

pioneer settlers and where she was reared and educated. Mr. and Mrs. Eaton became the parents of seven children, and in conclusion of this brief sketch is entered record concerning the five who are living: James M. is a resident of Meade county, Kansas; Charles H. is a resident of McAllister, Oklahoma; Lillie is the wife of Peter O. Schofield, station agent of the Chicago & Rock Island railroad at Pleasant Hill, Missouri; Thomas T. is a successful farmer of Shelby county; and Birdie W. is the wife of John Harris, of Guthrie, Oklahoma.

HARDIN DOUGLASS.

Now living retired in the village of Lakenan, Shelby county, is to be found this venerable and honored citizen, who is a member of one of the sterling pioneer families of Missouri, which has been his home from the time of his nativity, and who gained definite success through his long association with the great basic art of agriculture. He has been a resident of Shelby county for nearly half a century, and has so ordered his life as to merit and receive the unqualified confidence and regard of his fellow men. He was loyal to the cause of the Confederacy in the Civil war and served for a time as a valiant soldier in a Missouri regiment.

Hardin Douglass was born in Howard county, this state, October 25, 1832, and is a son of Edward and Dysie (Green) Douglass, the former of whom was born in Tennessee and the latter in Madison county, Kentucky, where their marriage was solemnized. Edward Douglass took up his residence in Missouri in the year

1820, settling first in Boone county, whence he later removed to Howard county, where he became one of the pioneers. He secured a tract of wild land and effected its reclamation, becoming one of the prosperous farmers and influential citizens of that section, and continuing to maintain his home on the farm until the outbreak of the Civil war, when he removed to the village of Palmyra, where he lived retired until his death, which occurred in the year 1876. His wife passed away in 1880, both having been zealous members of the Methodist Episcopal church, South. Of their eleven children only three are now living, and of the number the subject of this sketch is the eldest; Lula is the wife of Henry Green, of Monroe county, this state; and Joel A. maintains his home in Boone county.

Hardin Douglass was reared to the sturdy and invigorating discipline of the farm and was afforded the advantages of the common schools of the pioneer days in Howard county. After attaining years of maturity he continued to be identified with the great basic art of agriculture and remained a resident of his native county until the climacteric period of the Civil war. In 1863 he tendered his aid in defense of the Confederate cause, enlisting as a private in Company I, *Missouri Infantry*, which became a part of the command of General Clark. Mr. Douglass participated in engagements at Kansas City and Little Blue, Missouri, besides a number of skirmishes, and then proceeded with his regiment into the Indian Nation, where the regiment disbanded after he had been in service about eight months. He

returned to his home in Howard county, but in the year 1864 he removed to Shelby county. He became the owner of a good farm in Jackson township and devoted his attention to diversified agriculture and stock-growing until 1874, when he disposed of his farming interests and took up his residence in Lakenan, in which village he is now living. For the past few years he has lived virtually retired from active business, and, now venerable in years, he is able to enjoy the generous rewards of former years of earnest toil and endeavor, the while he has the gratifying associations implied in the companionship of old and loyal friends and the high regard of the entire community which has so long represented his home. He has ever been a stalwart advocate of the principles of the Democratic party and has taken an intelligent and loyal interest in the issues and questions of the hour and in all that has tended to conserve the material and civic progress of his home county and state. Both he and his wife have long been consistent and active members of the Methodist Episcopal church, South.

In September, 1854, Mr. Douglass was united in marriage to Miss Sarah Andrews, whose death occurred in 1869. They became the parents of five children, all of whom are living, namely: Calvin, who is a representative farmer of Shelby county; Rhoda, who is the wife of Peter Chapman, of Monroe county; Isabelle, who is the wife of Alonzo Robbins, of Monroe county; Elizabeth, who is the wife of Charles Robbins, of Shelby county; and Minerva, who is the wife of John McClosky, of Monroe county.

In December, 1870, Mr. Douglass contracted a second marriage, being then united to Miss Anna E. Andrews, of Howard county, and of their four children two are living, Flavius, who is engaged in farming in Shelby county, and Jason, who is a successful business man of the village of Lakenan, this county.

JAMES F. HARRISON.

It is most consonant that in this publication be entered a brief review of the career of Mr. Harrison, who has been prominently identified with the agricultural industry and other productive lines of enterprise in this section of Missouri, which state has represented his home from the time of his birth, and who is not only a member of one of the old and honored families of this fine commonwealth of the Union, but is also one of the popular and influential citizens of Shelby county. He is still actively concerned with farming and stock-growing in this county, but maintains his home in the thriving and attractive little city of Shelbina, where he is the owner of valuable real estate, including his fine residence property.

Mr. Harrison was born on the parental homestead farm in Monroe county, Missouri, seven miles southeast of Shelbina, April 18, 1856. His father, Francis M. Harrison, was a native of Kentucky, where he was born June 8, 1827, and in 1830, when he was about three years of age, his parents removed from the Bluegrass state to Missouri and settled near the town of Old Clinton, Monroe county, where he was reared to manhood and given such scholastic ad-