

death, in 1866. Jerome J. grew to manhood in Pike County, and in the spring of 1846 went to Monroe County, Iowa, and in the fall of that year married Miss Mary Jane, daughter of Jonathan and Sarah Piper. After his marriage he continued to live in Monroe County for four years, and in the fall of 1852 removed to Putnam County, Mo., where he now resides. He at first located on 160 acres of raw land, and afterward entered to the amount of 640 acres. The following year Mr. Petty built a water saw-mill, which he ran in connection with his farming. In 1860 he built a steam grist and saw-mill, putting in the engine and machinery in 1867. Since that time he has engaged in grinding corn and manufacturing lumber only. He was one of the principal organizers of the Fair Association of the county, of which he occupied the position of president fifteen years in succession, and is now one of the board of directors. Mrs. Petty died March 1, 1862, leaving three children of five borne by her: Sarah E. (wife of R. W. Mannon, of Putnam County), Mary E. (wife of W. R. Berry, of Garden City, Kas.), Emily V. (wife of Pliny M. Mannon, of Putnam County), Laura (who died in early childhood, September 21, 1857) and George L. (who also died in early childhood, on April 19, 1864). June 5, 1864, Mr. Petty married Martha J., widow of Caleb Wells, and daughter of J. H. Mannon, of Putnam County. Four children have been born to this marriage: Jennie E. and Edith L., and two who died in infancy. Mr. Petty is identified with the Democratic party, but has never sought nor held office. He is an enterprising and thrifty farmer, with good social gifts, and is the owner of 320 acres of well cultivated land on Shoal Creek, and lives in a good house, which is surrounded by comfortable outbuildings.

Capt. Jacob Wayne Pickinpaugh, farmer and stock raiser, was born in what is now Noble County, Ohio, April 22, 1829. His father, Peter Pickinpaugh, was born in Greene County, Penn., December 9, 1801, and grew to manhood in his native State. He went to Ohio when a young man, and began life working for \$6 per month. After he had accumulated a small sum, he bought land in Morgan (now Noble) County, in about 1823. In 1828 he was married to Jane Philips, a native of Guernsey County, Ohio. He died November 25, 1884, upon the place he first settled. Of the family of three sons and three daughters all grew to maturity, and all but one daughter are now living. J. W. passed his boyhood and youth in Noble County, Ohio, and was there married June 22, 1851, to Elizabeth Jane Walters, daughter of Jonah Walters. Mrs. Pickinpaugh was born and reared in Noble County, where she lived until March, 1860. They then moved to Putnam County, Mo.,

where Mr. Pickinpaugh now lives. He at first bought and entered land, and now owns 258 acres, all fenced, and about eighty acres well improved and cultivated. He has a good orchard of 200 select apple trees, and other varieties of small fruits, and lives in a commodious two-story building, surrounded with good outbuildings. Mr. Pickinpaugh enlisted in Capt. Bogle's company of Home Guards in 1861, of which he was made second lieutenant. After two months' service he raised a company of six-months men, and on October 15, 1861, went to Canton, on the Mississippi River. He served three months under Col. Woodard, in the Twenty-first Missouri Infantry, and was mustered out in February, 1862. In the summer of the same year he enlisted in the enrolled militia, going to Macon City, and from there to Glasgow. Late in the same year he was mustered out at Macon City. Capt. Pickinpaugh and his company were in the first fight which occurred in Schuyler County. The battle occurred at Lancaster. While he and a detachment of his men were out of the city; getting hay and corn for their horses, they were surprised and vigorously attacked by a company of Confederates, who were routed with the loss of their captain and four men, while the Federal loss was only two men. Capt. Pickinpaugh is a Republican in politics, and as such has served in several local official positions. His first wife died in December, 1885, by whom five children were born: Napoleon, Dr. George J. (of Mendota), Wallace H. (of Kansas), Mary Ann J. (wife of Charles Quigley, of Iowa), and William S. T. (a county teacher). The first four named are married. January 9, 1887, Mr. Pickinpaugh was united in marriage, in Putnam County, to Miss Angeline Johnson, a native of Wood County, W. Va., and daughter of John E. Johnson, formerly of Canada.

