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# MARRIAGES EXTRACTED FROM THE FREEPORT JOURNAL NEWSPAPER

The Stephenson County courthouse marriage index number is in ( ), also corrections or notes added by the editor. Certified copies of the marriages with #'s are available from the county clerk at the cost of \$7.00 per copy.

Please note: The work 'instant or inst.' after a date means the marriage took place within the current month, "ult." means the marriage took place in the previous month. Parts of the few words are lost in the newspaper binding and are indicated by ---.

Oct. 24, 1849

In Central Precinct, on the 16th inst. by J.- C---Man. Esq. Washington EPLEY to Miss Nancy A. BROWN, all of the place. (#2-50)

On the 16th inst., in Silver Creek precinct by Rev. James Schofield, Mr. David T. MC KIBBEN to Miss Eliza J. TOMPKINS. (#2-49)

Nov. 14, 1849

In this place on the 11th inst., by Rev. J.C. Downer, Mr. Abraham M. SNYDER and Miss Susannah BANDER, all of Freeport. (#2-56)

Nov. 21, 1849

At Alida, Steph. Co., Ill. on the 18th inst. by Sam'l. F. Dodds, Esq., Mr. Charles M. MACOMBER to Miss Terrissa Ann HANCOCK of this county (#2-58)

Nov. 28, 1849

At his own resident in Freeport, Nov. 22 by Rev. John Upstick, Mr. Henry OMHOLTZ to Miss Lydia AUSERMAN, all of North Grove, Ogle Co., IL

On the 18th inst. by Elder James Schofield, Mr. Horace G. SMITH of Winne. Co. and Miss Harriet BATES of Stephenson Co. (#2-57)

Jan. 7, 1850

On Central Precinct, on the 26th inst. (ult) by Rev. J.C. Downer, Mr. John BOAL and Miss Mary BEATTY. (#2-71)

In Freeport, the 3d inst. by Rev. John Upstick, Mr. Isaac ROWLAND and Miss Jane AUSERMAN, all of North Grove, Ogle Co., Ill. (#2-76)

In Silver Creek precinct, Dec. 25, by Rev. James Schofield, Mr. G.P. COLE and Miss Elizth S. BROWN, both of Silver Creek. (#2-70)

On the 23rd ult. by R.W. Babcock, Esq., Mr. Isreal RUBENDALL and Miss C. BOLANDER all of Oneco. (#2-68)

Feb. 4, 1850

On Sunday, Feb. 3d, by J. Smith, Esq. Mr. Richard RANK to Jane OSBORNE all of Freeport precinct, Steph. Co. (#2-80)

April 1, 1850

At Alida, on the 28th inst. (ult) by P.A. Tisdell, Esq. William P. HOVEY and Miss Sarah M. EMMONS, all of Stephenson County (#2-89)

April 8, 1850

Freeport on the 1st, by the Rev. J.C. Downer, Hon. Wm. P. PLATO of Kean Co. and Almira STEARNS, of this place. (#2-91)

April 15, 1850

In the town of Silver Creek, on the 10th inst. by Rev. James Schofield, Hiram BRIGHT, Atty. at law of this place and Miss Caroline ATKINS of Silver Creek (#2-92)

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Married at Ridott on the morning of Thursday 15th inst., by the Rev. James Bentley of Freeport, Mr. Henry W. FOSTER of the same place to Miss Mary E. FORBES of Ridott. (#2-102)

At Freeport, Sunday, the 19th inst. by Julius Smith, Esq., Mr. Francis R. JEWELL to Miss Selma M. WARD, all of Freeport. (#2-103)

June 3, 1850

In Milton, 14th inst., by Rev. D. Longmore, Rev.--- DARR, Pastor of the Ref. Church, Sel--- and Miss Jane Mary BOBST of Milton.

On Wed. 15th inst. by Rev. J.P. Shendle, ---- MONTGOMERY, late of Lewisburg and Miss --A., daughter of Soloman Engle/Eagle of Baa--town, [Lewistown Chronicle]

June 17, 1850

In Harlem, in this county, June 4th by the Rev. Mr. Foster, Mr. David H. SUNDERLAND of Freeport to Miss Frances, youngest daughter of Reuben BARRET, Esq. of Harlem [Rockford Forum]

On the 11th Inst. by the Rev. J. C. Downer, Mr. Sam. B. HARRIS to Miss Anna E. VAN DYKE all of Stephenson Co. (#2-109)

On same day, by the same, Christian BRUBACHER to Miss Elizabeth LAPP. (#2-107)

On the 12th Inst. by the same, L.C. DAVIS to Miss Elizabeth PARKES, both of Freeport (#2-108)

July 9, 1850

At Spring Grove, Wis. on the 7th inst., by the Rev. John Walworth, Mr. R.W. BEALL of Rock Run to Miss Sarah FALES, lately from Vermont.

At Walnut Grove, Wis. On the 4th inst. by --Kildare, Esq., Mr. James SEELY of Rock Run to Miss Sarah Jane HUDSON of Walunt Grove.

July 23, 1850

Freeport, on the 21st by Judge Purinton, John H. MEASE of North Grove, Ogle Co. and Gratia DOLE. (#2-116)

July 30, 1850

In Waddams Town on July 28th 1850 by Sam'l. F. Dodds J.P., Mr. Jay THOMAS to Miss Susannah SCHEMERHORN, all of that town (#2-119)

In Wayne, on the 28th inst. by I. Bechtol, Esq. Mr. Mahlon SHEETZ of Freeport to Miss Alta Maria MERRILL, daughter of Winthrop Merriall, Esq. of Wayne, Stephenson County, (Ed's note: Wayne is now Harlem Township) (#2-118)

Sept. 6, 1850

In Waddams Town, on Sept. 1st, 1850 by Samuel Dodds, JP, Mr. Robert FOREMAN to Miss Frakema LOBDELL. (#2-128)

On the evening of August 15th by Rev. T. North, Mr. Nicholas PUTERBAUGH to Miss L. --GALE, all of Mt. Carroll, Ill.

In Roscoe, Aug. 15th by Rev. John ---, Mr. --L. BRECKENBRIDGE to Miss Emma Eliza ELMORE of Keokuk, Iowa.

Sept. 20, 1850

In Mt. Carroll, on the 10th inst., by Justice Gross, Andrew J. HIGGY to Miss Frances SHIRK, all of Mt. Carroll.

In same place, on the 22nd ult. by the Rev. Calvin Gray, Mr. George WARFIELD to Miss Emma OLDS.

In Ridott, on Thursday the 22nd inst. (ult) by Chas. F. Taggart, J.P., Mr. William R. BROWN to Miss Sarah M. CAMPBELL. (#2-13)

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From: Freeport Weekly Journal Jan. 22, 1879 page 8

#### LATE ARRIVALS

The following births were reported at the Clerk's office Jan. 15th: Johann ROTZLER, a son, the seventh child; to Jacob PFENDER, a son, the sixth child; to M. GILL, a son, the second child; to W.H. WISSMANN, a daughter, the fourth child, to Miles RYNN, a son, the sixth child; to F.A. MENSENKAMP, a son, the second child; to J.S.F. ERFERT, a daughter, the seventh child; to Dan'l DUBBS, a daughter, the fourth child; to Johann SCHWARTZ, a daughter the sixth child; to W.G. KOKEN, a daughter, the fifth child; to Jacob NEEBLE, a son, the second child.

Jan. 16: To Jno. M. FERGUSON, a son, a fourth child; to G.C.F. THAREN, a daughter, the third child.

Jan. 17: To J.K.P. FLEMING, a daughter, the second child; to L.H. PRICE, a son, the second child; to A.I. MACOMBEE, a daughter, the first child.

Jan. 18: To Jno. PHILLIPS, a daughter, the third child

Jan. 20: To Wm. HARRIS, Jr., a son, the first child.

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From: The Kent Observer - March 25, 1920 page 1

#### FROM STOCKTON HERALD TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

J.B. TIMMS of Kent is at the head of a movement to induce the legislature to pass a bill appropriating funds for the erection of a monument at Kellogg Grove in Kent township to commemorate the spot where the decisive battle of the Black Haw War was fought on June 25, 1832. Col. DEMENT with an army of 200 men met Black Hawk whose forces numbered 500 savage. Thirteen soldiers were shot or hacked to pieces before the redskins retreated in the evening; the big chief satisfied that his victories were over. The log cabin of Mr. TIMM'S father was used as a fort during the engagement.

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From: Antique Week paper - October 28, 1985

New York land records on microfilm at New York State Archives available on interlibrary loan. Write New York State Archives, State Education Center, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12230. A Guide to the records in the New York Archives is available from: Office of Cultural Education, State Archives, Albany, NY 12230

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#### HOW MUCH ARE YOU WORTH?

Ship captains often took emigrants to America with the stipulation that they allow themselves to be sold at the fixed price for their fare. In German papers the market price for emigrants was given as follows: The Captain received for a German \$6080; French not more than \$40; English or Scots \$30; for Irishmen \$2025; but they couldn't get rid of the Spaniard or a Portuguese at any price.

(From the Washington Bulletin via The Pathfinder; Quarterly Newsletter of Richland Co. Chapter, Ohio Genealogical Society; Vol. 5 #3, Sept. 1985)

## MARCH 1904 DEATHS (continued from Page 6 Vol. 7 No. 1)

30 Jacob KOSTENBADER of the town of Harlem; born there 47 years ago and lived there nearly ever since.

30 John HAIST of Freeport; born in Germany, May 18, 1825; came to this country with his father when only seven years old and to this county in 1867.

30 Aaron STAHL of Rockford, a pioneer resident of Lena and a native of Pennsylvania; 71 years old.

31 Mrs. Wm. BRAUN of Freeport; born in Alsace, Germany, April 13, 1826; came to Freeport direct from Germany in 1853.

## APRIL 1904

1 Gottlieb SCHLUETER of Freeport; born in Lippe Detmold, Germany, Nov. 18, 1818; came to America and to Freeport in 1847.

5 Mrs. Susan BEST of Cedarville; born in Clinton Co., Pa. nearly 91 years ago and came west in 1841 (or more likely 1851) to this county and to Cedarville 30 years ago.

5 Mrs. Chas. MEYER of California an old resident of Freeport; born in Baden, Germany 67 years ago; came to Freeport in 1855 and lived there for many years.

8 Mrs. Matilda L. SHEETZ of Freeport; born near Reading, Berks Co., Pa. July 29, 1831; came with the family to Freeport in 1847.

10 Wm. CRAIG of Waddams twp.; born there Oct. 28, 1860.

11 Henry GOETZ of Freeport; born in Germany, July 12, 1821; came direct to Freeport 33 years ago.

14 Mrs. Mary GROSS of Freeport; born in Center Co., Pa.; Dec. 26, 1842; came here with her parents in 1861.

14 Ludwig SCHMIDT of Silver Creek; born in Germany, Aug. 22, 1822; came to America in 1851 and to Silver Creek 40 years ago.

14 N.J. KUNTZ near Lena; 73 years old; a resident of this county for many years.

15 Lavina J. PIERCE of Florence twp.; born in Pennsylvania 66 years ago; came to this county with her parents in 1853.

18 John WALL of Florence twp; born there July 19, 1855 and lived there all his life.

20 Benj HARNISH of Freeport; born in Philadelphia, Pa. Sept. 22, 1852; came here with his parents when a child and has lived here every since with the exception of 23 years at Mt. Carroll.

20 C.M. SHAFFER of Freeport; born in Northampton Co., Pa., June 24, 1817; came to Freeport in 1846 and was engaged in business at different places in the county, finally coming to Freeport again in 1862.

21 Mrs. James SWARTZ of Freeport; born in Newport, N.Y. Nov. 12, 1840; came west to Chicago in 1856 and to Freeport a year later.

22 Mrs. Rena Johanna MANUS, near Freeport; born in Emden, Germany, Nov. 15, 1841; came here to this county when a child.

23 Mrs. Jacob MOLTER of Freeport; born in Alsace, Germany 77 years ago; came to this county in 1853.

23 Mrs. Mary MORAN of Freeport; born in Galway, Ireland, Mar. 19, 1818; came to America in 1841 and to Freeport in 1842.

24 Henry LUEDEKING of Freeport; born in Germany, Dec. 9, 1852; came here when 21 years old and direct to Freeport.

24 Henry WEISHAR of Freeport; born in Bavaria, Germany, July 9, 1836; came here when 18 years old and direct to Freeport.



APRIL 1904 DEATHS (Continued from page 15)

25 Mrs. Fred BURKHARDT, Sr., of Freeport; born in Vos, Germany, Aug. 14, 1844; came here to this county in 1851 and to Freeport three years later.

27 Adam GUTH of Ridott twp; born in Germany 74 years ago; came direct to Ridott 40 years ago.

27 Mrs. Geo. HARTSOUGH of South Wayne, Wis; a resident of Buckeye for many years.

28 Mrs. Moses EBY of Harlem twp; born in Pennsylvania 65 years ago; came here in 1848.

27 Mrs. Ludevika SEUFERT of Freeport; born in Warburg, Germany 61 years ago; came here 45 years ago and to Freeport 5 years later.

