874.

Raymond, born July 15, 1878.

Rachel Elvora, born Jan. 10, 1881.

Arthur, born Jan. 10, 1886.

Ethan, born Sept. 12, 1888.

Thomas S., born June 29, 1891.

Ora Ellen, born May 18, 1894.

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### JOHN H. MORGAN.

John H. Morgan, a grand son of Judge Thomas S. Morgan, and son of Sylvester, was born July 14, 1858, married Nancy Jane Wilson, Sept 23, 1882, by Charles Kroff Justice of the Peace. Nancy Jane Wilson-Morgan was born in Miller county, Mo., Nov. 8, 1861.

#### CHILDREN:

Otto H., born Nov. 28, 1883, single.

Olin T., born Feb. 23, 1886, married Edna Nease, Mar. 17, 1907.

Jessie, born Oct. 13, 1888, married Elmer Earsom, Oct. 28, 1906.

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### THE MORGANS.

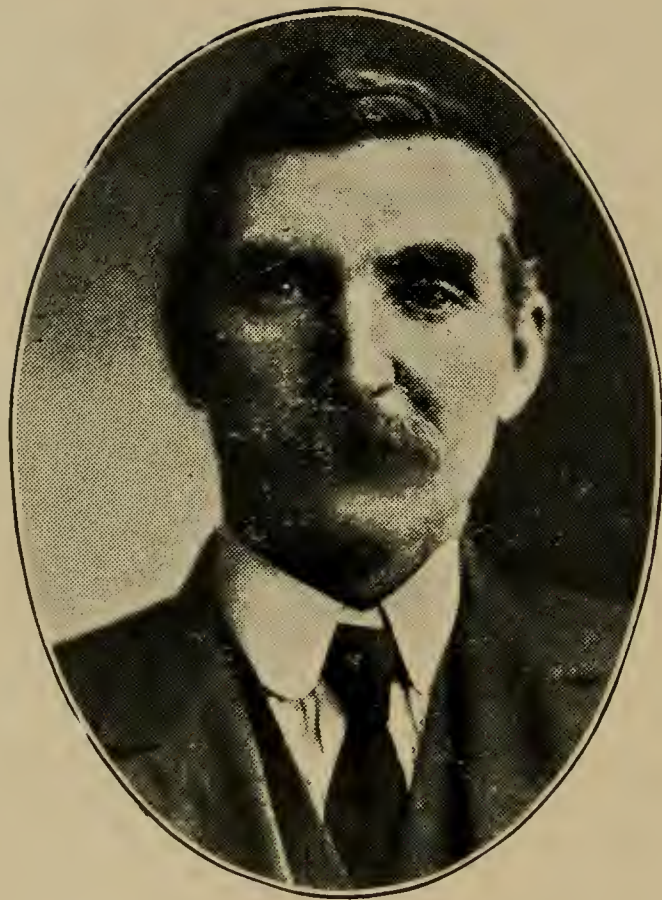
Mary Scott, mother-in-law of Achilles Morgan, was born June 10, 1755, and died Nov. 10, 1842, aged 87 years, 10 months, and 2 days. Achilles Morgan, father of Thomas Scott Morgan, was born July 18, 1772, and died Jan. 20, 1860, aged 87 years, 6 months, and 2 days. Achilles Morgan was born in Virginia.

Susannah Morgan, wife of Achilles Morgan, and mother of Thomas Scott Morgan, was born Sept. 28, 1772, died Sept. 16, 1851, aged 78 years, 11 months, and 18 days. Thomas Scott Morgan was born in Monongahala county, Va., July 3, 1808, came to Illinois, in 1820, and lived there until 1857, when he came to Missouri, and settled 3 miles East of Preston, where he died July 23, 1869. He was a lieutenant in Black Hawk War. He was a miller by trade and assisted in the erection of the first steam mill in Vermillion county, Ill. In the early days he shipped flour down the Wabash river to the Ohio, down that to the Mississippi, to New Orleans. This was in the days of flat boats. Very shortly before the commencement of the Civil War Mr. Morgan bought the machinery for a steam mill from the Donnell people, who had erected the first steam mill in the county, where the Cross Timbers mill now stands. He moved this machinery to a point about half a mile North of where the Morgan old residence stands, three miles East of Preston, and there erected a steam mill, which he later moved to a point about half a mile Northeast, down in a hollow, where he run a distillery.





**RESIDENCE OF JUDGE THOMAS SCOTT MORGAN,  
Built about 1858.**



ASA B. WILSON,  
Representative.



**ALEXANDER MURPHY.**

Alexander Murphy, was born in Pennsylvania, in 1802, removed to Ohio, thence to Randolph county, Ind., in 1849. He died in the early 50's in Indiana. Mr. Murphy married Eliza Quigg, of the "Keystone state" in Wayne county, Ohio, Sept. 8, 1835. After the death of her husband, in Indiana she removed to Hickory county, Mo., accompanied by her six children: William, John, Elizabeth, Geo. W., Henderson, and Alexander. Eliza, the widow, died in Hickory county, Mo., Feb. 26, 1897, William was ambushed and killed during the Civil War, Elizabeth married John Kinross, and died, George W., has been twice married, and now lives about five miles North of Wheatland, John married Sarah Ann Ritchey, and died in 1904. Sarah A., survives him, and lives on the farm left her by the husband. William Paul, one of their sons, is now owner and Publisher of the Index, at Hermitage, Mo. Henderson died a few years ago in Hickory county, and Prof. Alexander, youngest son of Alexander and Eliza Quigg-Murphy, is somewhere in the mountain states. James S. Ritchey, who was the father of Sarah Ann, wife of John Murphy, was born in Kentucky, Mar. 4, 1820, and came to Hickory county, Mo., in 1837, and died in St. Clair county, Mo., in 1874. His wife, Patsy Bradley, was born in N. C., Aug. 27, 1819, and came to Missouri in 1838, died in Hickory county, Mo., Aug. 28, 1858. They were married in Polk county, Mo., in 1842. Their children were: Sarah Ann, born Apr. 17, 1845, and Hannah E., born Mar. 4, 1849. Hannah E., is the wife of Joseph W. Cooper, who resides on Pomme de Terre river six miles Southwest of Hermitage.

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**MOSES N. NEIHARDT.**

Moses N. Neihardt was born in Williams county, Ohio, Jan. 21, 1847, his parents being Jacob and Anna M. Frock-Neihardt. The father was born in Center county, Penn., Dec. 17, 1795, and was of German ancestry, and the mother was born in Md., Dec. 11, 1807, and was of German ancestry. He and his wife became the parents of eleven children. Moses N., was next to the youngest in the family. He received an education in the Northeast Indiana Institute, at Orland, Indiana. In June, 1863, he enlisted in Company "E" 86th Regiment of Ohio Infantry Volunteers, and was discharged October 28th of the same year. He thence commenced to teach school, teaching in the winter and attending school in the summer months. He

came to this county in 1866, and followed the occupation of teaching until 1870, when he came to Hermitage, and formed a partnership with Amos S. Smith, a lawyer, in the real estate business, and at the same time studied law, and was employed as Deputy County and Circuit Clerk in 1872, by William Q. Paxton, who then held those offices, and continued to hold this position until he was elected to fill those offices in November 1874. He served eight years. He was admitted to the bar in 1871. He attended to farming, was Deputy Assessor, and Deputy County Clerk from Jan. 1, 1883 to Jan. 1, 1887, when when he became Judge of the Probate Court, having been elected at the previous November election. He served four years in this office and retired Jan. 1, 1891. He attended to farming and acting as Deputy for the Clerks and Collector until November 1898, when he was elected Clerk of the County Court and served until Jan. 1, 1903. Since that time he has been Deputy for the Clerks and Collector, but last year he began traveling for the Samuel Dodsworth Book Company, of Leavenworth, Kansas, and is still on the road for them. He knows more about the records, and people of this county for the last thirty-five years than any other man living. He is a Master Mason and belongs to Hermitage Lodge, No. 288, A. F. & A. M. He is also a P. G., of Hermitage Lodge, No. 670, I. O. O. F. He was married Mar. 26, 1873, to Mary S. Pack, a daughter of Dr. James R. and Rachel Pack, of Hermitage. James R. Pack was an eminent Physician, and died in Hermitage, on the 21st day of Mar. 1901, his wife Rachel is yet living at the old residence in Hermitage. To this union between Mr. Neihardt and Miss Mary S. Pack were born the following children:

Otto K., was born Oct 11, 1878, married Lottie Craig, in Oct. 1904.

Mary Ada, was born Feb. 16, 1881, married Henry Sherwood.

Melbern Moses, was born May 31, 1885.

The mother died Feb. 10, 1900, in Hermitage, Mo. Mr. Neihardt was again married to Lizzie S. Dickinson on July 8, 1906. Miss Dickinson was a former schoolmate of Mr. Neihardt, at the Northeast Indiana Institute, at Orland, Ind., and has spent most of the time teaching since her girlhood days.



## NATHANIEL PAXTON.

## CHILDREN, GRAND-CHILDREN, GREAT GRAND-CHILDREN:

Nathaniel Paxton, son of John Paxton, was born in York county, Pennsylvania, Feb. 4, 1769, died in Wayne county, Ohio, Oct. 6, 1849, married Isabella McFarland Oct. 25, 1792, who was born in Tyrone county, Ireland, Feb. 11, 1774, and came to Wayne county, Ohio, at the age of 15 years. Well kept family records in Ohio and Missouri, attest data of a part of Nathaniel Paxton's family.

John, born in Washington county, Penn., Jan. 4, 1794, went to Kosciusko county, Ind., married and raised a family.

Nathaniel, born in Washington county, Penn., Mar. 9, 1799, went to Ind., married a Luce, raised a family and died.

Hugh, born in Washington county, Penn., Feb. 15, 1801, went to Ashland county, Ohio, married Nancy Parr, had no children, died in 1880.

James, born in Washington county, Penn., Mar. 31, 1803, was a physician, married and raised a family, and died in Iberia, Morrow county, Ohio, June 24, 1874.

Ann, born in Washington county, Penn., Jan. 4, 1805, died in Wayne county, Ohio, Nov. 30, 1824, unmarried.