Harvey S. Pittman, farmer and stock raiser, was born in Davis County, Iowa, October 12, 1845, and is a son of William and Jaley Pittman, the former born in Kentucky, January 1, 1807, and the latter, also of Kentucky nativity, born December 14, 1825. William Pittman, when a young man, came from Kentucky to Missouri, where he married Miss Jaley, daughter of Joseph Henderson, in 1841, and resided in Randolph and Howard Counties till 1843, when he moved to Davis County, Iowa. He lived there till the fall of 1855, then returned to Missouri and entered land, and improved a farm in Sherman Township, Putnam County, where he lived until his death, August 31, 1886. He was a soldier in the Black Hawk War. His wife died July 25, 1887. H. S. Pittman is one of a family of four children, two of whom died in infancy, and two are living—our subject and Martha A. King. Mr. Pittman came to this county with his parents when ten years

old, and grew to manhood in Sherman Township, and in the fall of 1864 served as a private soldier in the Missouri State Militia. He was married, January 28, 1864, to Miss Harriet A., daughter of Mary and Harrison Dorsett, of Putnam County, Mo., formerly of Pennsylvania. Mrs. Pittman was born in Schuyler County, Ill., May 12, 1849, and was reared in Putnam County, Mo. After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Pittman lived on rented farms in the neighborhood of his present location for some time, but in the fall of 1866 he bought forty acres of land where he now resides, which he improved, and to which he has added until he now owns $197\frac{3}{4}$ acres in one tract, nearly all fenced, and consisting of meadow, plow land and pasture. He has a neat and new one-and-a-half story house, and good outbuildings, neat gates and good fencing. Mr. and Mrs. Pittman have one child, Amanda A. Pittman, who was born in Putnam County, Mo., May 30, 1865. She married J. B. Warren, January 1, 1885, in Putnam County. Mr. Pittman is a self-made man, and a successful and respected citizen. In politics he is a Republican, but never sought nor held office. He is a temperance man and a religious man, himself and wife belonging to the Christian Church, which they joined September 16, 1876, and were baptized on the 17th inst.

D. W. Pollock, president of the National Bank of Unionville, was born in Adams County, Penn., October 10, 1841. Part of his childhood days were spent in Westmoreland County, Penn., and in 1851 he accompanied his parents to Missouri, locating in Putnam County June 20. He remained at home until June 17, 1861, when he enlisted in Company B, Eighteenth Missouri Infantry, of which he was made second lieutenant, and afterward promoted to the rank of first lieutenant, and in 1865 was mustered out in South Carolina, holding a captain's commission at the time. He then returned to Putnam County, and on October 5 of the same year was united in marriage to Anna E. Daniels, a native of Ohio, and soon after embarked in the general mercantile and fine stock trade, which he has since continued with phenomenal success at St. John. Upon the organization of the National Bank at Unionville, he took the second largest share of the stock, and has since officiated as president. Besides giving his attention to his mercantile and banking interests in Putnam County he buys and ships grain from several points in Iowa. His marriage has been blessed by the birth of five sons and two daughters: Mary I., Ira O., Orin O., William H., David W., Anna O., Thomas H.—one of each now deceased. Mr. Pollock is a member of the I. O. O. F. Thomas L., the father of our subject, was born in Glasgow, Scotland, June 20, 1805, and there married Isabella Wilson, June 20, 1833, and in 1839 immigrated to Amer-

ica, his wife and two eldest sons, James and Thomas, who were born in Glasgow, Scotland, joining him two years later. He was a sailor for nine years after coming to America, but in 1851 located in Putnam County, Mo., near St. John, with his family, and there resided until his death, which occurred May 31, 1879. During the late war he was a Union man, and served as wagon-master three years in the Eighteenth Missouri Volunteers. Politically he was a Republican, and served for several years as judge of Putnam County Court. His wife still resides upon the old homestead near St. John, and of the five sons and four daughters born to her and her husband all grew to maturity, although two of the sons and one daughter are now deceased.