28 Mathias PFIFE of Lancaster twp; born in Germany 62 years ago; came here when 14 years old and direct to Lancaster twp.

MAY 1904

1 Martin CLANCY of Freeport; came to America with his parents; born in County Covan, Ireland 67 years ago; settled first in Pennsylvania and came to Freeport in 1858.

7 Mrs. Constantinia DICKMAN of Freeport; born in Brussels, Germany, Sept. 17, 1832; came to this country 32 years ago.

7 Phillip BAUSCHER of Freeport; born in Germany 77 years ago; came to this country and settled in Freeport 50 years ago.

11 Chas. SCHNENEMAN of Mt. Carroll, Ill; born in Germany 58 years ago; came here when 10 years old and settled in Freeport; 20 years ago he went to Mt. Carroll.

11 Mrs. Sarah MC LAIN of Ridott twp; born in Pennsylvania Sept. 1826; came to this county in 1826.

13 Michael KOYM of Freeport; born in Prussia in 1822; came to America 51 years ago and soon after to Freeport.

16 Herman HENKE of Freeport; born in Germany April 26, 1821; came here 54 years ago.

17 Samuel BOLLINGER of West Point; born in Center Co., Pa., Dec. 28, 1820; came here in 1852.

20 Mrs. Henrietta DAHM of Silver Creek; born in Prussia, Germany, Mar. 20, 1840; came to this country in 1870 and direct to Silver Creek twp.

25 Simon BEINE in near Eleroy, an old settler of the county; born in Germany Sept. 7, 1830; came here in an early day.

25 Mrs. David MATTER of Jewell City, Kan., a former resident of this county for many years.

26 Mrs. Elizabeth CHAPMAN of Freeport; an old resident of the county; 93 years old; born in Lancaster Co., Pa., Oct. 6, 1811.

28 Henry BROWN of Baileyville; born in Germany 87 years ago; came here in 1854.

22 Dr. J.A. BRENNEMAN of California; born in Pennsylvania 78 years ago; a former resident of the county for many years.

JUNE 1904

6 Hiram GOODRICH, an old settler of Pearl City; 99 years old; well known and highly respected.

9 Mrs. Catherine SERFASS of Freeport; born in Ohio, Apr. 8, 1833; came here in 1850.

10 Mrs. Catherine ANDREWS, an old resident of Pearl City for many years.

JUNE 1904 DEATHS (Continued from Page 16)

20 Wm. F. YARGER of Oneco township; 60 years old; came to this county in 1862.

26 August PRASSE of Harlem township; born in Germany May 29, 1843; came here in 1850.

27 Frederick SHELP of Lancaster twp; a pioneer of this county; born in Germany Sept. 23, 1826; came direct to this county in 1848.

JULY 1904

2 John K. HARRISON, a pioneer of Buckeye twp; 87 years old; came here from Michigan 58 years ago.

2 Isaac KNISS of Freeport; born in Ohio 62 years ago; came to this county in an early day and 8 years ago he came to Freeport.

6 Henry BREYMAN, a pioneer settler of Pearl City; born in Union Co., Pa; 80 years ago; came here in 1845 and was a member of the 92 Ill. Reg. Vol. Infantry.

4 Mrs. Juliette SKEEL, an old settler of the county; born in Wayne Co., N.Y. May 16, 1833; came here with her parents 10 years later.

18 Mrs. Mary HURLEY of Lancaster twp; born in Ireland 58 years ago and came here 35 years ago.

18 Mrs. Eva ROTH of Freeport; born in Germany Nov. 22, 1819; came here 50 years ago.

19 Mrs. Rosena HEIM of Lancaster twp; came here from Germany 40 years ago.

19 Thomas BARRON of Freeport; born there 48 years ago.

24 John ERFERT, a well-known and highly respected business man of Freeport; born in Prussia Jan. 14, 1835; came here in 1857.

26 C.R. BICKENBACH, an old settler of Freeport; born in Prussia June 19, 1821; came here and direct to Freeport in 1849.

29 C.H. FURRY, a well known old settler of this county; born in Lewisburg, Union Co., Pa; Oct. 8, 1824, came here to this county in 1849.

30 Mrs. Mary Elizabeth WENZEL of Freeport; born in Germany, Jan. 13, 1816; came to America in 1839 and to Freeport in 1871.

AUGUST 1904

2 Mrs. MOWRY of Loran twp; born in Pennsylvania in Oct. 1822; came to this state in 1843.

17 Frederick STEFFEN, an old settler of this county; born in Lippe Detmold, Germany, Feb. 22, 1830; came here in 1848.

22 Mahlon A. SHEETZ of Williamsburg, Ia; a former resident of Freeport and a soldier in the civil war from this county; 78 years old.

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Old Settlers 1903 and 1904 roll call of dead

August 1903

21 Daniel KOSTENBADER of Harlem twp; an old soldier in 46th regiment, Ill. Vol Infantry. Born in Columbia Co. Pa. Oct. 27, 1823. Came here in 1848.

21 Mrs. BALTZER of Monroe, Wis., resided in this county for many years; went to Monroe about ten years ago.

21 Samuel ZIMMERMAN of Freeport; born in Lycoming Co. Pa., Feb. 25, 1828, came to this county in 1846.

25 Mrs. C.A. FORRY, of Freeport; born in 1828; came to Stephenson county fifty years ago.

SEPTEMBER 1903

4 Mrs. John ROTZLER of Freeport; born in Bavaria, Germany May 27, 1845; when a child she with her parents, settled in Pittsburg, Pa. came to Freeport in 1852.

7 Abraham CARL of Cedarville; a pioneer of the county; came here before the civil war and was about 75 years old.

30 Mrs. Margaret SPRINGMAN of Harlem twp; born in Lycoming Co. Pa.; July 3, 1828. Came here 35 years ago.

OCTOBER 1903

3 Christian FETZER, a pioneer of the town of Harlem; born in Wittenburg, Germany, 67 years ago and came here in an early day; was a soldier in the civil war and saw hard service in the 46th Ill. Vol. Infantry.

3 Mrs. D.D. BRUBAKER of Freeport; born in Freeport Feb. 21, 1842.

6 A. H. TEMPEL of Freeport, born in Lippe Detmold, Germany, Mar. 24, 1842; came to America with his parents in 1852 and direct to Freeport.

8 Mrs. Anne KERCH of Freeport; born in Germany Oct. 21, 1825, came to America soon after 1847 and soon after that to Freeport.

30 Philip DAVIS, a pioneer of Freeport; born in Lippe Detmold, Germany, 84 years ago; came to Freeport in 1837.

11 Mrs. Mary BLUST of Freeport; born in Altheim, Baden, Germany, June 1, 1825; came to Freeport in 1848.

12 Mrs. Benjamin GEIGER of Ridott; born in Somerset Co. Pa. 62 years ago and came here many years ago.

18 John SWEENEY of Freeport; born in county Galway, Ireland, Feb. 15, 1830; came to Freeport, Jan. 1st, 1857.

20 Mrs. Sarah HARTZEL of the town of Harlem; born in Union Co. Pa. Mar. 30, 1817; came here in 1848.

22 Mrs. Sarah EARLY of Florence twp; born in Whitley Co. Kn., 84 years ago; came here with her parents when 17 years old.

28 Mrs. Mary M. MATTER of Davis; born in Baden, Germany, Mar. 30, 1829; came to America in 1854 and to Freeport in 1867.

27 Mrs. Elizabeth Aspinwall of Harlem twp.; born in Chautauqua Co., N.Y. May 3, 1842; and came to this county when only two years old.

28 Miss Mary Bonde Barber of Freeport; born in Union Co. Pa., Nov. 23, 1831; came to this county with her father's family in 1843, in a company of over sixty persons with 12 wagons.

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OCTOBER 1903 cont.

30 Mrs. Phillip BAUSCHER of Freeport; born in Frankfort on the Maine, Germany, Dec. 10, 1830; came direct to Freeport in 1855.

30 Joseph BURMAN of Lancaster Twp. Pa. 82 years ago; came here in 1873.

NOVEMBER 1903

8 Edward W. YOUNT; born in Lehigh Valley, Pa., June 4, 1835 came here in 1860.

3 Jerome GOODRICH of Orangeville; born in Rock Grove twp. Oct. 15, 1844, and has lived in the county ever since; he was a soldier in the Civil war.

4 Mrs. Mary SEIGMEIER of Freeport, a native of Germany, came here 26 years ago.

18 Mrs. David SLOUGH of Freeport; born in Union Co. Pa. June 16, 1829; came here in 1848.

19 Mrs. Wm. T. MARSHALL of Chicago; born in Onondago Co. NY, 81 years ago; came here fifty years ago and two years ago she went to Chicago.

18 Mrs. Sarah YOUNT of Freeport; born in Adenburgh Co. Pa., May 20, 1834; came here with her parents when only 5 years old.

19 Dexter A. KNOWLTON, Jr. of Freeport; born in Freeport Aug. 2?, 1843; he was a prominent banker and christian gentleman, deeply interested in educational work.

21 Mrs. Philip FOSSLEMAN of Freeport; born in Wayne Co. Pa. May 6, 1841; came here in 1870.

23 Mrs. Elizabeth Brooks OYLER of Freeport; born in New Alexandria, Pa. Oct 15, 1819; came here in 1846 or 1847.

28 Mrs. E.S. WISE of Freeport; born in N.Y. city 62 years ago and came here with her parents in an early day; after a few years she went to Chicago where she lived until a few years ago when she removed to Freeport.

23 James MUSSER (at Madison), a well known soldier of the 46th Ill. Vol. Inf., born in Penn Hall, Center Co. Pa., Jan. 17, 1843; came here in 1857.

28 Frederick BUES of Freeport; born in Germany, May 4, 1823; came to this country and first settled in N.Y. city; came to Freeport in 1854.

DECEMBER 1903

5 Jesse L. SNYDER of Freeport; born in Silver Creek Twp. June 10, 1858; has lived in this county ever since.

7 Mrs. George STENZHORN of Freeport; born in Germany in 1836; came with her parents to America and settled in Ridott Twp.; came to Freeport six years ago.

9 J.D. DIFFENBAUGH, a pioneer candy man of Freeport; born in Lancaster Co., Pa. Oct 1, 1829, came to Freeport in 1856.

9 Christopher FIENE of Davis: born in Germany, nearly 71 years ago; came to this county in 1854.

13 Charles LAUBER, near McConnell; born in Snyder Co. Pa. Mar. 15, 1841; came here in Sept. 1853.

14 Israel RUBENDALL, an old settler of Orangeville, born in Union Co. Pa. Mar. 5, 1825; came here in the early 40's.

22 Wm. FRANK, near Damascus; born in Germany, 60 years ago; came here many years ago.

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## DECEMBER 1903 (continued from page 4)

22 Roswell CRAIG of Waddams twp., born in Ontario, Canada, Mar 16, 1816; came to Freeport in 1854; two years later he settled in Waddams twp.

26 Henry MOERS, a pioneer of Freeport; born in Germany, Dec. 14, 1826, came here in 1853.

## JANUARY 1904

1 Mrs. D.L. BEAR of Orangeville; born in Rebersburg, Center Co., Pa. Mar 25, 1836; came here with her parents when only 10 years old.

10 John R. ROSEBROUGH of Freeport; born in Loveland, Livingston Co. N.Y. Feb. 5, 1829; came here in 1852.

10 Mrs. Mary DAZZELL of Harlem Twp. born in Castle William, County Down, Ireland, June 5, 1811; came to this country when a young girl.

12 S.P. DORN an old settler of Oneco Twp; over 80 years old

15 J.J. JOHNSON of Freeport; born in Holland 70 years ago; came to America when only 13 years old and soon after to Stephenson county.

13 Daniel CUDDY at the poor farm, from Lena; born in Ireland 92 years ago

20 Philip MOYER of Orangeville; born in Center Co. Pa. 70 years ago; came here with his father 40 years ago.

12 Mrs. Eleanor FLANSBURG of Colorado Springs, Co. born in Albany Co. N.Y., in 1822, came here in 1846 and went west to Colorado in 1887.

23 Mrs. Catherine BECK of Harlem Twp. born in Allenton, Pa. Apr. 20, 1817; came to Lena 45 years ago but soon after moved to Harlem Twp.

24 John SEITZ of Freeport; born in Bavaria, Germany, July 9, 1822; came to America in 1846 and to Freeport 1858.

## FEBRUARY 1904

1 Mrs. Engel OHLENDORF of Freeport; born in Hanover, Germany, June 22, 1822; came to America in 1849 and to Freeport in 1853.

