

in a small frame building on the north side of the tracks. In 1864 Bill Anderson and his men plundered the Reid store and inflicted heavy loss. In 1866 his store, along with the greater part of the town, was destroyed by fire. He rebuilt his store, erecting a modern brick building that is now owned by Gentry Crawford and operated as the Miles & Bates Store.

After 16 years of merchandising he sold his store and entered the banking business with Daniel Taylor as a partner. This bank was known as "The Old Bank of Shelbina."

On April 22, 1862 he was married to Miss Elizabeth Minter, a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Anthony Minter. They were parents of seven children—Lillie, Jessie, Lena, Maggie, William A., Victor M. and Clifford L. Among the living descendents are a grandson, Victor Minter Reid of Los Angeles; Minter Wherritt, address unknown.

He was a member of the Methodist Church and the Masonic Lodge. William A. Reid died April 29, 1890.



Bottom row—Mrs. Joseph Morgan, David Morgan, Sr., Mrs. David Morgan, Sr.; top row—Joseph Morgan, David Morgan, Jr., Mrs. David Morgan, Jr.

David Morgan was the third settler in Shelbina. He was born in Wales, August 9, 1830, and came to this country at the age of 18 years. He stopped in New York state with his uncle, William Jones, who taught Mr. Morgan to be a wagon maker. He came west to Shelby county, locating in Shelbyville in 1856. In the spring of 1857 when the building of the railroad began, he moved to Shelbina. Here he opened a blacksmith shop and wagon factory. He was the first wheelwright in Shelbina. His first shop was located where the Lasley store now stands.

Later after his business had grown, he sold his property on Center street and bought lots on West Walnut, erecting three brick buildings and a frame building for his wagon factory, harness shop, blacksmith shop and woodworking shop. On the back of these lots he had a tile yard and lumber shed. In connection with the building of the Morgan Wagon he engaged in merchandising farm implements, buggies, surreys and other carriages. Mr. Morgan was active in this business until his death in 1903.

On January 12, 1860, David Morgan was married to Miss Elizabeth Williams of Monroe county. Rev. Henson Thomas, Baptist minister, performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan were parents of four sons—William W., James H., David Jr., and John R. The sons were associated with their father in business as D. Morgan & Sons.

Mr. Morgan served on the city council six terms and was on

the committee which laid out the wide Center street in the business district. He was also on the committee which selected the site for the Shelbina cemetery.

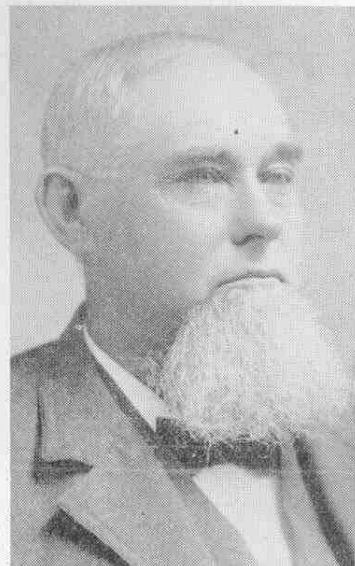
Two of his descendants are residents of Shelbina today—Mrs. James Pemberton (Marian Morgan), daughter of David Morgan, Jr., is a granddaughter. She is a teacher in the Shelbina public schools. Harold T. Morgan, son of James H. Morgan, is a grandson of David Morgan. He is city marshal of Shelbina.

Charles M. King was born in Mason county, Ky., July 4, 1833. At the age of four he came with his parents to Missouri and in 1840 his family settled in Shelby county. That same year he began working at the carpentry trade.

Not content with this work, he longed for an education and studied as he worked, in due time being examined and licensed to teach. He taught the first school in Shelbina. During his years of teaching he took a course in Law and in 1868 was admitted to law practice, beginning a very successful career in this profession in Shelbina that same year. He was county school commissioner for 1871 and 1872.

Mr. King was married Oct. 10, 1856 to Miss Catherine Lewis. They were the parents of four children—Ella, Anna, William H. and Minnie.

Dr. E. N. Gerard, M.D. was one of Shelbina's early physicians and surgeons. His parents came to Missouri from Kentucky in 1830 and located in Ralls county. Dr. Gerard was born at Rensselaer Aug. 29, 1834. At the age of 20 he began teaching school in Ralls county. In 1857 he began the study of Medicine, graduating from the University of Iowa Medical School in 1861. He began his practice of medicine in Monroe county, moving to Shelbina in 1862. He practiced until his death in February, 1904.



On June 18, 1857 Dr. Gerard was married to Miss Priscilla Drane, a native of the state of Maryland. They were the parents of eight children—Walter, Susie, Mamie, Nellie, Edward Jr., Richard, William and Harry. Dr. Edward Gerard, Jr., practiced medicine in Leonard. After his death Mrs. Gerard moved to Shelbina to make her home.

Simeon Downing, an early druggist, was born in Madison county, Ohio, April 11, 1822.

He grew up on his parents' farm. At the age of 14 years he began clerking in a general store. He later moved to Burlington, Ia., and then to St. Louis, Mo. He made his home in St. Louis for seventeen years during which time he was married to Miss Anna Wishart of Ohio.

In 1862 Mr. Downing and his family moved to Shelbina and formed a partnership with Dr. E. N. Gerard in the drug business. He had several partners during his early years in Shelbina. Later he became sole owner.