William, born in Washington county, Penn., Apr. 4, 1807, died in Hickory county, Mo., in 1862, married Rebecca Shinabarger in Wayne county, Ohio, in 1828, and they came to Missouri in 1834.

Hannah, born in Washington county, Penn., Apr. 22, 1809, died in Morrow county, Ohio, Aug. 8, 1834.

Amos, born in Washington county, Penn., Aug. 6, 1811, married Rebecca Quigg, who was born near Harrisburg, Penn., Oct. 2, 1819, and came to Hickory county, Mo., in 1840. He died in 1902, and the wife, Rebecca, died Jan. 11, 1893, about nine years before he died.

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 WILLIAM PAXTON.

William Paxton was the fifth son of Nathaniel and Isabella McFarland-Paxton.

## CHILDREN:

Ethan, born in Wayne county, Ohio, Dec. 31, 1829, died in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 9, 1898, first married Minerva Bennett, and she died, and after her death he married Mary U. Kinross September 29, 1867. She was born Apr. 24, 1851, in

Worcester Shire England.

Hugh, born in Wayne county, Ohio, Jan 16, 1834, died in Hickory county, Mo., Oct. 8, 1893, first married Martha J. Walker, June 8, 1854. She was born in Wayne county, Ohio, June 11, 1837, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Apr. 1, 1868. On Jan. 2, 1870, he married Paulina Smith, who was born in Anderson county, Ill., Oct. 12, 1851.

Martha A., born in Wayne county, Ohio, Feb. 16, 1838, unmarried.

Almina, born in Hickory county, Mo., Apr. 3, 1842, married Samuel Dent, July 11, 1860, died recently in Utah.

Amos M., born in Hickory county, Mo., Dec. 8, 1845, married Hattie Culley-Jenkins, July 27, 1881, died in Wheatland Jan. 27, 1902.

William J., born in Hickory county, Mo., Sept. 28, 1849, died in Hickory county, Mo., June 1, 1875, unmarried.

Lucy D., born in Hickory county, Mo., \_\_\_\_\_, married John M. Sherman and died leaving children.

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### AMOS PAXTON, SON OF NATHANIEL PAXTON.

#### CHILDREN:

William Quigg, born in Wayne county, Ohio, Sept. 17, 1837, first married to Mary J. Halbert, Oct. 1, 1867, who died Sept. 11, 1868, childless, was married Jan. 11, 1872, to Harriett E. Tillery-Noland, who was born near Knoxville, Tenn., Mar. 2, 1842. He died at Humansville, Mo., Jan. 20, 1903.

Hugh B., born in Wayne county, Ohio, May 15, 1840, married Mary F. Babb, in Hickory county, Mo., in 1867.

John Wesley, born in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 6, 1843, married July 12, 1861, to Elmira J. Satterfield, and now lives in Arkansas.

Iri J., born in Hickory county, Mo., Dec. 12, 1845, married Martha Amelia Duke, Aug. 26, 1869, who was born in Cass county, Ind., Oct. 1, 1854.

Rebecca J., born in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 12, 1849, married Lafayett Bennett, Feb. 6, 1870.

Amos L., born in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 8, 1852, unmarried.

Theodore, born in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 22, 1856, unmarried.

Erasmus M., born in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 23, 1858, unmarried.



Cyrus, born in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 23, 1862, unmarried.

Walter B., born in Hickory county, Mo., Apr. 29, 1866, married to Clara Dent, in 1887.

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**GRAND-CHILDREN OF WILLIAM PAXTON**

EATHAN PAXTON'S CHILDREN, BORN IN HICKORY COUNTY, MO.

Flora L., born Mar. 7, 1870.  
 Amos A., born Nov. 5, 1871.  
 John H., born Jan. 13, 1874.  
 Mary Rebecca, born Feb. 27, 1877.  
 Jesse W., born Nov. 25, 1879.  
 Elizabeth J., born Sept. 17, 1883.  
 Lillie M., born Oct. 19, 1889.

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**HUGH PAXTON.**

CHILDREN, FIRST MARRIAGE:

William Wayne, born Apr. 5, 1855.  
 Harriett M., born June 11, 1859.  
 Amaranda, born Oct. 26, 1861.  
 Ethan W., born Mar. 28, 1864.  
 Amos A., born Aug. 24, 1866.

CHILDREN, SECOND MARRIAGE:

John C., born July 19, 1871.  
 Elmer H., born Aug. 14, 1873, died Apr. 6, 1889.  
 Laura E., born Nov. 1, 1875.  
 Lucy A., born Dec. 30, 1877.  
 Myram B., born Dec. 17, 1879.  
 Ira Norman, born Jan 29, 1882.  
 Oliver M., born Mar. 18, 1884.  
 Ernest J., born June 4, 1890.

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**AMOS M. PAXTON.**

Amos M. Paxton's only child was Maud Cecil, born June 4, 1882, married in 1903 at Eldorado Springs, Mo., to Slaughter Hall.

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**GRAND-CHILDREN OF AMOS PAXTON**

WILLIAM QUIGG PAXTON'S CHILDREN:

Harry Landon, born in Hermitage, Mo., Oct. 1872, married Julia Smith, Sept. 8, 1893. She was born in Waverly, Iowa, July 4, 1878.

Stella Lee, born in Hermitage, Mo., Mar. 5, 1874, married Albert G. Morrison, Apr. 27, 1892.

Ella May, born in Humansville, Mo., Feb. 1, 1876, married Nov. 5, 1895, to O. J. McLane.

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### HUGH B. PAXTON.

CHILDREN, BORN IN HICKORY COUNTY, MO.

Elmer E., born in 1868.

Enrie, \_\_\_\_\_.

Edward, \_\_\_\_\_.

Thomas B., \_\_\_\_\_.

Arthur, \_\_\_\_\_.

Dorrie, \_\_\_\_\_.

Ira, \_\_\_\_\_.

Bertha, \_\_\_\_\_.

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### JOHN W. PAXTON.

CHILDREN, BORN IN HICKORY COUNTY, MO.

Sigel S., born July 8, 1862, married Dec. 5, 1887, to Lema Crates, killed in June 1893.

William, born Mar. 5, 1864, married May Blair, July 19, 1888.

Charles P., born June 7, 1867.

Cora G., born Nov. 3, 1869, first married Amos Quigg, second marriage to George T. Millner.

Orton A., born Nov. 30, 1871, married Mollie Brown, Jan. 8, 1890.

Judson K., born Jan. 7, 1873.

Rosa M., born May 21, 1878.

Robert, born Aug. 16, 1883.

Peter, born Apr. 11, 1885.

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### IRA J. PAXTON.

CHILDREN, BORN IN HICKORY COUNTY, MO.

Iris Augustus, born Oct. 21, 1870, married Rev. A. H. Dent, a Baptist Minister, has six children.

Rhoda May, born Sept. 30, 1872, married William U. Morton, has three children.

Harvey Amos, born Aug. 19, 1874, married Clara Belle Morton, June 19, 1892, has five children.

Alice Rebecca, born Sept. 14, 1876, married James H.



Goodman, Jan. 31, 1892, has four children.

William Holly, born Oct. 19, 1878.

Raymond Arlington, born Nov. 21, 1880, died Oct. 28, 1895.

Cyrus C., born Sept. 9, 1883.

Ada Blanche, born Mar. 6, 1885.

Ina Fay, born Oct. 24, 1889.

Rena Dell, born Nov. 21, 1891.

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**REBECCA J. BENNETT.**

CHILDREN, BORN IN HICKORY COUNTY, MO.

Omer W., born June 22, 1871.

Ora W., born Feb. 16, 1873.

Ceborn, born Aug. 23, 1875.

Harry, born Nov. 29, 1878.

Ellen O., born Mar. 18, 1881.

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**WALTER B. PAXTON.**

Children all born in Hickory county, Mo., except the two youngest, who were born in the State of California.

Orpheus Dwight, born Feb. 13, 1888.

Winnie Lee, born Sept. 8, 1889.

Verdie, born Mar. 20, 1891.

Rosa Wave, born Dec. 2, 1892.

L. H., born Oct. 16, 1894.

Walter Hale, born Apr. 12, 1896.

Cyrus T., born Dec. 9, 1898.

Harry Amos, born Jan. 8, 1900.

William Dent, born Nov. 2, 1901.

Margaret, born Sept. 8, 1903.

Twins born Nov. 12, 1906.

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**SQUIRE L. PINE.**

Squire L. Pine, born Apr. 12, 1823, married Emeline Parsons, May 23, 1847, who was born Feb. 27, 1830.

CHILDREN:

James, A., born Aug. 15, 1849, married Drinda A. Elliott, Dec. 6, 1868, deceased.

Mary E., born Sept. 1, 1853, married William F. Bangle, Aug. 8, 1869.

William R., born Apr. 23, 1855, married Susan C. Elliott,

June 28, 1874, deceased.

Matilda A., born July 6, 1858, married James K. Moore.

Adam W., born Dec. 10, 1860, married Maria Edwards,  
Sept. 30, 1880.

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### ADAM W. PINE.

#### CHILDREN:

Bertha N., born July 10, 1881, married A. C. Bradley, Sept.  
30, 1897.

Arthur L., born July 18, 1883, married Olive Hostetler,  
Jan. 23, 1902.

Susie E., born Aug. 16, 1885, married Max Friedley, Dec.  
25, 1902.

Minnie M., born Nov. 2, 1887, married ——— Rorer, Oct.  
3, 1905.

Bulah M., born Feb. 10, 1894.

Mary E., born July 26, 1896.

Nellie, born Oct. 27, 1903.

Ernest, born Mar. 27, 1906.

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### JOHN PITTS.

John Pitts was born in North Carolina, in 1753, moved to Logan county, Ky., about the close of the 18th century. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, joined the army in 1777, or 1778. Several of his children came to what is now Hickory county, as early as 1840. He was twice married.

#### CHILDREN AND GRAND-CHILDREN, FIRST MARRIAGE:

Barb, born in 1770, died without children.

Burrell, born in 1772, children: Barney, Barb, John, Burrell, Thomas, Mary, Annie, Caroline, and Elizabeth.

David, born in 1774, children: John, James, David Brooks, (Polly) Mary Ann, Elizabeth, and Jane.