2 Mrs. Mary BERGMAN of Freeport; born in Maryland, Aug. 5, 1843; came with her parents to Maple Grove, Ill. in 1845.

2 Mrs. Mary MEYER of Harlem Twp.; born in Germany, July 25, 1825; came here fifty years ago.

7 Wm METER of Harlem Twp; born in Germany, 78 years ago; came to this county when 23 years old and almost direct to Harlem Twp.

14 Mathias ZAHN a pioneer of Ridott Twp.; born in Baden, Germany, Feb. 14, 1818; came here to this country in 1852 and settled in Ridott, Twp.

18 Mrs. Rebecca MARK, an old settler of Cedarville; born in Center Co. Pa., Mar. 29, 1816; came here in 1853.

20 Wm. J. CLAY of Harlem Twp.; born in Ohio fifty-three years ago; came here when four years old.

21 Edward L. COLBY of Freeport; born in Rochester, N.Y., May 18, 1835; the family moved to Ohio when he was a child; they came to this county in 1849.

26 James MC CARTHY of Freeport; born in Ireland 83 years ago; came to this county in 1848.

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26 Homer NILES of Freeport; born in Ridott Twp., Nov. 8, 1846.

27 Mrs. Sophia KOEHLER of Freeport; born in Lippe Detmold, Germany, Nov. 27, 1824; came to America in 1847 and almost direct to Freeport.

?? Mrs. Andrew FAIST of Freeport; born in Baden, Germany, Oct 7, 1835; came to America in 1856 and settled in Freeport.

MARCH 1904

2 Mrs. Catherine EDER of Silver Creek Twp. born in Baden, Germany, June 26, 1845; came to America with her parents in 1853 and soon after to this county.

6 John S. O'BRIEN of Freeport; born in County Kerry, Ireland, 70 years ago; came to America in 1852 and to Freeport in 1857; was a soldier in the civil war and served three and one-half years in the 90th Ill. Vol. Infantry and was wounded at Missionary Ridge.

10 Mrs. Mary Ann STOLL of near Red Oak; born in Baden, Germany, 75 years age; came to America and to this county 45 years ago.

10 Henry NEUBERGER of Ridott twp.; born in Germany 73 years ago; came to America and to Ridott 50 years ago.

16 Mrs. Jane SOLADAY of near Lena; about 75 years old; came here 55 years ago.

19 Mrs. Jane PIOTNER of Freeport; born in Northumberland Co. Pa. nearly 90 years ago; came to this county in 1844.

20 Jacob B. KENEY of Chicago; born in Fulton, Ohio 7? years ago; came here in an early day; went to Chicago four or five years ago.

24 John DARRAH of Freeport; born in Londonderry, Ireland 81 years ago; came to this county 52 years ago.

16 John K. BREWSTER of Canton City, Colo; an old settler of Freeport and builder of the Brewster house early fifty years ago and finished in 1857; born in Chathan, Four Corners, N.Y., Nov. 14, 1960??; went to Colorado in 1870.

21 Isaac HUMMEL of Afolkey; born in Pa. 88 years ago; was a resident of this county for many years.

24 Andrew HARNISH of Red Oak; a veteran of the civil war and a member of Company H, 67th Ill. Vol. Infantry; came here in an early day.

27? Mrs. Wm. A. JACKSON of Story Co., Ia; born in Clinton Co., Pa., Sept. 30, 1830; came here and settled in Cedarville in 1854; thirty years later went to Iowa.

28 Cyrus M. HINELINE, a veteran contractor and builder of Freeport; born in Northampton Co. Pa., Oct 30, 1830; came to Freeport in 1855.

24 Bernard MILLER of Davis; born in Alsace, France, 80 years ago; came to America in 1850 and to this county in 1852; was a soldier in the civil in the 26th Ill. Vol. Infantry and served with credit.

27 Dirk J. KRUSE of German Valley; born in Germany, Nov. 17, 1819; came here in 1854.

29 Perry BROWN of Freeport; born in Michigan 52 years ago; came to Freeport 45 years ago.

28 Harry A. HAYES of the state of Washington; born in Buena Vista, Ill. Apr. 4, 1862; went to Kansas in 1888 and to Washington in 1890.

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MARRIAGES EXTRACTED FROM THE FREEPORT JOURNAL NEWSPAPER

The Stephenson County courthouse marriage index number is in ( ), also corrections or notes added by the editor. Certified copies of the marriages with #'s are available from the county clerk at the cost of \$5.00 per copy.

Please note: The word "instant or inst." after a date means the marriage took place within the current month, "ult." means the marriage took place in the previous month. Parts of a few words are lost in the newspaper binding and are indicated by ---.

Nov. 29, 1848:

In Silver Creek, Nov. 23, by E. Torey, Esq., Mr. Henry SMITH to Miss Martha BELL of Freeport. (#1-484)

On the same day, by the same, Mr. E.W. TAYLOR of Silver Creek to Miss E.A. ARNOLD of Clymer, NY (#1-485)

Jan. 24, 1849

Jan. 16, 1849 By Rev. James Schofield, Mr. Abraham HIGLEY and Miss Sarah Ann LASHELLE, both of LaShelle Settlement. (#1-498)

Mar. 14, 1849

In town of Greenefield, Dane Co., by the Rev. Mr. Lord, Mr. Charles HOLT, Junior editor of this paper to Miss Ellen FIELD, formerly of Durhamville, Oneida Co., NY - Janesville Gazette

???, 1849 (Part of front page missing issue between Mar. 14 & Apr. 11)

In Rock Run precinct, March 21st, by I.M. Flower, Esq., Mr. Henry WEILER to Miss Sophia SHIRK. (#1-510 SHERK)

By the same, at the same place, March 24th, Mr. Edward RACHAU to Miss Mary Jane DAUGHENBAUGH. (#1-511)

Apr. 11, 1849

In Rockord, March 25th by Rev. J.C. Parks, Frederick WHITLE to Miss Mary M. BEERS.

In Rockton, March 20th by Rev. S.C. Millet, Mr. Stephen MORSE to Miss Sophronia HOOKER.

Apr. 18, 1849

At Winnesheek House, April 10, 1849 by Rev. James Schofield, Mr. George W. HOFFMAN and Miss Amelia CLECKNER. (#1-516 KLECKNER)

May 23, 1849

On the 17th instant. by Rev. R.C. Rowley, Mr. Wm. R. GODDARD to Miss Katharine BEIJ., both of Central Precinct, Steph. Co. (#1-522)

June 20, 1849

At Pavilion, Kendall Co., June 6th by Rev. Dr.--- of Chicago, Dr. Isaac S. IVES, son of ---Ives, Esq. formerly of New York, to Miss D. HAWTHORN, daughter of David Hawthorn, resident of North East, PA.

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July 11, 1849

Married by S. F. Dopp, Esq. at Alida on the 4th., Mr. Arron GRIGSBY and Miss Sarah CARP, both of Waddams Grove precinct, Steph. Co., Ill. (#2-13)

July 18, 1849

In this village on the 11th inst., by Rev. J.C. Downer, Mr. Otis J. SMITH and Miss ACRAH CASE, both of this county. (#2-16)

On the 17th inst. by the same, Mr. John R. MC CAY and Miss Catharine RUPPLE, both of Carroll County. (#2-18)

July 25, 1849

At Alida, Steph. Co., by Samuel F. ---, Esq., July 22nd, Mr. Willaim GRIGSBY to Miss Sarah Ann CAIN, all of Stephenson County. (#2-19)

August 15, 1849

On Monday evening, August 6th, at Sugar Grove by Rev. Daniel Eastman, Mr. Russel R. THORP of Mt. Carroll, to Miss Elizabeth A. ATKINSON of the former place.

August 22, 1849

At Howardsville, August 16th by Rev. Mead ----, Mr. Ira B. HINCKLEY to Miss Sarah Jane BAIRD, all of Howardsville. (#2-26)

Sept. 5, 1849

In Silver Creek precinct, Steph. Co. on the 28th ult. by Rev. John Upstick, Mr. Isaac L. MC KIBBEN and Miss Mary Jane KEN.

Sept. 19, 1849

In Freeport, Steph. Co., Sept. 18th by Rev. John Upstick, Mr. John SWANZEY to Miss Catharine SMITH. (#2-36)

Oct. 3, 1849

On Thursday, Sept. 27th near Freeport, by Rev. John ----, Mr. Jacob IRVINE (IRVIN) and Miss Catherine L. VAN DYKE all of Stephenson County, Ill. (#2-39)

Oct. 10, 1849

At Rockton, Winn. Co., Ill. on the 4th inst. by Rev. H. Taylor, Mr. James WRIGHT of Freeport to Miss Elizabeth OSTRANDER formerly of Franklin Co., NY.

Oct. 17, 1849

In Rock Grove, Sunday, Oct. 7th inst. by Rev. Thibbles, Mr. Alfred JOHNSON, of this ---- to Miss Sarah B. COREY of Rock Grove. (#2-43)

Oct. 24, 1849

On the 17th inst., by Rev. J.C. Rowley, Henry G. GRATTEN, Esq. one of the editors of this paper, to Miss Phebe Jane TISDEL of Freeport precinct. (#2-51)

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From: Freeport Daily Journal & Republican, Sept. 2, 1884 page 4

# **SUBURBAN SIFTINGS - BUCKEYE**

The Old Settlers meeting has come and gone and with its going, it leaves another of those bright spots on memory's desert places... **Hezekiah LAMBERT** and family are back from Nebraska, where they have been visiting. Hezekiah is a son of **John LAMBERT** that formerly lived near Fehr's Mills... **C.H. BEST** and family are at home with Father **Conrad BEST**... Among the many others that came to take in the meeting from abroad were, **Chas. FLICKINGER**, of Firth, Nebraska; **Clark ILGEN** and family of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Mrs. Dr. **J.H. CRIPPEN**, of Waterloo, Iowa; **Geo. F. KELLOG** and family, Misses **Ida, Era** and **Lula DOEHLER**, of Rockford; and many others whose names we have not at hand.

From: The Democrat; Feb. 18, 1893.

Freeporters will be interested in knowing that hereafter it will be necessary to obtain a marriage license in the state of Wisconsin before a couple can be legally married in that state. This will seriously interfere with the thriving business that has been done in the past years by the matrimony shops along the southern border of the state. It will also thwart the plans of many a young couple who have intended to elope to Wisconsin to have the matrimonial knot tied without the knowledge of their parents.

Licensed to wed: **H. HAAH** and Miss **Grezene GREIFF**; **Weert GREIFF** and Miss **Mattie KAMPELER**, all of ogle county.

**Mrs. KLINE**, mother of **Mrs. D.N. BYERS**, of Forrester, met death at Manson, Iowa, from the effects of an accident. The remains were taken to Polo for interment.

**John P. SCHEIDT** has received the sad news from Germany of the death of his mother, who passed at the age of 91 years. She left him quite a sum of money.

FROM: The Kent Observer; February 5, 1920 page 4;

# **FIVE GENERATIONS OF LOCAL FAMILY**

A family of five generations, several of the members of whom are residents of this locality, has been brought to our attention. It is that of the **HESSELMAN** descendents.

The oldest member is **Mrs. Henrietta HASSELMAN** of Pearl City, who is in her eighties. The second member is **Mrs. Sophia (John) HERSHEY** who lives a few miles south of town. **Mrs. HERSHEY'S** daughter, the third member is **Mrs. Anna YEAGER**, formerly of Kent, now of Morris, Minnesota. **Mrs. Grace VARNUM**, **Mrs. YEAGER'S** daughter is the fourth member who also lives near Morris, Minnesota. The little daughter, **Ervn**, of **Mr. & Mrs. VARNUM** makes the fifth member of the five generations.

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From: Antique Week Paper-February 23, 1987

City directories of large cities may provide the address of an ancestor quickly, avoiding more lengthy search of a census schedule.





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**THOS. WEBB:** Mr. Webb, 227 Pleasant street, was born in England in 1828, but the records having been lost, he isn't sure of the exact date. He came to America in 1844 and a few years later became a soldier in the Mexican war, serving two years. When the war was over he continued ten years in the U.S. military service, a part of the time in Texas and two years, 1856 and 1857, in the Black Hills regions of South Dakota; under Gen Harney, who had command. His service in the Black Hills was long before gold was discovered, and as there were but few white people there at that time it was a section that was wholly in "the wild and woolly west." After leaving the service he returned to Freeport and entered two quarter sections in Florence township, the two land warrents he received from the government for long service, having entitled him to that amount of land without complying with the formalities of the homestead or other entry laws. While looking after his farming in Florence he met, courted and married **Laura WASHBURN**, a neighbor's daughter, and, unlike **Capt. Miles STANDISH**, he did his own courting, or he might not have been any more successful than was the famous soldier. Mr. & Mrs. Webb are the parents of four children: **ARTHUR**, San Francisco, Cal.; **Mrs. ORIN MUNN**, this city; **Mrs. PARKER**, wife of **Dr. J.L. PARKER**, Charles City, Ia.; and **Dr. BERT WEBB**, Rome, Italy; who has been permanently located in that far-off city for fifteen years, and who has the honor of being dentist to the king. Mr. & Mrs. WEBB are enjoying reasonably good health, though not quite so active as they once were.

