

held in high regard in their native county and their pleasant home is one notable for its hospitality.

On March 11, 1890, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Gillaspay to Miss Martha L. McVey, who, like himself, is a member of a well known pioneer family of Shelby county, where she was born and reared. She is a daughter of Reuben W. and Martha McVey, who were residents of Taylor township. They have no children.

JOHN H. BUE.

Pleasantly located on his fine farm of 210 acres in Bethel township and pursuing the peaceful if arduous life of an active and energetic farmer and live stock breeder, John H. Bue has, nevertheless, had a career of considerable variety and adventure, even though it was confined to his youth and early manhood. He is a native of this country, though not of this state, having come into being on November 23, 1855, in Lake county, Indiana, and is a son of Henry and Eliza (Mooney) Bue, natives of Lincolnshire, England, where the father was born in 1830.

He came to the United States when he was about twenty-one years old, and for a short time lived in Rochester, New York. But the West had greater attraction for him. Its great wealth of resources called him with a pleading voice and its natural life, unspoiled as yet by the blandishments of social culture, wore for him a winning smile. Accordingly, after a residence of a year in Rochester he moved to Indiana and took up his resi-

dence in Lake county. There he banked cord wood and later became a railroad contractor.

In 1869 he took another flight toward the Rockies, coming to Missouri and locating at Excello, in Macon county. Here he bought a farm and farmed it one year, then moved to Boonville, Cooper county, where death soon afterward robbed him of his wife. From that time to his death, in 1895, he followed railroad contracting almost exclusively. During the greater part of his activity in this country he was highly prosperous, but business reverses late in life deprived him of much of his gain, and kept him from leaving his children with as good a start in life as he had aimed to give them. He died at the home of his son, John H. Bue, at which he had lived at intervals after the death of his wife.

Mr. Bue, the father, undertook and carried to completion several large works of construction in his contracting days, among them the O. K., M. K., T. & Long division of the Wabash railroad in this part of the country. He was married in New York to Miss Eliza Mooney, and by this marriage became the father of eight children, five of whom are living: John H., the immediate subject of this sketch; Mary, the widow of Patrick Lyons, who lives in Bloomington, Illinois; William, who is a resident of Flathead county, Montana; Sarah, the wife of William Garrison, whose home is in the new state of Oklahoma; Charles, who resides at Elwood, Indiana; Hannah M., the wife of R. W. Tanner, of Idaho, who died in September, 1910. The father was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church,

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