John, born in 1776, children: Dillard, Mims, John, William (Buck,) Giddy, Mary, and Patsy.

William, born in 1780, children: Young, Richard, Milly, Elizabeth, Polly, Sarah, Nancy, and Carroll.

Giddy, born in 1783, children: Carroll, Alvis, Nicy and Andromica.

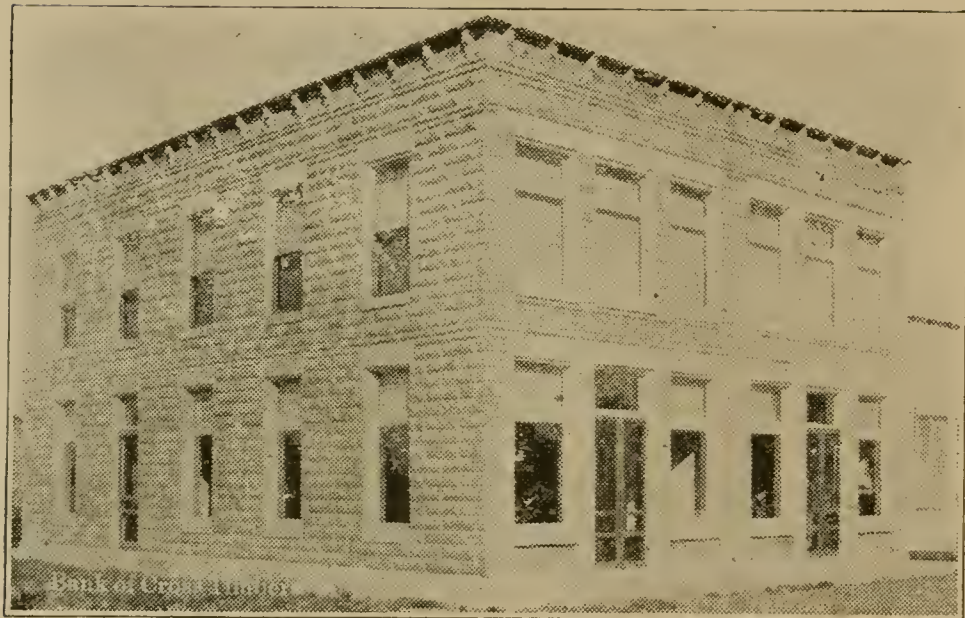
Mary Henry, born in 1786, children, not known.

Elizabeth, who married Skinner, born in 1794, children: Giddy, Wiley, John, Carroll, Sarah, Martha, and Marcella.





**JAMES H. HOLT,**  
Judge of the Probate Court.



BANK OF CROSS TIMBERS,  
Cross Timbers, Mo.



Miley, who married Dorris, born in 1797, children: Isaac, Nancy, Miley, Jackson, and Piety.

CHILDREN AND GRAND-CHILDREN SECOND MARRIAGE:

Thompson, born in 1808, children: Martin, Mattison, Green, Young, Logan, and Warren.

Warren, born in 1810, children: Elizabeth, Nancy, Warren, Fountain, and Mary.

Meekin, born in 1812, children: Sophronia, Laura, and Fount M.

Susan, who married Harvey, born in 1815, only child, Bartley.

Nancy, born in 1817, children: Moten, Jonathan, Monica, Manica, Victoria, Elvira, (Gima Alice.)

Delaine, who married Ragan and afterwards married Lawrence, children: John, Lucy, Harriett, Henry C., and Virginia.

This record was furnished me by Fount M. Pitts, son of Meekin Pitts, and Meekin Pitts, it will be seen from the foregoing Family Record was the ninth son of John Pitts who was born in 1753.

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### DAVID PITTS.

David Pitts, son of John Pitts, who was born in N. C., in 1753, was born in Kentucky, Oct. 7, 1774, and died in 1840. Jane Pitts, his wife, was born in South Carolina, June 30, 1787, and died in 1845.

CHILDREN:

Mary Ann, born Aug. 3, 1809, died in 1860.

Elizabeth, born Oct. 1, 1811, died in 1888.

John N., born Jan. 12, 1814, died in 1866.

James G., born, Mar. 5, 1816, died in 1851.

William, born Nov. 30, 1818, died in 1820.

David Brooks, born Feb. 8, 1826, died Jan. 17, 1900.

Margaret Jane, wife of Wm. Mashburn, born Jan. 20, 1829.

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### DAVID BROOKS PITTS.

David Brooks Pitts, was a son of David Pitts, who was born in North Carolina Oct. 7, 1774, and a grandson of John Pitts, who was born in N. C., in 1753, and served in the Continental Army in 1777-78. David Brooks was one of the four sons of David Pitts, who came to what is now Hickory county, Mo., as early as 1840. David Brooks was born in Kentucky,

Feb. 8, 1826, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 17, 1900. Martha A. Creed-Pitts, wife of David Brooks, was a daughter of Gideon and Eusebia Creed, and was born Apr. 29, 1839, and died Jan. 16, 1897. David B. Pitts and Martha A. Creed were married March 23, 1859, by James T. Wheeler, M. G.

CHILDREN, BORN IN HICKORY COUNTY, MO.

Mary Jane, born Aug. 9, 1860, died Oct. 15, 1861.  
 William Halleck, born July 11, 1862.  
 James T. born Mar. 31, 1864, died May 21, 1902, in Kansas.  
 Lan S., born May 10, 1866.  
 Jasper C., born Jan. 1, 1868.  
 Margaret E., born Nov. 4, 1870, died Oct. 8, 1901.  
 Dullie F., born Mar. 8, 1873.

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ANDREW J. PITTS.

Andrew J. Pitts, son of Burrell Pitts, born July 4, 1830, came from Mississippi with his father's family to what is now Hickory county, Mo., in 1845, married to Malissa A. Pitts, Feb. 27, 1852. Malissa A., was born Jan 1, 1838.

CHILDREN:

Nancy E., born Jan. 17, 1853.  
 Louisa J., born Nov. 16, 1854.  
 Sarah A., born July 28, 1856.  
 William Lafayette, born Oct. 12, 1858.  
 Christopher C., born Nov. 26, 1861.  
 Mary C., born Apr. 3, 1864.  
 Lucy C., born Apr. 26, 1866.  
 Ulysses G., born Feb. 25, 1868.  
 Young Albert, born Mar. 23, 1871.  
 Ida, born Aug. 14, 1879.

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JOHN W. QUIGG.

John W. Quigg was born Dec. 29, 1821, first married Hannah Bartshe, in Hickory county, Mo., July 30, 1846. She died Sept 11, 1855. He married second time to Lucretia A. Bradley, Aug. 17, 1856, she died Feb. 20, 1900. He died Nov. 11, 1893.

CHILDREN, FIRST MARRIAGE:

William R., died Sept. 28, 1849.  
 John W., living, married Sara A. Miller, now deceased.  
 George A., married Amanda Adams.  
 Catherine J., married Baley D. Skinner, now lives in Okla.



## CHILDREN, SECOND MARRIAGE:

Silas Q., died Dec. 3, 1858.

Charles C., married Martha A. Root, living.

Amos T., married Cora G. Paxton, he died.

Perry C., married Sarah A. Head.

Horace D., married Lizzy Cully, of Cooper county, Mo., Physician, has represented Cooper county, two terms in the Missouri Legislature.

Samuel S., died Mar. 16, 1864.

Ira F., died in Nov. 1892.

Priscilla L., married John L. Bennett.

Enos S., married Nancy B. Roberts.

James M.

Cora C., married David V. Goodman.

The maiden name of the mother of John W., was Elizabeth Dasher. His father and mother were both born in Ireland, and lived in Pennsylvania and Ohio. The father of John W., died when John W., was a small boy, and the mother married a man by the name of York, and he died and she came to Missouri with her son in 1840, and died at the residence of Henry C. Butler May 19, 1849.

As will be seen elsewhere Mr. Quigg was a prominent citizen, and official of this county. He was appointed Sheriff and Collector of the county in 1863, which was during the dangerous times of the Civil War, and by subsequent elections, held these positions until Jan. 1, 1869.

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**JACOB RESER.**

Jacob Reser was born May 14, 1799, married Eliza Yeager, and died Dec. 20, 1859. Eliza Yeager was born Feb. 24, 1802, died Feb. 24, 1901.

## CHILDREN,

Jacob S., born Jan. 21, 1821, married Ann Edde, in 1845 or 1846.

Susannah C., born Feb. 11, 1823, married Aaron Darby, July 18, 1837, by Elijah Yeager, M. G.

Mary J., born Nov. 13, 1825, married Robert C. Montgomery, Sept. 18, 1842, by Elijah Yeager, M. G.

Solomon A. L., born Sept. 8, 1828, married Elizabeth Runnells, Jan. 7, 1858.

Annianias B., born Nov. 11, 1830, Married Nancy C. Richards, Jan. 13, 1853.

Martha E., born Mar. 14, 1833, married James H. Vaughan, Nov. 2, 1851.

Josiah W., born Mar. 28, 1837, married Elizabeth Cox, date not given.

Jacob Reser, Daniel Darby, Moses Darby, Rev. Elijah F. Yeager, Aaron Darby, and others came to what is now Hickory county, in 1838, and settled in the Southeast corner of the county in what is now Green Township.

### JACOB S. RESER.

Jacob S. Reser was born Jan. 21, 1821, married Ann Edde, in 1845 or 1846, died March 31, 1861. Ann Edde, wife of Jacob S. Reser, was born Feb. 16, 1819, died Apr. 25, 1907.

#### CHILDREN:

Mary Ann, born Jan. 4, 1847, married Patrick McDowell.

John W., born Feb. 17, 1848, married Abbie Jordan.

Washington F., born Nov. 30, 1849, married Cynthia A. Morgan, June 7, 1877.

Francis Marion, born Aug. 19, 1852, married Sarah Clayton.

Jacob Elijah, born Mar. 30, 1856, married Rachel Stanley.

### WASHINGTON F. RESER.

Washington F. Reser was a son of Jacob S. Reser and Ann Edde-Reser, born Nov. 30, 1849, married Cynthia A. Morgan, daughter of Thomas S. and Phebe A. Morgau, June 17, 1877. Cynthia A., was born Feb. 9, 1857.