**G.W. BOOKMAN:** G.W. Bookman was born in the Keystone state, York county, Feb. 22, 1822, and came here in 1868. He learned the blacksmith trade when a young man and followed that vocation for many years. He was a good mechanic and an industrious, hard-working man. He has always been of a quiet disposition. **Mrs. BOOKMAN** was 80 years old January 16th last. They have five children: **JOHN**, **MARY**, **HENRY**, **GEORGE**, and **MAGGIE**. They are all married, the three former living in Freeport, the last in Rockford.

**H.H. BECKER:** H. H. Becker, like many of the pioneers of this county, is a native of Pennsylvania, having been born in Winsor township, York county, on Dec. 21, 1824, and came west Jan. 1856. His family consists of his wife, who also was born in the same county, May 4, 1826, and eight children: **MARY**, **ANNA**, **FRANCIS**, **JOHN**, **OLIVER NEWTON**, **CLARA**, **CHARLES** and **IDA**. Mr. B. owns a fine farm in Harlem township, which he farmed up to a few years ago, when he moved to the city. He has a remarkable memory for one of his age. He is a good citizen and highly respected, and at one time represented his township on the county board. His health is good and he is full of strength and life. **Mrs. Becker's** health is poor and she is not very strong.

**J.H. DEANER:** J.H. Deaner is a Marylander by birth. He was born at Keedysville, Washington county, Aug. 25, 1825, where he remained until 1855, when he came west and located just west of town, where he owns a fine farm upon which he labored with success up to a few years ago, when he moved to the city. His family consists of his wife and two children: **SCOTT DEANER**, who lives on the homestead and **VERNIE**, wife of **M.G. LITTLEFIELD** of this city. Mr. Deaner and family are looked upon as enterprising and valuable citizens. Mr. D.'s health is not very good, yet he is around and shows some activity.





**MRS. JANE ANGLE:** Mrs. Angle, nee JANE BEEL, was born in Pennsylvania, Dec. 14, 1817, and came to Illinois about the year 1842. Some time before coming west she married JOHN ANGLE, who died several years ago. She is the mother of seven children, five of whom are still living: LUTHER, Dakota; WILLIAM, Cedarville; NEWTON and NATHAN, Courtland, Kan.; and Dr. EDWARD, Lincoln, Nebr. She met with an accident some years ago which renders her somewhat inactive, but otherwise she enjoys reasonably good health.

**J.F. DITTMAN:** J.F. Dittman, who has been a resident of this county for nearly fifty years, was born in Gernsbach, Baden, Germany, Feb. 27, 1830, and emigrated to this country in 1856. His family consists of his wife and two children: ALBERT of this city, and JOHN of Antonio, Tex. They have eight children dead. Mr. Dittman served an apprenticeship as a gunsmith and became a skilled mechanic. When he came here he established a gunsmith shop on North Galena avenue, which he conducted up to a few years ago. His possessions are the result of his industry. He in the enjoyment of a competency, and has the respect and good opinion of his neighbors and acquaintances. He is still quite active.

**CHARLES GREEN:** Mr. Green, 180 Taylor Ave., who is in his 79th year, was born in England, March 22, 1826. Mrs. Green, whose maiden name was SUSAN CROWDEN, was born June's, 1830. She and Mr. Green were married July 13, 1847, and came to America in 1852, locating at Westfield, N.Y., for awhile before coming to Illinois. They are the parents of fourteen children, ten of whom are living. They are: Mrs. JANE BRUSH and Mrs. Wm. STEAN, Chatham, Canada; Mrs. GEO. MILLER, Plainville, Neb.; Mrs. G. BEMROSE, Anamosa, Ia.; ALFRED, Mrs. L. CAVANAUGH, Wm., Mrs. A. GOETZ, GEORGE and TOM, city. Mr. Green's time has been variously occupied since he is in this county, having been engaged successively in railroading, farming and teaming before accepting his present position with the street car company, that of keeping the tracks clean at crossings and elsewhere. Should the fortune come from England, however, which is said to be due Mrs. Green, and about which the family are saying little, Mr. Green will likely assume less arduous duties than he is now performing. It is not known just what the fortune amounts to but it is rumored that it is a large one - sufficiently large to pay for several of the best business blocks of this city. Mr. & Mrs. Green are both quite active considering their ages.

**JACOB BLATTAU:** Mr. Blattau, who is in his 77th year, was born in Germany, Feb. 2, 1828, and came to America in 1848, locating in Buffalo, where he resided until 1854, when he came to this county. After about two years' residence in this city he moved to a farm in Lancaster, where he remained until about ten years ago when he retired, coming to town again. Before coming to America Mr. Blattau followed road building and he is first class in that business. Mrs. Blattau, whose maiden name was ELIZABETH MAURER, was a native of Germany also, and was born Oct. 28, 1828. She came to America in 1850 and married Mr. Blattau in 1854. They are the parents of eight children, seven of whom are living. They are: JACOB, WILLIAM and HARRY in Lancaster; Mrs. Anthony BAADTE, Matlock, Ia.; Mrs. JOHN TROUTMAN, Beatrice, Neb.; Mrs. FRED ZIMMERMAN, Harlem township. Mr. & Mrs. Blattau are living an easy life on South Galena avenue. They are fond of plants and flowers and have many of the most beautiful to be found anywhere.

**ELLEN BROWN:** Mrs. Brown was born Aug. 24, 1829, in Clinton county Pa., and came to Illinois with her parents in 1844. She lived on a farm much of her time. Her health is fairly good. (continued in Vol. 8 No.3)

FROM: Freeport Daily Journal - August 28, 1907 Page 1 & 4

George W. BARBER, a pioneer of the county who has faithfully chronicled the passing of the old settlers from earthly activity, presented his report as obituary secretary, showing that the list since the last meeting numbers ninety-seven. The names and date of birth and time of arrival in Stephenson county are herewith given:

AUGUST 1906

29 Philip TRAUWEIN, Frp.; born in Ger. Nov. 25, 1818; came here in 1866.

SEPTEMBER 1906

3 Mrs. Benjamin RHODES; Omaha, Neb. an old settler of Freeport.

3 Jacob GILBERT, Freeport; born in Lower Helm township, York county, Pa., 81 year old; came here in an early day.

6 CHRISTIAN, (?) of Scioto Mills; born in Germany 83 years ago; came to Freeport in 1853.

7 Mrs. Mary O'BRIEN, Freeport; born in County Limerick, Ireland, in 1841; came here in 1859.

12 George W. HARTSOUGH, an early settler of the county; born in Seneca County, New York state, in 1841; was a soldier in the 93rd regiment, Illinois Vol. Inf.; came here in 1845.

16 Mrs. Hugh RUNKLE, Orangeville; born in Center county. Pa. came here fifty years ago.

15 Daniel MULARKEY, an old settler of Davis; 68 years old.

16 Jacob ELSESSER of Waddams township; born in Germany, Apr. 29, 1823; came here in 1851.

16 A.J. BATE, Cedarville; born in Green county, Ohio, Jan. 1, 1838; came here in 1845; was a soldier in 46th regiment Ill. Vol. Inf.

17 John RITZMAN, Orangeville; born in Union county, Pa., Dec. 25th, 1832; was a soldier in the 46th regiment Ill. Vol. Inf.; came here in 1846.

25 Mrs. Sophia HANE, Frp; born in Ger. Apr. 21, 1821, came here in 1856.

29 Abraham HOUSER, a veteran of the Civil War; born Aug. 8, 1838 and came here when 12 years old.

29 Col. J.O.P. BURNSIDE, of Washington, D.C., a pioneer of Freeport and soldier in the Civil war.

OCTOBER 1906

1 John LUTZ, near Cedarville; born in Lebanon county Pa., in 1840; came here thirty-five years ago.

4 Mrs. Minnie BIESMEIER, Freeport; born in Germany, Feb. 1834, came to Freeport in 1854; also lived in Erin township for eight years, after she moved to Lena.

8 Jacob MARION, Buckeye township; born in Juniata county, Pa., Aug. 17, 1838, came to this county in 1849.

17 Mrs. Margaret TURNER, Freeport; born in Oneco township, Apr. 16, 1843.

-- Mrs. Susan MICK, Freeport; born in Lancaster county, Pa., Aug. 20, 1829; came here 32 years ago.

-- Solomon LANKARD, a pioneer of Oneco township.

-- Ira KIRWAN, a pioneer resident of Jefferson township; born in Union Co., Pa., over seventy years ago.

26 James WILSON, Freeport, born in Manchester, England, Aug. 21, 1833; came to Stephenson county in 1857.

24 Charles BROWN, Silver Creek township; born in Oneco twp. Feb. 25, 1851

-- S.D. CARPENTER, Carthage, Mo.; 85 years old, Founder of the "Prairie Democrat" in Freeport, which is now the Bulletin, came here in 1847.

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25 Mrs. Mary GOFF, Freeport; born in County Meath, Ireland, May 31, 1831; came here in 1854.

NOVEMBER 1906

1 Mrs. Martha BAKER, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania; 75 years old; came here 50 years ago.

-- Giles TURNEAURE, Madison, Wis., born in Wyoming county, N.Y., June 18, 1829; came here in 1850; and lived here for many years.

3 Conrad READER, Freeport; born in Germany, Nov. 9, 1824; came here in the early fifties.

-- Herman AMELSBURG, Silver Creek township; born in Germany, seventy three years ago.

11 John ILGEN, Freeport; born in Center county, Pa., Mar. 19, 1834; came here same year.

15 John REARDON, Freeport; born in Irl. in 1841; came here in early 50's.

14 Peter LERCH, Chicago; an old settler of Freeport; born in Reading, Pa., in 1841; came here in 1845.

13 Sophia EELLS, Winslow; born in Ohio, Nov. 29, 1825; came to IL in 1834

19 J.K. BENSON, a prominent resident of Cedarville; born in Lebanon county, Pa., Nov. 11, 1840; six years later came to Cedarville, where he resided ever since.

15 Allen BOYER, West Point township, born in Union county, Pa., Mar. 29, 1819; came here in 1846.

23 E.L. CRONKRITE, a prominent groceryman of Freeport; born in Saratoga, county, N.Y., June 27, 1832; came to Freeport in 1860.

26 Harry A. RUBENDALL, Harlem township; born in Center county, Pa., Jan. 10, 1840; came here when a young man, was a soldier in the Civil war.

DECEMBER 1906

1 Conrad BITNER, Ridott; born in Somerset county, Pa.; came here shortly after Civil war.

2 Mrs. Anna DARRAH, Freeport; born May 19, 1838, in Ireland; came here when fourteen years old.

3 Stephen KURTZ, Rock Grove; born in Pennsylvania, about 1844; came here after the Civil war.

5 Michael BOLENDER, Orangeville; born there Feb. 7, 1842.

14 John Y. HARVGHEY, Rockford; born in Ohio, 85 years ago: came here in 1849.

20 Mrs. Sophia HENKE, Harlem township; born in Germany; nearly 80 years old; came to this county in 1853, and settled near Scioto Mills.

27 Mrs. John MOGLE, Lancaster township; born in Pennsylvania 64 years ago; came here when eight years old.

29 Christ BOWER, an old resident of Cedarville

JANUARY 1907

11 Bernard LAMM, Florence township; born in Baden, Germany, July 28, 1835; came here in 1854.

16 Mrs. William BABB, Freeport; born in Center county, Pa., May 10, 1832; came west with family in early 50's.

20 John ATKINSON, Freeport; born in Meyer county, Pa., Oct. 1825; came here in 1843; a veteran of Civil war.

20 Mrs. I. YOUNG, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania, in 1842; came west with family in early 50's.

20 Mrs. Samuel MACE, Buckeye township; born here 58 years ago.

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26 Mrs. Joseph JACKSON, Buckeye township; born in Union county, Pa., Feb. 27, 1828; came west in 1843.

