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WITH AN OUTLINE SKETCH OF

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there, and spared neither time or funds to make it a success. He had the fleetest horses of his day on the grounds, such as Flora Temple and other horses of like pedigree. He has many interests in Akron, among them are the oat-meal mills, etc. Mr. Upton never married, but is living on his farm, and is one of the most active men in church or society circles. Feb. 17, 1881, he was surprised by over 100 of his many friends, who assembled at his house for the purpose of showing the friendship they cherished for him. The parents of our subject, Dr. Daniel and Polly (Wright) Upton, were natives of Connecticut, and came to Ohio in an early day. Dr. Upton's youth was spent on the farm and in attending the schools of his neighborhood, where he received a liberal education. He was engaged in teaching school for several years, and at the same time studying medicine. He graduated in medicine, and then sought a home in Ohio; he first located in Trumbull Co., where he remained several years, and, in 1818, he removed to Franklin Co., settling in Worthington, and there remained until 1832, when he removed to Tallmadge. He was elected Representative, by the people of Franklin Co., several times. After his removal to Tallmadge, he discontinued his practice, paying special attention to his coal banks. He married Polly, daughter of Deacon Elizur Wright, of Tallmadge, but formerly of Connecticut. She was a Christian lady, an amiable wife and kind mother.

**WILLIAM UPTON**, farmer; P. O. Tallmadge; was born in the County of Kerry, Ireland, June 24, 1814. At the age of 16 years, he took passage on a vessel bound for Quebec. When out about sixteen days, and off the coast of Nova Scotia, the vessel was wrecked, having on board 303 passengers, men, women and children. The captain ordered the women and children to be taken ashore (which was two miles distant) first, then the older men, and by that time the vessel was fast going to pieces. Our subject, with eleven other young men, was advised by the captain to swim the distance. They undertook it, and eleven of them reached shore in an exhausted condition. He saved nothing from the wreck, and went three days without food. He started off in search of food or a settlement, and, after traveling for some time, saw a small boat belonging to a fishing smack. He told the occupants of the disaster, who took

them aboard of the smack, and brought them to Louisburg, N. S. The passengers of the ill-fated vessel, with the exception of our subject, were taken to Quebec. He remained in Louisburg for three months. He then worked his way to Boston, on board a coal vessel. From there he went to Albany and Schenectady, N. Y., where he remained a short time. In 1833, he came to Ohio, settling in Summit Co., and engaging in shoemaking for six years at Tallmadge Center. He then settled on a farm of 220 acres, where he has since resided. In 1836, he married Maria Sprague, daughter of Jonathan Sprague, of Tallmadge. From that marriage, there were six children, one of whom is living—Rev. J. S. Upton, of Bridgewater, N. Y. Mrs. Upton died in 1873. He married, for his second wife, Mrs. Kate Murphy, of Akron. The father of our subject, Capt. John Upton, had, from a boy, followed the seas. His mother was Mary Fuller, who was a consistent and earnest member of the Church of England.

**A. A. VIALL**, farmer; P. O. Tallmadge; was born in Harrisburg, Penn., Nov. 29, 1848. He remained at home until he was 16 years of age, receiving his education in the common schools of his neighborhood. In 1864, he enlisted in 184th O. V. I., where he remained until the close of the war. After his return home, he was engaged as engineer on a steamboat. He then worked on the Pittsburgh & Cleveland Railroad, where he fired a locomotive. He was then engaged by J. A. Caruthers to take charge of machinery in his mill. In 1878, he purchased, in company with C. D. Caruthers, the mill he now operates. In 1879, he was united in marriage to Helen Caruthers, daughter of J. A. Caruthers, of Tallmadge, whose family settled there in an early day from Connecticut. Mr. Viall is a strong Republican, and has always been identified with that party.

**DR. AMOS WRIGHT**, physician, Tallmadge; the first white male child born in Tallmadge Township, and his birth occurred Oct. 5, 1808; his parents, Dr. Amos and Lydia (Kinney) Wright, were natives of Connecticut, he coming to Trumbull County in 1801, where he remained until 1802, when he returned to Connecticut and married the above-named lady, who was the daughter of Rev. Aaron Kinney. After his marriage, he came to Trumbull County, where he remained until 1808; he then came to Tallmadge where he remained until he died.

He was the first practicing physician in this section of the State, and his practice was extensive. Our subject attended the academy in Tallmadge until he was 14 years old, and then went on the farm where he remained until he was 19 years of age. In 1827, he began the study of medicine in his father's office, where he remained two years; he then went to Cincinnati and attended lectures in 1829 and 1830. In 1831 and 1832, he attended lectures at Yale College. He returned to Tallmadge in 1833, and opened a drug store in Middlebury, conducting the business for one year, then removed to Trumbull County and practiced medicine for two years. He returned to Tallmadge in 1836, and has remained there ever since. He has an extensive circuit of practice, visiting

patients in Portage, Stark and Summit Counties. On the 31st day of March, 1831, he was united in marriage to Clemence C. Fenn, who bore to him nine children, six of whom are living—Stella, Celia, Ellen M., Julia I., Darwin E.; Samuel St. John associated with his father in his practice; H. M., Sarah E. and Alice are the names of those deceased. Alice was well and widely known in social and musical circles, and had distinguished herself as a singer of more than ordinary ability; she died in 1874, at the age of 23 years. March 31, 1881, Dr. and Mrs. Wright celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedded life by a golden wedding, given by them at their home, and entertained a host of congratulating friends.

#### NORTHFIELD TOWNSHIP.

**J. G. ALEXANDER**, merchant, Northfield; is one of the rising young merchants of Summit County; born in Cleveland, May 6, 1848; son of Hamill and Martha (Nesbit) Alexander. The father of our subject was born Aug. 6, 1818, in West Pennsylvania; son of James Alexander, whose ancestors hail from "Bonnie Scotland." He came West with his son Hamill in 1838, locating in Cuyahoga County, and engaged in agricultural pursuits, bringing his son up to this calling, whose marriage with Miss Nesbit occurred Nov. 17, 1842, whose birth is recorded April 7, 1822, born in Wheatfield Township, Indiana Co., Penn., daughter of John and Ann (Matthews) Nesbit, who came West from Pennsylvania, locating in the township in 1831. After the marriage of Hamill Alexander, he remained one year on the farm; then removed to Cleveland, where he lived nine years, being engaged in the mercantile business. From there he moved to Macedonia, this township, engaging in the lumber business, where he remained until his death, which took place July 4, 1854. To him were born a family of three children, viz., John N., now residing in Lansing, Mich.; James G. and Martha J. (now the wife of Dr. J. C. Bryson, of La Cygne, Lynn Co., Kan.). James G., at the death of his father, was but a lad of 6 years; being then thrown upon his own resources, he has since that time

rowed his own craft. When a mere lad, he hired out by the week, receiving \$5 per month, and continued on in this way until he accumulated means to enable him to engage in business for himself. In 1869, he moved with his mother and sister to Johnson Co., Mo., and farmed four years, which gave him more experience than profit. Returning, in November, 1872, to this town, he engaged as a clerk for Lyons, Logan & McClellan, remaining with them one year and a half, and then engaged one year with E. A. Palmer & Brother as traveling salesman. April 13, 1876, he married Ellen F. Love, daughter of John and Jane Love, of Coshocton County. The May following, he succeeded J. D. Lyon & Co., and has since been engaged in general merchandising, and is doing a safe and lucrative business. His business has increased to double its first dimensions. He is now handling all kinds of farm machinery, engines and threshers. He is energetic and an excellent business man. March 20, 1878, his lovely wife passed to the land "beyond the river," leaving him companionless. She bore him one child—Jennie—who sleeps in the cemetery beside her. Since the death of his wife, his mother has been his comforter and housekeeper. Mr. Alexander and mother are members of the U. P. Church, as also was her father.

MRS. JANE W. BACON, retired, Northfield; was born Nov. 16, 1811, in Jefferson Co., this State, to James and Sarah (McClintick) Pritchard. Her father was born in Maryland, son of William Pritchard, to whom was born three children. The father of Sarah McClintick was James, whose wife was Mary Williamson; they raised a family of six children, whose names were Mary, Rachel, Nancy, Sarah, James and Samuel. James, the father of the above, was a Commissary during the war of the Revolution, and was present at the battle of Bunker Hill. To James and Sarah Pritchard were born two children—Jane W. (Mrs. Bacon) and Sarah. His first marriage was with Tabitha White, by whom he had eight children; two of the number, Hezekiah and William, were soldiers in the war of 1812; William was Captain, his brother Hezekiah dying in the service. Mrs. Bacon's father removed West to Jefferson Co. in the latter part of the last century, locating in Steubenville; he was a man of superior ability and talent, was a Judge of the Court of Steubenville, and was one of the framers of the State Constitution and a member of the State Legislature, when they met at Chillicothe; here he died Feb. 6, 1813. His wife survived him until 1856; she was for sixty years a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. Bacon was married June 22, 1828, to David C. Bacon, who was born in Genesee Co., N. Y., July 18, 1803; he was a son of Isaac and Nancy (Cranmer) Bacon. Isaac Bacon came to Ohio, locating in this township, on Lot 63, in 1807, where he cut down a few trees and erected a cabin; while this was in progress, parties who were cutting the road leading from Hudson to Cleveland, hearing the sound of his ax, knowing the country to be uninhabited, started in quest of the unknown woodsman, and there found the frontiersman busy at his work; and, in honor to him, and for his accommodation, changed the direction of the road and run it past his domicile; hence the crook in the road which has since existed as a landmark in the township. This pioneer of Northfield Township died November, 1812; his son, David C., succeeded him in the ownership of the farm, and remained in the township until his death, which occurred Oct. 22, 1880. Five children were born to him, of whom but two are living, viz.: Sarah J. (now the wife of Dr. B. F. Roy, of Geauga Co., this State) and Miles

P., who is a resident of this township. Reason P. died June 6, 1859, at the age of 31, leaving no issue. Mrs. Bacon has been a member of Methodist Episcopal Church over fifty years, and was the first to experience religion in the township, and for one year was the only professor of religion in the township; she resides on her farm of 130 acres, which was settled by the elder Bacon, her house being the first frame built in the township.

NOEL BECK, farmer; P. O. Northfield; was born Feb. 17, 1818, near Salem, Columbiana Co.; son of Paul and Mary (Dickinson) Beck; Paul was born in Loudoun Co., Va., son of Preston Beck, to whom was born Edward, Paul, John, Richard, Mary, Esther, Phebe Ann and Rachel; Mary Dickinson was born in Redstone, in New Jersey; her mother's maiden name was Martha Hatfield; the father of Mary Dickinson was named Jesse Dickinson, whose mother's name was Sarah Richardson before marriage; the family on both sides were of Quaker families. Preston Beck came out to Columbiana Co. with his family before the commencement of the present century, being one of the pioneers of that county. Paul Beck was twice married—first, to Mary Dickinson, who bore him eight children; those who grew up, were Matilda, Jesse, Joseph, Noel and Martha; his second marriage was to Rachel Foster, by whom he had eight children: Noel came to Bedford in 1834. June 1, 1840, he was married to Maria Sheets, born March 28, 1819, in Columbiana Co.; her parents were George and Sarah (McConnors) Sheets; he was born Nov. 30, 1783, she March 5, 1787; he was a sailor when young, they were born and married in New Jersey; their nuptials are recorded as taking place in the year 1808; to them were born ten children, nine of whom grew up. George Sheets and wife, with two other families, composed of Father McConnors and wife, and Robert Thomas and his wife, all came out in 1812 together, in a two-horse wagon containing what little of this world's goods they possessed. Soon after Mr. Sheets' arrival in the State, he was drafted into the war of 1812. His father's name was Yosey, who married Elizabeth Kuntz, and by her he had seven children—John, Joseph, William, Samuel, George, Adam and Betsey. Mr. Beck, at the time of his marriage, had nothing but his hands and his worthy wife to begin with; not

having the money to buy any furniture, he turned in and made his own table, chairs, and such articles as they were obliged to have, which served them until they could afford "store" furniture; he bought 40 acres "in the woods," of his father, costing \$400, yet in four years had it paid for; after living on this farm ten years, he sold it for \$700 and moved to this township, purchasing 93 acres on Lot 13 for \$1,400, but afterward cost him \$300 more, in consequence of a dower lien coming to light which he had to square off; he lived on this place three years and located where he now resides, where he has 101 acres. Four children have been born to him—Mary (Mrs. Charles Pell), Clarkson and Alice (Mrs. John A. Ellett), all of this township. Mrs. Beck is a member of the Disciples' Church. Mr. B. is not a member of any denomination, but is a good Republican.

CLARKSON BECK, farmer; P. O. Bedford; was born in Bedford Township, Cuyahoga Co., March 20, 1847, the fourth of the family, and the third of the number who grew up. He removed with his parents to this township when about 3 years of age, his father first locating on the "ledge." Clarkson remained with his parents until he was 25 years of age. Jan. 14, 1872, he married Rebecca J. Stanley, who was born 1851, in Columbiana Co., this State, daughter of Waddy and Lydia (Mather) Stanley. Her father was born in Virginia, Sept. 4, 1816, and her mother on Feb. 2, 1822, in Pennsylvania. Waddy was a son of Waddy, Sr., who was the parent of ten children, viz., Joel, Samuel, Thomas, Waddy, Precilla, Lucy, Nancy, Rebecca, Anna and Deborah. Lydia was a daughter of John and Catharine (Smith) Mather, to whom were born ten children—Samuel, Thomas, Sarah, Daniel, Jessie, Ann, William, James, Lydia and John. To Mrs. Beck's parents were born Catharine A., Joshua L., Rebecca J. and Thomas, who died at 4 years of age; Edgar W. died when 16 months' old. The Stanleys and Mathers are Quakers. The Mathers were Hicksites; the Stanleys were Guernseys. The old gentleman died March 31, 1871, and his wife March 30, 1861. Since Mr. Beck's marriage, he has been a resident of the snug farm of 82 acres, which he now owns. He has three children, viz., Bertha May, Mattie Jane and George D. Mr. Beck is among the enterprising young men of the county. He has a pleasant

home and family, and is a representative young agriculturist and business man.

GEORGE L. BISHOP, farmer; P. O. Northfield; born Jan. 23, 1842, at the center of Northfield; is the youngest of a family of three children of Orin and Celina (Lilley) Bishop. George was 3 years of age when his father died, and was then raised by Mr. Seidell, his step-father, who taught him the wagon-maker's trade. In August, 1861, he enlisted in Co. K, 19th O. V. I., for three years, and after the expiration of his time, re-enlisted and served until the close of the war, receiving his discharge in November, 1865. He served in seventeen battles; his first was Shiloh or Pittsburg Landing, then Mission Ridge, Chickamauga and winding up with the battle at Nashville, when Hood attempted to match W. T. Sherman—to invade the enemy's country. It can be said of Mr. Bishop that he was a true and valiant soldier during all his time of service, and was always with his command, with the exception of five months, when he was in the hospital in consequence of wounds received at Stone River, and during this time the regiment were not in any engagement. Upon his return home from service, he resumed his trade at the Center with Mr. Seidell, remaining with him two years. He then engaged with a New York firm, and for six years was their general agent, having the State to canvass in the interests of patent medicine. After which, he and his brother Clark purchased a farm together, which they carried on some time, when he sold his share to his brother. Dec. 31, 1819, he married Martha Way, who was born May 4, 1850, in England, daughter of Charles Way, who came to the country in 1859. Since his marriage he has resided at Brandywine. Both he and his wife are members of the M. E. Church. He is also a member of A. F. & A. M., and a loyal Republican.