Winer D., born Mar. 3, 1878, married Effie Cogle, Dec. 13, 1893.

Hattie F., born Sept. 21, 1879, died July 28, 1880.

Thomas S., born Mar. 6, 1881, married Kate Shumate, Oct. 11, 1902.

Edna B., born Aug. 8, 1883, married A. A. Liggett, Nov. 5, 1903.

Washington O., born Feb. 14, 1885.

Fannie E., born Feb. 20, 1887, married Emory Gist, Aug. 8, 1906.

Horrace P., born Apr. 12, 1889.

Tincy M., born and died Mar. 25, 1891.

Mabel B., born June 26, 1893.

Marshal O., born Nov. 16, 1895, died Jan. 14, 1898.

Floyd E. born Mar. 31, 1898, died Sept. 2, 1898.

Otis M., born Jan. 27, 1900.



## PLEASANT E. ROBBINS.

Pleasant E. Robbins, was born July 20, 1836, in Hawkins county, Tenn., and moved to Missouri in the autumn of 1853. Lucinda Holt was born in Cannon county, Tenn., Mar. 6, 1839, and came with her parents, Herod and Lucinda Holt, to Missouri in 1840. Pleasant E. Robbins and Lucinda Holt were married in Ozark county, Mo., Oct. 7, 1860.

## CHILDREN

James Houston, born in Dec. 1861, married Emma Giffin, Dec. 13, 1885.

Stephen H., born Nov. 11, 1863, died Jan. 1, 1864.

Lucinda M., born Mar. 20, 1865, married William Giffin, Sept. 15, 1886.

Nancy A., born Oct. 18, 1866, died Nov. 7, 1869.

Margaret C., born Mar. 24, 1868, married Thomas S. Hall, Nov. 1, 1885, died Nov. 19, 1892.

Hansel P., born Apr. 7, 1869, married to Nora Harbor, Jan. 31, 1892.

Aaron W., born June 22, 1870, died May 19, 1880.

Fielden E., born Dec. 15, 1871.

Abram A., born Feb. 11, 1873, married Analee Jones, Dec. 22, 1895.

John C., born Mar. 4, 1874, married Ellen Grizzell, Jan. 3, 1897, and died May 21, 1901.

Francis M., born Nov. 9, 1875, died Dec. 19, 1875.

Ester E., born Nov. 9, 1876, married Henry Johnson.

Rachel P., was born in May 1878.

William W., born Dec. 16, 1881, married Cora L. Owsley, Jan. 21, 1904.

All of the members living reside in Hickory county.

## JAMES A. ROBERTSON.

James A. Robertson was born in Washington county, Mo., Nov. 11, 1818. Mary Jane Robertson was born in Kentucky, Mar. 12, 1825. They were married in St. Francois county, Mo., Nov. 3, 1844.

## CHILDREN.

William J., born July 23, 1845.

Mary E., born Dec. 1, 1846, died Jan. 12, 1847.

Nancy J., born Apr. 10, 1848.

Willis G., born Dec. 10, 1850.

Richard M., born Nov. 29, 1854.

Paulina C., born Jan. 12, 1856.

Robert H., born Nov. 14, 1857.

James M., born Jan. 12, 1860.

Martha E., born Oct. 11, 1863.

John W., born May 4, 1865.

Cora, born June 6, 1866, died Feb. 3, 1867.

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### JOHN POWELL ROGERS.

John Powell Rogers, a prominent pioneer of this county, was born in North Carolina, Oct. 13, 1812, entered land on Little Weaubleau Creek, in 1839, and died there Feb. 18, 1876. Nancy B. Owens-Rogers, wife of John Powell Rogers, was born in Simpson county, Kentucky, in 1824, was united in Marriage with John Powell Rogers in Hickory county, Mo., in 1840, and is living at the age of 82 years.

#### CHILDREN:

Emily, born Jan. 26, 1844, married John G. Crutsinger, Jan. 22, 1859.

Richard D., born Jan. 8, 1849, has been married twice.

Mary, born Feb. 24, 1852, married Owen W. Butler, Oct. 28, 1866, and raised a family.

Pleasant J., born Mar. 20, 1855, married Nancy C. Dent, daughter of Ephraim and Frances Halbert-Dent, Mar. 15, 1876.

Nancy M., born June 18, 1860, married William D. Harryman, Dec. 19, 1876.

Celia, born Dec. 16, 1868, married Albert H. Doerman, Mar. 11, 1888.

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### PLEASANT J. ROGERS.

Pleasant J. Rogers was born Mar. 20, 1855, married Nancy C. Dent Mar. 15, 1876.

#### CHILDREN:

Harry H., born May 24, 1877, married June 6, 1901.

Viola, born Oct. 21, 1878, married Jan. 26, 1900.

C. S., born Aug. 26, 1880.

Dot, born Aug. 5, 1882, married Jan. 19, 1902.

O. L., born Feb. 25, 1884.

Fannie, born Nov. 28, 1887.

John, born Apr. 4, 1890.

Homer, born Oct. 9, 1894.

Leslie, born Apr. 20, 1897.

Logan, born Oct. 1, 1901.



**THOMAS G. RONEY.**

Thomas G. Roney was born in Sumner county, Tenn., Apr. 8, 1813, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Mar. 9, 1886. Elizabeth R. Lambeth-Roney, was born in Sumner county, Tenn., May 17, 1819, and died July 24, 1906.

**CHILDREN:**

William L., born in Sumner county, Tenn., Sept. 25, 1832.

Martha A. E., was born in Sumner county, Tenn., July 11, 1841, and died Sept. 27, 1877, in Hickory county, Mo.

George H., was born in Van Buren county, Iowa, Apr. 10, 1844.

Mariller J., was born in Warren county, Ill., Nov. 16, 1846, and died in Camden county, Mo., Feb. 29, 1889.

Thomas B., was born in Warren county, Ill., Jan. 11, 1849, and died Dec. 20, 1885, in Arizona.

Mary Caroline, was born in Warren county, Ill., Nov. 30, 1851.

John E., was born in Warren county, Ill., Feb. 11, 1854, and was drowned Aug. 24, 1857.

Reuben A., was born in Warren county, Ill., May 21, 1856.

James A., was born in Hickory county, Mo., July 29, 1859.

Ulyssese G., was born in Hickory county, Mo., Oct. 10, 1863, and died May 16, 1864.

**MARRIAGES:**

Martha A. E., was married to William Carroll Drenon, Feb. 9, 1860, and was afterwards married to George W. Woods on Sept. 8, 1876.

William L., was married to Margaret A. Drenon, Sept. 13, 1860, in Hickory county, Mo., and Margaret A., died Apr. 7, 1864.

Mariller J., was married to John G. Huffman, in Hickory county, Mo., Mar. 8, 1867, and John G., died in May 1872, at Jefferson City, Mo., and on Sept. 9, 1877, Mariller J., married G. S. Howard.

Mary Caroline, was married to Daniel B. Huffman, July 4, 1869, in Hickory county, Mo.

Reuben A., was married to Julia Green, Mar. 10, 1887, in Hickory county, Mo.

James A., was married to Hester A. Thurston, Dec. 23, 1880, and she died Nov. 14, 1884, in Hickory county, Mo., and he married Hester A. Dodd, Apr. 15, 1888, in Benton county, Mo.

Carroll T. Drenon, son of William C. Drenon and Martha A. E. Roney-Drenon, died Sept. 9, 1875.

## GEORGE H. RONEY.

George H. Roney and America England were married Mar. 2, 1865, in Hickory county, Mo.

## CHILDREN:

Elizabeth A., born Dec. 31, 1865, married Benjamin J. Creach Dec. 10, 1885,

Lewis S., born Mar. 16, 1867, married Ellen C. Chrisope, Mar. 8, 1880.

Amanda A., born Mar. 24, 1870, married Robert A. Simons, May 4, 1890.

## THOMAS SANDERS.

Thomas Sanders was born in N. C., in 1808. He was a son of Jacob Sanders, who was of English decent, born in N. C. The maiden name of the wife of Jacob was Ailsey High, and she was Irish. Sarah Dark, wife of Thomas Sanders, was also born in 1808, in Christian county, Ky. Her father's name was Oliver Dark, and her mother's maiden name was Amey Hayes, and she was Irish. Jacob Sanders and wife and Oliver Dark and wife all died in Kentucky. Thomas Sanders and Sarah Dark, were married in Calaway county, Ky., and came to Hickory county, Mo., Dec. 24, 1853.

## CHILDREN:

Amy Jane first married Henry G. Glenn, and one child of that marriage, Thomas H. Glenn, is now living in Oklahoma. She was married second time to James G. Johnson, and died leaving Frances, who married Jesse Stroud and is now a widow, Mary, who married Joseph G. Stroud, and has raised a family, Martha, who married Thomas Jordan, and James and William, twins, of whom James is dead.

Jacob H., born in Kentucky, Oct. 13, 1831, married Nancy Robbinson, daughter of Rev. Munford B. Robbinson, Feb. 18, 1857, and they have nine children living as follows: James, W., Mary F., who married L. G. Chaney, Emma, single, William H., Thomas M., Alice, who married John S. Williams, Jacob A., Ellen, who married Estman Dietz, Waidy Marvin.

Mary Elizabeth, who married Julian Calhoun, and died in Kentucky, about 1866.

Lydia Ann, who died in infancy.

Sarah J., who married William Drillen, and lives in Denver, Colorado, and they have two children, girls.



Wm. W., who married Armeade Smith. They have five children living, Etta, who married Charles Pitts, and lives in Oklahoma, Myrtle, who married Bernie L. Coon, and now lives in Aztec, N. M., Thomas H., single, and Landrine and Nora who are at home.

Alabama, who married James M. Robbinson. They have three children and live in Oklahoma.

Lucy P. Beunavista, and Thomas W., died when small.

Alice, who married a man by the name of Flum, has three children and live in Colorado.

Missouri F., the youngest, died a few years ago.

### SELBY FAMILY.

The father, Eli Colter Selby, was born in Westmoreland county, Penn., in 1821, of English parentage. The mother, Nancy Barnhart-Selby, was born in 1821, in Bradford county, Penn., and was of Scotch-German decent. They were married in 1838.

