

have had twelve children, ten of whom are living: Jerome, who resides at Pine, Oregon; Dollie, the wife of Boone Faddis, of Centralia, Missouri; Charles L., whose home is in Portland, Oregon; Annie, the wife of Amos Miller, of Monroe county, Missouri; James E., a resident of Canada; Lucy, the wife of John Winn, who also lives at Centralia, Missouri; Nora, a resident of Shelbyville; Armstrong and Maud, who are still at home with their parents; and Leona, the wife of Arthur Phillips, whose home is in this county.

In political faith and allegiance Mr. Smith is a member of the Democratic party and, although he never has sought or desired a political office for himself, either by election or appointment, he is loyal and energetic in the service of the organization and always helpful in its campaigns. His religious affiliation is with the Methodist Episcopal church, South, of which his wife is also a member, and to this also he is loyal and devoted, taking an active part in its work and aiding in every way he can to promote its best interests. In the affairs of his township and county he takes an active interest and serviceable part, doing all he can to help them to wholesome and enduring progress and development along lines of steady and substantial advancement.

GEORGE W. GREENFIELD.

One of the substantial farmers and stock growers of Shelby county, which has been his home from the time of his birth, Mr. Greenfield is a representative citizen of this section of the state and a

member of one of the honored pioneer families of Shelby county. Through well-directed effort he has achieved a large measure of success in connection with temporal affairs, and he is the owner of a finely improved landed estate in his native county, besides which he is a member of the directorate of the Farmers' Bank at Leonard. He is held in unqualified esteem in his native county and is well entitled to consideration in this history.

George W. Greenfield was born in Taylor township, Shelby county, Missouri, on September 16, 1848, and the old homestead which was the place of his nativity is but three miles distant from his present place of abode. He is a son of Samuel and Hannah (Michaels) Greenfield, whose marriage was solemnized in the state of Ohio in 1838. The father was born on Chesapeake Bay, in the state of Maryland, in 1812, and the mother was a native of Virginia, whence she removed with her parents to Ohio in an early day. Samuel Greenfield passed the first fourteen years of his life in his native state and then accompanied his parents on their removal to Ohio, where he was reared to maturity and where he received a common school education. He continued to reside in the old Buckeye state until about 1836, when the family removed to La Grange county, Indiana, and in 1840 came to Missouri and numbered himself among the first settlers of the present township of Taylor, where he secured a tract of wild land, which he reclaimed into a productive farm. He became one of the successful farmers and stock raisers of the county and added materially to his landed estate,

becoming the owner of more than 700 acres. His first land was secured from the government and consisted of 120 acres. He continued to be actively concerned in the supervision of his large interests until 1899, when he disposed of his live stock and retired from active business. In the meanwhile he deeded the greater portion of his landed holdings to his children. He died in 1901, aged ninety-one years, and his name merits an enduring place on the roll of the honored pioneers of Shelby county, to whose civic and industrial development he contributed in generous measure. He gave his support to the cause of the Republican party from the time of its organization until the Greenback party was formed, and he thereafter was identified with the latter until it passed out of the political arena, when he again affiliated himself with the Republican party. He was identified with the organization of the Methodist Episcopal church at Leonard, and both he and his wife held membership in the same. Mrs. Greenfield was summoned to the life eternal in about 1880, and of the eight children five are now living, namely: Sarah, who is the widow of Jacob Hooper, of Shelby county; George W., who is the immediate subject of this review; Susan, who is the wife of Recompense Cox, of Norton, Kansas; Samuel A., who likewise resides at Norton, Kansas; and Mary, who is the wife of Edward Cox, of Shelby county, Missouri.

George W. Greenfield was reared to maturity on the old homestead farm and his early educational discipline was received in the Ernest school, in his home township, which he attended until he

was fourteen years of age, and in the McWilliams school house, which had formerly been a Baptist church, where he prosecuted his studies at intervals until he had attained the age of nineteen years. Thereafter he continued to assist in the work of his father's farm until 1871, when he began independent operations as a farmer and stock grower and established a home of his own, having purchased a house, to which he made an addition, besides making other improvements. He began operations on eighty acres of land and broke the virgin soil by the use of seven yokes of oxen. He directed his efforts with much energy and discrimination and his success became cumulative in its tendency, so that he soon gained precedence as one of the substantial representatives of the agricultural and stock industries of his native township and county. He is now the owner of a finely improved estate of two hundred acres and the land is of the most fertile order, so that he has one of the model farms of Shelby county. On his farm he has long maintained a blacksmith shop, and as he is a natural mechanic and has much skill at the blacksmith trade he has not only been able to attend to the shoeing of his own horses and the repairing of his farm implements and machinery, but in earlier days he frequently came to the aid of his neighbors in making repairs of this order.

Mr. Greenfield was one of the charter members of Farmers' Bank of Leonard, assisting in its organization and having been from the start a valued member of its board of directors. He is a man of resourceful nature, is progressive and

energetic, and his course has been so ordered in all the relations of life as to retain to him the inviolable confidence and esteem of his fellow men. He has shown a loyal interest in all that has tended to advance the welfare of his native county and is essentially liberal and progressive as a citizen. His enterprise and thrift are shown in the attractive and commodious modern residence, fine barn and other substantial buildings on his homestead, and he has reason to find satisfaction in the fact that he has been content to remain on his "native heath" and to continue his identification with the great basic industry under whose influence he was reared, for he has achieved marked success and is one of the independent farmers and business men of the section in which he maintains his home and where he is surrounded by those environments that make for peace and happiness. He has served as school director but has never consented to become a candidate for any specific political office. He gives his allegiance to the Republican party, his wife holding membership in the M. E. church, to whose support they are liberal contributors.

Mr. Greenfield has been twice married. In 1871 he wedded Miss Melissa Ward, who was born in Iowa and who was a daughter of Charles and Rachel Ward. Mrs. Greenfield was summoned to eternal rest on the 4th of April, 1888, and of the eight children five are now living. Concerning them the following brief record is given: Samuel F., who is engaged in real estate business at Dighton, Lane county, Kansas; Joseph Victor, who is identified with the mining business at Marble, Colorado; Mary, who is the wife

of George Thompson, of Adams, Oregon; Nellie, who is the wife of Elmer Loft, of Shelby county, Missouri, and Wesley S., of this county. On the 10th of December, 1889, was solemnized the marriage of Mr. Greenfield to Mrs. Emeline (Ward) Rogers, who was born in Pennsylvania, and who is a sister of his first wife. No children have been born of the second marriage. The family home is one notable for its gracious hospitality and is a favored rendezvous for the wide circle of friends that Mr. and Mrs. Greenfield have gathered about them.

ROBERT E. CAPP.

This energetic, enterprising and successful farmer and sheep breeder of Salt River township, in which he is one of the most progressive and esteemed citizens, is a native of this county and has passed the whole of his life to the present time within its borders. He secured his education in its district schools, acquired the graces of social life among its people, learned the duties of citizenship under its civil institutions, and has devoted all the years of his later youth and manhood to its progress and development. He is therefore wholly a product of the county, and his career, which has been successful for himself, has also ministered to the welfare of the region of his nativity, in which he has always felt a deep and abiding interest.

Mr. Capp was born on October 12, 1878, and is a grandson of David Capp, a native of Pennsylvania, and a son of Robert Jackson Capp, whose life began in this state on July 15, 1846. For many