SIDNEY BEANEY, farmer; P. O. Macedonia; he is the son of John and Jane (Weston) Beaney; was born March 1, 1819, in Sussex Co., England. John Beaney was born March 28, 1776, and his wife April 11, 1780. To them were born twelve children—Mary, born in 1799; Susanna, in 1802; James, in 1804; Alfred, in 1806; William, in 1809; Walter, in 1811; Jesse, in 1814; Jane, in 1815; John, in 1816; Sidney, in 1819; Ann, in 1820; Joshua, in 1823. Sidney left England when a young man.

and came with Alfred and Jesse to New Hartford, Litchfield Co., Conn., where his brother Walter was engaged as foreman in a cotton factory. Here Sidney found employment for two years, and then went to Stockbridge, Berkshire Co., where he engaged for two years more in a factory at that place. In company with two others, he started West in May, 1841, and, after a long, tedious journey of adventures, they came to Hudson, where he engaged in brick-yard shoveling, at \$7 per month. Here he stayed six months, and then worked three years in a hat store, for Mr. Strong, after which he went back to England, and brought out his parents, and after staying one year with them in York State, he came back to Hudson, where he purchased 60 acres of land where he now resides, there being then a small clearing on the same. Here Mr. Beaney has since lived, and though poor when he commenced life, he has at length become prosperous, having now 180 acres of land, with excellent buildings thereon. His father died suddenly of heart disease in March, 1864, and his mother died the following September. June 28, 1858, Mr. Beaney was married to Mary Roughton, born March 19, 1836, in Cambridgeshire (March Parish). She was the daughter of Benjamin and Sarah (Thompson) Roughton. To Benjamin and Sarah Roughton were born twelve children, of whom seven grew up: Alice, Rachel, John, Rebecca, John and John R., twins; Mary and Sarah (also twins); Keziah, Thomas, Jemima and James. The father of Mrs. Beaney died when she was 8 years of age. She came to America with her mother in 1847, and located in Strongsville. Her mother died November, 1873. She was a Free-Will Baptist, and her husband a Calvinist, in belief. Mr. and Mrs. Beaney are members of the Baptist Church. They have three children, viz., Walter, Sidney and Sarah J.

AMBROSE W. BLISS, farmer; P. O. Northfield. The Bliss family trace their origin to one Thomas Bliss, who was born in England about the year 1550, the name having been traced from the Norman-French Blois through the forms Bloys, Blyse, Blysse and Blisse to the American Bliss. The family is supposed to be of Norman descent, having come to England with William the Conqueror, and it is thought by some to have been connected with the Norman kings. The history of the American family begins with the Puritan brothers

George Bliss and Thomas Bliss, Jr., who came to America to escape religious persecution, landing in Boston in 1635. Thomas Bliss died at Hartford in 1640. Four of his five sons came to Springfield, Mass., in 1643, and their mother, Margaret Bliss, soon followed, making the journey in five days through the forests to Hartford. She bought a tract of land on the Connecticut River, through which now extends Margaret and Bliss streets, named for them. From her comes the "Springfield family," which is now scattered over the world, having three of its members missionaries in Turkey, while others have been traced to Asia, Africa and Australia. Among the famous members and descendants of the family are Ralph Waldo Emerson and the late P. P. Bliss, the singer, who was a descendant of the original Thomas Bliss. Ambrose W. Bliss is a native of Vermont, born in Jericho Township, Chittendon Co., Dec. 6, 1806, and the eighth child of a family of eleven children, viz.: Julius, Cynthia, Fannie, Hosea, Timothy, Laura, Lucia, Ambrose W., Lavina, George, and one deceased, born to Timothy and Anna (Campbell) Bliss, both of whom were natives of Connecticut. Timothy was born Feb. 16, 1769, Anna Feb. 2, 1769. Ambrose was brought up on a farm. At the age of 18, he left home and learned the carpenter and millwright's trade. In the fall of 1833, he came to this State, working on the public works in the harbor at Cleveland and Black River, where he had charge of a force of men for some time. May 9, 1839, he married Emelne Palmer, born April 5, 1815, in Windsor, Conn., daughter of Hezekiah H. and Abigail (Taylor) Palmer. Mrs. Bliss was the second of a family of six who grew to maturity. Since Mr. Bliss was married he has been a constant resident of the township. When he first came, he and his brother Hosea purchased 148 acres (Lot 76) in partnership, upon which Hosea built a log-cabin. Ambrose in the meantime located one-half mile south of the Center on a tract of 30 acres, upon which he lived about three years and a half. He then purchased 165 acres at the Center, where he has since resided. While he has carried on farming since his coming, yet he has in the meantime been engaged at his trade, having built nearly all the aqueducts and lock-gates on the canal between Brecksville and Cleveland. Being an excellent work

man, his services have been brought into requisition by the public. Mr. Bliss is one of the self-made men of this township. He has been industrious, prudent and economical, and has now 240 acres of good land. Since the dissolution of the Whig party, he has been a Republican, and has filled several offices of trust in the township and served two years as Commissioner of the county. He is not a member of any orthodox church, yet is a supporter of the Gospel and a friend to all religious orders and enterprises that are calculated to advance the interests of the community at large. He is a life member of the American Bible Society. He and his family patronize liberally the newspapers and monthly periodicals. Of four children born three are living—Ellen, Lorin and George. Horace was a member of Co. C, 115th O. V. I.; enlisted August, 1862, and died Feb. 20, 1863, of disease contracted in the army. All the Bliss family are Republicans with the exception of George Bliss, who was a Democrat. He represented this county in the State Legislature.

C. J. CHAFFEE, farmer and stock-raiser; son of Comfort and Perses (Skinner) Chaffee, was born in Hampden Co., Mass., April 14, 1817. Comfort's father bore the same name; he was a son of Asa, who was the son of Asa, Sr., which makes Comfort J., whose name heads this sketch, of the fifth generation from Asa Chaffee, Sr. The Chaffee family were among the staunch families in the Colonial times; nine of the family were represented in the war of the Revolution. Comfort, Sr., married Mary Bliss; their children were Comfort, Joel and Bliss. To Comfort and Perses were born ten children, of whom Polly (Mrs. G. Smith), settled in Springfield, Mass.; Rodolphus died in Michigan; John M. died in Springfield, Mass.; Jonathan S. died in Grand Haven, Mich.; Perses married S. Hunt, and raised four children; William P. lives in Wilberham, on his grandfather's place, and Electa settled in Hampden. Mr. Chaffee's great-uncle, Isaiah Ephraim, was among the number who chased the wolf in the den, which Maj. Putnam captured. Isaiah and William were at Braddock's defeat. Isaiah was in command of the wagon-train, and was attacked by the Indians; Isaac fought with desperation, and was finally shot, but had slain nine of the dusky warriors ere he received his death wound. Subject, being

of a mechanical turn of mind, worked in machine-shops, and was engaged for some time in the armory at Millberry—engaged in the manufacture of pistols and spring-bow callipers; also, at Chickopee Falls, on slide wrenches. He came West in 1840, and worked at Brecksville a short time; then went to Elyria, and assisted in building the first machinery used in the mills by Herrick & Palmer; with this firm he remained nearly three years. June 24, 1845, he was married to Asenath Ward Ferry, born Nov. 13, 1819, in Massachusetts, a daughter of Noah Ferry and Rebecca Ward. Noah was born in Palmer, Mass., 1783; he had two sons and four daughters, whose names were James A., Asenath W., Sophia J., Rebecca, Maria and Noah F. Noah was a son of Judah and Hannah (Cooley) Ferry. Rebecca Ward was a daughter of Reuben Ward, whose wife was Rebecca (Firbush) Wood, a daughter of Dr. Wood. Reuben was a son of Lieut. Urijah Ward, and a brother of Sheriff's Asa, Calvin and Dr. John Ward. Perses, the mother of C. J., was a daughter of Jonathan V. and Drusilla (Perrin) Skinner, to whom were born five children—Aaron, who was a noted lawyer, George, Frank, Orin and Jonathan, who was a manufacturer. The Skinners were from England, and were among the first settlers in America. Mr. Chaffee has been a resident of this township for many years; he has been a successful farmer and has 375 acres of land, situate in the west part of the township; said farm is well adapted to farming and pasturage. The spars of Commodore Perry's boat were cut off this land, also the timber of which the vessel "Sardis" was built. Mr. Chaffee has been in the past quite extensively engaged in the dairy business, running 70 cows, but more recently is engaged in stock-raising. He has two children—Lucian M. and Anna M., now Mrs. Dr. Franklin M. Coates, in Berea, Cuyahoga Co.

Z. F. CHAMBERLIN, farmer; P. O. Macedonia. The Chamberlin family of this county, originated from William Chamberlin, who came from England to Connecticut, in 1780; his wife was Jemima Skinner. Amos, his son, married Jerusha Crane, by whom he had five sons and four daughters, viz., Horace A., Harris B., Schuyler M., Orville W., Henry H., Laura, Jerusha, Catharine and Cordelia. Horace A., was born in Hudson Township, March 24, 1819; Sept. 24, 1839, he married

Anna Post, who was born Nov. 28, 1820, in Hudson Township, daughter of Zina and Marena (Kellogg) Post. Zina was born in Saybrook, Conn., son of Joshua, who died in Connecticut. Marena was a daughter of Bradford Kellogg, a native of Vermont, who entered the Revolutionary war when young, and who being under-size, stood on a log at the time of inspection to raise him to regulation height. Zina Post was a soldier in the war of 1812, and at one time 250 of Hull's soldiers encamped one night on his premises and partook of his hospitality. To Horace and Anna (Post) Chamberlin were born six children—Zina F. and Francis A., now in Newburg in the wire works; Edward A., at Cuyahoga Falls, in rivet manufacturing; Horace A. and Willie E., on the homestead; Delos (deceased); Horace A., died Oct. 30, 1876; his wife is yet living. Zina F. and his father were born on the same farm. March 20, 1862; he married Sarah A. Paxson, born in Stark Co., Lexington Township, Ohio, April 20, 1841, daughter of Heston C. and Rachel (Ingledue) Paxson, her father was born Feb. 17, 1794, in Lancaster Co., Penn., son of William, whose ancestors came from England. Rachel Ingledue was a daughter of Blackstone and Nellie (Wheat) Ingledue, to whom were born, seven children—Reason, Eber, William Rachel, Parmelia and Ellen. To Heston and Rachel Paxson were born four children whose names are Ezra W., now in Stark County; Lucinda, now in Marshall Co., Iowa, the wife of R. Strang; Melinda (Mrs. Joseph Sheets), Stark Co., Ohio, and Sarah A. (Mrs. Chamberlin). Since the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlin they have been constant residents of this township, with the exception of one year spent in Cleveland and a short time in Hudson Township. He is now located on the farm his father (Horace) owned, situated on Lot 8, which is one of the finest locations (inclusive of house and farm buildings) in the township. His farm consists of 150 acres. He has but one child—Hammer E., born July 14, 1866. The Chamberlin and Post families are Republicans.

MRS. GEORGE DARLING, Northfield; was born in Putnam, Washington Co., N. Y., March 11, 1821. Her parents were Robert Sheill, who was born in Scotland, Oct. 28, 1784, and died Oct. 11, 1834, and Mary (Easton) Sheill born Aug. 13, 1789, and died March 7, 1828. Rob-

ert Sheill was a son of William Sheill who was born in 1760, and died in June, 1844. Mary Easton was a daughter of George Easton and Margaret (Hutton) Easton, who was a daughter of William Hutton, of Scotland. To Robert Sheill and wife were born nine children—Margaret, Elizabeth, Jane, Janette, Agnes, Mary, Bathsheba (Mrs. Darling), William and Robert. Jane, Agnes, Mary, Bathsheba and Robert are the surviving members at this date (1881). Robert Sheill was a weaver in his native home (Scotland). George Easton was a soldier in the Revolutionary war. Adam Darling was born in Scotland about the year 1778, and was married to Elizabeth Porteous Dec. 18, 1812. In the year 1816, they emigrated to America, landing at Baltimore, where they remained for about a year, and from there they removed to Putnam, Washington Co., N. Y. To Adam and Elizabeth were born ten children—George, born Jan. 8, 1814, at Dunbar, Scotland; John, Helen, James, Margaret, Thomas, William, Janette, Elizabeth and Mary. Those living are James, of Sac Co., Iowa; Margaret, Mrs. Daniel Boyd, of Pocahontas Co., Iowa; Janette, Mrs. Adam Kuhn, of Houston Co., Minn.; Thomas, of Oakland Co., Mich., and Mary, Mrs. Isaac Thompson, of Houston Co., Minn. George Darling and Bathsheba Sheill were married in Putnam, Washington Co., N. Y., June 13, 1843. In the year 1845, they removed to Northfield, and located one-fourth mile north of the center. Mr. Darling was a carpenter by trade, as was his father, and during his life, he pursued his trade industriously. He died June 24, 1880, at the age of 66 years. He was a member of the United Presbyterian Church for upward of forty years, and was highly respected by all who knew him. His wife and four children remain on the homestead with their mother. Mary E. is one of the most successful teachers of the county, having an experience of twenty-eight terms of teaching. Margaret A., relict of Thomas McArthur, of Putnam, Washington Co., N. Y., who died Sept. 6, 1876, leaving one child—Ida Marion. Robert A. and Georgiana are at home.

J. C. DEISMAN, farmer; P. O. Northfield; born May 12, 1831, in Salem, Columbiana Co., Ohio, the second child born to Henry L. and Letitia (Coulson) Deisman. He was born Feb. 27, 1807, in Warrington Township, in York Co., Penn., whose father bore the same name (H. L.).

Was a native of Germany; came to America prior to the war of the Revolution, when he was 14 years of age, and was sold to pay his passage money. He settled in Pennsylvania, and raised a family of seven children, who were Rebecca, Rachel, Susan, Elizabeth, Mary, Henry L. and John. The father of James C., our subject, was a weaver by trade, which vocation he followed for many years. In 1828, was married to Letitia Coulson, whose birth was Nov. 5, 1809, in same county as her husband; she was a daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Glass) Coulson; he was a son of David, whose wife was Jane Clark. Mrs. Deisman was the only child born to her parents that lived to be grown. Elizabeth Glass was a daughter of Daniel and Letta (Gray) Glass, both natives of Ireland; they had children as follows: William, Daniel and John. The children of David Coulson were William and Charles. Mr. and Mrs. Deisman came West to Columbiana County, about the year 1830, and, about seven years afterward, came to this township with \$160, purchasing 35 acres on Lot 41, costing him \$6.25 per acre, with no improvements, here they settled, when he got his cabin built had 50 cents left, he working at his trade when not engaged at his home on the farm, and paid for his land, remaining on the same until his death, Oct. 8, 1867, having been for many years a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His wife yet survives him; has been a member of the same church since 16 years of age. James C. left home soon after 21; Nov. 15, 1858, was married to Elizabeth Patterson, born Jan. 15, 1835, daughter of Thomas and Jane McNeelen, born December, 1799; he was born in Pennsylvania Jan. 22, 1797, son of Andrew, who was a Virginian. The mother of Thomas Patterson was Mary Bell. The children of Andrew, were Andrew, Nathaniel, Thomas, Belsey and Polly. Jane McNeelen's parents were William and Mary (Ray) McNeelen, whose offspring were Ellen, Jane, Peggy, Eliza, Nancy, William and Samuel. The parents of Mrs. Deisman came West in 1857, to Bedford Township, Cuyahoga Co.; they had six children—William, James, Thomas, Ellen, Mary and Lizzie; parents died, he 1878, she 1844. After Mr. and Mrs. Deisman was married, they located in Bedford Township, remaining there until 1870, when he moved to the township, purchasing 103 acres on Lot 61.

where he has since resided; has one daughter—Emma, born 1860. Mrs. Deisman is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a member of Bedford Lodge, No. 375, A., F. & A. M., also of the Chapter of R. A. Masons. JOHN DOSENBURY, farmer; P. O. Northfield; was born Dec. 1, 1800, in Hunterdon Co., N. J., to Cornelius and Mary (Stillwell) Dosenbury. Cornelius was a son of Abram, who was a soldier in the war of the Revolution; he and all his brothers served under Gen. Washington in the battles of Trenton, Princeton, etc. Abram Dosenbury was a native of Holland, and emigrated to the United States about the middle of the seventeenth century. Mary was a daughter of John Stillwell, whose wife was Sarah Stevenson, whose family was from Germany. Cornelius had ten children born him, viz., Sarah, Ann, John, Hannah, Elizabeth, Charity, Rebecca, Phineas, Cornelius, and Phebe (deceased). John left home at 21, and moved about from place to place for several years before he settled down; then, in 1829, he came West and stayed one year in Michigan; also some length of time near Zanesville. Nov. 14, 1835, he married Ruth Duncan, born Dec. 6, 1816, in Beaver Co., Penn.; she was the daughter of John and Elizabeth (McLean) Duncan. John Duncan's parents came from Ireland, and he was born on the sea while his parents were coming to this country. Thirteen children were born them; eleven grew up, whose names were Robert, John, Hannah, Ruth, McLean, William, Elizabeth, Mary, James, Simeon and Perry. The Duncan family settled in this township about the year 1821. To Mr. Dosenbury nine children were born; those living are William (in Montcalm Co., Mich.), John (in Pierson, same State), Sarah (this county), George, Cornelius, Frank, Harriet (at home) and Jane (died at 31). John built the first house in Pierson. Mrs. Dosenbury is a member of the M. E. Church. He is not a member of any denomination, but is a believer in Spiritualism.