#### CHILDREN:

Samuel B., born in 1839, married Josie B. Patterson-Hooper, in 1889, in Hickory county, Mo., has three children, Grace, born in 1892, Maud, born in 1896, and John T., born in 1904. Samuel B. Selby resides one mile south of Preston on the Bolivar road.

George W., born in 1841.

Josephine Selby-Thompson born in 1844.

Mary K. Selby-Berry, born in 1847.

Agnes, born in 1849.

Lafayette, born in 1851, died in Benton county, Ark., in 1889.

Austin, born in 1854.

Lycurgus, born in 1857.

Lewis, born in 1859.

Emma Selby-Mackey, born in 1862.

Seven of the family are dead, part of them dying before the family came to Mo. The father and son, George W., died from injuries received in the Civil War. The mother died in Hickory county, Mo.

HICKORY COUNTY  
JOHN SELVIDGE.

John Selvidge, son of George Selvidge, was born in Monroe county, Tenn., May 3, 1816, married Lucinda Black, Feb. 15, 1835. They removed to Dade county, Mo., in 1851, thence to Hickory county, in 1855. Lucinda Black was born in Buncombe county, N. C., Feb. 20, 1812, and died Sept. 14, 1872. John was married a second time to Elizabeth Brakebill, in Oct. 1876. He united with the M. E. church in early life, and in 1855 was licensed to preach, and was ordained Elder in 1866 or 1867. He studied medicine under Doctors Hurley and Frank, and did quite a practice for some time.

CHILDREN, FIRST MARRIAGE:

Mary C., born Dec. 18, 1835, married William E. Pine, in 1860, died Apr. 9, 1900.

Joseph B., born May 22, 1837, married Ann Mactyre, in Oct. 1859, and he died Apr. 24, 1906.

George S., born May 9, 1840, single.

Nancy, born Feb. 12, 1842, died Nov. 21, 1902.

John W., born May 20, 1844, died Aug. 27, 1900.

James S., born Mar. 5, 1846, married Susan J. Kirby, in 1870.

Margaret L., born July 9, 1852, married Rev. Henry Threlfall, Aug. 4, 1886, died Dec. 12, 1887.

L. B., born July 27, 1854, married Elizabeth Gardner, Nov. 3, 1882, died Jan. 12, 1906.

Marinda, born Aug. 27, 1857, married J. T. Selvidge, June 14, 1855,

CHILD, SECOND MARRIAGE:

Annie: born Apr. 5, 1878, married Ira R. Thatch, Sept. 26, 1897.

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JOSEPH B. SELVIDGE.

Joseph B. Selvidge, was born in Monroe county, Tenn., May 22, 1837, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Apr. 24, 1906. Ann M. Selvidge, wife of Joseph B. Selvidge, was born in Lancaster county, Va., Mar. 12, 1838.

CHILDREN:

J. W., born Dec. 16, 1860.

W. L., born Nov. 26, 1862.

Nancy F., born Aug. 30, 1864, died June 16, 1867.

James O., born Dec. 2, 1866, died Aug. 9, 1869.



A. J., born Feb. 3, 1869.  
 Ida B., born Feb. 12, 1871.  
 T. M., born Oct. 9, 1873.  
 H. W., born May 22, 1876.

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### WILLIAM L. SNIDOW.

William L. Snidow was born in Virginia, Feb. 3, 1829, and died about three miles Southeast of Weaubleau, Sept. 23, 1903. He was a remarkable man in many respects, was a carpenter and farmer, a man of limited education, but represented this county 16 years in the lower house of the Missouri Legislature, and the Senatorial District in which Hickory county was, in 1864 in the Missouri Senate for four years, without "even a whisper of wrong doing," as a legislator. Elizabeth Brown-Snidow, was born June 24, 1832, and died Mar. 9, 1906. They were married June 27, 1849. She was a daughter of Abraham Brown.

#### CHILDREN:

Margaret J., born July 21, 1850, married Apr. 9, 1891.  
 James C., born Sept. 21, 1852, married in July 1902.  
 Myriam L., born Dec. 3, 1854, married Feb. 6, 1883.  
 Mary A. W., born Mar. 31, 1857, married Nov. 3, 1877.  
 Giles L., born in Apr. 1859, married Mar. 3, 1885.  
 Laura E., born Mar. 26, 1862, married Oct. 6, 1889.  
 Annie E., born July 14, 1864.  
 William S., born Sept. 25, 1866.  
 Carl S., born Jan. 8, 1869.  
 John B., born Jan. 3, 1872, married Dec. 18, 1892.

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### PETER SOLBERG.

Peter Solberg was born Nov. 13, 1844, and died Oct. 6, 1906. Malinda Dennis was born Nov. 22, 1851. Peter Solberg and Malinda Dennis were married Jan. 20, 1872.

#### CHILDREN:

William, born Jan. 2, 1873, married Mary J. Haverfield, Dec. 22, 1895, and died Nov. 4, 1898.  
 Olof L., born May 5, 1875, died June 4, 1875.  
 Anna, born Mar. 15, 1876,  
 Christina, born Jan. 28, 1879, married to James Hinkle, Jan. 4, 1897. He died July 14, 1905, leaving two sons.

Nancy, born Feb. 21, 1881, married William Rash, May 4, 1898.

Mary, born June 1, 1883, married Robert Lightfoot, Oct. 11, 1899.

James and Moses, twins, born Oct. 1, 1886, Moses died Apr. 20, 1906.

Pearl, born July 10, 1889.

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### JOHN W. STARK.

John W. Stark, (date of birth not given), was one of the early pioneers in this section of the country. He settled in what is now the Northeast part of this county, near the mouth of Stark creek, in 1830, and died there about 1866. John W. Stark and Rachel Casebolt were married Nov. 24, 1828. She was born Apr. 26, 1810, and died Nov. 15, 1830.

#### CHILD

The only child born of this marriage whose record we have is James C. Stark born Dec. 6, 1829.

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### JAMES C. STARK.

James C. Stark was born Dec. 6, 1829, married Elizabeth J. Walker, Dec. 15, 1850, who was born Mar. 1, 1834. She died Feb. 26, 1886.

#### CHILDREN:

Thomas Leroy, born Nov. 16, 1851, married Sabrina C. Howard, June 8, 1875.

Mary Ann, born July 19, 1853, married Joseph H. Pile, Aug. 21, 1870.

John W., born Mar. 11, 1855, married.

Rebecca J., born Dec. 12, 1858, died Dec. 26, 1858.

James Marion, born in Mar. 1860, married Mary F. Jones, July 1, 1885.

Virginia P., born Apr. 21, 1862, married E. B. Owsley, Mar. 31, 1883.

Susan Caroline, born May 13, 1866.

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### FREDRICK VANDEMAN.

Fredrick Vandeman, and Mary Ann Worley were married in Ohio, Nov. 12, 1840, came to Missouri, in 1844, and stayed a while at St. Joseph, Mo. Went back to Ohio and came back



to Mo., in 1865, entered land in Sections 17 and 18, Township 37, Range 22. Settled in Wheatland, in 1868, when there was only one store, a blacksmith shop, and shoe shop. Fredrick and Mary Ann Vandeman had eight children.

## CHILDREN:

William, born Dec. 13, 1841, who served in the Union army, in the artillery, and died in 1907.

Jane, born July 1, 1843, died Oct. 26, 1844.

Mary Ann, born Oct. 18, 1846.

George W., born Sept. 7, 1848, now lives in Kansas City, Mo.

Edward M., born Aug. 12, 1850, married Martha Collins, Dec. 8, 1870.

Charles, born Sept. 10, 1852, died May 1, 1902.

Emma, born Aug. 12, 1854, lives in Kansas City, Mo.

Sussie, born Oct. 3, 1851, lives in Sedalia, Mo.

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**SAMUEL C. VAUGHN.**

Samuel C. Vaughn was born in Kentucky, Aug. 20, 1813. Left Kentucky in 1826, and went to Illinois, and afterwards came to Missouri, and was married to Jane Hughes, Apr. 27, 1843, in what was then Osage county, Mo. She was born in Missouri Feb. 7, 1826. They both died in Hickory county, Mo., Samuel C., Dec. 4, 1877, and Jane, Jan. 11, 1902.

## CHILDREN:

John C., who died single, on Oct. 4, 1864, in the Union Army.

Alexander S., who married Mary E. Boone, and has a family of six boys and two girls.

Lucretia, who married John P. Chaney, and they have one girl.

Nancy E., who married David E. Skaggs.

James, who married Atha Tillery, and they have one boy and one girl.

William H., who married Fannie C. Williams, and they have five boys and one girl.

Sherman C. S., who married Maggie Williams, and they have three boys and two girls.

George W., died when about two years old.

Mahala, also died in infancy.

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**A. S. VAUGHN.**

Alexander S. Vaughn was born Feb. 27, 1848, in Osage county, Mo., married Mary E. Boone, Apr. 17, 1870, in Polk county, Missouri.

## CHILDREN:

Annie E., married W. T. Palmer, Jan. 1, 1891, and has two boys and two girls.

George W., married Rosa Lee Remington, Oct. 18, 1895, has one girl. He has taught school several years, has been manager of the Akins store at Humansville, and is now a stockholder in the Department store at that place.

S. J., married Rosa Perry, of Springfield, Mo., Dec. 31, 1900, has one boy. Has taught school for several years, and is now a teacher in the High School at Springfield, Mo.

John C., married Mattie Reese Oct. 23, 1901, has one boy and one girl, resides in New Mexico.

W. H., married Mabel Creed, Sept. 6, 1903, has one girl, is a teacher in the Public schools.

Andrew S., died when about one year old.

Charles O., teacher and farmer.

Elsie J., youngest child, single, at home.

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**SAMUEL WALKER.**

Samuel Walker, was born July 5, 1811, and died June 11, 1888. Priscilla Quigg, wife of Samuel Walker, was born Sept. 15, 1815, died Dec. 21, 1881.

## CHILDREN:

George Washington, born Mar. 26. 1837, went to California and married.

Ann Jane, born Apr. 21, 1839, married William Jamison, died very recently.

Mary Elizabeth, born June 5, 1842, unmarried.