W. L. Pollock was born March 2, 1843, in Clinton County, Penn., and moved with his parents to Putnam County, Mo., July 22, 1851, where he has since resided. He attended the subscription schools of this county, but acquired most of his education after he was of age. Although beginning life a poor man he now owns 900 acres of finely improved land, upon which he is extensively engaged in farming and stock raising. April 15, 1866, he married Miss Sarah E., daughter of Levi and Alice (Harris) Simmons, natives of Kentucky and Indiana, respectively. When a boy Mr. Simmons moved to Hancock County, Ill., with his mother and stepfather. He was born March 21, 1818, and died January 10, 1875. Mrs. Simmons moved with her parents to the same county, when about six years old. There they were united in marriage March 31, 1841, and to them ten children were born, of whom Mrs. Pollock was the third. Mrs. Simmons was born February 3, 1826, and died in October, 1875. To Mr. and Mrs. Pollock eleven children were born: Cora Alice (wife of Joseph P. Herrold), Levi Thomas, Stella Ann, Mary Susan, David Llewellyn (deceased), James Riley, Harriet Isabelle, Barbara Ellen, William Allen, Charles Herold and Harley Martin. Mr. Pollock is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and his wife is a member of the United Brethren Church. He is a Greenbacker in politics, and a strong advocate of the temperance cause. During the late war he served in the State Militia. He was the sixth of a family of nine children born to Thomas and Isabelle (Wilson) Pollock, who was born near Greenoch, Scotland. They immigrated to the United States with two children about the year 1835, and settled first at Queens Run, Penn. Mr. Pollock sailed upon the ocean for a number of years, after which he engaged in the business of brick making, but later in life devoted his time to farming and stock raising. During the late war he enlisted in Company B, Eighteenth Regiment, Missouri Volunteer Infantry. After three years and

four months service as regimental wagon master he was discharged on account of disability. After the war he served as judge of the county court eight years. He was born June 20, 1805, and died May 31, 1879. His wife is still living and resides with her children, and is seventy years of age.

John Probasco was born in Greene County, N. Y., in 1827, and moved to Steuben County of that State in 1839; then to Edwards County, Ill.; then to Lee County, Iowa; then to Clark County, Mo., and finally to Putnam County, Mo., in 1855, where he has since resided. He received a common-school education in Edward County, Ill., and Lee County, Iowa, and since boyhood has been engaged in farming and stock raising. When twenty-two years old he started in life upon his own responsibility, and such has been his success that he now owns 310 acres of finely-stocked and well-improved land. In 1851 he married Miss Virginia Butts, a native of Bath County, Ky., and who, when a little girl, came with her parents, Jeremiah and Nancy (Newton) Butts, to Clark County, Mo. Her parents were natives of Kentucky and Virginia, respectively, and the father was of German descent. To Mr. and Mrs. Probasco nine children have been born: Edward S., James W., Peter, Andrew J., Sarah, John W., Noah, Olive May and Henry Sherman. Mr. and Mrs. Probasco are both members of the Missionary Baptist Church. He is a Republican in politics, although earlier in life he was a Democrat. In Masonry he is a member of the Blue Lodge. To his parents, Peter and Sarah (Stroud) Probasco, nine children were born, of whom he is the second. Both parents of his mother were natives of Holland, and the father, Samuel Stroud, died during the Rebellion at the age of one hundred and four years.

Jerome E. Putnam was born in Oxford, Worcester Co., Mass., January 26, 1844. Dexter Putnam and Ruby T. (Torrey) Putnam, his parents, were also natives of Massachusetts, they having been born in the same county as their son. The family moved from Massachusetts to Missouri in 1864, and settled in Putnam County, Mr. Putnam buying land in York Township; where he now resides. He has a family of six sons and six daughters, all grown, and all married save one daughter. The mother died in July, 1887. J. E. Putnam, the subject of this sketch, accompanied his parents to Missouri in 1864; he had formerly received a good common-school education in Massachusetts, which was completed at the Kirksville State Normal. After teaching school fourteen terms he entered Mr. Pollock's store, of which he is now the bookkeeper and manager, having efficiently filled this position since April, 1870. In February, 1871, he was united in marriage to Miss Martha H., daughter of