L. R. FOSTER, farmer; P. O. Macedonia; was born in Warrensburg, Warren Co., N. Y., Aug. 7, 1831, to Lyman and Minerva (Everest) Foster. His father was born Feb. 28, 1805, near Augusta, Maine; he was a son of Eli and Amy (Carpenter) Foster. The Fosters are of Irish ancestry. The tradition is, that four brothers came from Ireland and settled in the

Eastern States; from them have descended the existing families of the name. To Eli and Amy were born Fannie, Lyman, Eli and Eliza. Minerva Everest was born in Essex Co., N. Y., June 17, 1806, daughter of William Everest, who was born Sept. 24, 1771, in Addison Co., Vt., son of Zadock Everest, whose ancestors came from England, and are in direct line of connection with the Dudley family. Zadock Everest was one of the early settlers in Addison Co., Vt. The first session of court in that county was held in his house, and at the time of the Revolution his house was headquarters for the officers of the troops, who were encamped on the farm. To Zadock were born thirteen children. William Everest married Mina Holcomb, by whom he had thirteen children, nine of whom grew to maturity—William B., Harvey, Almira, Clarissa, Minerva, Amanda, Miranda, Zadock and Marshall. Eli Foster and wife, after marriage, moved to Maine, where Lyman (the father of L. R.) was born, and when 10 years of age, removed with his parents to Warren Co., N. Y. The parents of our subject were married March 10, 1829; to them were born eight children, viz.: Orlando, Le Roy R., Andrew J., Amanda E., Alonzo L., Sarah J., Rada M. and Amelia M. The parents of the above came West in 1841, and located in Macedonia, with a family of six children and \$52 in money, and a scanty amount of household goods; though poor, being industrious and handy with tools, by working at the carpenter's trade and whatever labor was the most remunerative, he was successful and acquired a good home and a competence. He died Sept. 24, 1875. He was one of the founders of the Baptist Church, and was for many years a regularly ordained Deacon of the same; was a free and outspoken man in whatever he deemed was right; was a friend of the bondman, who were fleeing for liberty, ever found in him a true friend, and was a man who never aspired after political preferment. William Everest and wife came West to this State in 1841, where they lived until their death. His decease took place Jan. 23, 1856; his wife's in April, 1861. Our subject was raised to farming, and at the age of 19, began teaching in the public schools; he taught singing classes during the winter; music is a talent that has always predominated in the family. July 1, 1859, he married Maria Stevens, born in Princeville, Peoria Co., Ill.,

daughter of William and Maria (Blood) Stevens. Mr. Stevens is now an extensive land owner in Quiver Township, Mason Co., Ill. Mrs. Foster died Nov. 1, 1862, leaving one child—Ora M. Mr. Foster has 175 acres of land, and, though not a member of any church, is a friend to and supporter of Christianity, and an active worker and superintendent of the Sunday school. He is a true Republican, and a strong temperance man.

GEORGE FORBES, stock-trader, Macedonia. Esquire Forbes was born April 27, 1840, in Aberdeen Co., Scotland, and was the youngest of a family of nine children born to Nathaniel and Margaret Souder. His father was born about the year 1794, son of William Forbes. Margaret was a daughter of Robert Souder, to whom were born two children—Margaret and Mary, both living. The family emigrated to this State, locating in Cuyahoga Co., Solon Township, in 1852. Nine children were born to them, eight living—Mary (now in Solon, the wife of George Cowan), Robert (in Bedford Township), Margaret and Isabella (same township), also John and James (of this township), and Alexander (a teacher of Cleveland). After several years' residence, Nathaniel purchased land and located in this township in 1862. His death occurred May, 1875; his wife, still living, is a resident of Bedford Township. George was raised to farming pursuits; receiving the advantages afforded at the common district school and at Hiram, he launched out as a teacher, and was successfully engaged for several years. Since 1864, he has been engaged in stock-trading. In June, 1875, he formed a matrimonial alliance with Fannie Bliss. Since April, 1876, he has served as Justice of the Peace. His good judgment, aided by his studied acquaintance with common law, conspire to make him an able and satisfactory officer. Although not a member of any church, he contributes to the support of the Gospel.

ELIHU GRISWOLD, retired farmer; P. O. Macedonia; born in Schroon, Essex Co., N. Y., Sept. 2, 1807; was raised in Essex Co., where his father, Elihu, died. Mr. Griswold came West to this township May 19, 1832, and purchased 164 acres on Lot 7, from Henry M. Boardman, upon which there were no improvements whatever. Building him a small cabin a short distance north of his present residence; he then cut off about ten acres and sowed the

same in wheat; the following year, while this was maturing, he returned East to his native county, and was married to Betsy Potter, and returned with her the same week; he started, driving the entire distance, in a buggy borrowed from Col. Arthur, of Northfield Center. Since Mr. Griswold came, he has resided on his first purchase. In 1843, he built his present residence. His wife died Dec. 30, 1862, leaving no issue. June 14, 1863, he was married to Louisa, born, 1841, in this township, daughter of William and Sarah (Baum) Powell. Mr. Griswold has been seriously injured by a fall occasioned by a horse running away; his health and mental faculties are impaired to such an extent as to render him incompetent to attend to his own business affairs, of which Mrs. Griswold has taken charge, and, in the management of the same, she has displayed a spirit of enterprise and business tact not seen in the average woman. She has been a member of the M. E. Church for over a score of years. Mr. Griswold is not a member of any church, yet has always been an honorable man, upright and straight in his business transactions, and has been highly respected in the community. They have one son—Elihu W., born Nov. 8, 1865. He owns 186 acres of land.

MRS. ALMIRA HERBERT, retired; P. O. Macedonia; third daughter of Elisha and Sarah (Simms) Hyde; was born Sept. 23, 1812, in Hartwick, Otsego Co., N. Y. Elisha was raised in Vermont; Sarah Simms was born in Rhode Island, and was the daughter of a sea-faring man, who was the captain of a merchantman; the family are supposed to be of English descent. To Elisha was born Grace, who married Truman Chaffee, who settled in Trumbull Co., this State, and raised a large family; they finally located in Orwell, Ashtabula Co.; Sarah also settled in Trumbull Co. after becoming the wife of Horace Mansfield; they raised no family. Elisha Hyde was a soldier in the war of 1812; he died Oct. 8, 1862, his wife in 1827; both were members of the M. E. Church. Mrs. Herbert came West to Trumbull Co. in 1824, with her parents, who settled in Farmington, where they died, as per above statement. Sept. 9, 1845, she was married to James Herbert, who was born in Leitram Co., Ireland; his parents were William and Jane (Saddler) Herbert. Mr. John Senters was a boon companion to Mr. Herbert, and came with him from

the same county in Ireland to this State, and together they worked on the public works at Cleveland and at Akron; after saving some money, they made their first purchase in partnership, one taking the south part of the lot and the other the north. Mr. Herbert died in 1865. Mrs. Herbert is a member of the M. E. Church.

J. A. HERBERT, farmer; P. O. Macedonia. John A. Herbert was born on the farm where he now lives June 21, 1852; he is the third child of four born to James and Almira (Hyde) Herbert; Hattie is an experienced and successful teacher, and Sarah is the wife of O. T. Holbrook, of this township. John A. was married to Mary Means, born Oct. 24, 1857; she is a daughter of Andrew S. Means, one of the prominent farmers and pioneers of this township; they have one child, Ouida. John A. now resides on the homestead farm, which contains 206½ acres; his mother and sister Hattie reside in Macedonia.

HORACE HOLBROOK, retired farmer; P. O. Macedonia; third child of John and Susannah (Towne) Holbrook, was born in Essex Co., Vt., June 19, 1803. He was one of ten children—eight of whom lived to be grown, whose names were Rebecca, Horace, Salem, Adaline, Alanson, Irena, William H. and Nelson M. The boys are yet living—Salem in Wisconsin, Alanson in Michigan, William in New York, Nelson in Iowa, Horace in this township. Irena is not married, and resides in Michigan. Job was the grandfather of Horace, and married Naomi Stebbins. Jonathan and William Towne served in the war of the Revolution, and Alanson Holbrook in that of 1812. The Towne family trace their origin to William Towne, an Anglo-American, born about the year 1600, who came to Salem, Mass., in 1640, and afterward removed to Topsfield in 1852, where he died, aged 72. His son Jacob was born in 1631, and in 1657, married Catharine Symonds, and by her had six children. John, his son, was born April 2, 1658. Feb. 2, 1680, he married Mary Smith, and settled in Oxford in 1712. Ten children were born him. The next generation was Israel, born Nov. 18, 1684—married Susan Haven, who bore him ten children. Israel, the next in order, was born Feb. 12, 1727, purchased a farm in Belchertown in 1749, married Naomi Stebbins in 1754. She was born Nov. 9, 1735. He died Dec. 10, 1805, in his 78th year, and she on Feb. 12, 1827, in

her 92d year. All of the children, ten in number, were born and brought up in Belchertown. Next was Salem Towne, born March 5, 1779, married Abigail King, March 26, 1807, and lived in Granville, N. Y., until 1829, when he moved to Aurora. Abigail was born Oct. 12, 1781; she died while on a visit to Gallipolis, Ohio, Dec. 7, 1840, in her 60th year. The children, seven in number, were all born in Granville, N. Y. Horace was raised a farmer; leaving home at 21, he embarked for himself, and worked out by the month. In the spring of 1834, he came West, purchasing, where he now lives, 80 acres. Returning in 1835, he married Mary Gutherie, born in 1809; a daughter of James Gutherie, whose wife was a Munson. His wife died fourteen months after their marriage, leaving no issue. April 11, 1839, he married Susan Thompson, born in Hudson Township, Oct. 2, 1802; daughter of Moses and Elizabeth (Mills) Thompson. She died in January, 1879; by her he had one son, Ossian T., who now resides with Mr. Holbrook on the homestead. His present wife was a daughter of James Herbert, one of the old settlers of the township. Mr. Holbrook began in life poor, and has now 175 acres, situated a short distance north of Macedonia. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and one of the solid and substantial representatives of the community.

C. HUNT, farmer; P. O. Northfield. Calvin Hunt is the youngest of a family of eleven children, whose parents were Abner and Betsy (Johnson) Hunt. The names of the children born them were Lovina, Almira, Nancy, Abner, William, Norman, Russel, Marshall, Hannah and Calvin, all of whom lived to be men and women. Abner Hunt was born in Massachusetts Aug. 18, 1791; wife born in same State in 1788. Abner was a son of Jacob Hunt, who was a soldier in the war of 1812. To him were born children as follows: Jacob, Thomas, John, Sallie and Hannah. Abner Hunt came West in 1817, remaining one year on Tinker's Creek, in Cuyahoga Co.; the year following, came to this township, where he rented land several years; coming here poor, had but little means to do with. March, 1825, located in the north part of the township on Lot 72, purchasing 38 acres of Dorsey Viers; no improvements at the time of purchase. Ten years afterward, he added 14 acres more, which was the date of Calvin's

birth, which occurred Oct. 13, 1835, on the same farm where he now resides, which his father first purchased, and remained on the same until his death, which took place Jan. 17, 1876; his wife "passed over" Oct. 1, just two years previously. Both of them were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church ere they came to this State, and were among the first members who united with the church at the Center at the time of its organization. Mr. Hunt was an Old-Line Whig, and one of the esteemed citizens of his township. Calvin, being the youngest of the family, has never left the homestead. March 24, 1865, married Victoria Waite, daughter of Walter and Polly (Hopkins) Waite, who were natives of Maine, and came to Richfield Township, this county, when the country was comparatively new. Mrs. Hunt was born in Northampton, June 4, 1829, and bore him two children—Edwin Odell and Mary Blanche. Aug. 27, 1880, after a short illness, Mrs. Hunt closed her eyes in death, and joined the "innumerable throng," leaving her husband and two children to mourn her demise. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which she was a great worker, in the Sunday school a valued worker, and was a lady of superior mental worth, and, possessing many personal attractions, was a bright light in society, a kind associate, a true wife and devoted mother. Mr. Hunt is also a member of the church of his parents' choice, and class-leader. Mr. Hunt, the father of Calvin, had, at the time of his death, fifty-four grandchildren and forty-six great grandchildren. Mr. Hunt has 104 acres of land, and is among the well-to-do farmers in the township.

WILLIAM HURST, farmer; P. O. Bedford; this worthy gentleman is a native of Ireland, born March 26, 1815, in County Leitrim. His parents were William and Catharine (Senters) Hurst. William was a son of Robert whose wife was Jane McLean, to whom were born Joshua, James, Thomas and William. Catharine was a daughter of Charles, whose wife was a Stinson before marriage. They had children as follows—Charles, William, Catharine and Mary. By his second marriage he had one child only, named Margaret. To the parents of Mr. Hurst were born ten children, seven sons and three daughters; but four grew to maturity, viz., John, William, Mary and Jane; Mary never came to this country; she married

William McDermot; Jane died in Ireland at the age of 22; John settled in Canada. The religion of the family was of the Episcopal order. The father of William was a weaver by trade; he died when William was a lad of 10 years; he was raised by his mother until he was 19 years of age; two years after he set sail for America, landing in Quebec; after a short stay he came to this county, in 1836. Stow Township was his first home in America. Here he "hired out" by the month. Oct. 27, 1846, he married Fanny O'Brien, who was born July 9, 1818, in Hudson Township, daughter of Henry and Sarah (Walker) O'Brien, who were both natives of Ireland, and located in Hudson Township in 1802. To them were born David, William, Martin, Moses, Mary, Harriet, Fannie and Sarah. After Mr. Hurst's marriage he moved to Michigan (Kalamazoo), where he purchased 123 acres of land; after keeping the same four years and a half, he sold it at a gain. Upon his return from Michigan he located on his father-in-law O'Brien's farm, where he stayed two years and then bought 165 acres one mile and a half northeast of Hudson, where he remained from 1853 to 1863. Then he purchased 194 acres in Twinsburg Township. In March, 1869, he moved to his present place, where he has 53 acres; his house and 5 acres stand in Bedford Township, the remainder (245 acres) is in Summit County. January, 1856, his wife died, leaving no issue. He was married May 27, 1858, to Mary Spafford, born in this township May 7, 1838, daughter of Nathan B. and Mary Morrison. Her mother was born in New Hampshire in 1800, her father in Chittenden, Vermont, in 1791. He was a soldier in the war of 1812, as was also John Morrison (Mrs. Hurst's grandfather). Mr. and Mrs. H. are members of the Episcopal Church.

J. W. HYNTON, farmer; P. O. Northfield; son of John and Elizabeth (Halpenneg) Hyn-ton; was born in this township in 1850. Mr. John Hyn-ton was born in Wicklow Co., Ireland, June, 1810; he was a son of John Hyn-ton. Elizabeth was born March 5, 1822, in the same county; her father's name was John Halpenneg, and he married Mary Tumma. John Hyn-ton, the father of our subject, was a man of education and culture; he came to America about the year 1840. Soon after his marriage, he and his brother Edward

made a purchase of 147 acres in the northwest corner of the township, where they engaged in business together; uniting their energies, they were successful in accumulating property. He remained on the farm until 1860, when he moved across the line into Cuyahoga County, where he died Sept. 15. His brother Edward died in 1879. They were men of honor, and commanded the respect of all who came in contact with them, either in a business or social way. To John Hyn-ton were born four children, viz., Mary (Mrs. H. Dubler, of Newburg. Catharine (Mrs. T. Walsh, of Cleveland), John W. and Elizabeth (now Mrs. James Cassidy, of Boston Township). May 23, 1876, subject was married to Anna Cassidy, born in Boston, daughter of Patrick Cassidy, to whom were born seven children. In April, 1872, J. W. settled on the farm he now owns, which consists of 95 acres. He has three children, viz., Lucy M., Agnes B., and Frances E. The mother of J. W. lives on the farm, where her husband resided at the time of his death.