Amos P., born Oct. 14, 1844, married Elizabeth Thornton.

Rebecca, born Dec. 5, 1846, married first to Thomas Thornton, second to Eli R. Halbert, Jan. 17, 1887, third to John P. Finney, now a widow.

Nancy Franklin, born Apr. 13, 1850, married E. D. Blair, Apr. 25, 1872, now a widow.

Henry H., born Jan. 29, 1853, married first Orlena Sherman, Oct. 15, 1874, second to Ida Tilford, Apr. 7, 1881, widower.

Martha F., born May 5, 1855, married Eli R. Halbert, Dec. 4, 1873, and died Nov. 15, 1881.

Charles W., born July 24, 1857, married Mary T. Jamison, Sept. 29, 1877.



## WILLIAMS FAMILY.

We have elsewhere the family Record of John S. Williams, who was the first Sheriff and Collector, and represented the county in the State Legislature in 1852-56 and 1860, and here we give something of his father and mother. The father and mother, Nathaniel and Elizabeth, were married and lived in Wilson county, Tenn., and their children were all born there, and the parents died there; the father died suddenly probably about 1845, and the mother during the Civil War. The following were the children of Nathaniel and Elizabeth Williams: Anderson, Howell, John S., Abraham, William, James D., Robert N., Stephen M., Sally, Polly, Martha, and Harriett. Anderson, Howell, Abraham, Sally, Polly, Martha, and Harriett were never in Missouri. William came here, but went back to Tenn. John S., and James D., came here about 1840, and Robert N., and Stephen M., both came later. The whole family is now dead.

The children of John S., are named elsewhere in his family record.

The children of James D., were: (from memory) Francis M., Melvina M., William T., who now resides in California, Nancy, wife of John A. Dickerson, who now resides in Okla., and Dr. Johnson Williams, of Weatherford, Okla.

The children of Robert N., were (from memory) James, Elizabeth, and Dellia, now deceased.

The children of Stephen M., were (from memory) Caroline, wife of William W. Clardy, Mary, who was the wife of Eli R. Calkins, now deceased, Elizabeth, wife of John Bradshaw, who now resides in Okla., James, who now resides in Okla., Robert N., Jr., who now resides in Hickory county.

Robert N. Williams, Sr., was born June 1, 1827, and died Apr. 19, 1904, and his widow, Mary Thurman-Williams now resides in Hermitage.

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**JOHN S. WILLIAMS.**

John S. Williams and Charity Davis were married in Wilson county, Tenn., July 8, 1834, and he died in Arkansas Jan. 22, 1881. John S. Williams was born in Wilson county, Tenn., Apr. 10, 1810. Charity Davis-Williams, wife of John S. Williams, was born in Wilson county, Tenn., Nov. 12, 1814,

and died Nov. 29, 1853. John S. Williams was the first Sheriff of Hickory county, and afterwards a member of the lower house of the Missouri Legislature.

CHILDREN:

Archibald, born in Wilson county, Tenn., Feb. 28, 1836, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Aug. 28, 1853.

Nathaniel P., born in Wilson county, Tenn., Feb. 13, 1838.

The parents, John S., and Charity Williams, moved with these two boys from Tenn., in 1841.

Mary E., wife of James Holland, who lives in Arkansas, was born Dec. 6, 1841, in what is now Hickory county, Mo.

Sarah Ann, wife of Burdette L. Daniel, born in what is now Hickory county, Mo., Aug. 8, 1843.

James R., born in Hickory county, Mo., Aug. 11, 1847.

John T., born in Hickory county, Mo., Aug. 24, 1850.

Caroline I. second wife of John S. Williams, was born Dec. 30, 1830. They were married Aug. 30, 1854, and to this union were born two children: Parallel E., born Aug. 31, 1856, in Hickory county, Mo. William T., born Dec. 23, 1859, in Hickory county, Mo.

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**NATHANIEL P. WILLIAMS.**

Nathaniel P. Williams and Tennessee Roberts were married in Arkansas Feb. 13, 1870. She was born in Louisville, Ky., in 1847, and died in Wheatland, Mo., Mar. 29, 1907.

CHILDREN:

Charity Ann, born in Hickory county, Mo., Jan. 8, 1871, died Oct. 13, 1871.

Lucy Bell, born in Hickory county, Mo., Feb. 9, 1873, and died Jan. 13, 1879.

John S., born in Hickory county, Mo., Oct. 1, 1875, married Alice Sanders.

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**VIRGIL S. WILLIAMS.**

Virgil S. Williams, son of Benj. H. Williams, was born Mar. 22, 1837. Ann E. Williams, daughter of E. T. Condley, and Elizabeth Beck-Condley, was born Dec. 13, 1839. Ann E. Condley and Virgil S. Williams were married Oct. 28, 1855.

CHILDREN:

Martha E., born Mar. 28, 1857, married Thomas S. Heath, Feb. 22, 1874.

Elish H., born Oct. 28, 1859, married ——— Nease, Mar. 19, 1878.

Mary E., born Dec. 3, 1861, died Aug. 10, 1872.



Thomas M., born Feb. 5, 1864, married June 22, 1884.

J. J., born July 8, 1866, married Feb. 1889.

Fannie, born June 23, 1868, married Frank Staup, Jan. 14, 1891.

Eli S., born Apr. 28, 1877, married Apr. 13, 1898.

Scruggs, born Nov. 16, 1880, died Nov. 8, 1887.

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### LARKIN WILLIAMS.

Larkin Williams was born in Tenn., Jan. 7, 1807, and married Kathrine ———, who was born Mar. 29, 1806. They moved from East Tenn., in 1838, and settled near Humansville, Mo., where the husband resided until he died in Oct. 1881.

#### CHILDREN:

The first child, a boy, died in infancy.

Charlotte, now Weir, born June 7, 1830, lives in Cedar county, Mo.

W. K., born Dec. 2, 1832, lived in Cedar county, Mo., but is now deceased.

Mathis, born Jan. 14, 1835, died in 1861.

Elijah, born Mar. 4, 1837, lives near Elkton, Mo.

All of the above named children were born in Tennessee, and these named below were born in Missouri.

Samuel, now of Humansville, born Feb. 16, 1839.

Thomas Y., born Apr. 18, 1841, lives near Elkton.

Susannah, born in July 1843, died at about three years of age.

George W., who lives near Humansville, born Mar. 17, 1846.

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### THOMAS Y. WILLIAMS.

Thomas Y. Williams, was a son of Larkin and Katherin Williams, was born Apr. 18, 1841, and remained with his father's family after he was 21 years of age. Left Hickory county, Jan. 31, 1863, in company with William A. Pitts and William L. McCaslin, and went to Sedalia, Mo., left Sedalia on a Missouri Pacific train and went to Illinois, where on the 2nd day of Oct. 1864, he was married to Angeline Duncan.

#### CHILDREN:

Charlotte, wife of Isaac N. Owens, born Sept. 12, 1865.

Sarah L., wife of Peter M. Hardy, born Sept. 24, 1867.

Sylvanus, now of Weaubleau, born Sept. 5, 1870.

Kathrin L., now deceased, born Sept. 5, 1873.

Melvin E., born Dec. 12, 1879, lives on Wheatland prairie.

Della A., born Jan. 27, 1881, died in Oct. 1881.

The father, Thomas Y., returned to Missouri in 1881, and lived with his children until 1896, when he was married Feb. 27, 1896, to Mrs. Clark, of Ray county, Mo., whose first husband, W. A. Clark, a Virginian, was a Confederate soldier, and died in the Federal prison in Maryland, in May, 1864. Mr. Williams and wife now reside near Elkton, on Rural Route No. 1, from Weaubleau, Mo.

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### ISAAC D. WILSON.

(OLD FAMILY NAME WILLSON.)

Isaac D. Wilson, son of James and Martha Wilson, was born Jan. 15, 1803, probably born in North Carolina, died in Laclede county, Mo., of pneumonia, Dec. 15, 1855. He was married to Mary E. Wood, who was born May 20, 1808, in Whitley county, Ky., near Cumberland Gap, July 12, 1824. The wife, Mary E., died about 1847, in Miller county, Mo. It is known that Isaac had four brothers: James, John, Joseph, and Linzy. James died about 1839, John died about 1868, Joseph died about 1875, and Linzy died about 1880. John and Joseph died in Maries county, Mo., and Linzy probably died in Carroll county, Mo. Isaac moved with his wife and two boys, James L., and George, to Tenn., about 1828, from there he moved to Illinois; back to Tenn., and then came to Callaway county, Mo., in 1832, and later moved to Miller county, Mo., probably in 1833, and from there to Laclede county, Mo., about 1849. The children of Isaac D., and Mary E. Wood-Wilson, were as follows:

James Love, born Sept. 27, 1825, died in Laclede county, Mo., about June 20, 1894.

George, born Nov. 4, 1827, died in Hermitage, Mo. Feb. 13, 1903.

Waid H., born Jan. 25, 1830, died at Joplin, Mo., in 1904.

John, born Mar. 31, 1837, died in Miller county, Mo., in 1863.

William Perry, born Aug. 14, 1840, died in Hickory county, Mo., about 1874.

Alexander, born June 26, 1832, died when small.

Elander M., born Feb. 13, 1834, died when small.

Sarah Ann, who married John Henry, was born Sept. 25, 1835, and died at Joplin, Mo., about 1873.



Pleasant, born Oct. 23, 1842, and now resides two miles Northeast of Preston, Mo.

David, born Mar. 13, 1845, and died in Hickory county, Mo., about 1901.

Isaac D., the father, was married a second time to Frances Mayfield-Jones, in 1849, in Laclede county, Mo. She was born Mar. 20, 1817, and to this union three children were born as follows:

Lucy E., born Apr. 25, 1850, married John Bohannon, and now lives near Richland, Mo.

Isaac L., born Jan. 4, 1853, died when a boy.

Joseph T., born Jan. 16, 1856, who has never married.

In the Civil War, James L., and William Perry, served in Company "K" 47th E. M. M., George, John, and Pleasant, in Company "B" 10th Mo. Cav. Vols., Waid H., served in the Confederate Army, and David, served in Company "H" 8th Mo. Cav. Vols.

