

and was much esteemed for his business enterprise and his estimable qualities as a man and citizen.

John H. Bue obtained his education in the public schools of Merrillville and Ross Station, in Lake county, Indiana, attending them until he reached the age of fourteen years. He then went to work with his father, going from place to place as circumstances required, seeing different phases of American enterprise and human life and treasuring up the lessons of his experience for future use. He continued working on railroad contracts with his father until 1879, then determined to gratify a long-felt desire and seek a permanent residence and settled occupation. In that year he came to Shelby county, Missouri, and during the next three years engaged in farming and raising live stock on land which he rented for the purpose. At the end of the period named he bought the farm he had been renting and on it he has made his home and conducted his industries ever since. But as he prospered he added to his land and increased his live stock business. He now owns 210 acres, the greater part of which is under cultivation, and is farmed with intelligence and enterprise. The stock business is carried on in the same spirit, and both are made very profitable by the excellent management which controls them in every detail.

Mr. Bue has taken an earnest and helpful interest in the affairs of his township and county, which have felt the quickening impulse of his strong mind and ready hand. He is a school director and has rendered valued service as road overseer. His first marriage, which occurred in 1879, was with Miss Elizabeth

Smith, of Shelby county. They had one child, which died in infancy. The mother also died soon afterward, and on November 23, 1883, Mr. Bue contracted a second marriage, uniting with Miss Jennie Lee Pickett, also a Shelby county lady, and daughter of Hiram and Elizabeth (Rookwood) Pickett, the former a native of Virginia and the latter of Kentucky, and both long resident in Shelby county, where Mrs. Bue was born on July 19, 1861.

Three children have been born of the second marriage, and two of them are living, a son named William and a daughter named Maybelle Lee, now Mrs. William Vanskike, of Knox county. In politics the father is a Democrat and at all times an energetic and effective worker for the success of his party. He and his wife are zealous and devoted members of the Southern Methodist Episcopal church, and are held to be among the most valued workers in its cause, Mr. Bue being one of the stewards of the congregation to which he belongs and looked up to as one of its leading members. Mr. Bue is interested in breeding superior lines of coach and draft horses and now owns two of the best stallions in the county.

ARTHUR L. FREELAND.

The last three generations of the family to which Arthur L. Freeland, of Lakanan, this county, belongs have contributed to the life, activity and productiveness of four states of the American Union and have done well and been highly esteemed in all. His paternal grandfather, John Freeland, was a native of

Massachusetts and moved in his early manhood to North Carolina, where the father, Francis Freeland, was born on February 27, 1807. While he was but a small boy the family moved to Kentucky, and there he grew to manhood and lived until 1832, extensively engaged in farming and raising live stock after reaching his maturity and becoming one of the noted stock men of the state. In the year last named he moved his own family to Illinois, and in 1866 located in Jackson township, Shelby county, Missouri. There he bought a large tract of land, which he farmed until 1873, when his wife died. He then retired from active pursuits and passed the remainder of his days in ease and the comforts of a prolonged rest, dying at Lakenan on March 13, 1888.

Francis Freeland was married in 1832 to Miss Julia A. Mayhugh, a native of Virginia, born in 1809. She became, by her marriage, the mother of eleven children. Ten of her offspring grew to maturity and six of them are still living—John W., a resident of Oklahoma; Fielding M., who lives at Blackwell, Oklahoma; Fleming H., who has his home in Shelbina; Franklin P., a citizen of Leota, Kansas; Napoleon B., who is also a resident of Oklahoma; and Arthur L., the immediate subject of this memoir. The father was a Whig in early life, and when the party to which he belonged passed into history and was succeeded by the Republican party, he joined the new organization and adhered to it until his death. His religious affiliation was with the Southern Methodist church.

Arthur L. Freeland was born at Blandinsville, Illinois, on August 28, 1851.

He was reared to the age of fifteen on his father's farm in Illinois, and began his education in the public schools in its vicinity. At the age of fifteen he accompanied his parents to Missouri, and lived with them on their farm in Shelby county until 1885, completing in its public schools, a private school in Shelbyville and the high school in that city the education he had started in Illinois. After leaving school he became a teacher in the public schools of Shelby county, following that trying but self-developing vocation until 1885. He then started an enterprise in general merchandising which he conducted for a period of twenty years, his place of business being in Lakenan, of which he was appointed postmaster the same year. He is the postmaster of the city now, having filled the office continuously from his first appointment in 1885, with the exception of four years, and discharged his official duties in connection with his mercantile undertaking.

Mr. Freeland sold his store and business in 1905, and since then he has devoted his time and attention wholly to the duties of his office and the care of his other interests. He has been successful in his efforts for advancement and now owns land in Pike county and a valuable residence in Lakenan, over both of which he exercises a careful supervision and direction. He has always taken an active interest in politics as a Republican, in fraternal life as a Freemason, holding membership in Shelbina Lodge of the order, and in religious affairs as a zealous member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. On October 31, 1872, he was united in marriage with Miss Emma C. Holliday, of Shelbyville. One child

blessed their union, their daughter Julia E., who is now the wife of Linn L. Byars, of Valley, Nebraska.

Mr. Freeland is an enterprising and progressive man, as is shown by his own success in everything he has undertaken and by his valued contributions in counsel, in activity and in material aid to every movement for the development and improvement of the town and county in which he lives and the promotion of the enduring welfare of their people. He is always at the front in all good works—material, political, intellectual and moral—and is esteemed by the people who have had the benefit of his services as one of the most representative and useful men among them. No one stands higher in Lakenan and Shelby county, and the regard in which he is universally held is acknowledged to be based on demonstrated merit.

REV. JAMES JOLLY WILSON.

This venerable and venerated patriarch in the Christian ministry, who was a commanding herald of the gospel for fifty-six years, and but recently retired from active service in his chosen line of beneficence, has passed the eighty-first milestone of his long journey of usefulness through the wilderness of human error in which he has contended against all forms of evil, and is now resting serenely from his labors, secure in the affectionate regard of the people who have so long had the benefit of his ministrations and the confidence and esteem of the whole body of the citizenship of Shelby and adjoining counties and in many other parts of the country.

Rev. Mr. Wilson was born on March 22, 1829, in Highland county, Ohio, and is a son of Joseph H. and Maria (Jolly) Wilson, also natives of that county, where the father was born on May 6, 1807, and they were married in 1828. The father grew to manhood in that county, and when he was old enough engaged in farming. He also kept a store and operated a tan yard at Petersburg, Ohio, for twenty years, and at the end of that period moved to Oxford, Indiana. There he followed farming until his death, in 1875. He was successful according to the standards of his day, and in all places of his residence rose to consequence and influence among the people. He and his wife became the parents of five children, but only two of them are now living, the interesting subject of this memoir, and his brother, Sanford H., who is a resident of Santa Clara, California. The mother of these children died some years before her husband, and he afterward contracted a second marriage, uniting in 1856 with Mrs. Priscilla Briden, of Tippecanoe county, Indiana. He was an elder in the Presbyterian church and a man of great activity and effectiveness in his congregation.

His son, James Jolly Wilson, began his education in the district schools of his native county and later attended Salem Academy, in Ross county, Ohio, for one year. In 1849 he entered Hanover College, in Indiana, which he attended three years. He then entered the ministry and was licensed to preach in 1853 at the church in which he was baptized as an infant. He began his career as a preacher in Oxford, Indiana, occupying the pastorate of the Presbyterian