W. H. KUHN, farmer; P. O. Bedford; was born March 22, 1813, in Allegheny Co., Penn., to Archibald and Martha (Stotlar) Kuhn. Archibald was a son of Michael, to whom were born five sons and three daughters, whose names were Eve, Archibald, Adam, Samuel, John, Mary, David and Nancy. Michael's father was a native of Holland; so also were the Stotlars. Our subject was the youngest of a family of eight children—Michael, Jacob, Nancy, Archie, David, Catharine, John and William H. The great-grandfather of W. H. was Adam Kuhn, whose wife was Eve, to whom were born Michael, Nicholas and Samuel. Archibald was a Federalist, and took an active part in the affairs of his county. He represented his county in the State Legislature; was a commissioned officer during the war of 1812. Archibald Kuhn and wife died before W. H. was grown, yet he remained on the homestead until his marriage, March 7, 1843; he married Mary Elder, born Feb. 28, 1824, in Indiana Co., Penn., daughter of Rev. Robert and Jane (McConaughy) Elder. Robert was born near Harrisburg; son of John Elder, who had six children—Joseph, Thomas, James, Robert, Belle and Betsy. Robert Elder's mother's name was Polly Caruthers. The Elders left the north part of Ireland for Scotland at the time of its insurrection, or religious persecu-

tion. To Robert McConaughy were born nine children; of the boys, Simon and James came West and settled in Ashland County. Robert Elder, the father of Mrs. Kuhn, was a soldier in the war of 1812; also Samuel Kuhn, the uncle of William H. While Mr. Kuhn (W. H.) was yet a young man, he was elected Major of the Seventh Battalion of Allegheny County Volunteers, being the youngest officer in the battalion. In June, 1843, he came to this township, where he purchased 107 acres on Lots 31 and 41. He has now 204 acres. To him have been born ten children; of those living are Margaret J., the wife of John Shirk, of Muscatine, Iowa; Luther, in same county; Robert, now a practitioner of materia medica in Shelby Co., Iowa; Mary, Willie and Frankie, at home; Luie, at school preparing for the ministry. Since Mr. Kuhn was 16 years of age, he has been a member of the church of his parent's choice (Presbyterian), and is now an official member of the same. Mr. Kuhn is one of the successful farmers of the township, as well as one of its valued citizens. He is a liberal supporter of the leading journals and periodicals of the day.

A. J. KELTY, farmer; P. O. Macedonia; born May 24, 1841, in Columbiana Co.; is the son of Owen H. and Ruth Hinksman. His father was born in 1812, in Salem Co., N. J.; he was a son of William Kely who was in the war of the Revolution, with two of his brothers, of whom nothing was heard after the war's termination. The Keltys are of Dutch descent. To Owen and wife were born William, Aaron, Samuel, Sarah, Andrew and Henry. The family came first to Columbiana Co., where Owen settled on a squatter's claim; subsequently moved to Bedford Township, in Cuyahoga Co.; here he died, in November, 1869. A. J. was raised at home until 20 years of age, when he began for himself. Sept. 16, 1866, he married Harriet Powell, born Jan. 16, 1845, in this township, daughter of William and Sarah Powell. Mr. Kely moved on this farm in March, 1869, having then 88 acres. Mr. Kely is a hard-working man, and is making financial success. He has five children, viz., Henry, George, Harriet, Anna M. and Charlie A. Mr. Kely had three brothers in the late war. Aaron was in the 90th Regiment and 5th Cavalry, and served about four years; he was nine months in Libby Prison, and, when he was released, weighed only eighty-

six pounds. Samuel did duty on Johnson's Island two years. Henry served four years in Co. K, 9th Ohio Battery. Mrs. Kely has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church since 14 years of age. Mr. Kely's family are "Disciples."

H. LANFORD, farmer; P. O. Northfield; born Jan. 2, 1804, in the Town of Schroon, Essex Co., N. Y.; is a son of Daniel, who was born in Connecticut, and served in the Continental Army, participating in the battle of Bunker Hill. His wife was Jemima Hotchkiss, who was born in Clarendon, Vt. To this couple were born fifteen children, and fourteen of the number grew to maturity. Elias, Daniel and Luther were among the sons, all of whom participated in the war of 1812; Elias was killed at Plattsburg. The Lanfords are of Irish descent; Daniel's father emigrated from Ireland to the Middle States several years prior to the Revolutionary war. Hezekiah left home at 10 years of age, and was raised by one Mr. Lockwood. At the age of 22, Aug. 3, 1825, he married Roba Scriptures, born March 21, 1811, in Chesterfield, Essex Co., N. Y., a daughter of John and Betsey (Chamberlain) Scriptures; her father was born in Concord, N. H., about the year 1770; his parents were Samuel and Hannah (Barrett) Scriptures. Samuel came from England, when he was 17 years of age; Hannah was a native of Holland, and quite young when she came with her parents to America. To Samuel and Hannah were born twelve children. Betsey Chamberlain was a daughter of John and Betsey (Bowman) Chamberlain; the latter family came from Goffstown, N. H. Betsey Bowman's parents died when she was quite young; her father's name was Charles. John and Betsey had five children born to them. John Scriptures was twice married; first to Polly Saunders, and by her had nine children; his second marriage was to Mrs. Betsey Mace, who had nine children by her first husband; by the last union five were born—Jermia, Ezra, Wesley, Sallie and Roba. These twenty-three children were raised together, and their relations were of the most harmonious character. After Mr. Lanford's marriage, he worked several years at Schroon, in a saw-mill. In August, 1833, he came West to Franklin Township, Portage Co., where he engaged to work for Zeno Kent, at general farm and mill work; while here, he took up

carpenter and joiner work, and did considerable in this line. March, 1841, he came to this township, and bought 5 acres on Lot 3, in this township, which he kept about seven years, and sold to Charles West; then removed to the northeastern part of the township, purchasing about 40 acres, where he remained until 1861, when he came to his present place (on Lot 86), purchasing 86 acres. Mr. Lanford came to this country a poor man; when he arrived at Franklin Township, he had \$7, a sick wife, and two children, and with the aid of his wife earned what they have by hard labor and economy. They have six children—three living—Harriet (Mrs. Berry), Lorenzo and Milo at home. Aug. 3, 1875, Mr. and Mrs. Lanford celebrated their golden wedding.

REV. JAMES W. LOGUE, minister, Northfield, was born July 17, 1812, in York Co., Penn., to James and Jennette (Gibson) Logue. The grandfather of our subject was James, whose birthplace was Ireland, and he emigrated to America prior to the war of the Revolution, in which he was a participant, serving through the entire struggle. He married Ann Gabby, and by her had two children—James and Ann. Jeanette Gibson was a daughter of James, a native of Scotland, but married his wife after his arrival to this country, and by her had twelve children. To James and Jeanette Logue were born quite a numerous family, but four of the number grew to man's estate, viz., Ann John, Elizabeth and James W. Our subject remained under the guardianship of his parents until he was 20 years of age, when he entered Jefferson College, thence to Union College, New York State, where he received his graduation honors, after which he entered the theological school at Cannonsburg, where he remained four years, and began his ministerial labors in 1841. June 6, 1843, he formed a matrimonial alliance with Mary J. Cooper, who was born in the city of Baltimore, Md., Dec. 3, 1820, daughter of Samuel and Jane (Campbell) Cooper. Her father was born in County Derry, Ireland, and Jane, his wife, was a native of Carlisle, Penn. To them were born twelve children, Mrs. Logue being the youngest. Immediately after the marriage of Rev. Logue, he moved West to this State, locating in this township, where he was installed as Pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, and since that time has administered to the spiritual

interests of his charge without intermission, and through his instrumentality many have been called from darkness to the marvelous light. To Mr. Logue have been born five children, of whom three are living, viz., Jennie C., now Lady Principal in Monmouth College, Illinois (she entered the arena as teacher at the age of 14); Joseph T., now attorney at law at Cleveland, and James R., now attending theological school in Allegheny Co., Penn. Nettie, now deceased, was the wife of Mr. J. C. Alexander. She died Feb. 15, 1874, aged 22.

WILLIAM M. LEMMON, farmer; P. O. Northfield; was born Oct. 27, 1822, in Westmoreland Co., Penn., to William M. and Jane (Matthews) Lemmon. The grandfather of our subject was named William also, and was a native of the Emerald Isle. The Matthews are of Scotch ancestry, and afterward settled in the North of Ireland. Mr. Lemmon came West with his father in the spring of 1832, when he was a lad of 10; he well remembers the long ride in the feed trough, the family coming through by covered wagon. His father previously purchased 160 acres on Lot 44, and coming out, found a "squatter" on the land, and gave him \$107 to vacate. There was a cabin built, and about twenty acres underbrushed and partially "slashed," the remainder was as nature produced it. The old log cabin stood in the road, about twenty rods north of Mr. Lemmon's present residence. When his father came he labored arduously, and, by much self-denial and good management, he succeeded in paying for his land. Eight children were born them; seven grew up—Samuel, Martha, William, Jane, John, Archibald, Robert and James. William L. and John now only are left. His grandfather Lemmon was the father of James, Thomas and William, and was a soldier in the war of the Revolution. James Lemmon was in the 1812 war. The parents of William M. remained on the place where first they settled up to the time of their death; his death occurred May 13, 1858; his wife's June, 1857. He was one of the first Elders in the United Presbyterian Church at this place, and always bore a prominent part in the affairs of the church, ever ready to do his duty and to advance the cause of his Master. William M. was 22 years of age, when he began for himself; he made his commencement by working out by the day and month for such remunera-

tion as the times and circumstances afforded. He worked sixty days for a 2-year-old colt, and the same time for a yoke of young steers. His first purchase was twenty acres of land, when he was 26 years of age, for which he paid \$425. He shortly afterward sold it at an advance of \$200, and, in 1851, he went to Allegan Co., Mich., where he purchased 100 acres, which he farmed for five years, and then sold it, and, with the price it and its productions brought him, he returned to this township in the spring of 1858, and purchased the homestead farm, on which he has since been a resident. His marriage took place March 1, 1854, with Ellen Kerr, who was born in Columbiana Co., Ohio, Oct. 14, 1825, daughter of James and Mary (McClellan) Kerr. Her father was born in Adams Co., Penn., Aug. 1, 1788, and her mother in Chester Co., Penn., Feb. 14, 1789. They came to Salem, Columbiana Co., this State, in 1807, were married in 1819, and had seven children, who grew to man's estate. The Kerrs and McClellans are of Scotch ancestry. Mary McClellan's father's name was James, and he was a Revolutionary soldier. His wife was Hannah Withrow. To them were born Samuel, William, Robert, John, Lindsey, Mary, Thomas, Rebecca, Anna and Elizabeth. To James Kerr were born Hannah, William, James, Ellen J., John, Rebecca A. and David. The father died Dec. 5, 1869; his wife now lives in Columbiana Co., and is 92 years of age. Both were members of the Old School Presbyterian Church. The father of James Kerr, above mentioned, was likewise named James, and a native of Ireland. His wife was Jane McAdams. Mr. Lemmon was bereft of his wife Aug. 19, 1872. She left him four children, viz., Mary J., Harvey K., Lizzie H. and Mattie A. Mr. Lemmon and wife have long been associated with the church. His father was in early times Democratic in his political views, but later in life he was *en rapport* with principles which favored the abolition of the system of slavery. Mr. Lemmon has now 193 acres of land, and is one of the most affluent agriculturists of the township.

ALEXANDER MCCONNELL, farmer; P. O. Northfield; is a native of the Emerald Isle, and was born July 22, 1824, to John and Sarah (Rogers) McConnell, being one of ten children. Emigrating to this State in June, 1834, John located in Coshocton Co., where Alexander

was raised to farming, and lived with his parents until his marriage, which occurred May 15, 1850. His wife's maiden name was Ann Whaley, a native of this county. By her he had one child—George A., who died at the age of 2 years and 4 days. Mr. McConnell had the misfortune to lose his wife after three years of married life. April 24, 1856, he was married to Mary J. Nesbit, born in this township Oct. 20, 1832, daughter of John and Ann (Matthews) Nesbit. After Mr. McConnell's first marriage, he located on 200 acres of land in Coshocton Co., upon which he lived until his advent to this county, when he disposed of his farm, and located in this township, April, 1859, on Lot 56, at the Center, where he has since resided. His original purchase consisted of 104 acres; ten years later, he purchased 25 acres adjoining him, on Lot 46. Mr. McConnell has had four children; three are living, viz., Hettie Ann, John N. and Emma J.; James L. died when 20 months old. Mr. McConnell and wife are members of the United Presbyterian Church; he has been associated with this denomination for over thirty years. Farming has been the business of his life; in the discharge of his duties as such he merits the name of being a snug and economical farmer, his farm and surroundings giving proof of the good management and taste of its proprietor.

JAMES M. McELROY, cheese manufactory, Northfield; was born in Westmoreland Co., Penn., March 20, 1826, the third of a family of fourteen children, ten of whom grew to maturity, whose parents were James and Ruth (Nesbit) McElroy. James was born in same county as son, in the year 1799, in May; she, in the same county and State, six weeks later, the same year as her husband. The grandfather of our subject was James, whose place of birth was Ireland. He came to Pennsylvania when a lad, where he afterward married Petsy Douglass; the children were born as indicated, John, Alexander, Mary and James. James, the father of James M., married Ruth Nesbit, and by her had Alexander, James M., William, John, Mary, Ann, Esther, David, Samuel and Elizabeth. Ruth Nesbit was a daughter of William and Esther (Robinson) Nesbit. James M. came West with his father to the north part of this township in June, 1838, where our subject was raised to farming. Since leaving the homestead, he has made many changes, and trav-

eled about considerably, but for the most part has been a resident of the township. In 1863, enlisted in Co. G, 115th O. V. I., and served twenty-three months, when he was discharged on account of disability from impaired eyesight, or "moon blindness." July 5, 1866, was married to Sarah McElroy, born in Westmoreland Co., Penn., Aug. 8, 1827; daughter of John and Sarah (Mencher) McElroy; she daughter of John and Jane (Clifford) Mencher. Mrs. McElroy came West the same year she was married. Mr. McElroy is proprietor and owner of "Spring Grove Cheese Factory," which he has run for several years. Has one son, Frank A., born in June, 1868. Mr. McElroy and wife are both members of the United Presbyterian Church.

MRS. ELIZA MCKISSON, farmer; P. O. Northfield; was born Sept. 13, 1812, in Onondaga Co., N. Y., to Abel and Betsy (Hill) Havens. Abel was young when his father died, leaving two children, himself and Cyrus. Betsy was a daughter of George and Esther (Cramer) Hill, to whom were born Jeremiah, Thomas, Betsy, Sallie, Mercy, Hannah and Nancy, all of whom lived to raise families. To Abel and Betsy Havens were born eight children, who were Eliza (Mrs. McK.), Harriet (now in Iowa Co., Iowa, the wife of A. Doty), George (who settled in Delaware Co., this State), William, Silas, Maria, Mahala and Clark. But three are living, Silas, in Delaware, Harriet and Mrs. Doty. Mr. Abel Havens and wife came to this township in 1818, when Mrs. McKisson was but 6 years of age. Her father settled in the east part of the township, where James Wallace now resides. Mr. Havens lived here many years, then moved to Twinsburg, where he lived until his removal to Delaware Co., Ohio, where his wife died in 1859. In 1866, he moved to Iowa, and lived with his daughter Harriet until his death, which event occurred July 24, 1874. Both he and his wife, for many years, had been members of the Methodist Church. In 1839, March 13, Eliza Havens became the wife of James McKisson, who was born in Harrison Co., Ohio, in 1811, and came to this township when it was comparatively new; he purchased this farm, and was among the first settlers. After Mr. and Mrs. McKisson were married, they moved into a log house, which is yet standing; in this they lived until the present brick structure was erected. Mr. McKisson died Aug. 19,

1866. He was a successful man in business. Since his death she has remained on the farm, where she has a nice residence and 71½ acres, having no children.