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### GEORGE WILSON.

George Wilson, born Nov. 4, 1827, in Whitley county, Ky., married Eliza J. Jones, a daughter of Hiram Jones and Phalissa Zana Hicks-Jones, in Miller county, Mo., Mar. 12, 1846, and died Feb. 13, 1903, in Hermitage, Mo. Eliza Jane Jones was born in McMinn county, Tenn., July 24, 1827, and died in Hermitage, Mo., Apr. 29, 1906. Her father, Hiram Jones, died in Miller county, Mo., in 1867, and her mother, Phalissa Zana Jones died in Miller county, Mo., Apr. 24, 1861. After the death of Phalissa Zana, Hiram married Margaret Shelton, and to their union three children were born, the eldest of whom was named James Madison. They are probably in Arkansas.

#### CHILDREN:

James Madison, born Nov. 30, 1846, only lived a short time.

Francis Marion, born in Miller county, Mo., Jan. 24, 1848, married Mary E. Alexander, Mar. 28, 1872.

Elizabeth Ann, born in Miller county, Mo., Feb. 21, 1850, died when about two years old.

William Louis, born in Miller county, Mo., Sept. 3, 1853, married Sarah Armead Pendleton, Apr. 19, 1877.

Sarah Ellen, born in Miller county, Mo., July 21, 1855, married Albert Krone.

Mary Phalissa, born in Miller county, Mo., Oct. 4, 1858,

married John F. Brown, in 1873, and died in Texas, has a son, George Wilson Brown, now residing in San Antonio, Texas.

Nancy Jane, born in Miller county, Mo., Nov. 8, 1861, married John H. Morgan.

John Pleasant, born in Miller county, Mo., Mar. 22, 1865, married Ella Dorman, Apr. 8, 1888.

Trophena Hardin, born in Hickory county, Mo., Sept. 22, 1869, married Isaac E. Archer, and lives in Pittsburg, Kan.

George Wilson removed from Miller county, Mo., to Hickory county, Mo., in Feb. 1866, reaching the S. E. 1-4 and S. W. 1-4 and S. W. 1-4 S. E. 1-4 of Section 35, Township 38, Range 21, Feb. 26, 1866, which he had bought from Col. Joel B. Halbert in Nov. 1865. He later traded this land to William Bozarth for land in Section 1, Township 37, Range 21, and lived on that until in April 1884, when he bought of Williamson E. Dorman, the hotel on the East side of the Public Square, in Hermitage, and moved to it.

### JAMES LOVE WILSON.

James Love Wilson was born in Whitley county, Ky., Sept. 27, 1825, first married Sarah C. Mayfield, in Laclede county, Mo., Mar. 16, 1854. Twin boys were born to them, and they both died less than a year old. Sarah C., the wife, died Feb. 9, 1855. James L., was married the second time in Laclede county, Mo., to Nancy Caroline Alexander, Jan. 9, 1862, and she died in Hickory county, Mo., Nov. 22, 1880, and James L. died June 20, 1894, in Laclede county, Mo. To the union of James L. Wilson and Nancy C. Alexander children were born as follows:

Sarah Jane, born in Miller county, Mo., May 2, 1863, married E. T. Bayless, in Laclede county, Mo.

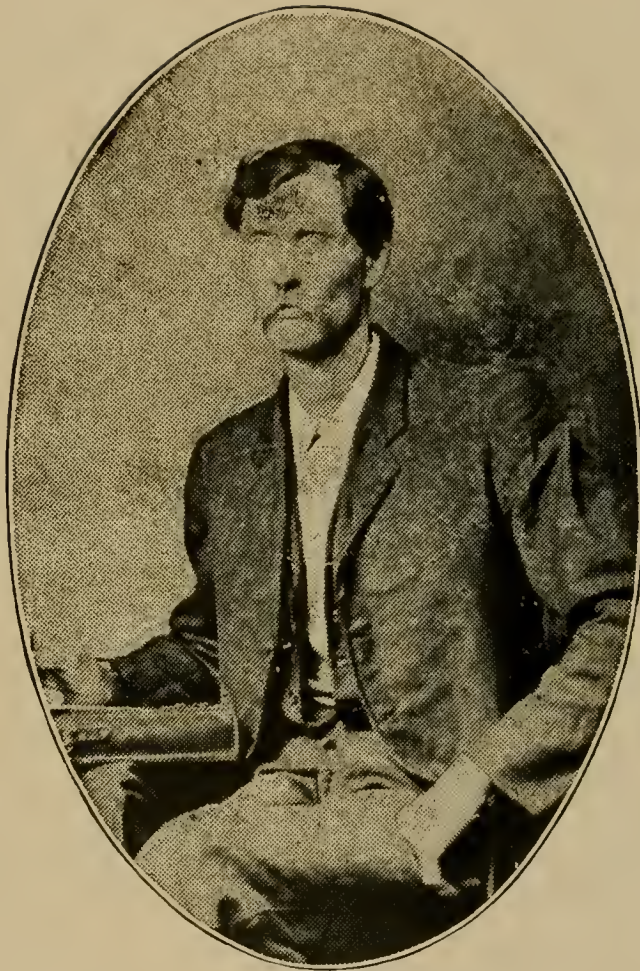
George Ewing, born in Miller county, Mo., June 19, 1865, married Georgia Carter, at Maple, Carroll county, Ark., Mar. 2, 1899.

John F., born in Miller county, Mo., Mar. 1, 1867, married Flora Tomlinson, at Stoutland, Camden county, Mo., Jan. 17, 1900.

Mary E., born in Laclede county, Mo., Dec. 12, 1868, married J. E. Brasier.

Louis N., born in Hickory county, Mo., Mar. 2, 1871, married Cuba Bethurem, in Laclede county, Mo., Jan. 14, 1898.





THOMAS S. HALL,  
Assessor.



F. MARION WILSON,  
Prosecuting Attorney.



Margaret Louvena, born in Hickory county, Mo., May 22, 1873, died in Laclede county, Mo., July 9, 1897.

Lucy E., born in Hickory county, Mo., Oct. 5, 1877, married George E. Holman in Laclede county, Mo., Dec. 27, 1899.

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### PLEASANT WILSON.

Pleasant Wilson, son of Isaac D. Wilson and Mary E. Wood-Wilson, was born in Miller county, Mo., Oct. 23, 1842, married Sophia Hardin Burlingame, daughter of Asa Burlingame, in Miller county, Mo., Apr. 16, 1865. She was born in Morgan county, Ohio, Oct. 19, 1843.

#### CHILDREN:

Asa B., born in Miller county, Mo., Mar. 6, 1866, married Martha E. Tankesley, in Hickory county, Mo., Feb. 12, 1888, and to this union were born: Cora M., born Feb. 10, 1889, Everet B., born Sept. 15, 1890. Martha E., the wife, died Jan. 2, 1892. He was again married, this time, to Ruth England, of Benton county, Mo., on Apr. 6, 1898, and to them was born Issalee A., Apr. 22, 1900.

George W., born in Laclede county, Mo., May 31, 1868, married Martha T. Dollarhide, Feb. 14, 1892, and to their union were born: Everet, Mar. 4, 1893, and died the same day, Zilpha V., born Sept. 21, 1894, Milburn A., born Apr. 7, 1898, Vice S., born Oct. 14, 1900, Celia, born Aug. 11, 1905.

Effie E., born in Hickory county, Mo., Feb. 13, 1871, died, unmarried Jan. 6, 1907.

Eliza J., born in Hickory county, Mo., May 16, 1873, married Albert N. Tankesley, Jan. 7, 1897, and to their union were born: Melvin G., born Nov. 12, 1897, Euba M., born Nov. 21, 1899, Ruby E., born May 12, 1902, Alba S., born Dec. 25, 1903.

James P., born Aug. 10, 1876, died Jan. 16, 1877.

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### F. MARION WILSON.

F. Marion Wilson was born in Miller county, Mo., Jan. 24, 1848. Mary E. Alexander was born in Laclede county, Mo., Apr. 22, 1851. She was a daughter of George E. Alexander and Margaret Ann Tate-Alexander. They were born in Wilson county, Tenn. F. Marion Wilson and Mary E. Alexander, were united in marriage in Laclede county, Mo., Mar. 28, 1872.

## CHILDREN:

Ulysses Elmer, born in Cross Timbers, Mo., Jan. 2, 1873, about 4 o'clock A. M., married.

EuDora Louera, born in Hermitage, Mo., Mar. 12, 1875, died October 19, 1878, in Hermitage, Mo.

Eugenie EuDona, born in Hermitage, Mo., Mar. 27, 1877, married.

Ennis Ebert, born in Hermitage, Mo., Jan. 2, 1882, about 11 o'clock A. M.

Vide Vivian, born in Hermitage, Mo., Feb. 13, 1884.

George Emery, born in Hermitage, Mo., Aug. 12, 1887.

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**WILLIAM LOUIS WILSON**

William Louis Wilson, son of George Wilson and Eliza J. Wilson, was born in Miller county, Mo., Sept. 3, 1853, married Sarah Armead Pendleton, a daughter of George L. Pendleton, a Kentuckian, in Hickory county, Mo., Apr. 19, 1877. She was born in Kentucky, Mar. 1, 1859. The maiden name of her mother was Cole.

## CHILDREN:

Myrtle L., born in Hickory county, Mo., June 19, 1880, married John W. Harlan, near Checotah, I. T., Mar. 20, 1897.

Oral R., born in Hickory county, Mo., Nov. 22, 1882, married May Thomison, near Checotah, I. T., Mar. 10, 1904.

Russell R., born in Hickory county, Mo., Apr. 15, 1885.

Buel G., born in Hickory county, Mo., July 16, 1887.

George F., born in Hickory county, Mo., Apr. 15, 1889, and died July 12, 1889.

Mary J., born in Hickory county, Mo., Mar. 6, 1891.

William H., born in Hickory county, Mo., Feb. 5, 1893.

Harry H., born in Hickory county, Mo., Oct. 9, 1896.

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**JOHN P. WILSON.**

John P., Wilson, youngest son of George Wilson, born Mar. 22, 1865, married Ella Dorman, daughter of Oliver L., and Nancy E. Dorman, Apr. 8, 1888. She was born Feb. 7, 1874, in Hermitage, Mo.