26 Mrs. William KRYDER, Cedarville; born in Chester county, Pa., in 1841; came here when twelve years old.

26 George N. WELLS, Waddams; born in Maumee, Ohio, April 17, 1829; came here when only six years old.

28 Conrad WIENEKE, Freeport; born May 17, 1820; came here about sixty years ago.

30 William SHIEK, Lena; an old resident of the county for many years.

## FEBRUARY 1907

1 John R. WAGNER, Chicago; an old settler of Freeport; came here in 1854; was 76 years old.

2 John WILSON, Sr., Buckeye township; born in county Donegal, Ireland, 1825; came here in 1839.

6 Mrs. Isaac LIED, Cedarville; born in Lancaster county pa., Apr. 26, 1835; came here 42 years ago.

16 G.S. CHAMBERLAIN, Freeport; born near Waverly, N.Y., May 8, 1833; came to this county in 1847.

18 Michael COLMAN, an old resident of this county, 91 years old.

18 Morgan VAN MATRE, northern Illinois; an old settler of the county, 89 years old.

18 Mrs. WEBSTER, born Milheim, Pa., May 10, 1825; came here in 1840.

21 Mrs. Elizabeth SHAUB, Freeport; born in Germany, Oct. 11, 1828; came here in 1842.

24 Mrs. Frederick RIFE, Red Oak; born in Germany, Mar. 6, 1826; came here about fifty years ago.

## MARCH 1907

5 Norman BRACE, Ridott; born in Connecticut 93 years ago; came to this county in 1835.

15 Mrs. Mary SAAR, Freeport; born in Germany and came here 30 years ago.

15 Mrs. Mary Jane MC KIBBEN, Freeport; born Clinton county, Pa., Apr. 4, 1825; came here in 1845.

15 William ATKINSON, Freeport; born in Durham, England; came to Freeport in 1843.

17 Mrs. George SLOTHOWER, Warren; born in Scioto county, Ohio, July 6, 1832; came here in 1835.

21 Mrs. Sarah LERCH, Lena; born Apr. 13, 1835; came to Freeport in 1844.

22 Levi J. KLOCKNER, Monroe, Wis.; born Union county, Pa., July 12, 1822; came to this county in 1840.

22 Mrs. HAGERTY, Freeport; born at Plymouth, England, Jan. 12, 1820; came here about 1843.

24 Mrs. Sarah Jane BEST, Florence township; born in Stephenson county, March 13, 1840.

27 August STUKENBERG, Freeport; born in Germany, Oct. 19, 1837; came here at the age of sixteen years.

29 Mrs. Dewitt HOLSAPPLE, village of Dakota; born at Millertown, Perry county Pa., Feb. 18, 1842; came here about 1860.

## APRIL 1907

4 Mrs. Mary SCHLAGETER, Freeport; born Baden, Germany, Apr. 14, 1826; came here in 1852.

6 Richard STOEKER, Rock Grove; born in Pennsylvania about 85 years ago; came here in an early day.



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30 Samuel LAMB, Ridott township; born Center county, Pa., Sept. 17, 1814; came here over sixty years ago.

MAY 1907

9 Robert YOUNG, a pioneer of Freeport, born Union county, Pa., Sept. 5, 1833; came here in 1839.

9 W.W. LOTT, Freeport; born Urbana, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1829; came here in an early day.

14 Mrs. A.J. BATES, Cedarville; born Lawrence county, IL, 60 years ago; came here 50 years ago or more.

15 Isaac BOGENRIEF, Pearl City, born Jan. 19, 1840.

JUNE 1907

7 F. Charles DONAHUE, Freeport; born Holyoke, Mass., Dec. 25; came here in 1877.

12 Jerome MAYNARD, Evanston, IL; a pioneer of Freeport; born 50 years ago

12 Samuel J. DODDS, Lena; born LaPorte, Ind., Oct. 1, 1835.

12 Thos. EILERT, Dakota; born in Pa., Mar. 2, 1834; came here in 1842.

17 Samuel LEBKICKER; born in Lancaster county, Pa., Oct. 12, 1834; came here in 1852.

20 Mrs. Catherine BECKER, Freeport; born Bavaria, Ger., Nov. 15, 1813; came here 50 years ago.

21 Alexander WATSON, Freeport; born here 58 years ago.

25 Mrs. Harriet WEAVER, Dakota; born Center county, Pa., Sept. 5, 1827; came here when eleven years old with her parents in 1839.

25 Mrs. Delia FRENCH, Freeport; born Springfield, Mass., July 5, 1825; came here about 70 years ago.

26 William HARTMAN, a former resident of the county, but late of Cedar Rapids, Ia.; a soldier in the Civil war; born here in 1842.

JULY 1907

11 Mr. J.H. STAVIER, Freeport; born here Feb. 2, 1841.

11 Mrs. Marantha POPE, Freeport; born Conneaut, Ashtabula county, Ohio, Sept. 20, 1822; came here in 1835 and settled near Freeport.

12 Mrs. Christena WALTERS, Freeport; born Germany, June 7, 1826; came here at an early day.

12 Mrs. Christina KUEHNER, Freeport; a pioneer of the city; born in Germany, June 7, 1826; came here in 1849.

15 W.H. HOLLAND, Freeport, a pioneer; born Millersburg, Ohio, July 22, 1839, came here at an early day.

19 John W. MEYERS, Florence Station; born Emden, Germany, June 20, 1823; came to Freeport 1856.

27 Levi FAHS, Cedarville; born Oct. 17, 1830, York County, Pa.; came here in 1855.

29 Charles J. SIEMS, Frp., born Ger. July 19, 1838; came to Freeport 1867

AUGUST 1907

1 Mrs. Martha Jane MC PATRICH, an early settler, 82 years old; came here at an early date.

2 James NOLAN, Freeport, about 55 years old.

4 George M. AIGLEY, Freeport; born Wurtemberg, Germany, Feb. 17, 1826; came here in 1855.

5 Joseph HUTMACHER, Cedarville; born Monroe Co., Pa., Nov. 28, 1830; came here in 1856.

9 Mrs. Catherine FISHER, Rock Grove; Aaronsburg, Pa., Sept. 19, 1829; came here with her parents in 1852.

From: Freeport Bulletin - Sept. 15, 1904 page 6

**THE OLDEST WOMAN - Mrs. Ellen DAVIS celebrates 102nd Birthday**

Rockford Star: Mrs. Ellen Davis, widow of the late John W. DAVIS, residing in Kishwaukee, Winnebago county, is probably the oldest woman in the state of Illinois. Yesterday Mrs. Davis who is well known throughout the county, and who is called Grandma Davis celebrated her 102nd birthday.

Mrs. Davis is one of the pioneers of the county as well as being the oldest inhabitant, and the occasion of her birthday was made an event in the history of the town where she resides. Many of the neighbors and friends from that vicinity and also several from the city called on the more than centenarian and extended congratulations, and wished that she might live to celebrate added birthdays.

Ellen MYERS was born on Prince Edward's Island, Dominion of Canada. Sept. 9, 1802. Her father was a native of Holland and her mother of Switzerland. Before she was three years old she was bereft of the guiding council of her father and mother and left to the care of strangers. Her education was neglected and she was denied many of the comforts of life. At age of eighteen she was united in marriage to John W. DAVIS, a sailor of Welsh descent, with whom she lived happily for fifty-nine years. To them were born eleven children, two of whom, with twenty-four grand children, forty-nine great grandchildren and three great great grandchildren, are living, making a group of seventy-nine descendants.

She maintains all her faculties and even her hearing and eyesight have not failed her.

From: The Freeport Bulletin - Feb. 6, 1892 page 1

**ASPINWALL - Aaron Aspinwall**, probably the oldest resident of Stephenson county, died at the home of his daughter, **Mrs. Samuel HEITTER**, at Erin this morning of old age and the grip, with which he had been afflicted for a number of weeks.

The deceased came here when the population of this county was not what it is today, and he had been an honored resident for many years. He was a good business man and through his efforts in that direction he amassed a considerable sum of money. He was a farmer by occupation and no one stood higher in the esteem of the people that he was acquainted with than he did.

The deceased was a native of New York state and was born in Saratoga county, that state, Nov. 26, 1796. He immigrated west during the month of August 1845, and located at Erin, where he had resided ever since. He was married to **Clarissa LULL**. His wife died about six years ago. The deceased was a strong republican and he was an ardent believer in that faith.

He leaves to mourn his demise the following children:

Ex-Supervisor **Joseph ASPINWALL**, **Mrs. Samuel HEITTER**, **Mrs. F. HOGAN** and **Mrs. C. WINTERS**, of Erin township. **Philip ASPINWALL**, of Loran, **Mrs. KINKADE**, of Loran, **Mrs. MILLER** & **Mrs. DITZLER**, of Kansas, Supervisor **Homer ASPINWALL** is a nephew.

The funeral will be held next Monday morning.

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FROM: Freeport Daily Journal - August 26, 1908 Page 2

OLD SETTLERS - The obituary roll for 1907-8 is as follows:

AUGUST 1907

- 15 Mrs. Katherine A. SLAGLE: age 65 years; born in Schuylkill Co. Pa.  
16 E.L. RICHARDS: age 76 years born in Northampton county, Pa. Resident of this county 39 years.  
21 John MC VENN; age 85 years; born at Dundas, Canada. Came to Winslow in August 1858, where he resided until the time of his death.  
24 Mrs. Maria PORTER; an old resident of Freeport; born in Ohio, Nov. 17, 1834.  
25 Mrs. Minnie SHRADER; age 52 years; resident of this county her entire life.  
28 Mrs. Regina KOENIG; age 82 years; resident of Freeport over half a century.  
29 Mrs. William BOLSAR; age 77 years; a native of Germany, came to this country 43 years ago.

SEPTEMBER 1907

- 5 Mrs. Sophia BAADTE, old resident of Freeport; born in Germany November 19, 1843.  
8 Mrs. Joseph SECHLER, of Lena; born Dec. 19, 1824, in Northampton county, Pa.  
14 William EBEL, of Orangeville; he was born in Baden, Germany, Oct. 24, 1834; came to this country when 18 years of age. He lived at Orangeville 33 years.  
25 Mrs. Christina HILLMER, born in Germany, May 15, 1838; came to Freeport in 1869.  
28 Mrs. Sophia LAMPERT, born in Germany, May 15, 1839, came to Freeport in 1854.  
28 Mrs. J.C. MILLER, of Wymore, Neb. age 83 years; born in Northampton county, Pa., came to this county in 1845, remained here until six years ago. OCTOBER 1907

- 1 Samuel FAIR, of Lena, born in Allegheny, Pa., Mar. 22, 1830; came to Stephenson county in 1853.  
2 Frank HOWARD, of Lena, age 76 years.  
2 Mrs. E. NOLAN; born Dec. 3, 1834, in Killadmond, Ire.; came to Freeport in 1857, where she resided until the time of her death.  
3 Mr. Maria CROMLEY; born in Lancaster, Pa., Nov. 18, 1818; came to Stephenson county in 1867.  
5 Mrs. B.F. BLACK; age 70 years. Old resident of Freeport.  
6 Miss Sarah BONN, born in Germany, 46 years ago; came to Freeport when five years of age.  
7 Mrs. Minnie LUETTIG, of Freeport; born in Germany, Nov. 11, 1841.  
10 Jacob MOLTER, an old resident of Stephenson county; born in Landrecke, Germany, Aug. 19, 1815; came to America in 1850.  
12 Henry GRANSDEN, of Freeport; born Dec. 17, 1823, at Gosport, England; came to Freeport in 1863.  
18 Michael BARDELL, a resident of Ridott, born in Alsace, France, in 1821; came to America in 1841.  
19 Jacob BAYMILLER, age 92 years; born in York county, Pa.; came to Freeport 53 years ago.  
16 Edward OWENS, of New Dublin, age 65 years.  
21 Daniel DEAN, of Afolkey; born in Ohio, Jan. 16, 1839; came to this country in 1844.

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OCTOBER 1907 CONTINUED

- 25 D.R. KLINE, of Orangeville; born in Union county, Pa., in 1838; came to this county when 17 years old.
- 26 A.M. PIERCE, of Lancaster; born in Clarion county, Pa., Mar. 9, 1829.
- 27 Saferus SNYDER, of Buckeye; one of the oldest residents of Stephenson county; born in Northampton county, Pa., Feb. 20, 1821; came here in 1841.
- 28 Mrs. Wilhelmina ASCHER, of Freeport, age 83 years; she was born in Lippe Detmold, Germany, and came to this country in 1848.
- 28 Mrs. D. FULS, of Baileyville; born in Germany nearly 80 years ago.
- 29 Horace WEBSTER, of Freeport; he was born in Freeport, Feb. 14, 1855, and spent all his life in the city.
- 29 Perry EMERICK, of Orangeville; age 66 years.