R. M. J. MCKISSON, farmer; P. O. Northfield; was born on the farm he now owns, June 25, 1838; son of Robert and Rebecca (Viers) McKisson. Robert was a son of Samuel, who was among the early settlers in the township. R. M. J. was raised on the farm, and, at the age of 20, he left home; his first work was in the powder-mills; afterward he worked by the month and was engaged for three years in the lumber business; subsequently he purchased a canal-boat, and for three years and a half he boated, running from Cleveland to Portsmouth, dealing mostly in coal transportation; subsequently he engaged in the lumber business until 1871; has also been engaged on contracts for railroad companies; finally, he returned to the homestead, where he farmed the place until December, 1880, when he purchased the same; the farm consists of 160½ acres. In 1860, he was married to Ellen Burns, born in 1844, in Bedford Township, Cuyahoga Co., daughter of Hugh and Margaret (Boyle) Burns, both natives of Ireland. Mr. McKisson has three children—Daniel, Ella A. and Margaret.

LEONARD McNIECE, farmer; P. O. Northfield; was born Dec. 29, 1818, in County Antrim, twelve miles from Belfast, and is a representative of one of the prominent families in the North of Ireland; his parents were Isaac and Jane (McKinstry) McNiece; Isaac was a son of Isaac, whose family consisted of six children—Isaac, Leonard, John, Rebecca, Maria and Ruth; Jane McKinstry was a daughter of Henry and Mary (McNitt) McKinstry, to whom were born a family of eleven children, viz., Henry, William, Robert, Ann, Charlotte, Sarah, Mary, Margaret, Eliza, Hannah and Rebecca. To Isaac and Jane McNiece were born Isaac Mc., Leonard, William H., Robert, Mary Jane, Eliza and Sarah. The religion of the family on both sides was Episcopalian, and all were members of the Established Church. Isaac, the father of the subject of our sketch, was a farmer and linen draper, but raised his sons to agricultural pursuits. Leonard left home at his majority, May 29, 1847. He married Ann Bell, who was born April, 1819, in Antrim Co.; her parents were Jonathan and Mary (Tipping) Bell, whose children were Nelson, Thomas, Jon-

athan, William, Mary J., Ann and Sarah; July 4, of the same year of their marriage, Mr. McNiece and wife started from Liverpool, and, after a voyage of fifty days, landed at Philadelphia, where they remained three months, then came direct to this township; upon his arrival he was poor, and for three years he worked as a common laborer, and saved means sufficient to enable him to make a payment on a piece of land on Lot 59, purchasing at first 31½ acres of Homer Oviatt, for which he agreed to pay \$756; this he soon was enabled to call his own, and then added more at different times, until he acquired 120 acres, which, with the assistance of his worthy wife, he has earned by hard labor, much self-denial and constant savings, and is now among the substantial and opulent husbandmen of the township; he has improved his slender opportunities, and, in point of intelligence and general information, is well versed; his mind is well stored with historical events that are connected with the history of the old countries. Since his advent to this country, he has acted independent of sects and is a free and liberal thinker, and in matters of political nature is a sound Democrat, and still adheres to the principles and traditions inculcated in the old Jacksonian party. He is a worthy member of the community in which he resides. He has two children—Jonathan B. and Anna.

ANDREW S. MEANS, Macedonia; born Feb. 17, 1814, in Allegheny Co., Penn.; is the third of a family of seven children, all of whom raised families of their own. The parents of the above are Nathan and Elizabeth (Cochrane) Means. He was born July 20, 1784; son of John Means, of Irish descent, who had borne him Nathan, John, James, Joseph, Jane and Nancy Means. To Nathan was born John A., Samuel C., Andrew S., Elvira A. (Mrs. John F. Curry, in Allegheny Co., Penn.), Martha (Mrs. William Wood, same place), James (on the homestead), Robert S. (also in same place, on farm adjoining homestead). Nathan, the father of Andrew S., is yet living on the homestead, at the ripe age of 97. Elizabeth, his wife, was a daughter of Samuel Cochrane, to whom was born Polly, Sallie, Elizabeth, Ann, Margaret, Robert, Samuel, John and William, all dead. Nathan Means moved to Allegheny Co., Penn., in 1799, and was among the early settlers of that place. He was a tanner by occupation.

In 1810, he purchased and located on his present farm in Allegheny Co., Penn. Andrew S. was raised on the farm, and assisted his father in the tannery, remaining with him until 26 years of age. In March, 1840, he came to this township and purchased 160 acres of land, where he now resides. He had been out three years previously, and, liking the country, he returned and made the purchase as above mentioned. There were no improvements whatever on this land. He built a light cabin shortly after his arrival. January, 1842, he was married to Mary J. Wilson, born in Pittsburgh, Penn., June 8, 1820, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Morrow) Wilson, who were old settlers in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Means died May 6, 1872. They have had nine children—Elizabeth (now deceased), John W., Nathan A., Joseph M., James H., William R., Mary H. (Mrs. John A. Hibbard), Robert F. and Lillie. Mr. Means has 220 acres of land. He and his wife have been members of the Presbyterian Church for many years. He has now been a constant resident of this township for forty years, which long acquaintance has endeared him to his neighbors and friends.

MUNN BROS., Macedonia, sons of Hiram and Esther (Cramer) Munn. Hiram Munn was born August 10, 1800, in Trenton, N. J., son of Nathan and Esther (Warner) Munn, who had nine children, viz., Warner, Myron, Oscar, Eri, Archie and Hiram, Ruth, Betsy Ann, Irene and Lydia. Myron and Warner were in the war of 1812. Hiram emigrated to this State with his father about the year 1817. Hiram was a carpenter and cabinet-maker; he settled on Tinker's Creek, in Cuyahoga Co., where he engaged at his trade. Feb. 6, 1844, he became the husband of Esther Cranmer, who was born July 14, 1814, in this township, daughter of Abram and Nancy Voster. Abram was born in New Jersey Aug. 10, 1787; Nancy in Amsterdam, Holland, Dec. 20, 1777; she was of a family of thirteen children; her father, Adrianas, died when she was young. Mrs. Munn came to this county with her parents about the year 1813, located on Lot 72, in this township, where they lived six years, then moved to Lot 54; about the year 1824, they moved to Macedonia, where Mr. Cranmer purchased 90 acres; it was a dense growth of timber; on the East the nearest neighbor was three miles. To them were born five children—Nancy (Mrs. Rev. L.

E. Beardsley), Esther (Mrs. Munn), Elizabeth (Mrs. W. Storrs), Isaac W. and Jeremiah. Shortly after the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Munn, they located at Macedonia. Mr. Munn died suddenly March 29, 1880; for fifty years of his life he was a member of the M. E. Church, and was a licensed minister. His life was adorned by an upright Christian walk. To him were born eleven children; eight living—Irene (Mrs. Julius Brittan, of Portage Co.), Frances A. (Mrs. J. W. Caldwell, this township), Isaac W., Abram C. and Amos R. (twins), Zarada E. (wife of H. Bromley, general freight and ticket agent on the L. & S. R. R.), Ferdinand and Lillie (at home). Abram C. and Amos R., engaged in the mercantile business, in 1865, at Macedonia, and have since been doing a thriving and prosperous trade. They are young men of enterprise—keeping a general stock of such goods as are in demand by the people—dry goods, groceries, Yankee notions, etc., etc. Abram C. was commissioned Postmaster, and also express agent since that time. He is a member of Twinsburg Lodge No. 375, A. F. & A. M., and of Summit Chapter, R. A. M., No. 74. In 1874, he married Mary McLaughlin, has one child, Gracie A.

ALEX. NESBIT, farmer; was born on the farm he now owns, 1843, March 10, son of William and Lucinda Nesbit. William Nesbit was born March 24, 1794, in Westmoreland Co., Penn., and came to Ohio, settling in the township during its early settlement. He was a participant in the war of 1812, entering the war before he attained his manhood. His wife Lucinda was born Oct. 27, 1806, in Herkimer County, New York. She was a daughter of Asa and Phebe (Wood) Hungerford, to whom were born Lucinda, Asa and Horace. Horace, now in Portage County, Asa, in Allen County, both of this State. Phebe Wood was a daughter of Samuel and Petsey (Stewart) Wood, to whom was born Phebe, Henry, Betsey, Samuel, Silas, Lucy, Jonathan and Julia. Mrs. Nesbit removed west to Cuyahoga County with her parents when she was 3 years of age; both of them died shortly after their arrival to the State. She was raised by her grandfather Samuel Wood. She was first married to Thomas Johnson and by him had six children, four living; he died in 1837. Her second marriage was with Mr. Nesbit, and by him had seven children, of the number living, are Alex-

ander, David G., Emily L. and Caroline E. Mr. Nesbit was for many years a member of the U. P. Church. He died in October 1873. Dec. 16, 1874, Alexander was married to Josephine Fillius, born Nov. 15, 1843, in Hudson Township, daughter of Phillip and Barbara (Keis) Fillius; both were natives of the Old World; he was born in Bavaria, April 12, 1806, she in the Kingdom of Wurtemberg at Stuttgart in 1817. He was a son of Phillip. The family came to America, and to Cleveland in 1836, the year following located in Hudson Township. To them were born nine children, who were Catharine, Elizabeth, John, Josephine, Phillip, Jacob, Ella, Charles and Ernest. Mr. Nesbit has one child—Grace E., born Nov. 1, 1877. Her father (Mr. Nesbit) died 1878, her mother living.

JOHN NESBIT, farmer; P. O. Northfield; is a native of the Keystone State, born Oct. 22, 1830, and came West with his parents when he was a babe. His parents were John and Ann (Mathews) Nesbit who were natives of Pennsylvania. John Nesbit traded land in Pennsylvania for 160 acres on lot 83 in this township, upon which he settled, afterward purchasing 56 acres on Lot 73. There were no improvements upon lot traded for, a small cabin and 3 acres on Lot 73. Upon this farm our subject was raised and has since passed his life, remaining with his father on the homestead until he was 36 years, and, but for the timely meeting of Florilla J. Nesbit he "might have been" a bachelor during the remainder of his life. Oct. 11, 1866, he became the husband of the lady who now bears his name. Her father's name was Joseph Patterson, who married soon after the death of her mother. She was then raised by Dr. Allen Nesbit, and ever after bore the maiden name of her mother who was Florilla Nesbit, who had two children by Mr. Patterson—Anna and Florilla. Mrs. Nesbit was born in Lawrence, Penn., March 20, 1842, her parents she knows but little of. They have five children—Anna W., James, John C., Ambrose and babe; one named William died when three years of age. Since Mr. Nesbit has married has remained on the farm, he having 120 acres. He and wife are members of the U. P. Church and is one of the valuable members of the community.

JOHN PACKARD, farmer; P. O. Northfield; son of Isaac and "Polly" (Smith) Pack-

ard, was born Feb. 7, 1823, in Massachusetts. Isaac was born in Massachusetts, April 14, 1788. He was the son of Ichabod, who was born March 29, 1763, and Lorania Tower, born June 20, 1763. To this couple were born Isaac, Jonathan, Orick, Sylvester, Hart, Emily, Emery H., Hart 2d, and Sylvester 2d. Polly Smith was a daughter of Andrew and Margaret (Gagg) Smith, to whom were born Jeanette, John, Mary, Harriet, Sarah, Minerva, David, Anna, Roxana and Levi. Andrew Smith was born Sept. 14, 1764; Margaret Gagg, March 19, 1762. Ichabod Packard was a soldier in the war of the Revolution; Sylvester, his son, was Fife Major in the war of 1812. John, our subject, came West with his father, Isaac, in June, 1823, when a baby. His father located at Brecksville, where he kept the first tavern of that place; his occupation was that of clothier, which business he carried on at Brecksville, Hinckley and Strongsville. He died at Independence, in September, 1854, and his wife on Feb. 12, 1865; he was a Baptist in belief, and she a Presbyterian. John began for himself at the age of 21; he left home with an empty pocket, and an ax on his shoulder, resolving to hew his way through life, and to obtain a home at some future day and become a business man. He commenced cutting timber in a small way, and sold his products, which were borne off on the canal; this he continued for several years. The panic came on, which destroyed the sale of his timber, and he abandoned the business and purchased 50 acres of land in Brecksville Township, and began farming; several years after, he purchased 35 acres more. In 1868, he sold his first purchase, and bought 81½ acres in Independence, and moved on the same; this he retained five years, when he sold it. About this time he caught the "Iowa fever," and bought 640 acres in Shelby and Carroll Counties, and went out to see his purchase. Being unfavorably impressed with the outlook, he returned home, after having an interesting and eventful trip. He afterward traded this land with his brother Ichabod, for other in Michigan, and yet retains 160 acres of it. Jan. 9, 1871, he married Sarah E. Bramley, born March 1, 1845, in Lorain County; she was the daughter of Matthew and Sarah E. (Oldershaw) Bramley; they were natives of Derbyshire, England, and came to this country in 1840; they had a family of thirteen children.

Mr. Packard removed from Independence to this township in 1872, locating on Lot 92, where he owns 185 acres. He also owns 49 acres in Brecksville, 250 acres in White Co., Tenn., 100 acres in Van Buren Co., Mich., besides land in Iowa. Matthew Bramley was born Jan. 9, 1802. The children born to him were John P., Anna, Hannah, Martha, Marian J., Mira, Frank M., Matthew, Rebecca, Julia, Sarah E., George and Elias. Parents of the above live in Lorain Co., where they settled in 1840. Mr. Packard's children are Mary M., Myra A., Julia E., Sadie B., and an infant. Mr. Packard is one of the most successful business men and safest financiers in the township.

WILLIAM L. PALMER, farmer; P. O. Northfield; was born Nov. 4, 1820, in Windsor, Hartford Co., Conn., to Hezekiah H. and Abigail (Taylor) Palmer. His father was born Jan. 19, 1781; his mother in Buckland, Mass., Jan. 12, 1792. They were married May 29, 1811. To them were born a family of eight children—Julia A., Emeline, Abigail T., William L., Horace H., Henry T., and two deceased. The Palmers are of old Connecticut stock, who came over in the Mayflower. Some of our subject's ancestors were soldiers in the war of the Revolution. The father of our subject first came West to this State, locating in Willoughby, in 1822, where he lived a short time, but, because of the prevalence of ague, he returned with his family and lived on the Holland Purchase in New York for some time, and then returned to his native county and State. In 1831, he came out and selected 160 acres at the Center of this township. Returning, he brought out his family in June, 1832, by canal from Albany, N. Y., and with the family settled in the woods, which in a short time was transformed to productive fields. Upon this tract the elder Palmer lived until his death Oct. 7, 1863; that of his wife occurred Dec. 10, 1875. He was a man of hardy constitution, a worthy citizen and a Jacksonian Democrat. William L. was reared among the early pioneer surroundings of the township; deer and wild game were plentiful. His first ideas of the fundamental principles of "book learning" was obtained in a log school which stood on the site where the town pump now stands. Nov. 15, 1849, he was married to Amelia Whitney, born in Uniontown, Stark Co., Oct. 6, 1827, daughter of William and

Hannah (McNaughton) Whitney, both natives of Vermont. Her father was born Feb. 22, 1795; her mother in Rutland Aug. 25, 1795. He was a son of William Whitney, and she a daughter of Daniel McNaughton. Mrs. Palmer was of a family of eight children, five living—Louisa, Helen, Harriet, Parmelia and Mrs. Palmer. Since Mr. Palmer came to the township he has been a constant resident. Has served several terms as Justice of the Peace, and is at present fulfilling the duties of that office. He was seven years Postmaster, and bore well his part as a citizen and a neighbor. He has but one child, Helen, still at home. His nephew, William Palmer, has resided with him since a mere child, and recognizes no other place as home.

