

high esteem by all who know him and earnestly devoted to the best interests of the township and county in which he dwells and to the prosperity and advancement of which he so essentially and judiciously contributes.

Mr. Miller was married on February 15, 1866, to Miss Mary S. Collier, a native of Grundy county, Missouri. Seven of the ten children born to them are living: Sallie F., the wife of E. C. Grossenbacher, whose home is in Texas; Mary C., the wife of Amos Forman, a resident of this county; Lizzie B., the wife of C. H. Walker, who lives in Quincy, Illinois; James W., who is in business in St. Louis; Effie E., the wife of W. I. Forman, of Shelby county; Maggie I., who also has her home in Shelby county; and Ida, who is residing at home. The father is a Democrat in politics and a Universalist in religion. He gives diligent attention to the claims of both his party and his state, and is valued as a member and worker in both. In his business operations he has been uniformly successful and prosperous, and in citizenship no man in the county stands higher.

ROBERT L. CARMICHAEL.

Transferring to this state and Black Creek township, Shelby county, the elevated ideas of manhood and public duty he inherited from his ancestors and acquired from association in the place of his nativity, and coming to this locality with his parents at the age of sixteen, Robert L. Carmichael made himself a very useful and esteemed citizen here and helped materially in the work of

building up the township and county of his residence, in which he lived and labored for the last forty-four years. His death occurred February 1, 1911.

He was born in Hampshire county, Virginia, now West Virginia, on October 28, 1850, and was a son of Robert and Lucy A. (Louthan) Carmichael, of the same nativity as himself, and a grandson of Daniel Carmichael, who came to this country from Scotland, where he was born and where his forefathers lived many generations before that event occurred. The father was born on November 15, 1814, and brought his family to Missouri in 1866. He located on a good farm in Shelby county and lived on it until his death on November 3, 1899. He was a planter in his native state and a farmer here, passing the whole of his life from boyhood in agricultural pursuits, and he attained considerable success in his work, which he managed with skill and prosecuted with vigor and enterprise of the most commendable character.

He was married to Miss Lucy A. Louthan, and by this union he became the father of six sons, five of whom are living: John W., Daniel A., James H., W. E., and Robert L., all residents of Shelby county. In politics the father was a Democrat of the old school and a devoted member of his party, giving it loyal and effective support at all times. His religious association was with the Methodist Episcopal church, South. He was a man of strong character, considerable intelligence and elevated manhood, and he became one of the prominent and influential citizens of this county.

His son, Robert L. Carmichael, obtained his education in the public schools of his native county, and while attending them assisted his father in the management of the plantation there. After his arrival in this county he continued this filial course until the death of his parents, when he took charge of the farm and had been actively, progressively and profitably occupied with its cultivation and the conduct of his large and remunerative live stock industry. In connection with the home farm he also cultivated what was long known as the Furnam farm, which he became possessed of. His joint farm now comprised 300 acres, and is one of the most valuable landed interests in the township of Black Creek.

Mr. Carmichael was married on March 9, 1876, to Miss Sallie A. Taylor, a daughter of B. F. and Eliza (Williams) Taylor, who have long been highly esteemed residents of this county. The Carmichael offspring numbered five, and four of the children are living: Lena M., whose residence is still with her parents; Winnie, the wife of Albert Kennel, a resident of this county; Ethel, the wife of W. W. Elgin, who lives on the old family homestead; and Lucy T., the wife of R. A. Moore, also living in Shelby county. Thus Mr. Carmichael's children dwelled with and around him, within easy communication with their parents and one another, and was thereby enabled to keep up to a large extent the old spirit of the family circle of the past. His political allegiance and support were given loyally to the Democratic party, and he was prominent in its councils and active and effective in its service. He

had no direct religious affiliation except through that of his wife, who is a member of the Missionary Baptist church, but he aided in the support of all denominations with a liberal hand.

THEODORE B. DAMRELL.

A representative of the third generation of the Damrell family in Missouri, the subject of this review has long held precedence as a progressive and upright business man who has been very successful in his various enterprises, and as a citizen well worthy of the high regard in which he is uniformly held in the county that has been his home during the major portion of his life. He is now a resident of Shelbyville, he has given effective service in various offices of public trust, and is actively engaged in the business of buying and shipping high-grade horses, jacks and mules, in which line he has built up a large and flourishing business.

Theodore B. Damrell was born on the homestead farm of his father in Jefferson township, Monroe county, Missouri, on May 9, 1859, and is a grandson of Judge Edmond Damrell, who was one of the pioneer settlers of that county and one of the first judges of the County court, having been a man of prominence and influence in his community and having continued his residence in Monroe county until his death, in the fulness of years and honors. Alpheus T. Damrell, father of him whose name initiates this article, was born in Monroe county, this state, in 1832, and there he passed his entire life, having been reared to the sturdy discipline of the pioneer farm-