NOVEMBER 1907

- 5 Mrs. Conrad EDLER, of Freeport; she was born in Lippe Detmold, Germany Dec. 6, 1838, and came to Freeport in 1857.
- 5 Mrs. Catherine STUDEBAKER; she was born in Northampton county, Pa., June 14, 1824; died at Pearl City, age 83 years.
- 9 Thompson W. COCKREIL, born Sept. 11, 1833 in New Portsmouth, Scioto county, Ohio; came to Stephenson county in 1842.
- 9 John WAREHAM, of Freeport; he was born in Blair county, Pa., May 28, 1838; a resident of Freeport 52 years.
- 12 L.B. SANBORN, of Freeport; born in Bristol, N.H., Mar. 16, 1829.
- 13 Joseph S. KEAGLE, of Davis; age 72 years; born in Lycoming Co., Pa.
- 15 Adolph F. SCHLERENBERG, of Freeport, born in Germany, Oct. 31, 1831.
- 15 A.M. WOODSIDE, of Freeport; he was born in Ogle county, Ill., 56 years ago the 17th of March, and came to Freeport in 1864.
- 17 Mrs. Mary EWING BARBER, widow of Charles BARBER; she was born in Freeport, June 18, 1853.
- 23 Miss Ann Eliza CLINGMAN, of Cedarville; she was born in Buckeye township, Nov. 1, 1838, and resided here all her life time.
- 21 Joseph GEE; age 58 years; came to Freeport in 1867.
- 21 Mrs. Christian RUDLUFF, of Lancaster; born in Germany, June 15, 1836; came to America in 1869.
- 24 Jacob GUINTER, of Silver Creek township; age 83 years.
- 24 John A. BARDELL, an old resident of Stephenson county, died at Welsh, La.; born in Canada in April, 1837.
- 27 Wm. B. CURRIER, of Freeport; born in New York state, Feb. 15, 1818.
- 28 Mrs. James GRACE, of Freeport; born in Ireland, Oct. 30, 1832; came to Freeport in 1854.
- 29 Hero VAN HEEREN, of Silver Creek; born in Germany, Oct. 17, 1833.
- 30 Mrs. C. MILLER, of Rock City; age 79 years.
- 30 Frederick HOFMEISTER, of Rock City.

DECEMBER 1907

- 1 WM. MEISE, of Freeport; born in Germany, Aug. 12, 1825.
- 6 Thomas BOALS, of Buckeye township; born in county Donegal, Ireland, Oct. 10, 1814; came to this county over 50 years ago.
- 6 Mrs. Juliana SCHULZ, of Freeport; born in Germany, Jan. 18, 1826; came to Freeport in 1854.
- 27 Mrs. D.F. GRAHAM, of Freeport; born at Rock City, June 4, 1857.

JANUARY 1908

- 2 C.W. BERGNER, of Baileyville; age 80 years.
- 3 Mrs. Mary Alice GARRISON, of Florence township; born in Ohio, May 14, 1851.

## JANUARY 1908 CONTINUED

- 4 Jonathan NESBIT, of Freeport; born in Louisburg, Pa., Aug. 26, 1846.  
4 Mrs. Elsie MALLORY, of Rock Run township; age 80 years.  
4 Patrick HUGHES, of Freeport; born in Ireland 59 years ago.  
5 Mrs. Margaret KOEHLER, of Freeport; born in Germany, Jan. 29, 1825.  
6 Mrs. Catherine S. BEST, of Freeport; age 62 years.  
7 Gordon S. WARE, of Freeport; born in Racine, Wis., April 6, 1858.  
8 Oliver TRUNCK, of Freeport; born in Germany, Aug. 26, 1846.  
10 Mrs. C.D. BLANCHARD, of Freeport; born near Darien, N.Y. May 10, 1834.  
12 Christ F. ERNST, of Freeport; born in Germany, Jan. 6, 1850.  
12 Mrs. Samuel YEAGER, of Freeport; born in Center Co. Pa., Nov. 28, 1830  
13 Mussena P. MITCHELL, of Lancaster township, oldest man in the county;  
born in Center county Pa., May 12, 1812.  
14 WM. FINKENBINDER, of Kent township, age 63 years.  
15 Levi BOLENDER, of Rock Grove; born in Union county, Pa. Nov. 12, 1822.  
16 Miss Lizzie POTTS, of Orangeville; age 68 years.  
16 Mrs. Catherine SCHOETTLE, of Freeport; born in Germany, Apr. 26, 1813;  
came to this county in 1852.  
17 D.C. STOVER, of Freeport; born in Franklin county., Pa. May 9, 1839.  
17 Mrs. SHEARER, of Lena, age 83 years.  
17 Fred ASCHER, of Jefferson township; age 74 years.  
26 Gottlieb SHOUBER, of Freeport; born in Germany, Dec. 26, 1819.  
28 Joshua KENEGY, of Freeport; born in Dalton, Ohio, June 5, 1835; came  
to Freeport in 1853.  
30 Fred S. MEISE, of Freeport; born in Freeport, June 3, 1866.

## FEBRUARY 1908

- 1 Simon F. SCHWARZE, of Freeport; born in Germany, Feb. 12, 1837; came  
to Freeport in 1855.  
2 Miss Kitty BEAUBIEN, of Freeport; born Feb. 15, 1868.  
2 Frederick SCHRADER, of Rock Grove township; born in Ger. Apr. 6, 1861.  
9 Isaac KLONTZ, of Mc Connell.  
14 Miss Kate REDLINGER, of Freeport; born in Freeport, Oct. 10, 1867.  
17 John M. WALDECKER, of Freeport; born in Baden, Germany, 1812.  
18 Thomas CRONEMILLER, a former old resident of Davis; born in  
Pennsylvania, June 13, 1834; came to this county in 1855.  
22 Helmoood SCHRADER, age 72 years.  
23 WM. W. ETZLER, of Winslow; born in Snyder county, Pa., May 11, 1849;  
came to this county when a boy.  
24 Charles FOX, age 58 years; came to county in 1862.  
25 Matthias REDLINGER, of Freeport; born in Germany, Sept. 24, 1827; came  
to county in 1857.  
26 Mrs. Rebecca YEOMAN, of Freeport; born in Center county, Pa., Aug. 18,  
1822; came to Freeport in 1852.  
29 Mrs. S.A. FREY, a former resident of Freeport; born in New York, Aug.  
28, 1840; came to county in 1853.

## MARCH 1908

- 4 Joseph A. NIEDERMEIER, of Freeport; age 75 years.  
5 Mrs. Minnie SCHEIDER, of Red Oak; born in Germany, Jan. 4, 1846; came  
to county in 1868.  
8 J. Lawson WRIGHT, of Baldwin Park, Cal., a former old resident of  
county; born in 1837.  
14 Adam KLONTZ, of Mc Connell; age 78 years.  
14 Mrs. Rachael ALEXANDER, a pioneer resident of Lena.

MARCH 1908 CONTINUED

18 Mrs. Clarence DIESTELMEIER, of Eleroy, born in Germany, Feb. 11, 1861; came to county in 1864.

21 WM. HARTER, of Freeport; born in Germany, July 19, 1839.

22 WM. VIERDAG, of Freeport; born in Germany, June 17, 1826; came to county in 1861.

24 Theodore FABER, of Loran township; born in Germany, Feb. 29, 1848; came to county when a boy.

25 Michael SCHNEIDER, of Freeport; born in Germany, Feb. 3, 1817; came to county in 1856.

APRIL 1908

1 Henry H. MYNARD, of Freeport; born in Green county, Pa., Nov. 3, 1822, came to county in 1853.

1 Mrs. George LICHTENBERGER, of Freeport; born in New York, Nov. 6, 1838; came to county in 1857.

1 Mrs. Joseph SIEFERMAN, of Freeport; born in Baden, Ger., Sept. 10, 1831

1 Peter BEST, formerly an old settler of Lena; age 88 years.

2 Mrs. Geo. SHIPPY, of Freeport; born in Rock Grove Twp., Aug. 3, 1850.

2 Jere BLAIR, of Winslow, born in New York; aged 65 years.

4 Jacob LANGENSTINE, of Afolkey; age 83 years; came to Co. 55 years ago.

4 Mrs. Margaret BYRNES, of Freeport; born in Ireland, Nov. 5, 1837.

7 Mrs. Caroline SNYDER, widow of Saferus SNYDER, of Buckeye; born in Pennsylvania, Apr. 16, 1829.

-- William ASKEY, of Dakota; born in Center county, Pa., May 1, 1837; came to county in 1849.

18 Solomon KOSTENBADER, of Lena; born in Center county, Pa., May 7, 1833; came to county in 1855.

20 Mrs. Sarah MAYER, of Lancaster township; born in Pennsylvania, Mar. 12, 1845; resident in Lancaster about 60 years.

27 David G. LA SHELLE, of Rock City; born Sept. 24, 1849.

28 Mrs. Geo. BORDNER, of Freeport, born at Madisonburg, Pa., Dec. 9, 1831; came to county in 1849.

30 Andrew CONWAY, of Lena; age 80 years; one of the oldest res. of Lena.

30 J.A. KEITH, of Freeport.

MAY 1908

-- Spencer BLACKMORE, of Davis, Ill., age 62 years.

14 Thomas SCHECKLER; age 70 years.

15 Mrs. W.H. SNOOKS, of Freeport; born Feb. 1, 1842 in Ohio; came to county in 1862.

15 Albert SEYFARTH, of Florence Station; born in Germany, Dec. 4, 1846; came of county in 1854.

15 George H. SMITH, of Freeport; born in York county, Pa., Sept. 10, 1832; came to county in 1864.

15 Charles WILSON, of Dakota; born in Ireland, Dec. 26, 1823, came to county in 1853.

15 O.P. CROMLEY, of Cedarville; born in Center county, Pa.; came to county in 1867.

14 Horatio C. BURCHARD, of Freeport; born in Oneida county, N.Y., Sept. 22, 1825; came to Freeport in 1854.

16 James GRANT, of Winslow; born in Pennsylvania 57 years ago; came to county in 1854.

20 Mrs. Conrad TILKEMEIER, of Dakota; age 70 years.

21 Henry POTTHAST of Freeport; born Aug. 8, 1848 in Germany.



**MAY 1908 - CONTINUED**

- 22 Mrs. **BALSCHMIDT**, of Freeport; born in Germany Oct. 20, 1838.  
 29 Daniel **WARHAM**, a former old resident of Freeport, died at Belvidere; born in Pennsylvania, Aug. 1, 1833; came to Freeport in 1856.

**JUNE - 1908**

- 2 **WM. HOWARD**, of Freeport; born in Ireland, Jan. 14, 1846; came to Freeport in 1869.  
 6 Henry **YOUNG**, of Ridott; born in Germany in 1830.  
 10 Andrew **GOCHNAUR**, of Freeport; born in Lancaster Co., Pa. in Aug. 1823.  
 12 Mrs. Catherine **COCHRAN**, of Buckeye; born in Union county, Pa., June 8, 1817; came to county in 1854.  
 12 Mrs. H.J. **STEARNS**, an old resident of Lena; age 76 years.  
 27 Mr. L.M. **LYON**, a former old resident of Freeport, died at Los Angeles, age 74 years.  
 30 Frank W. **ELLIS**, of Freeport; born in Freeport, July 9, 1858.  
 30 J.H. **KEITH**, of Freeport; born in Little Falls, N.Y., May 4, 1852.

**JULY - 1908**

- 7 Elias **PERKINS**, of Freeport; born in England in May, 1830; came to county in 1849.  
 9 Jacob **SCHLAMP**, of Silver Creek; born in Germany, July 11, 1831.  
 10 John **KLOSTER**, of Davis; born in Germany, Mar. 24, 1827; resident of county nearly half a century.  
 16 Charles F. **BENTLEY**, an old resident of Freeport, died at Grand Island, Neb.; age 67 years; came to Freeport in 1850.  
 25 Mrs. Elizabeth **DAMPMAN**, an old resident of Lancaster township; born in Germany, Apr. 8, 1833.

**AUGUST - 1908**

- 1 John **ARTHUR**, of Freeport, born in England, Jan. 4, 1828; came to county in 1864.  
 4 Mrs. Sophia **MULLER**, of Freeport; age 89 years.  
 9 John **BERGHOLTE**, an old resident of Freeport, died at Amherst, Wis.; born in Germany in Mar. 1829; came to Freeport in 1854.  
 13 Henry **SNIVELY**, of Ridott township; born in Pennsylvania in 1856; came to county in 1868.  
 16 Mrs. Elizabeth **ASPINWALL**, of Freeport; born in Pennsylvania Apr. 5, 1839; came to county in 1850.  
 17 John **HARTZELL**, of Orangeville; born in Pennsylvania in 1830; came to county in 1855.

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From: Ladonna Wardlow - Letters written to my grandfather Thomas **BARBER** from uncles John & Sam **PATTON** brothers of grandmother Elizabeth (Betsy) **BARBER**. Written and sent while the **PATTON'S** were in the civil war.  
 Vitsburg, Aug. 14, 1863

Dear Brother:

I take my pen in hand to let you know that I am well at present we will embark in a few days for down the river for parts unknown so i will send forty five dollars with George **CLINGMAN** and his father that start tomorrow morning so you must writte soon I was to town today and i saw Harison **HUMPHREY** and Charley **HUMPHREY** you may buye a span of mare colts too years old so yors until death From: R. **PATTON** to T.S. **BARBER**

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**Reuben SIEGFRIED** of Cedarville, who was a native of Lancaster county, Pa., was born Oct. 15, 1828; came west in 1856 accompanied by his wife and one child, and located on a farm where he resided until he retired about twenty-five years ago. Mrs. Siegfried passed away May 14, 1902. Mr. Siegfried is the father of three children, two of whom, **Daniel A.**, Council Bluffs, Ia., and **Mrs. J.H. ANGLE** of White Rock, Kansas, are still living. Mr. Siegfried crossed the Isthmus of Panama in 1852, before there was any railroad, and went to California where he resided until 1856. For a number of years Mr. Siegfried was agent for the Buckeye Insurance company and is now a director of the Second National bank of this city.