William Bible, formerly of West Virginia. Mrs. Putnam was born in Virginia, but spent the greater part of her youth in Putnam County. She died February 18, 1883, leaving five children: Ira A., Estelle L., Sumner J., Orië A. and Martha Edith. Mr. Putnam is a highly respected and popular citizen of Putnam County, being of a genial and hospitable disposition, and is an active worker in the Baptist Church, of which he has been a prominent member twenty-six years. He is an earnest advocate of the temperance cause, and belongs to the Red Ribbon Club.

George Roth, a native of Burlington, Iowa, is one of the leading business men of Northern Missouri. He has a large and complete line of hardware at Unionville, Mo., and also deals in lumber, furniture and agricultural implements. He was born in 1840, and reared upon a farm near Burlington, Iowa, until fifteen years old, and then clerked for a hardware firm until 1875, eight years of this time being spent in traveling for the firm. He then located at Unionville as a member of the firm of Williams & Roth, which existed for five years, and then Mr. Roth began to conduct the business alone. He employs four clerks, and occupies his own rooms, having in 1882 built three rooms, 20x110 feet, the building being two stories high. He also owns several other business stores in Unionville, and a residence. His parents, John and Magdaline, were natives of Paris, France, and reside at Burlington, Iowa. Our subject is one of the eight children born to them, six of whom are living. The father served in the three-months service from Iowa, during the late war, and was seven years in the French army.

John Ryals was born in Monroe County, Mo., April 26, 1834, and is a son of John Ryals, Sr., and Mary (Sears) Ryals, natives of North Carolina. The father was born May 13, 1803, and when a small boy came to Kentucky with his father, where he grew to manhood and was married. Shortly afterward he moved to Illinois and settled in Sangamon County, where he bought and improved land and lived until 1831. He then moved to Randolph County, Mo., from there to Monroe County, and from there, in October, 1841, to Putnam County, locating upon a farm near his son's present residence. In January, 1843, he moved to Appanoose County, Iowa, but two years later returned to Putnam County, where he remained until his return to Appanoose County in 1864. In 1874 he came back to Putnam County, and lived there until his death, October 10, 1884. John Ryals, Jr., the subject of this sketch, grew to manhood in Putnam County, and in the spring of 1853 went to Illinois, living upon a farm in Henderson County about four years. He is a self-educated man, and in 1858 began to teach in Putnam and Appanoose Counties,

continuing thus engaged about four years. March 13, 1862, he was married in Liberty Township, Putnam County, to Miss Miriam Mannon, daughter of John H. Mannon, and a native of Mercer County, Ill. He then located upon the farm where he now resides, which contains 206 acres of well fenced and cultivated land, and upon which he has built a good house and substantial outbuildings. He is a Democrat in politics, and has served one year each in the offices of township collector and township assessor. He belongs to the Hartford Lodge in Masonry. To himself and wife seven children have been born: Sylvia (wife of Robert Musgrove), Nora (wife of Samuel Musgrove), Elmer A. (county teacher), Leila, Ledrew E., Vietta and Clyde E.