## CHILDREN:

Claudie Vinson, born Mar. 25, 1888, died Feb. 14, 1889.

Curtis Alvin, born Jan. 4, 1890.

Clarence Edward, born Aug. 7, 1893.



Ralph Floyd, born Mar. 13, 1896.

Alta May, born Feb. 2, 1899.

Nannie Elöres, born Feb. 27, 1902.

All of the above children were born in Hickory county, Mo.

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### ASA WRIGHT.

Asa Wright was born Mar. 9, 1825, and married Nancy Close. Nancy Close was born Dec. 12, 1831.

#### CHILDREN:

James M., born June 24, 1850, married Mary Saylor.

George D., born Jan. 17, 1852, married Elizabeth Haskins.

Ora M., born Feb. 5, 1856.

Sarah E., born Nov. 19, 1859.

William T., born Jan. 9, 1861.

Gabrel, born Feb. 1, 1864.

Fielding H., born Apr. 1, 1866.

Grayson, born Feb. 1, 1868.

Dorcas, born Mar. 6, 1870.

One child born whose name and date of birth is not given.

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### REV. ELIJAH FISHER YEAGER.

Elijah Fisher Yeager was born July 11, 1804, in Washington county, Ky., and during his infancy his parents, Daniel and Susannah, moved to Washington county, Tenn., where he was married to Hannah Stanfield, Mar. 9, 1826. She was born Nov. 10, 1808, and died Sept 30, 1839.

#### CHILDREN:

Maria Emeline, born Jan. 9, 1827, married William Harvy Reser, July 15, 1841, died Aug. 22, 1879.

Paulina Jane, born Nov. 4, 1828, married Emanuel Bower, Feb. 18, 1844, died Aug. 26, 1903.

Thomas Franklin, born July 9, 1832, married Mary E. Reser, June 18, 1857, served in the Civil War in the 18th Iowa Inf'ty, and died May 7, 1900.

Mary Eliza, born Sept. 25, 1836, married May Burtin Wisdom, Aug. 15, 1852, died May 28, 1888.

Hannah Susannah, born Sept. 5, 1838, married Jona White Reser, Mar. 4, 1857, died Aug. 15, 1862.

On Mar. 10, 1840, Elijah, the father, married Margaret Bower, and the children born of this marriage were as follows:

Sarah Lovena Elizabeth Fisher, born Oct. 23, 1841, mar-

ried to Jacob Harrison Bruner, Oct. 21, 1858, died July 4, 1882.

Wilbur Fisk, born Oct. 16, 1843, married Sarah Ruth Glanville, Mar. 25, 1866.

Melvin Merrit, born Nov. 8, 1846, married Eliza Ann Pare, Dec. 15, 1870, died Sept. 23, 1886.

Elijah Fisher, born Sept. 12, 1849, married Hattie A. Morris, May 5, 1872, and she died Nov. 12, 1883, and he married Malissa Green, Jan. 8, 1887.

Lucy Caroline, born Aug. 13, 1853, died Nov. 24, 1870.

Henry Bascom, born June 29, 1857, died Oct. 18, 1874.

Margaret Ann, born Sept. 13, 1860, married Basil Elbert Niblack, Dec. 31, 1885.

Louisa Nancy Florena, born Mar. 22, 1863, married Valentine Bonner, Sept. 29, 1901.

In 1828, Elijah F., the father, moved with his family from Tennessee to Illinois and settled in Vermillion county, near Vermillion river, and in 1838 he moved to Missouri and settled in what is now Hickory county. He was converted and joined the M. E. church, at the age of 23 years, and was licensed to preach and ordained a Deacon by Bishop Robert R. Roberds. and ordained Elder by Bishop William Capers; was only a local Minister but was a power in the church, and an able and effective preacher. He died Apr. 16, 1885.

Wilbur Fisk, is a prominent Minister in the M. E. church, and has been a member of the Conference of that church since 1880. He served in the Civil War in Comprny "I" 8th Reg't Cav. Mo. Vols., one of the best fighting Regiments that Missouri sent to the field. Melvin Merrit, was also in the service of the U. S. for about six months during this war.

#### AMASA YEAW.

Amasa Yeaw was born in Rhode Island, June 6, 1823, came to Missouri in 1857, and died in Hickory county, Mo., Sept. 21, 1877. Clarissa J. Nichols, was born in Rhode Island, Feb. 18, 1824, married Amasa Yeaw in 1845, died near Cross Timbers, Mo., Jan. 28, 1907.

#### CHILDREN:

Sarah J., widow of Rev. William M. Jenkins, born in Rhode Island, Oct. 23, 1850.

Edwin H., born in Rhode Island, Sept 27, 1853, died in Hickory county, Mo., Nov. 14, 1900.



Henry, born in Wisconsin, in 1855, died in 1856.

Annie E., born in Missouri, Nov. 9, 1858, died Feb. 12, 1880.

Emma J., wife of Robert D. Manning, born in Missouri, Dec. 13, 1860.

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### WILLIAM M. JENKINS.

William M. Jenkins, born in Tenn., Dec. 31, 1839, came to Mo., in 1869, was married to Sarah J. Yeaw, in Mo., in 1869.

#### CHILDREN:

George W., born in Douglas county, Mo., July 12, 1870, now Prosecuting Attorney of Ray county, Mo.

Edwin G., born in Taney county, Mo., Oct. 3, 1872, now engaged in the mercantile business in Ray county, Mo.

Francis Marion, born in Hickory county, Mo., Sept. 9, 1875, resides in Texas.

Russell H., born in Hickory county, Mo., Feb. 5, 1878, Principal of Cross Timbers School.

Giles G., born in Hickory county, Mo., Sept. 24, 1880, farmer.

Nora J., born in Hickory county, Mo., Sept. 30, 1883, died Aug. 8, 1884.

Ida B., born in Hickory county, Mo., Apr. 14, 1885.

Lena May, born in Hickory county, Mo., May 28, 1889.

The father, William M. Jenkins, died on his farm near Cross Timbers, Aug. 11, 1900.

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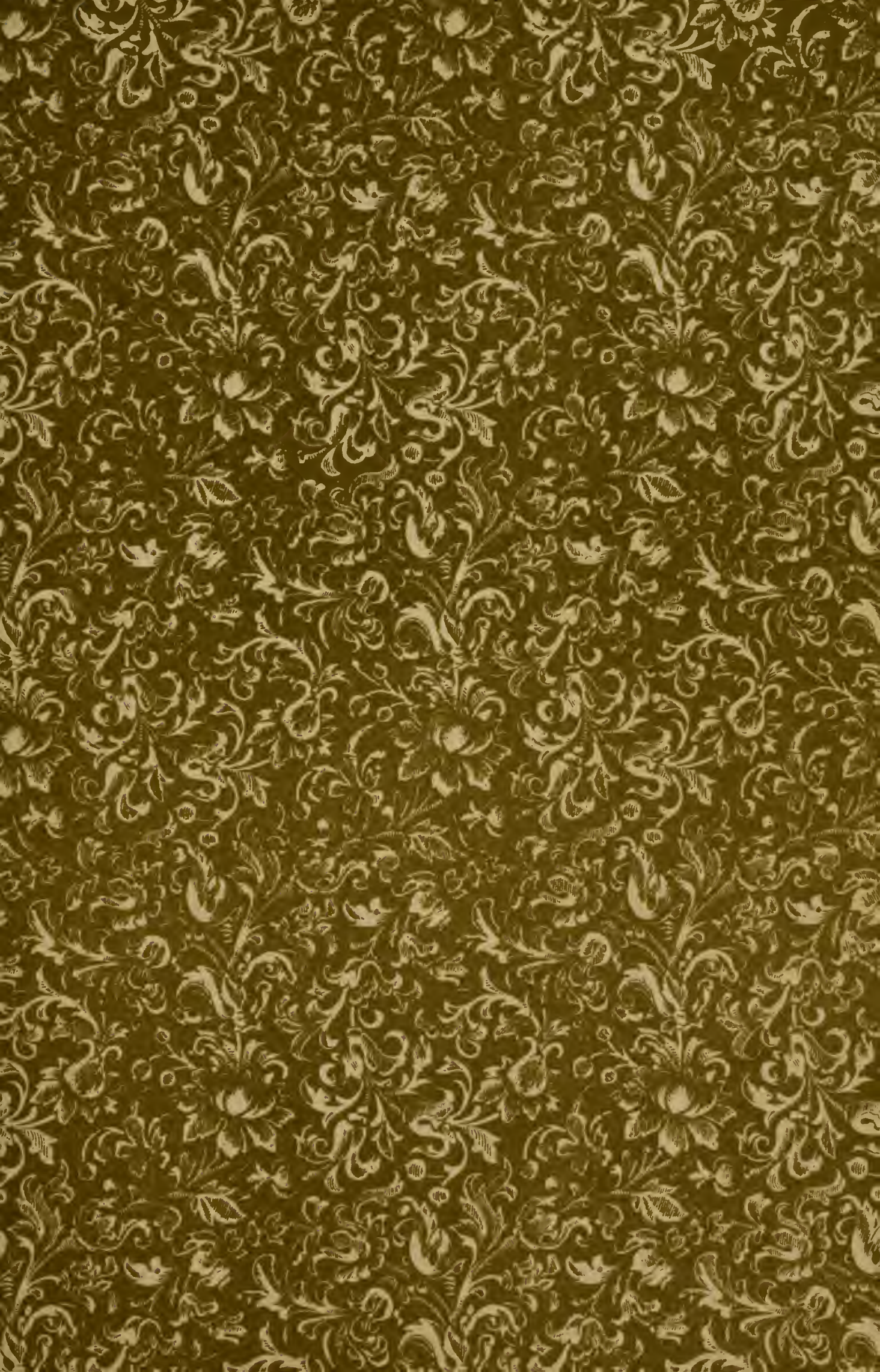










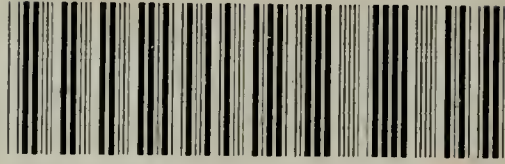








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