**Mrs. Mariah D. BIKE** - Mrs. Bike was born March 11, 1822, in Germany and came to Illinois in 1857, accompanied by **Daniel CRAMER**, her first husband, who was killed in the civil war. She was married again Jan. 13, 1881, to **J.M. BIKE**, who died Sept. 3, 1887. Mrs. Bike is quite feeble.

**Mrs. J.F. BENDER** - Mrs. Bender was born in Germany March 27, 1827, and came to America in 1847, accompanied by an uncle. Mrs. Bender's husband died some years ago, but she has eight children living as follows: **Charles, Ellen, Mary, John, William, Aaron, Ida** and **Edward**. She is quite active for one of her age.

**Saferus SNYDER**, Buckeye township, who is in his 84th year, was born Feb. 20, 1821, in Northampton county, Pa.; came west to Medina county, Ohio, in 1833, and to Stephenson county in 1841, arriving in Freeport, Mr. Snyder says at 7 o'clock Nov. 5. He was united in marriage April 16, 1848, with **Caroline LERCH**, who was born in Berks county, Pa., April 18, 1829. Mr. & Mrs. Snyder are the parents of six children; two sons and four daughters, as follows; **Mrs. Lewis MOSES, Mrs. Austin PECK, William, Cora, and Mrs. Alvin HARTMAN**, all of Buckeye township, and **Douglas** of this city. Mr. Snyder arrived in Freeport with twenty-five cents in his pocket, but by industry and economy he has amassed a fortune aggregating close to \$100,000, a large portion of which he divided among his children several years ago, reserving enough, of course, to be comfortable himself. He has been honored with a number of local offices, such as school director twenty-one years, commissioner nine years, tax collector from '56 to '64. and director of the Buckeye Insurance company, which he assisted in starting for fifteen years. He remembers the frog pond where the Brewster house now stands, as well as nearly all other frog ponds in the county, of which the early settlers tell; and as for other reminiscences, he has a fund of them which would require weeks to relate. Mrs. Snyder, whose ambition has always been equal to that of her husband's, assumed the responsibility in an early day to building the fires, and in the performance of this duty, as well as all others, she has ever been faithful. Their success in life has been due in no small measure to Mrs. Snyder's seeing to that Mr. Snyder always got up in time to perform a full day's labor.

**John WILSON**, of Buckeye township, was born in Ireland, Jan. 11, 1826; came to America in 1837 with his parents and family; married **Rosanna GROVE**, who passed away some years ago. Mr. Wilson is the father of ten children, five sons and five daughters, as follows: **James, John** and **Andrew** of Afolkey; **Mrs. Wesley FYLE** and **Mrs. Frank BOTTORF**, this city; **Moses, Samuel** and **Mrs. John L. WILSON**, Buckeye township; **Mrs. Andrew WILSON**, Dakota, and **Mrs. Henry DEAL**, at home. Mr. Wilson followed farming in his earlier days, but of late years he has been too feeble to do anything. He came to this county when all kinds of game were plentiful, and he, like many others, could relate many reminiscences that would be interesting.

**Wm. BRUCE** of Cedarville was born May 12, 1827, in county Tyrone, Ireland; came to America in 1845; located in New Jersey where he resided eight years and then came to Stephenson county, locating on a farm where he remained until twenty-two years ago when he retired, moving to Cedarville. Mr. Bruce has been married twice, his first wife having been **Susan JOHNSON**, who died many years ago. His second wife, whose maiden name was **Sarah LUTTS** and who is in her 75th year, is still living. **John BRUCE** of Sioux City, Iowa, is Mr. Bruce's only child. Mr. Bruce is quite vigorous though his eyesight is poor.

**Mrs. Maria CROMLEY** - Mrs. Cromley was born Nov. 3, 1818, in Lancaster county, Pa., grew to womanhood and married Mr. Cromley, who died in 1865; came west in 1867 with her three children; **Mrs. Henry RICHART** and **Oliver** of Cedarville and **Byron**, who now a resident of Chicago. Mrs. Cromley remembers her first car ride which she took from Lancaster to Columbia, Pa., in a car drawn by horses. The railroad extended no farther west of Philadelphia at that time than to Lancaster. The railroad ties, she says, were stone blocks, at that time, instead of wood. Mrs. Cromley's mind is bright and she is active for one of her years.

**Mrs. Jane MILLER** - Mrs. Miller whose maiden name was **Jane EVANS**, was born in Center county, Pa., 86 years ago; came to Illinois in 1854 with her husband, **Henry MILLER**, who died about twenty-five years ago. Mrs. Miller is the mother of three children, as follows: **Mrs. Isaac BOBB**, Orangeville; **John**, Waterloo, Iowa, and **Mrs. Lott EVANS**, Cedarville. She makes her home with her daughter, **Mrs. EVANS**, at whose hands she is being well cared for in her feeble condition.

**Thos. BOALS**, who is in his 90th year, was born in North Ireland, Oct. 10, 1814, came to America in 1843, and located in Buckeye township where he developed on one of the most beautiful farms in the county. Mrs. BOALS died some years ago, also a daughter **Mrs. FRANKS**. Another daughter **Mrs. Maggie MATTER**, is living. The weight of his years bears heavily on him as he is quite feeble.

**Mrs. Charlotte C. RICHART**, who is in her 81st year, was born March 13, 1824, at Spring Mills, Center county, Pa., came to Stephenson county in June 1841 with her father **Henry AULT** and family. Shortly after her arrival in Illinois she was united in marriage with **Jackson RICHART**, who died Oct. 8, 1900. Mrs. Richart is the mother of four children, as follows; **Henry** and **Miss Alma RICHART** and **Mrs. Wm. B. ANGLE** of Cedarville, and **Cyrus** of Kirwin, Kansas. Notwithstanding her advanced years she is very active.

**Samuel BARBER** of Buckeye township; who is in his 79th year, is a native of Union county, Pa., and came to Illinois in 1825, accompanied by his parents and other members of the family. They came by wagon, crossing streams on ferry boats the trip requiring forty days. One of the party, **Mrs. BADGER**, was taken sick on the way and died. Mr. Barber engaged in farming, his brother **George**, who is several years his junior, working with him. They have one of the choice farms in the county. He is quite active.

**James FOLGATE** of Buckeye, who is now in his 75th year, was born in Pennsylvania and came west with his parents sixty-three years ago; married **Mary Ann MATTER** fifty-four years ago. Mrs. Folgate passed away seven years ago. Mr. Folgate has four sons as follows: **Jonathan** and **Isaac** of this city, **Urias** of Red Oak and **William** at home.

**Mrs. Anna JONES**, who is in her 80th year, was born Aug. 9, 1825, at Hagerstown, Md., came west in 1844 and shortly after married to Mr. JONES, who passed away some years ago. Mrs. Jones is the mother of eight children as follows; **Mrs. H.A. BOLENDER**, **Mrs. Samuel KNISS**, **Mrs. John KIRCH**, **Mrs. Samuel BARBER**, **Mrs. Clara PRINCE**, **George**, **Frank** and **Samuel**. She is quite active for one of her age.

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OLD SETTLERS - Those who have passed away in 1908 & 1909.

**1908**

Aug. 28; Mrs. Minnie BARTH, of Freeport. Born in Freeport Aug. 3, 1849

Sept. 1; Mrs. Theresa LAMM, of Florence twp. Born in same twp. 68 years ago

Sept. 10; M.M. MAYER, of Freeport. Born June 12, 1833, in Lancaster, PA.,  
Came to this county in 1847.

Sept. 12; Christian MAVIS, of Freeport. Born in Prussia, June 19, 1831.  
Came to this county in 1867.

Sept. 15; Mrs. Philippina SCHMIDT, of Freeport. Age 82 years.

Sept. 18; Joseph HALLER, of Freeport, Born in East Eden, N.Y. Oct. 25, 1835.  
Came to this county in 1858.

Sept. 18; Jacob MOLTER, of Freeport. Born in Germany, Aug. 3, 1835. Came to  
this county in 1850.

Sept. 20; Mrs. Thomas FOLEY, of Lena. Born in Freeport 56 years ago.

Sept. 21; Debolt DOLL, of Freeport. Born in Canada, May 18, 1856.

Sept. 22; Mrs. Elizabeth POLLOCK, of Orangeville. Born in Highland county,  
Ohio, Dec. 7, 1835. Came to county in 1839.

Oct. 4; Benjamin H. GEIGER, of Ridott. Born Nov. 4, 1831.

Oct. 5; Mrs. Elizabeth YOUNG, of Freeport. Born in Ireland, June 20, 1820.  
Came to this county 60 years ago.

Oct. 5; Mrs. George BREON, of Lena.

Oct. 7; Christian KOEHLER, of Freeport. Born in Freeport, Jan. 5, 1855.

Oct. 22; Mrs. John SIEBOLD, of Freeport. Age 83 years.

Oct. 26; Mrs. Bridge BURNES, of Freeport. Born in Ireland 83 years ago.  
Came to this county 60 years ago.

Oct. 27; Sidney WAKEFIELD, of Silver Creek township, Age 58 years. Came here  
in 1865.

Nov. 4; John MOGLE, of Ridott township. Age 65 years.

Nov. 7; Mrs. Mary HUMMELL, of Lancaster township. Born in Union county, Pa.,  
70 years ago. Came to this county in 1868.

Nov. 12; Henry VOSS, of Freeport. Born in Germany, Oct. 24, 1836. Came to  
this county in 1860.

Nov. 16; Joseph BARBER, of Brodhead, an old resident of Rock Grove Twp.  
Born in Union county, Pa., 81 years ago. Came to this county in 1840. Nov.

17; Michael LARKIN, of Pearl City. Age 63 years.

Nov. 18; Conrad PRASSE, of Eleroy. Born in Germany 81 years ago. Came to  
this county 50 years ago.

Nov. 18; Mrs. Julia FRONING, of Freeport. Born in Lancaster township 41  
years ago.

Nov. 19; Martin BRUBAKER, of Freeport. Age 80 years. Came to this county in  
early 50.

Nov. 20; John LOOS, of Freeport. Born in Germany, Dec. 6, 1840; Came to  
Freeport in 1862.

Nov. 23; Loyal L. MUNN, of Freeport. Born at Madrid, N.Y., Sept. 1, 1829.  
Came to this county in 1846.

Nov. 25; Israel MILLER, of Freeport. Born in Centre county, Pa., May 3,  
1837. Came to this county in 1856.

Nov. 29; Henry DORMAN, of Freeport. Born in Germany, Dec. 23, 1846.

Dec. 5; Mrs. Katherine SCHWARZ, of Freeport. Born in Germany, Feb. 15, 1814.  
Came to this county sixty years ago.

Dec. 5; Giles Lyman TAYLOR, of Union, Iowa, formerly an old resident of  
Freeport. Born in Vermont, Feb. 23, 1810. Came to this county in 1845.



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- Dec. 13; Thomas SLACK, of Rock Run township.  
 Dec. 14; Mrs. Barbara MOORE, of Freeport. Born in Georgetown, Pa. Oct. 27, 1858.  
 Dec. 14; Mrs. Jane B. ANGLE, of Freeport. Born in Lebanon county, Pa., Dec. 19, 1817. Came to this county in 1844.  
 Dec. 23; George KOHL, of Harlem township. Born Sept. 20, 1813.  
 Dec. 25; Mrs. Mary A. SAUL, of Lena. Age 84 years. Came to this county in 1864.  
 Dec. 25; Henry B. HILLMER, of Freeport. Born in Oldenberg, Germany, Dec. 5, 1838. Came to this county in 1869.  
 Dec. 29; Lizzie MECK, of Lancaster township. Age 70 years.  
 Dec. 29; Frank WEIK, of Chicago, formerly of Freeport. Born in Germany in 1838. Came to Freeport in 1854.