J. P. Schuster, general merchant of Unionville, was born in Meigs County, Ohio, June 14, 1850, and when three years of age accompanied his parents to Tipton, Cedar Co., Iowa, and from there, in 1856, to Putnam County, Mo., locating at Martins-town, Elm Township, where our subject was reared upon a farm. When about eighteen years old he attended the State Normal School, at Kirksville, one term, and then began teaching school, in which occupation he engaged in Adair, Schuyler and Putnam Counties until 1875. In the fall of 1875 he embarked in the mercantile trade at Martinstown, where he remained until March 1, 1881, and then located at his present place of business near the northwest corner of the square in Unionville, being a member of the firm of Schuster Bros. In 1832 he began to conduct the business alone. He owns the building he occupies, which consists of two rooms on the ground floor, one $16\frac{1}{2} \times 70$ feet, used for the grocery department, and the other, 20×60 feet, used for the dry goods and clothing department. The building has two stories. In January, 1873, he married Elizabeth A. Wade, a native of Putnam County, by whom five children have been born, four sons and one daughter. Mr. Schuster is a Select Knight of the A. O. U. W. John Schuster, the father, was born in Bavaria, August 16, 1826. He was in the Revolution and, with Kossuth, emigrated to America, locating near Pittsburgh, Penn., where he married ^{Catherine} Elizabeth Isenhoot, a native of Germany. He served an apprenticeship at the cabinet maker's trade, in Germany, and is now residing upon a farm in Elm Township, Putnam Co., Mo. The mother is also living. Of the four sons and two daughters reared to maturity our subject is the first child. All the children, with the exception of one daughter, are now living. The maternal grandparents resided near Pittsburgh, where the grandmother still lives and is now over eighty years of age. The paternal grandparents lived and died in Germany.

James T. Scott was born in October, 1833, in Chester County,

Penn. The spring of 1854 he moved to Scott County, Iowa, and the fall of the following year came to Putnam County, Mo., locating about four miles northwest of his present residence. He began life for himself when hardly of age, and when he crossed the Mississippi River had but \$2.50. He was of an energetic nature, and endowed with business ability, however, and so became the owner of a nicely improved farm of 319½ acres of good land, upon which he is engaged in farming and stock raising, and here he has a nice nursery, supplying the surrounding country with hedge plants, ornamental trees, etc. In the spring of 1856 he was married to Miss Isabell, daughter of John and Isabell Long. Eleven children have blessed this union, viz.: Mary E., William C., John L., Susan I., Ann E., James O., George H., Malinda J., David G., Merilla P. and Leonidas, Mrs. Scott died August 17, 1877, and February 14, 1878, Miss Mary E. Masterson became the wife of our subject, by whom he had one child—Mary Ida. This lady died June 19, 1879, and the first day of the following year Mr. Scott was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Jane, daughter of George W. and Lucy (Duree) Fields. To this last union four children have been born: Rosa E. W., Thomas F., Emma E. and Harley F. Mr. and Mrs. Scott are members of the Baptist and Christian Churches, respectively. Mr. Scott is a Democrat in politics, and as such has served his township as justice of the peace ten years; only two cases tried before him were appealed, and in only one of those was his decision reversed. During the late war he served in the State Militia. He is the oldest child born to W. H. and Mary E. (Short) Scott, natives of New Castle, Del., and Cecil County, Md., respectively, and the latter having been of Scotch-Irish descent. Mr. Scott was a son of William Scott, who was a captain in the War of 1812, and Mrs. Scott, a daughter of David Short, a lieutenant in the same war, and a native of Maryland, where he died.

Judge William A. Shelton, one of the pioneers of Putnam County, was born in Clinton County, Ky., April 15, 1831, and October 25, 1845, accompanied his parents to Putnam County, Mo., locating within the present limits of Lincoln Township for two years, and then moving to Liberty Township, where they remained until about 1854, when they returned to Lincoln Township. Our subject made his home with his parents until 1855, and then came to Unionville, and in 1856 received the appointment of deputy clerk of the circuit and county courts, serving until January, 1860. He then began the discharge of his duties as circuit clerk, which position he held till January, 1867. In February, 1862, he enlisted in the State Militia, serving as cap-

