

lie schools of Athens and Pleasanton, Ohio, and after leaving school he continued to be associated with his father in the work and management of the home farm until 1883, when he went to Mount Sterling, Illinois, where he was associated with his uncle, Dr. John C. Rickey, where he spent two and a half years after a severe spell of typhoid fever, at the expiration of which he returned to the parental home. He accompanied his parents on their removal to Kansas and was associated with his father in the hotel business in Lawrence, after which he came with the family to Shelby county, Missouri, in 1887. For two years he was here associated with his brother-in-law, Charles J. Woolridge, in the grocery business in Clarence, and thereafter he was engaged in the same line of enterprise in an individual way until 1897, when he founded a successful business in contracting work for the constructing of cement walks, buildings and other structural work. He is still interested in this enterprise, which has grown to be one of no inconsiderable scope and importance. As a business man he has shown marked energy, discrimination and progressiveness, and his course has been so directed as to retain to him the unqualified confidence and esteem of the community, the while he has ever manifested a loyal interest in all that has tended to conserve the general welfare.

In politics Mr. Rickey is found aligned as a stalwart supporter of the principles and policies for which the Republican party stands sponsor, and he has given effective service in its cause. On April 19, 1906, under the administration of

President Roosevelt, he received appointment to the office of postmaster of Clarence, of which position he has since remained the able and popular incumbent, besides which he served two years as a member of the village council of Clarence. He is affiliated with the Court of Honor, and his wife is a member of the Christian church.

On January 23, 1895, Mr. Rickey was united in marriage to Miss Emma Carey, of Clarence, who was born near Eldera, Pike county, Illinois, and who is a daughter of William Carey, a representative citizen of Shelby county. Mr. and Mrs. Rickey have two children, Merle and Claremont, both of whom are attending the public schools of their home village.

#### CITIZENS' BANK OF CLARENCE.

One of the ably managed and essentially substantial financial institutions of Shelby county is that whose title initiates this paragraph and which is established in the thriving and attractive city of Clarence. This bank was organized in 1900, and its charter bears date of June 13th of that year. It began operations upon a capital stock of \$10,000, and the personnel of the original official corps was as here noted: John R. Jones, president; Jacob H. Merrin, vice-president; B. B. Asbury, cashier; and William B. Pritchard, assistant cashier. On September 2, 1902, the capital stock was increased to \$15,000, and on September 8th of the following year the stock was raised to \$20,000. On March 30, 1905, Theodore P. Manuel, Charles F. Afflick and others purchased the interests of Messrs. Asbury and Pritchard and in-

creased the capital stock of the institution to its present noteworthy figure—\$40,000. The bank is now one of the solid and progressive financial institutions of the county, controlling a large, representative and constantly expanding business and basing its operations upon ample capital and the best of executive direction. The present officers of the bank are as here noted: Theodore P. Manuel, president; Charles F. Afflick, vice-president; and William J. Daniel, cashier. In addition to these executive officers the board of directors also includes John T. Amick and J. E. Daniel. The bank has a surplus fund of \$6,500; its loans and discounts, personal collateral and real estate, aggregate fully \$140,000, and the institution owns its own well equipped banking house.

#### JAMES E. ROY, M. D.

Dr. Roy is numbered among the representative physicians and surgeons of the younger generation in Shelby county and is engaged in practice in the village of Clarence, being associated with his elder brother, Dr. Frank K. Roy, under the firm title of Drs. Roy & Roy, and both are recognized as able and successful members of their profession and as citizens of progressive ideas and distinctive public spirit, well worthy of the high regard in which they are uniformly held in the community.

Dr. James' E. Roy was born in the village of Hager's Grove, Shelby county, Missouri, July 22, 1883, and is a son of James G. and Pauline (Bright) Roy, both natives of Marion county, this state, where the former was born March 10, 1846, and the latter February 2, 1849.

The father was reared and educated in Marion county and as a young man he engaged in the boot and shoe business at Palmyra, that county, where he continued to reside until 1878, when he came to Shelby county and located in the village of Clarence, where he owned and conducted a lumber yard for one year. He then sold the business and removed to a farm in Clay township, this county, where he devoted his attention to farming and stock-growing for the ensuing five years. In the spring of 1883 he sold his farm and removed to the village of Hager's Grove, where he continued to be associated with Joseph Hunolt in the general merchandise business until his death, which occurred November 20, 1908. He was also the owner of a farm of 160 acres at the time of his demise. In 1868 was solemnized his marriage to Miss Pauline Bright, who survives him and who now maintains her home in Clarence. Of their four children, three are living—William E., of Hager's Grove; and Drs. Frank K. and James E., of Clarence, who are associated in professional and business lines, as already noted. The father was a man of exalted integrity of character and was a leader in thought and action in the community. In politics he gave his allegiance to the Democratic party, and he served as postmaster and justice of the peace at Hager's Grove. He was affiliated with the Masonic fraternity and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and was a most zealous and devoted member of the Christian church, as is also his widow. He was an elder in the church at Hager's Grove and also served as superintendent of its Sunday school.