HENRY T. PALMER, carpenter, Northfield; was born in Windsor, Hartford Co., Conn., Dec. 12, 1829, and came West with his parents when 2 years of age. Raised to farming, he, in his early manhood, learned his trade and worked for his brother-in-law, A. W. Bliss. March 2, 1854, he married Mary J. Hillman, who was born in 1836, daughter of David and Mary (Derrick) Hillman, to whom three children were born, Mrs. Palmer being the youngest; her mother died when she was very young, and she was raised by Mrs. Hollister, and saw her father but little afterward. She learned but little of her parents farther than that her mother was born in Canada, and was of Scotch parentage. She has a brother, Benjamin B., in Salamanca, N. Y., and one sister, Eliza (Mrs. Lyman Allen). After Mr. Palmer was married he resided fourteen years at the Center, and, in 1873, moved to the place he now owns, where he has erected new buildings throughout, and has a very pleasant and desirable residence situated a short distance north of the Center. They have had one child—Freddie, born March 20, 1864, who died Feb. 5, 1877, of spinal disease. He was beloved by all who knew him, both by his companions and those of riper years, being kind-hearted to his associates and obedient to his parents. Henry T. was a son of Hezekiah H. and Abigail (Taylor) Palmer, who were among the first settlers at the center of Northfield, where they lived as its honored citizens, and in all the relations of life they were universally esteemed and beloved. Mrs. Palmer, at the age of 16, made a profession of religion and united with the Baptist Church,

and for sixty-eight years she ever remained true to her allegiance, and never faltered in her Christian course, ever adhering with tenacity to the church of her early choice. Mr. Palmer never united with any church, yet he was not opposed to religion, but always acted independent of sects and denominations, yet favoring everything known to be right. In his daily intercourse with others he was unassuming, obliging and courteous; was scrupulously upright in all his dealings, ever diligently prosecuting his own legitimate business, and never meddled with the affairs of others; yet he was a man of decided opinions, which he rarely failed to express at the ballot-box; he died as he lived, an honored and substantial member of the community. Henry T. is an official member of the Presbyterian Church, is a man of few words and of a retiring nature, shunning publicity and preferment, and is a worthy citizen. "Aunt Mary," as she is familiarly called, is, like the good Samaritan, ever ready to do good, both in sickness and in health.

HENRY PHILE, farmer; P. O. Macedonia; born May 30, 1804, in Bucks Co., Penn., to Henry and Mary G. (Allshouse) Phile. His father was born in Germany. Mary G. was a daughter of Gabriel, to whom were born five children, three sons and two daughters. Henry Phile, Sr., was a wagon-maker by trade. He came to Pennsylvania in 1795. Twelve children were born him, viz., Mary, Betsy, Katie, Rebecca, Priscilla, Eliza, Sarah, Hannah, Lydia, John, Joseph and Henry. Henry moved with his father to Columbiana Co., the last day of 1808; afterward to Green Township (now Mahoning Co.). Here his father settled on land purchased from the Government, his death occurring in 1833, at the age of 77. His wife died seven years later. At the age of 18, our subject left home, learned the cabinet-maker's trade in Trumbull Co., and afterward established business with a partner at Ellsworth; this association lasted two years, the partner walking off with the money, leaving Mr. Phile with the experience. He then came to Franklin, where he engaged in the carpenter and cabinet work. In April, 1830, he came to this township. Dec. 16, same year, he was married to Roxie Cranmer, the second child born in this township, which birth is recorded March 22, 1812, on Lot 72; she was a daughter of Jeremiah and Hannah (Cole) Peck. Jeremiah

was born in New Jersey in 1762, and served all through the war of the Revolution. He was a son of Jeremiah, who was a native of Scotland. Hannah Cole was a daughter of Joshua and Eunice (Bennett) Cole, both being natives of New York. Mrs. Phile was one of ten children. The family came first to Chagrin Falls, and, in 1811, they located in this township. Mr. Phile located on the farm he now owns, in April, 1837. There were but few improvements on the place. He came here with very limited means. His first location was a short distance west of Macedonia, where he worked at his trade. When he located on his present farm, he engaged in both farming and practicing his trade. Corn was \$1.50 per bushel, wheat \$2, and other things in proportion; meat was out of the question; wages very low and money hard to get; yet, by the aid of his rifle, he obtained venison and wild turkeys, then plentiful. Though Mr. Phile was twice bankrupted by bailing and by a dishonest partner, yet he has been successful, having now a good home and 118 acres of land. Of nine children born, five are living—Eunice (Mrs. A. E. Salsburg, of Ottawa Co.); also Henry and George, in same place; Mary, at home; Ava G. (Mrs. James Wolcott, of this township). Mr. Phile has always been a true Republican.

JOHN POPE, deceased; born in Aberdeenshire, Scotland, in 1793; was son of John, to whom were born two children, Barbara and John. John Pope, whose name heads this page, married Isabella Centers, daughter of William and Isabella, whose children were Alexander and Isabella, all natives of Scotland. John Pope emigrated to the county in 1837, lived three years in Twinsburg, and then located on Lot 27, this township, purchasing 80 acres, on which a log cabin and a small patch was all the improvements made at the time of his arrival. Here he remained until his death, which occurred Dec. 14, 1859. His life was characterized by a sincere devotion to the principles of Christianity. For many years prior to his death, he was a devoted member of the U. P. Church, having been a member before his departure from Scotland. He was brought up under the ministrations of the good old Bunyan, of Whitehill, and united with the church at the age of 16; he afterward was chosen Ruling Elder, and became identified with the Sabbath-school interests in his native country.

Upon his arrival here he cast his lot with the U. P. Church at Northfield Center, where he served as Ruling Elder for twenty years, and, as in Scotland, he was much interested in the Sabbath-school cause, and was ever an able and enthusiastic worker in the same. He was a man possessed of a good mind, a great reader as well as a sober thinker. He loved to read and comment on the Word of God, and the inspiration and light which he derived from its careful study was ever demonstrated in his every-day life and association with his fellow-men. When in the discharge of his duties as a Christian, his true character manifested itself. His disease was exhaustion of the nerves of the brain, occasioned by a partial sunstroke. His last words were, "I die, trusting in Jesus." His worthy companion united with the Secession Church in Scotland, at the age of 17, and was a professor for sixty years; her father was also a member for many years. Mrs. Pope was a very exemplary woman in her family, ever striving to impress upon their minds that Godliness was more to be esteemed than riches, and to live with an ever-ready preparation for the mansions above; though not a lady of strong constitution, yet her accustomed seat in the sanctuary was rarely ever vacant on the Sabbath. To them were born ten children, six living—Isabella (now in Portage, the wife of James Sterling), William (in Cleveland), Margaret (Mrs. Thomas Mackey), Alexander (in Indiana), Ellen and George L. (on the homestead, unmarried). The farm is situated immediately south of the town of Macedonia, and consists of 200 acres of land. All of the children are members of the church of their parent's choice.

MRS. S. POWELL, farming; P. O. Macedonia; was born June 1, 1824, in Salem, Columbiana Co., this State; daughter of Thomas and Mary (Perkey) Baum. Her father was born June 20, 1798; her mother June 28, 1797. Thomas was a son of John George Baum, who was a native of Germany. To him were born George, Joel, John, Sarah, Ann, Betsy and Thomas. Mary Perkey's father's name was Daniel; he too, came from Germany. Mrs. Powell removed with her parents to this county, locating on Lot 34, where there were some improvements. Thomas Baum died Dec. 24, 1860; his wife died June 28, 1855, of cancer. To them were born John, Sarah, Mary, Martha,

Elizabeth, George, Madison and Emeline; but five are living. Mrs. Powell was married Jan. 30, 1840, to William Powell, who was born Sept. 10, 1814, in New Jersey; son of Henry, whose father was George, who was a native of Germany, and was among the number who resisted the tyranny imposed upon the people at that time, and wore placards in their hats, "Liberty or death." His son Henry was sold to pay his mother's passage money to this country. From New Jersey, he came to Salem, in Columbiana Co., where he took a lease for five years, but sold it soon afterward, and the money he invested in land in Mahoning Co., upon which he settled, and afterward became a man of wealth. His son William remained in Mahoning until a young man, when he went to Michigan, where he lived a short time, and, returning to this State, came to this township—three years afterward, he formed the alliance as above recorded—locating on the farm, where he died Oct. 26, 1869. Five children were born to him, four living—Maria L., now the wife of Elihu Griswold, of this township; Harriet E., Mrs. A. J. Kelly, also of Northfield; Mary R. and William J., at home. The farm consists of 122 acres (Lot 33). Mrs. Powell has been a member of the church of her parents' choice (Methodist Episcopal) since 14 years of age. At the age of 8 years, she heard a sermon preached by Rev. Ghee, which carried conviction to her heart, and was then impressed with the importance of becoming a Christian. This discourse was delivered in a log cabin, the speaker's desk was a rude bench. Her first union with the church body was at Macedonia, under the ministration of Rev. Whorlon. Mr. Walker never took an active part in religious matters; having been raised among the Society of Friends, or Quakers, he was ever afterward imbued with the doctrines of that sect, and never affiliated with any church afterward, yet was a consistent and upright member of society, and highly esteemed for his good qualities.

A. K. RICHEY, farmer; P. O. Northfield; born Jan. 31, 1828, in Wayne Co., Ohio; son of Thomas and Mary M. (Koplin) Richey. Thomas was born in the north of Ireland Jan. 31, 1790, of Scotch Irish ancestry; he was a son of Thomas, whose father likewise bore the same name. The grandfather of A. K. had five children born him—Charles, Thomas, George, John and Margaret. Mary Koplin was born

Jan. 1, 1799, in Huntingdon, Penn., daughter of Matthias Koplin, whose children were Christopher, William, Abram, Matthias, David, George, Mary M., Catharine, Rachel and Barbara. Thomas Richey emigrated to America in 1812, and was enrolled as a soldier, afterward receiving a land warrant. When he came to this country he was poor; had neither education or friends; his first work was in New York City at the fisheries, afterward worked in Capt. Dupont's powder works on Brandywine Creek, where he worked continuously for several years. In the meantime, he purchased 160 acres of unimproved land in Chippewa Township, Wayne Co.; this was about the year 1821; he remained at the powder works until he had saved sufficient to enable him to liquidate his purchase, paying for the same in three annual installments. April 4, 1826, he married, having moved to his land two years previous. His family consisted of twelve children, eight of whom grew up, four dying in infancy. Those who attained manhood's years were A. K.; Matthias, near Doylestown, Wayne Co.; George, in this township; Thomas, in Michigan (Palo, Ionia Co.); Jane, Mrs. J. W. Cook, of Cooksville, Allen Co., Kan.; Margaret, who married a Delaven; Catharine, Mrs. Nathaniel Tilton, of Ogle Co., Ill.; Mary A., who never married. In 1852, Thomas Richey sold his farm in Wayne Co., and bought 211 acres on Lots 84 and 74, and remained on the same until his death, which is recorded Aug. 27, 1867. She survived him until June 22, 1880. They were both members of the Old School Presbyterian, and though he could not read, yet he knew the Psalms and shorter catechism to the letter, and required his family to repeat them verbatim; was a man of mirthful and sunny disposition, of strong constitution; a man of energy, industrious habits, and devoted his life to agricultural pursuits; was successful in his business undertakings, and enjoyed the esteem of the community in which he lived. A. K. was 22 when he launched out for himself; had the advantages afforded at the common district school, and attended three terms at the High School at Tallmadge; began teaching at the age of 18, and wielded the ferule for about eight terms. Nov. 6, 1856, married Elizabeth Bain, born Sept. 19, 1836, in Greenwich, Washington Co., N. Y.; her parents were Jacob and Catharine McNaughton. He

was born in Argyle, Washington Co., N. Y., April 30, 1807; she in same place April 14, 1806. He was a son of James C., whose wife was Marietta Dings. James C. was a son of Casper Bain, whose wife was Maria Clump; to them were born Phillip, James, Peter, John, Catharine, Margaret, Casper and Elizabeth. He was married second time, to Mary Gillespie. The Bains are from Scotland; the first one that came to this country was sold to pay his passage. To Jacob and Catharine were born five children, viz., Finley, Elizabeth, Marietta, Katie M. and James McN. Catharine McNaughton's father was named Finley, his wife was Elizabeth Murray; to them were born Duncan, Catharine, William, Malcomb, James, Archibald and John. Mrs. Richey came West with her parents in 1855, who located in this township, remaining until their death; he died May 5, 1877; she May 9, 1880. The first year after Mr. Richey was married he lived on his father's farm. In April, 1858, moved to his present place of living, where he purchased 114 acres on Lot 81, which was settled by Mr. Cronizer; has since added to his original purchase, having 230 acres. Since April, 1856, both Mr. Richey and wife have been members of the United Presbyterian Church. The Richey family are possessed of considerable versatility of talent, and more than ordinary ingenuity, that has enabled them to turn their hands readily to almost anything in the trades or mechanics. Mr. Richey and family are great readers, he being a liberal patron of the current and historical literature of the day, Mrs. R. being tolerably well read up in the theory and practice of medicine, of which she keeps a quantity on hand for family and neighborhood use; has six children—Margaret Z., Jacob F. T., Thomas T., Andrew F., Elmer R. and Ella Kate. Elmer, born Jan. 31 (his grand-father and father having the same birthdays), has as large a quantity of Indian relics as can be found in the country.

GEORGE RICHEY, farmer; P. O. Northfield; was born Oct. 12, 1834, in Chippewa Township, Wayne Co., Ohio, and is the third son and fifth child born (who grew to maturity) to Thomas and Mary M. (Coplin) Richey. George came to this township with his parents, who reared him to agricultural pursuits, but George, being of a mechanical turn of mind, soon learned the carpenter and joiner's trade,

at which he worked, until, at his father's request, he took charge of the farm. Jan. 29, 1868, he married Sarah J. Love, born at Coshocton Co., Ohio, Dec. 28, 1838, daughter of John and Jane M. (McConnell) Love. Both were natives of North Ireland, and emigrated direct to the Buckeye State, spending the first winter at Millersburg, Holmes Co., then came to Coshocton Co. Mr. Love, the father of Mrs. Richey, was married in Coshocton. To him were born eight children—Sarah J. (Mrs. Richey), Mary A. (maid, who never married, died at 24), Catharine (Mrs. James Overholt), Samuel (on the homestead), Ellen (now deceased, who was the wife of J. G. Alexander, of this township), Emma, John M. and Miranda, at home. Her mother died May 8, 1876; her father is yet living on the homestead in Coshocton. Both he and wife members of the Presbyterian Church. Since the marriage of Mr. Richey he has remained on the homestead farm, he having 149 acres. Of five children born him but three are living—Anna E., Emma L. and Maro O. Maggie died of diphtheria at the age of 7; John T. died when 8 months old. For twenty years Mr. Richey has been a member of the Presbyterian Church, and is the present Ruling Elder of that body, and Church Clerk.

A. RICHARDSON, farmer; P. O. Northfield; son of Amos and Betsy (Barber) Richardson; was born Dec. 14, 1810, in Hampshire Co., Mass. His father was born in Massachusetts, about the year 1775, and was a son of Thomas Richardson, who came from England. The Barbers are of Welsh ancestry. To Amos and Betsy Richardson were born ten children, eight of whom grew to maturity, viz.: Beman, Eliza, Hollon, Austin, John, Mary, Amos, Lyman, Lucy and Hannah. Amos moved with his parents to Sherburne, Vt., in 1818, and the year following came West to Cuyahoga Co., locating in Independence a short time, then came to this township, locating on Lot 43, where John Wilson now resides. He died about the year 1826. Amos remained with his mother and eldest brother until he began business for himself. Nov. 7, 1832, Amos married Phebe Wood, born June 3, 1814, in Bedford Township, daughter of Henry and Esther (Cranmer) Wood. Henry Wood was born in Connecticut Aug. 9, 1790; he was a son of Samuel, who was a son of Jonathan. Samuel Wood

was born June 30, 1767; he was married to Betsy Stewart, born Aug. 22, 1768; to them were born ten children, viz.: Phebe, Henry, Samuel, Betsy, Silas, Lucy, Jonathan, Charlotte, Julia and Esther. Jonathan Wood was born in Connecticut Dec. 14, 1724, and married Abiel Bailey. The Woods are of English descent, the Stewarts of Irish. Betsy's father died in the Revolutionary war. Henry Wood was a soldier of the war of 1812, and, at this writing, is the oldest man in the township. Nine children have been born him, viz.: Phebe, Samuel, Martin, Maria, Henry C., Charlotte, Roxie, Henry J. and Esther. After Mr. Richardson was married he located in Freedom, Portage Co., where he bought 40 acres, but lived there one year only, and then came to the place he now owns. In August, 1834, he bought 83 acres and built him a cabin where he has since resided. Four children were born to him, viz., Ira (now in Toledo, life and fire insurance agent), Maria (Mrs. A. G. Shields, of Hudson Township), Ellen (the wife of Harlow Bissell, of Ness Co., Kan.), Olive (Mrs. Fred W. Stark). Mrs. Richardson is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. R. has 86 acres of land.