tain of the First Cavalry, in Company D. In September, 1862, it being necessary for him to retire from active service in the field, to his office as clerk, he resigned, and was then appointed colonel of the Forty-fifth Enrolled Militia, which was organized in Putnam County. In the fall of 1866 he was elected to the State Senate, and served four years. He studied law with S. A. John from 1856 until the commencement of the war, and was admitted to the bar in 1866, and practiced from 1870 until he was elected to the office of probate judge, to fill an unexpired term of two years, and was then re-elected to the same office in 1884 and 1886, filling the office in a highly efficient and faithful manner. In 1859 he was united in marriage to Nancy F. Brasfield, a native of Madison County, Ky., by whom five sons have been born: Alonzo, died in August, 1861; Hugh Adolphus, died in October, 1864; Ora A., William A. and Claude A. The Judge is a member of the order of F. & A. M. and I. O. O. F. His paternal grandfather, Ezekiel, was a native of North Carolina, and of English parentage. His parents were large slave holders, and Ezekiel became attached to a slave named Tom, and begged his father not to sell Tom to a Georgia slave trader, to whom he was making sale, and in his plea said if Tom was sold he would leave home; but his request was not granted, and when Tom was sold, he ran away from home at the age of sixteen, coming to Clinton County, Ky., where he was married to Margaret Davis, a lady of Scotch-Irish descent, his relatives whom he left not hearing from him in forty years. Both died in Clinton County. The father of William A., Ezekiel, was born in Clinton County, Ky., April 8, 1808, and was reared and married there to Elizabeth Mason, a native of Kentucky. Their deaths occurred in Lincoln Township, Putnam County, in 1866 and 1864. Mr. Shelton was the second of thirteen children—ten sons and three daughters — all of whom lived to maturity. Seven of his brothers served in the Union cause during the late war, five dying while in the service. The three daughters are living, and four of the sons, including William.

Frank C. Sickles, attorney at law, was born at Waterloo, Clark Co., Mo., in 1852, and was reared in Schuyler and Clark Counties, living in the former county from his birth until 1886. He was admitted to the bar in Schuyler County, in 1876, served one term as prosecuting attorney of Schuyler, and is now a practitioner of his profession at Unionville. January 1, 1879, he was united in marriage to Mary E. Fisher, a native of Iowa, but reared in Schuyler County, Mo., and to them one son, Fred C., has been born. Mr. Sickles is a member of the Christian Church, and a man highly respected in the community, and

regarded as one of its most important citizens. The grandfather of Frank, Daniel C., was born in the State of New York, where he passed his youth. He went to Virginia, and from there immigrated to Missouri, during the early history of that State. He was a Methodist Episcopal minister, and died in Clark County, Mo. His son, William A., the father of our subject, was a native of New York City, and was married to Caroline T. Shellenbarger, in Clark County, Mo. This lady was a native of Pennsylvania, and to her union with Mr. Sickles, Sr., three sons and four daughters were born, of whom Frank C. was the eldest; three daughters are now deceased. The father died in Schuyler County, Mo., in 1884, but the mother is a resident of Green Top, Schuyler Co., Mo.

William T. Smith was born in Urbana County, Ohio, September 14, 1851, and is a son of Henry and Rebecca J. (Harbert) Smith, natives of Virginia and Ohio, respectively. The father settled in Ohio when a young man, and was there married. About 1854 he purchased raw land in Putnam County, Mo., in the southern part of Sherman Township, which he improved, and upon which he lived a number of years. He is a tanner by trade and erected a tanyard and buildings at West Liberty, and engaged in business there for several years, after which he returned to farm life. In the early part of 1864 he enlisted in Capt. Thompson's Company, Forty-second Missouri Infantry, for one year, and went to the front with his regiment. He was mustered out in the summer of 1864. He moved to Unionville in 1886. He has been twice married, his first wife having died in February, 1885. He raised a family of three sons: William T., James H. and John H., all of whom are living, and the two eldest married. William T., our immediate subject, grew to manhood upon the Putnam County farm, and received a good common-school education; having a taste for literature he continued to apply himself to the acquirement of knowledge, and at the age of twenty commenced to teach in the Putnam County schools, which he continued during the winter months for some six years, spending the summer months in farming. He married, in Putnam County, December 24, 1873, Miss Izorah H. Skinner, daughter of S. E. Skinner, of Illinois. Mrs. Smith was born in Lee County, Iowa, October 7, 1853, near Sandusky City, but was raised mostly by an uncle (John Bonebright), of Putnam County, where she was a schoolmate and pupil of her husband. This marriage has been blessed by three children: Leslie Harbert, born August 29, 1875; Altha M., born June 9, 1880, and Goldie E., born July 30, 1884. Mr. Smith is a Republican in politics, and was nominated and elected township collector in the spring of