A. R. RINEAR, farmer; P. O. Northfield; is a native of this State; was born Jan. 5, 1826, in Columbiana Co.; son of John and Mary Jobs. The former was born, April 23, 1782, in Burlington Co., N. J.; the latter, June 27, 1794. John Rinear was a son of Joseph, whose father was a Frenchman. To Joseph was born John, William, Warden, Rebecca, Jane and Amy. To John and Mary (Jobs) Rinear were born Augustus, Albert R. and Sylvester. The father of A. R. came to Bedford Township, Cuyahoga Co., in 1834, where he located a piece of land, and returned, bringing out his family in the spring of 1835; here he remained until his death, March 26, 1850, that of his wife, same month, 1864; both of them were consistent members of the M. E. Church, and adorned their profession by a Christian life. Albert R. was married Sept. 21, 1847, to Esther Nesbit, who was born Oct. 7, 1823, in Westmoreland Co., Penn., daughter of John and Ann (Mathews) Nesbit. After marriage, he located on a farm adjoining his father, just across the line adjoining Northfield, where he lived until 1850, when he moved to this township, purchasing 60 acres on Lot 72, where he lived until 1867, in March, when he purchased 110 acres where he now re-

sides, having a good farm and under good improvements. Four children have crowned his marriage, whose names are Mary, who is now the wife of M. E. Van Horn; Sylvester, now a traveling salesman; Martha and Charlotte A. Mr. Rinear and entire family, with the exception of Sylvester, are members of the U. P. Church; Sylvester is a Methodist; Mr. Rinear has been a member of his church nearly thirty years. Mr. R. and family are readers of the leading journals and prominent newspapers of the day.

G. M. SEIDEL, wagon-maker and undertaker, Northfield; was born Aug. 13, 1821, in Selp, Kingdom of Bavaria, to J. M. and Elizabeth (Krauthem) Seidel. Our subject early in life learned the wagon-maker's trade, and worked three years at the same in Bohemia. Having heard glowing accounts of America, he bade good-bye to his early associations, and, in the spring of 1841, set sail for our country, arriving in Baltimore in June, soon turning his steps westward to this State, crossing the Alleghany Mountains on the inclined railroad. Reaching this part of Ohio, he engaged to work in Tallmadge for S. A. Lane, and afterward worked two years in Akron; then went to Hudson, where he worked five years, and after a limited sojourn in Twinsburg, he came to this township, Feb. 23, 1848, and engaged at his trade at the Center, and has since been the resident wheel-wright and wagon-maker of the place. Sept. 27, 1850, he married Mrs. Sallinda Bishop, whose maiden name was Lillie, born in Windsor Co., Vt., March 3, 1812; she was a daughter of Benjamin and Hannah (Young) Lillie, both natives of Hebron, Conn. Hannah Young is a descendant of Miles Standish. Mrs. Seidel is of a family of thirteen children; seven of the number grew to maturity, and but two of them are living—herself and Mrs. Bliss. Her father died in Jericho, Vt., 1821. Mrs. Seidel came West with her mother and her brother George, who was for twenty-one years Justice of the Peace of the township, in 1833, locating in this township. She was married to Orin A. Bishop, in October, 1845. Mr. Bishop's father was Benjamin, who married Polly Whitcomb, of Connecticut. Orin Bishop was born in Richmond, Vt., Aug. 3, 1805, and was of English descent. The mother of Mrs. Seidel died in August, 1864. By Mr. Bishop she had three sons—Clark B., Orin A. and George L., who served through the late war and was a member

of Company K., 19th Regiment O. V. I.; he was a true and valiant soldier, was once wounded, causing a five months' absence from his regiment, which in the meantime was not in active service. Orin A. served three months in the 115th Ohio, and was discharged on account of disability. For twenty-five years Mr. Seidel has been a member of the U. P. Church, and is one of the Elders of that body. His parents were members of the Lutheran Church. Mrs. Seidel is a member of the M. E. Church. Since Mr. Seidel's residence, he has been engaged at his trade; for the past five years he has taken up the undertaking business, and met with reasonable patronage. For nearly a year past his health has become seriously impaired, the result of a fall from the scaffolding of a building, upon which he was at work.

JOHN SENTER, farmer; P. O. Bedford. To William and Jennie (Hurst) Senter were born Robert, Catharine, Margaret, John and Jane. Of these, John, the subject, was born Dec. 23, 1805, in Lochton, County Leitrim, Ireland. His parents died when he was young; all but Robert and John died of fever when young. At the age of 18, Mr. Senter left his native land for America, landing in New York; he soon after made his way to Cleveland, where he worked on the public works for some time, also at Akron, being employed at both places about ten years, in which time he had saved enough means to purchase some land. He and James Hibbard purchased a lot together, situated in the northeast part of the township, Mr. H. taking the south half, and Mr. Senter the north, the land costing \$3 per acre, and was purchased two or three years ere they settled on it. Dec. 31, 1843, he married Jane Boyle, born June 26, 1824, in Londonderry, Ireland, daughter of Edward and Catharine (Alexander) Boyle. Edward was a son of James; mother's name was Rose. Catharine was a daughter of John and Jennie (Woodburn) Alexander. The Alexanders and Boyles were among the prominent families in the north of Ireland; were educated and people of high respectability. Mrs. Senter came to this country with her parents when she was but a child of 5 years. Her parents settled first at Willoughby; afterward at Dayton, in Lake County, where they lived until 1855, and finally moved to Dayton, Mich.

To Mr. and Mrs. Senter have been born ten children, seven of whom are living—Sarah Jane (Mrs. Simpson Hibbard, of Hudson Township); William H., of this township; Edward B., in Cuyahoga County, near by; James B., on Lot 35, west of Macedonia; Della V., Fred B. and Carrie. Ella J., Robert and John A. died when young. Mr. Senter was raised a member of the Established Church, and is now a member of the Baptist Church, as are nearly all the family, Mrs. Senter having been a member since she was 14 years of age. Mr. Senter has acquired a good property; before dividing his land he had 258 acres, all of which has been the outgrowth of small beginnings. For several years he has been engaged in running a dairy; from a start of ten cows, he increased the number to forty-two, manufacturing their own cheese. They have raised an intelligent family. Three of the eldest children have taught school. Mr. Senter has now 141 acres of land, and still pushes ahead to accumulate for his family.

A. J. SHIELDS, farmer; P. O. Northfield; was born Oct. 3, 1838, in Mahoning Co., Ohio, to Archibald and Sumantha (Rainey) Shields. Archibald was born Oct. 16, 1808, in Mahoning Co., Ohio, and Sumantha in Hudson Township July, 1812. Archibald's father and two brothers came to this State about the year 1810, and were in the war of 1812. To Archibald's father were born William, Archibald and Andrew (twins), Betsey and James. Sumantha was a daughter of Comfort and Betsey (Hubbard) Rainey, to whom were born seven children—Luther, Julia, Sumantha, Elizabeth, Ruth, Moses and Sarah. The Rainey's came West from Connecticut to Hudson Township about the year 1808. Archibald Shields was a millwright, and built the mills at Little Fork. The family are of Scotch ancestry, and are of good stock. To Archibald were born ten children, all of whom lived to manhood and womanhood, viz., Comfort, Allen and Albert (twins), Betsey A., Angelina, Cordelia, Margaret, Elmer and Elsie. Mr. Shields died Nov. 2, 1880, and enjoyed the esteem and confidence of the community in which he lived. A. J. was reared to farming, and remained with his parents until he attained his 26th year. Oct. 8, 1863, he was married to Clarissa Ford, born in this township Jan. 12, 1842, daughter of Marvin and Lydia (Cornell) Ford; her father was born in Hudson Town-

ship Feb. 20, 1818; her mother in Rensselaer Co., N. Y., Dec. 16, 1815; he was a son of William, born in Herkimer Co., N. Y., in 1771. The mother of Marvin Ford was Sallie Gaylord, who was born in Goshen, Conn., Nov. 16, 1783; his grandfather was Joel Gaylord, and was a Drum Major in the war of the Revolution, and was with Washington at the battle of Monmouth. He came to Hudson Township in 1800, and purchased one mile square; his wife came in 1801. She was married in Connecticut to William Leach, and came out with an ox team. William Ford came to Hudson in 1815, and for many years was a Methodist class-leader. For several years past Mr. Shields has been engaged in the lumber business, and buys and sells in large quantities. He has a saw-mill at Macedonia; also 150 acres of land in Hudson Township. His children are—Lydia S., born Sept. 3, 1864; Eva and Ella M. (twins), Jan. 27, 1867; Agie D., March 16, 1870; Alice, July 13, 1876, and Effie M. The last two mentioned died when young. The mother of Mrs. Shields died May 3, 1873. She and her husband came to this township in the year 1836.

Z. P. SORTER, farmer; P. O. Northfield; son of Elijah and Margaret (Middaugh) Sorter; was born May 26, 1827, in Allegany Co., N. Y. His father was born in Essex Co., N. J., Sept. 5, 1782; he was in the war of 1812. The Sorters are of English and the Middaugh's of Scotch descent. Henry Sorter was the grandfather of Z. P. To him were born nine children, viz.: Elijah, Nathaniel S., Zebulon, Henry, Jonathan, Rebecca, Anna, Mary and Charity. Abram Middaugh was the father of John, Abram, Elijah, Alvin, William, Polly and Betsey. Elijah came West in March, 1831. To him were born eleven children, viz.: Charles (near the old homestead), Harry (who is a representative to the Legislature), Isaac (in Seward Co., Nebraska, in the lumber business), Zebulon, James M. (in Kansas, Nemaha Co.), Sarah (Mrs. J. Jones, of Mayfield Township, in Cuyahoga Co.), Catharine (of Missouri), Asa, Gurney, Arvilla (Mrs. M. Fields, in Lake Co., Ohio), and Margaret A. (Mrs. Evans, of Missouri). The father died March 13, 1869, and the mother Feb. 18, 1880. Mr. Sorter was for many years a member of the M. E. Church. He celebrated his golden wedding in 1861. His house was the home and rendezvous of the ministry. Z. P. had good school advantages,

and was a classmate of James A. Garfield at the Geauga Seminary. Mr. Sorter taught school twenty-one terms, afterward engaged in farming; he first bought 25 acres, then 225 in Geauga Co., then 300 in Lake Co., 600 in Kansas, and afterward 380 where he now lives. He came to the township in 1871, and has since remained; he is now engaged in farming pursuits in this township.

JASON M. SPAFFORD, (deceased); was born Sept. 18, 1831, in Twinsburg Township; he was the son of Nathan and Polly (Morrison) Spafford. Jason lived in Twinsburg until he became a young man, then he came to Northfield Township with his father, where he lived until March 4, 1854, when he married Philena Cranson, who was born April 5, 1829, in the town of Lenox, N. Y., and came West with her parents (when she was 1 year old), who located in Chester, Geauga Co. Mrs. Spafford's parents were Gershom and Philena (Fosdick) Cranson. Philena was a daughter of John and Philena (Robbins) Fosdick. Gershom was born in New York State, and was the son of Abner Cranson. To John and Philena were born fourteen children. To Gershom and Philena Cranson were born nine children. The Craisons are of French descent and the Fosdicks of English. After the marriage of Mr. Spafford he located on the farm now owned by his widow. Mr. Spafford died May 25, 1876. He was one of the substantial members of the community and a liberal supporter of the Gospel; for many years he was a staunch member of the Baptist Church; he was a man highly respected in the township for his many virtues; he was a good farmer and a successful financier, having, at the time of his death, 275 acres of good land. Since his death, Mrs. Spafford has remained on the farm, which now consists of 165 acres, she having given 110 acres to her daughter Armarilla, who is the wife of Joseph Carter, and resides in Twinsburg. Mrs. Spafford has been a member of the Baptist Church for many years.

ROBERT VAN HORN, farmer; P. O. Northfield; was born Jan. 20, 1812, in Harrison Co., Ohio; son of Edward and Margaret (Hamilton) Van Horn. The Van Horns are originally from Holland, the early ancestors emigrating to the United States in 1623, locating on the Holland Purchase in New York—some of them owning land where Trinity

Church now stands, in the city of New York. Robert Van Horn, whose name heads the narrative, is of the eighth generation of the family from which they trace their ancestors. Edward Van Horn, when a lad of 5 years, moved with his father, Daniel Van Horn, to Mifflin Co., Penn., where they settled in 1783; finally moved to Tuscarawas Co. Daniel Van Horn's wife was Anna Barteman, born 1749, daughter of Edward Barteman, whose wife was Anna Debaen. They were married 1735. To them were born ten children. Daniel Van Horn died in Tuscarawas Co. in 1822, being 93 years of age. His son Edward, the father of the above, was born in New York March 10, 1778. Was married, in 1803, to Margaret Hamilton, who was born in Chester Co., Penn., 1776; daughter of Robert Hamilton, of Irish descent. His family consisted of four children, three daughters and one son. Edward Van Horn removed West to Harrison Co., this State, in 1807, where he purchased land, and remained on the same until his death, which took place 1855; that of his wife was in 1839. To them were born five children, viz., Anna, who died at 12; Martha, never married; Jemima, Mrs. M. Downey, of Noble Co., this State; Robert, and Jane, who never married. Our subject was brought up on the farm. Dec. 26, 1833, was married to Catharine Kuhn, born Aug. 29, 1809, in Allegheny Co., Penn.; daughter of Archibald and Martha (Stotlar) Kuhn. Mr. Van Horn came to this township in April, 1837, purchasing 86 acres on Lot 62, for which he paid \$12 per acre, paying the money down. There were about 25 acres partially cleared at the time of his purchase. Upon this plat of ground he has since remained a constant occupant. To him have been born three children—Archibald K., now a physician in Stephenson Co., Ill.; Ann J., now the relict of Joseph Boyd, who died Aug. 31, 1875, leaving no issue; Milton A., now on farm adjoining. Mr. Van Horn's family have been Presbyterians in religious belief. His father, Edward, for fifty years was an Elder in the Church. Mr. Van Horn is a member of the U. P. Church, and is Clerk of the Sessions. Edward Van Horn was a soldier in the war of 1812. His brother Jacob was Paymaster of the same regiment.

M. A. VAN HORN, farmer; P. O. Northfield. Milton A. was born on the farm where he now resides, March 27, 1843, being the youngest of

a family of three children born to his parents, Robert and Catharine (Kuhn) Van Horn, who raised their son to agricultural pursuits. December, 1864, he became the husband of Harriet Thompson, who was born in Parkman, Geauga Co., Ohio, daughter of Graham and Harriet (Pearce) Thompson, to whom were born Henry, William, Alfred, James, Robert, Mary, Maria and Harriet. March 25, 1872, Mrs. Van Horn, after an illness of ten days, died of diptheria, leaving two children—Frances J., born Oct. 18, 1865; and Jennie Maria, June 19, 1870. July 30, 1873, he was married to Mary A. Rinear, born in Bedford Township, Cuyahoga Co., and eldest daughter of Albert R. Rinear, whose wife was a Nesbit. Mr. Van Horn and wife are members of the U. P. Church. Aside from his farming, he is engaged in trading; handles agricultural implements; handles the Eureka Mower, of six feet cut; has also the agency for the Cooley Creamer; is a young man of good business habits, straightforward and enterprising; and is a progressive man, open and outspoken in everything that does not bear upon its face the semblance of right. He is a warm friend to education, and ever ready to contribute to local enterprises wherein are involved advantages that will redound to the interest of the community at large, but not in sympathy with any institution that is working under a rule of secrecy.

F. M. WAITE, farmer and contractor; P. O. Northfield: first saw the light of day Jan. 26, 1830, on the farm he now owns. His parents were Benjamin and Loretta (Bacon) Waite. Benjamin was born in Hatfield, Buckland Co., Mass., in the year 1796; his father was named Benjamin, also, whose ancestors were from England. The last-mentioned gentleman's grandfather was in the French and Indian wars, and was an Indian fighter; he at one time had a son captured by the Indians, but the father, pursuing them to Canada, rescued him from their hands. His valor and long-range rifle were well known among the Indians, who, after the war terminated, made several attempts to capture the rifle. At one time, when plowing in the field, an Indian crept up near where he was at work, and shot Mr. Waite through both arms. Knowing his gun was near at hand, and seeing the owner shot, he yelled in a taunting way in broken English: "You shoot no more Indian.

I get long gun now." But not so; our hero succeeded in getting his gun across both fore-arms, and carried it to the house; the Indian gave up the chase. Loretta, the mother of Mr. Waite, was a daughter of Isaac and Nancy (Cranmer) Bacon, who came to this township as early as 1807 or 1808. Benjamin Waite, the father of F. M., first came to Brecksville about the year 1810; returning to Massachusetts, he came out again in 1814, or thereabouts. In 1829, he was married, and located on the farm F. M. now owns. To him was born eleven children; nine grew to maturity. By his first marriage, he had Benjamin, Nelson, Obadiah and Sarah; by his second wife, Loretta Bacon, were F. M., Loretta, Olive, Emily, Adah and Maude. His parents were both members of the M. E. Church. His father died in 1864; his mother in 1858. During Mr. Waite's sojourn in this township, he killed 300 deer, 7 bears, and quite a number of gray wolves. Francis M., at the age of 18, bought his time; the price was \$200. He then worked out one year by the month, saving \$100, which he invested in a joint-stock company, and went to California in 1849, where he engaged in mining, remaining two years and a half, in a short time returning to his father the \$200, plus the interest, as the price of his freedom. After having an extended and varied life of change and interesting incidents, he returned to this township with \$2,000 in gold. He was married, in 1853, to Ellen Chapman, born in Hudson Aug. 12, 1828, daughter of John and Eliza (Basset) Chapman. John Chapman was born in England in 1792, and came to this country at the age of 20, and was the first gunner on board the Queen Charlotte at the battle of Lake Erie. Mr. Waite has two children—Bird and Laura. For several years Mr. Waite has been engaged as foreman and contractor on the public works at Cleveland, and elsewhere, on sewerage and railroad building. He is a member of Twinsburg Chapter, No. 74, R. A. M., and Bedford Lodge, No. 375, A., F. & A. M.

MRS. H. A. WALKER, farming; P. O. Northfield; was born July 11, 1808, in Lancaster Co., Penn., to Stewart and Martha (Beard) Miller. Mr. Miller died very suddenly, falling from his chair while waiting for dinner. He was a son of Joseph, who was of Irish ancestry, as were the Beard family. Joseph Miller was

a General during the war of the Revolution, and did effective service as a soldier and commissioned officer. To him were born fourteen children. Stewart was blessed with seven children, four are living, viz., Harriet, Mary, Rebecca and Augustus, who resides in Lancaster Co., Penn.; Mary, also, and the wife of William Pickell; Rebecca, now the wife of George Pickell, of Caldwell Co., Mo. By the death of her father and mother, Mrs. Walker, when a mere child, was left alone in the world, but in the person of her uncle Rev. John Banks, who married her Aunt Mary, she found protection, who gave her a home and educated her. He was the Pastor of the first Seceder Church in Philadelphia, and was a man of superior talents and great moral worth. She resided in Schenectady at the time of her marriage, which occurred Feb. 20, 1834; the gentleman was John Walker, born in Princeton, N. Y., 1806, son of George and Jane McMicken, the latter being from the Highlands of Scotland. Mr. Walker was a carpenter by trade, and, in 1836, came West, locating in this township, where Mrs. Walker now resides. He first purchased 45 acres, only four or five of which were cleared; he subsequently added to it, at different times, until he owned the entire lot. His death occurred Sept. 3, 1866. Since 1834, he had been a consistent member of the U. P. Church. He was a man highly esteemed in the community in which he lived. Though not an over-zealous man, yet, in his attachments to the principles which early he professed, he was firm and uncompromising. For several years prior to his death, he was in poor health, and though enduring at times intense bodily pain, yet he bore it with Christian fortitude and patient resignation. His noble and amiable companion still survives him and resides on the farm, and is a firm believer in the doctrines embodied in the creed of her church, having been a member of the same since 1824. Her farm consists of 160 acres, which she rents and resides upon, having it under her own management and supervision. Mrs. Walker has long been esteemed in the community as an upright Christian lady, and for her benevolence and goodness of heart.

JAMES W. WALLACE, retired; Macedonia. The Wallace family came from Scotland. The first one of whom there is any record of came from Scotland during the reign of Queen Anne of England, locating in Londonderry, Ire-

land. His son was John, who emigrated in 1716 to Londonderry, New Hampshire, with his father, above described his first name not known. The next in regular descent was James, the fourteenth child of his parents, who settled in Ackwith, New Hampshire, about the year 1775. He married Margaret Archibald, and by her raised ten children, viz., George, Robert, Jane (married Noah Page), John, Ann (married Hezekiah King), James, William, Margaret (married Robert Finley), Nancy (Mrs. Stephen Tharton) and Jonathan. George Wallace, eldest son of James, was born March 6, 1776, and in 1798 came to the Western Reserve to Youngstown. June 29, 1802, he married Harriet Menough, born in Maryland, Feb. 25, 1784, eldest daughter of Samuel and Isabella (Waugh) Menough, who emigrated from Chester County, Penn., in 1790; eight years later they came West to Youngstown where they settled. To George and Harriet Wallace were born James W., George Y., Perkins and Emeline. James was the only one born in Trumbull County. The family after a short time moved to Geauga, afterward to Cleveland in 1810, and where Mr. Wallace, (George) engaged in the hotel business; was here during the war of 1812. Gen. Harrison and other prominent officials were many times among the guests at his house. While here, Mr. Wallace issued supplies to the soldiers at the time of Hull's surrender under the direction of Gen. Jessup; afterward, entered Gen. Harrison's camp where he remained until appointed Commissary before he could draw his pay for the services rendered. While here in Cleveland, Mr. Wallace built a vessel and was engaged in the commission business. In 1814, he began building the saw-mill and dam at Brandywine. In the summer of 1815, built the grist-mill, and the distillery in the fall of 1816; he put in a small stock of goods in the upper room in the mill. In November, 1818, he moved his family to Brandywine. In the fall of 1820, commenced building the factory which began operations the year following spinning and carding; 1822, began manufacturing, the products of which supplied the wants in this line for forty miles each way, and was for several years one of the prominent manufacturing points in the State. In 1843, the mill was swept off by high water. George Wallace died April 4, 1849, Mrs. W. Jan. 4, 1848. The

subject of these lines was born Nov. 27, 1803, in Youngstown, the eldest son of George and Harriet (Menough) Wallace, was raised to active business pursuits under the training and guardianship of his father. In 1825, began business on his own account; about his first adventure in business was taking two-mile contract building canal; afterward, in company with his father and another party, took four miles near Massillon, subsequently built five miles and aqueduct at Roscoe; afterward boated two years. Then engaged in the employ of Giddings, Baldwin, Pease & Co., continuing in their employ five years; firm name was afterward changed to S. A. Andrews, Baldwin & Co.; he remained with this firm in the capacity of purchasing agent during the winter, taking charge of the water craft during boating season; was then known on the line as Capt. Wallace. Subsequently went to Boston, where he was agent for the Boston Land Company for some time, where he remained until spring of 1838. He and his brother George carried on the business at Brandywine after their father retired. After Mr. Wallace abandoned the agency for the firms above mentioned, he returned to Brandywine, where he remained permanently, being mostly afterward engaged in farming. Sept. 8, 1835, he was married to Adaline Hanchett, who was born near River Raisin, Wisconsin, June 17, 1817, daughter of Hiram and Mary (Smith) Hanchett; he was born in New York, she in Massachusetts; they had three children. Hiram Hanchett was a surveyor; previous to 1814, he built the "Lady of the Lake," the first good vessel that was built on Lake Erie. In 1871, Mr. Wallace moved to his present place where he has since resided. Mr. Wallace is now in a measure retired from active business; has been successful in his business relations and now ranks among the affluent and solid financial men of the county. His excellent business qualifications have been called into requisition at different times as a public officer, serving at one time as Trustee on the Clinton Railroad, and in all the different and various phases of his business life he has ever sustained himself as an upright man and worthy citizen. He and wife are members of the Presbyterian Church, and in all the various relations in society have merited the esteem with which he is held in the community. Has five children living—Hiram H.,

Warren W., Leonard C., Mary C. the wife of Lorain Bliss, and Margie S.

H. H. WALLACE, farming; P. O. Northfield; was born Feb. 18, 1843, in Boston Township, being the second child born to James Wallace; remained at home until he was several years past his majority. Dec. 5, 1867, was married to Mary A. Mearns, born in Cecil Co., Northeast Maryland, Feb. 15, 1843, daughter of John and Mary (Waugh) Mearns; she was a daughter of Esquire Robert Waugh, who obtained his land from William Penn, the deed bearing his seal upon it; this land remained in the Waugh family for 103 years. The Mearns and Waugh are of Scotch-Irish descent. Mrs. Wallace was of a family of five children—William R., Martha J., Mary A., Stephen J. and Charles F. Her father died 1869, at the ripe age of 80 years. Since Mr. Wallace was married he has been a constant resident of the township with the exception of nine years spent in Pocahontas Co., Iowa, where he has 640 acres of land; he went in 1871, and returned to this county in 1880. Jan. 8, 1880, he purchased the farm he now owns, situated on Lot 64, where he has 86½ acres with good brick house thereon. Has six children—Adda, Belle M., Anna W., Margie S., George H., Schuyler H., Mary L. died young, aged 2 years. Both Mr. Wallace and wife are members of the Presbyterian Church.

CHARLES WEST, farmer; P. O. Macedonia; was born April 17, 1803, in Hebron, Washington Co., N. Y.; his parents were Charles and Patience (Lee) West. Charles West's grandfather was named Levi. Charles and Patience had three children—Ira, Egbert and Charles. The latter never saw his father, his birth occurring about two months after his death; his mother, the same year of his birth, moved to Dover, Dutchess Co., N. Y., where she again married, and he lived with them until he was about 19 years of age, at which time his brother Egbert came and took him back to his native county. Mr. West engaged that winter with Titus Foster to board him in lieu of services rendered night and morning while attending school; soon after he hired to work for Mr. Foster, and continued to work by the month until his marriage, which occurred Jan. 17, 1833. The lady, Mary B. Nelson was born Feb. 15, 1802, to John and Martha (Baldrige) Nelson. After his marriage, Mr. West worked land on shares

until, in 1835, he came West, direct to this township and purchased 50 acres of land, which, by means of industry and economy, he has increased to about 90 acres of good land all paid for, situated a short distance east of Macedonia, where he lives enjoying the quiet of his home; his first wife died, leaving three children—Martha B., Fannie N. and Patience A., who married Anson Hollister, and moved to White Co., Ill. She has since died, leaving one son—Frank C.; Martha and Fannie reside with their father. Mr. West was married to Nancy Johnson, who was also a native of Hebron, Washington Co., N. Y.; she died Feb. 4, 1879, leaving no issue. For many years Mr. West has been a consistent member of the Baptist Church, in close communion. In politics, he has always been a Democrat of the Andrew Jackson type, and is as honest in his sentiments politically as in his religious tenets.

JOHN WILSON, farmer; P. O. Northfield; was born Sept. 6, 1816, in Allegheny Co., Penn., to John and Mary S. (Kiddoo) Wilson. John was a son of John and Jean Renshaw, to whom were born a family of twelve children, viz., James, Andrew, Mary, John, Eliza, Agnes, William, Samuel, Susan, Joseph, Mary and Benjamin. To John Wilson was born John, Mary, James, Samuel, Margaret and Sarah T. To James Kiddoo, the father of Mary, were born Thomas, John, David, Samuel, Joseph, Mary, Jane, Isabella, Fannie and Betsey. John Wilson, the father of our subject, was born on Monday Sept. 20, 1789, in Allegheny Co., Penn.; his wife, same place, May 27, 1790. To them were born eight children; six grew to maturity—James, John, David M., Mary J., Joseph F., William R. After Mr. Wilson left home, he lived with his uncle, Samuel Kiddoo, and was raised to agricultural pursuits. He came West to this township in the fall of 1843, and purchased 84 acres on Lot 43; returning East, came back in the spring of 1844. June 6, same year, was married to Hannah Chapin, who was born in Westmoreland Co., Penn., Oct. 9, 1819, daughter of Amzi and Hannah (Power) Chapin. Amzi was a son of Edward Chapin. The Chapin family have all descended from Deacon Samuel Chapin, who came from England and settled in Springfield, Mass., in 1642. From this reverend gentlemen have sprung the numerous progeny of Chapins. Hannah Powers was a daughter of Rev. James Powers,

whose wife was a Miss Tanner. Amzi was born in Springfield, Mass., March 2, 1768. Married to Hannah Powers, Oct. 10, 1800. She was born June 17, 1781. To them were born eight children—Mary, Eunice L., James P., Jane S., Eliza, Amzi, Hannah and Rebecca M. Of this number Mrs. Wilson is the sole surviving member of the family. Edward Chapin, the father of Amzi, was born Feb. 16, 1724. Eunice Colton, his wife, was born July 19, 1728. To this venerable twain were born Aaron, Edward, Lucretia, Lucius, Calvin, Alpheus, Amzi and Eunice L. This couple died Jan. 6, 1800, and April 8, 1806, respectively. The religion of the family has been Presbyterian on both sides. Since 1844, Mr. Wilson has been a constant resident of the farm he located upon at the time of his arrival. His farm is under excellent improvement, with neat buildings. He has two sons. Amzi, born June 17, 1845; William J., born Aug. 9, 1847. Amzi has been licensed to preach, and is now at the seminary (theological) preparing for the ministry. William J. is in the piano trade at Cleveland. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are members of the Presbyterian Church, of which her father, Amzi was one of the founders. He came West in 1831, locating on Lot 81, where he purchased 160 acres. He died Feb. 19, 1835; she, June 15, 1855.

**THEODOSIUS WOOD**, Macedonia; was born Jan. 14, 1801, in Buckland, Franklin Co., Mass. His parents were Amos and Lovica (Temple) Wood. Amos was a son of Forbes Wood, whose ancestors came from England. The mother of Lovica Temple was Lucretia Butler; her grandfather was one of two brothers who settled in Boston during the early history, and built several blocks of buildings on their land in that city. Both the Butlers and Woods are noted for their longevity; two of his grandmothers lived to be 87 each; two aunts lived to be 100 and 104 respectively.

Forbes Wood and Amos, his son, were both in the war of the Revolution. They were among the early settlers in Buckland. Amos was twice married, having by both wives fifteen children. Mr. Wood was married to Betsey Johnson in May, 1831; she was born April 12, 1812, in Buckland, Franklin Co., Mass. Her parents were Josiah and Betsey (Elmore) Johnson. Forbes Wood married a lady by the name of Gauze, of Scotch descent, and by her had John, Amos, Lovica and Sallie. Both Forbes and son Amos were staunch old "Feds," and stood by the colonists in their efforts for freedom. Forbes was a soldier in the old French and Indian war, and when the time came for him to take his stand he did it, both he and son casting their lots with the loyal New England people. Theodosius came West in 1832, reaching this State in September of the same year; he first purchased 96 acres at Strongsville, Cuyahoga Co. After one year's ownership he sold out and moved to Calhoun Co., Mich., where he purchased 150 acres. After a short residence there, he sold it at a gain of \$1,600, and came to this town, where he bought 72½ acres. Subsequently he moved to Wisconsin, near Milwaukee, where he invested in land, remaining there two years; he then sold it at a marked advance, and returned to this township, where he has since lived. He has a comfortable home, and is in the possession of a reasonable competence to provide for all his wants. He has no children. Mr. Wood has already passed the limit of time allotted to the race, and is now spending the eve of his life in the enjoyment of his home. He has always acted independent of sects or denominations, yet always favored everything known to be right, and is not in sympathy with any scheme or enterprise that will not augment the interests of the people at large. He is no partisan, but a firm and solid Republican.