1909

- Jan. 1; Mrs. E.D. HERBERT of Freeport. Born in Lancaster twp. Oct. 23, 1846.  
 Jan. 1; Mrs. Bridget BEVERLY, of Freeport. Born in Ireland 70 years ago. Resident of this county 54 years.  
 Jan. 1; Henry J. BLOOM, of Freeport. Born in Germany, Aug. 14, 1847. Came to this county when 9 years of age.  
 Jan. 5; Mrs. Ida DIEFFENBAUGH FRY, of LaCrosse, formerly resident of Freeport, born in Freeport, Oct. 7, 1860. Lived in this county 46 years.  
 Jan. 5; Louis F. BURRELL, of Chicago, formerly an old resident of this county. Age 76 years.  
 Jan. 12; Mrs. Ernestin PFEIL of Freeport. Born in Ohio, Mar. 19, 1839. Came to this county in 1869.  
 Jan. 17; William BRUCE, of Cedarville. Born in Tyrone county, Ireland, May 12, 1827. Came to this county in 1856.  
 Jan. 14; O.B. BIDWELL, of Freeport. Born in Berkshire county, Mass., July 28, 1829. Came to this county in 1856.  
 Jan. 26; Mrs. Catherine WOLFE, of Buena Vista. Born in Pa., 73 years ago.  
 Jan. 26; Joseph SEIFERMAN, of Freeport. Born in Germany, Oct. 3, 1827. Came to this county in 1854.  
 Jan. 30; Joseph SMITH, of Sciota Mills. Born in Germany in 1828.  
 Jan. 30; Mrs. Minnie TIELKEMEIER, of Dakota. Born in Eleroy, Apt. 11, 1861.  
 Jan. 31; Mrs. John KLEVER, of Ridott township. Born in Germany, July 17, 1850. Came to this county in 1853.  
 Feb. 2; Mrs. Mary RITZMAN, of Orangeville. Age 84 years.  
 Feb. 4; Mrs. Caroline BRINKBROCK, of Freeport. Born in Ger. Oct. 4, 1861.  
 Feb. 5; Patrick REEDY, of Freeport. Born in Ireland, Dec. 24, 1846. Came to this county in 1848.  
 Feb. 7; Mrs. Catherine STAGER, of Cedarville. Born in Berks county, Pa., Feb. 9, 1836.  
 Feb. 8; Thomas RICHARDS, of Harlem township. Born in Northampton county, Pa., June 30, 1856. Came to this county in 1872.  
 Feb. 16; Mrs. Michael MOONEY of Freeport. Born in Ireland 68 years ago.  
 Feb. 17; William LUETTIG, of Freeport. Born in Germany, June 15, 1830. Came to this county in 1857.  
 Feb. 21; Cord LEVEKEM, of Eleroy. Age 79 years.  
 Feb. 22; Mrs. Gustave STADERMAN, of Eleroy.  
 Feb. 18; Mrs. Frank LAMB, of Ridott twp. Born in Germany, Oct. 22, 1853.  
 Feb. 27; Mrs. Wm. TREMBOR, of Freeport  
 Mar. 10; Mrs. John KLAPP of Freeport. Age 81 years.

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- Mar. 25; Jacob COOK, of Orangeville. Born in Delaware county, N.Y., April 15, 1819. Came to this county in 1850.
- Mar. 27; Adam WIRTH, of Freeport. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., Jan. 10, 1853. Came to this county in 1862.
- Mar. 30; Mrs. Henrietta ROHRERS, of Freeport. Born in Canton, O., May 11, 1833. Came to this county in 1867.
- April 1; Mrs. C.J. LILJEQUIST, of Davis. Born in Pa. Jan. 31, 1846.
- Mar. 30; Mrs. John KROPP, of Davis. Age 81 years.
- April 7; Jonas CRANE, of Mc Connell.
- April 11; Mrs. Elizabeth LAMPERT, of Lena.
- April 13; John DILCHER, of Freeport. Born in Germany, April 19, 1839. Came to this county in 1864.
- April 16; Alphens MERRITT, of Lena. Born in Port Chester, N.Y., Mar. 24, 1831. Came to this county in 1859.
- April 18; Jacob MEILE, of Freeport. Born in Bavaria, Jan. 2, 1829. Came to this county 50 years ago.
- April 22; William SCHAEFER, of Freeport. Age 82 years.
- April 23; Mrs. G.A. FRONING, of Freeport. Born in Freeport, Aug. 21, 1865.
- April 3; D.P. GARNHARDT, of Pearl City. Age 55 years.
- April 25; Mrs. Eva NEUBERGER, of Pearl City. Age 81 years.
- April 26; Miss Fannie HOCKMAN, of Lebanon, Mo. Born in Stephenson County 60 years ago. Resided here until a few years ago.
- April 27; Dr. S.J. BEST, of Freeport. Born in Clinton County Pa., June 22, 1837. Came to this county in 1847.
- April 27; Frank WELDEN, of Freeport. Born St. Charles, Ill., Dec. 31, 1854.
- April 28; John B. TAYLOR, of Freeport. Born in New York state, June 18, 1831. Came to this county in 1852.
- April 30; Mrs. Elizabeth BLATTAU, of Freeport. Born in Ger., Oct. 28, 1828.
- April 30; Mrs. Andrew YOUTZY, of Winslow. Age 56 years.
- April 30; August JORDAN, of Freeport. Born in Germany in 1838.
- May 2; Joseph W. VAN MATRE, of Orangeville. Born in Oneco twp. Oct. 8, 1838.
- May 3; Mrs. Margaret NOHE, of Freeport. Born in Germany, July 20, 1821.
- May 7; Harvey TUMMS, of Dakota. Born in Dakota 47 years ago.
- May 8; Jacob JAEGER, of Freeport. Born in Germany, Nov. 13, 1841. Came to this county in 1857.
- May 11; Charles HECK, of Cedarville. Age 70 years.
- May 15; Peter BAUSCHER, of Freeport. Born in Germany, Aug. 15, 1829. Came to this county in 1853.
- May 19; Charles D. BLANCHARD, of Freeport. Born in New York, Apr. 23, 1828. Came to this county in the 60's.
- May 28; William S. LAMB, of Freeport. Born in Delaware, O., Dec. 1, 1828. Came to this county in 1859.
- May 28; Mrs. Mary GASSMAN, of Freeport. Age 64 years.
- May 30; Adolph ZIMMERMAN, of Freeport. Age 51 years.
- May 31; William H. KLONTZ, of McConnell. Born in Steph. Co., July 17, 1855.
- June 7; Mrs. Christine WINNING, of Freeport. Born in Germany, Dec. 29, 1829. Came to this county in 1863.
- June 13; Mrs. Elizabeth BEAR. Age 89 years.
- June 14; Mrs. Henry HIXSON, of Rockford. An old resident of Cedarville. Born in Union county, Pa., Dec. 18, 1840. Came to this county in 1866.
- June 15; James J. KEOGH, of Freeport. Born in Freeport, Dec. 29, 1860.

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June 21; Mrs. Louisa PRASSE, of Eleroy. Born in Germany in 1820. Came to this county in 1855.  
June 22; Mrs. Levi KEISTER, of Orangeville. Born in Pittsburg, Pa., April 7, 1842. Came to this county in 1848.  
June 23; Fred BRADFORD, of Winslow. Age 65 years.  
June 26; Miss Sarah MARK, of Cedarville. Age 65 years.  
June 26; W.W. POWELL, of Freeport. Born in Oneida county, N.Y., Apr. 11, 1832. Came to this county in the 70's.  
June 29; Joseph SECKER, of Freeport. Born in Prussia, Mar. 19, 1814. Came to this county in 1857.  
June 29; Conrad DAMPMAN, of Lancaster township. Born in Germany, Feb. 28, 1828. Came to this county in 1853.  
July 1; Mrs. Anna HOFFMAN, of Cedarville. Born in Lebanon county, Pa., Oct. 13, 1827. Came to this county in 1863.  
July 10; Phillip MUSSEY, of Lena. Born in Center county, Pa. Feb. 19, 1823. Came to this county in 1853.  
July 7; Albert HERBIG, of Freeport. Born in Lena, June 4, 1872.  
June 10; Moses M. EBY, Born in Lebanon county, Pa., Nov. 11, 1826. Came to this county in 1853.  
July 16; James WELCH, of Freeport. Born in Freeport, Feb. 16, 1869.  
July 26; Amos KOHL, of Lisbon, Ia., a pioneer settler of this county. Born Oct. 18, 1831.  
July 27; Mrs. Ann Eliza FORD, of Freeport. Born in Oswego, N.Y., Dec. 23, 1832. Came to Freeport in 1855.  
July 31; William DIVELEY, of McConnell. Born in Portsmouth, O., Jan. 1831. Came to Stephenson county in 1837.  
July 31; Mrs. Fred SCHWARZE, of Loran Twp. Pioneer resident of county.  
Aug. 2; Herman J. WACHENDORF, of Freeport. Born in Prussia, Mar. 10, 1837. Resident of this county 40 years.  
Aug. 4; Charles F. TRUCKENMILLER, of Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Apr. 1839. Came west in 1845.  
Aug. 14; Mrs. Ann CARMODY, of Freeport. Born in Ireland, Feb. 2, 1831. Resident of this county 60 years.  
Aug. 17; Levi VOGHT, of Freeport. Formerly an old resident of Dakota. Born in Lycoming county, Pa., Jan. 16, 1847.  
Aug. 13; August KLASS, of Dubuque, Ia. Born in Germany, Dec. 14, 1842. Came to this county in 1857. A resident of this county until five years ago.  
Aug. 23; Mrs. Malvina SNOW TAYLOR, of Freeport. Born in Hamilton, N.Y., April 24, 1817. Wife of Oscar TAYLOR.

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NAMING PATTERN

1st son: After father's father	1st daughter: After mother's mother
2nd son: After mother's father	2nd daughter: After father's mother
3rd son: After father	3rd daughter: After mother
4th son: After father's oldest brother	4th daughter: After mother's oldest sister

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**ABRAHAM C. NEWCOMER** - Mr. Newcomer was born in Pennsylvania, Nov. 29, 1823, and is of French and Scotch descent. He came west in 1847 and followed carpentering and contracting for many years, but retired a few years ago. He was married twice, his first wife dying in Pennsylvania, and the second, whom he married in Illinois, passing away in 1893. He has four children, Frank B. and B. Anna by the first marriage, and Mrs. Chas. TROULDEN and Violet Alva by the second. Mr. Newcomer was a private in Co. A, 53rd regiment, Illinois volunteer infantry and participated in a number of engagements. He is quite active for one of his age.

**MRS. PHILIP WINDECKER** - Mrs. Windecker is a native of Germany and was born Nov. 10, 1826; came to America in 1839, locating, for a short time, in New York and then came to Illinois in 1850. Her husband died a number of years ago. She is the mother of nine children as follows; John, Mrs. Lucy SWARTZ, Mrs. Amlela AUGENSTEIN, Mrs. Ellen HOFMEISTER, Hiram, Mrs. Sarah COCHRAN, Albert, Clara BIXLER and Joseph. She is quite vigorous.

**ALEX W. SMITH** - Mr. Smith was born Oct. 31, 1825, at Gambler, Ohio; entered land in this county in 1848 and moved to the county in 1862. He was married in 1850 to Mary BIXBY at Mt. Vernon, Ohio. She died eight years ago. There are two children, W.C. and Mary K., both of Dakota. Owing to an accident in a railroad wreck in Nebraska in 1885 he was obliged to retire from active life, though he recovered from his accident and is now enjoying the best of health.

**JAMES A. TEMPLETON** - Mr. Templeton was born July 2nd, 1824, at New Berlin, Union county, Pa.; came to Illinois June 20, 1849, with his father's family; married Jane W. CURRAN of Juniata county, Pa., May 12, 1833, and settled on a farm in Dakota township. They are the parents of seven children; Anna J. NELSON, Westmorland, Kan.; Laura L. BROWN, Janesville, Wis.; Samuel H., Lizzie J. and James Oscar, Dakota; and Walker W., Waterloo, Iowa. Mr. Templeton has filled the offices of supervisor, school director and justice of the peace, the last for many years. They are both quite vigorous.

**DANIEL BENNEHOFF** - Mr. Bennehoff was born July 29, 1829, in Pennsylvania, and came west with his parents in 1847. He is a married man and his wife and three children, Clayton, Mrs. L. LAUCK and Mrs. VENCE are still living. He is a stock buyer, and is quite active.

**MRS. JOHN POLLOCK** - Mrs. John Pollock, whose maiden name was Sarah MORTON, was born Aug. 30, 1817, at Onondaga, N.Y.; came to Illinois in 1844 with her father and family and in 1848 married John POLLOCK, who died April 4, 1892. She is the mother of seven children. She was a school teacher before her marriage, having taught six years in Pennsylvania and one in Illinois. After her marriage she lived on a farm. She is in good health and is very active.

**MRS. DAVID ZIMMERMAN** - Mrs. Zimmerman, whose maiden name was Elsie EICKER and who has distinction of being the daughter of a revolutionary soldier, was born in Perry County, Pa., July 1, 1824; married David ZIMMERMAN Oct. 29, 1844 and came to Illinois about fifty years ago. Mr. Zimmerman died Oct. 24, 1892. She is the mother of twelve children, seven of whom are still living. They are: Mrs. James MUSSER, Madison, Wis.; Mrs. Geo. SMITH, Dakota; Rev. Andrew, Bay City, Michigan; Albert, Rock Grove; Mrs. A.J. FOSTER, Mrs. Vernon HUNT and Salome at Dakota. Not withstanding her age, she is quite active.

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**JAMES BECK** - James Beck was born at Jacksonville, Center county, Pa., Feb. 17, 1822, and came west about forty years ago. He has been married twice, and his second wife is still living. He is the father of five children, two by the first marriage, one whom is dead, and three by the second. They are Samuel for Lena; O.L., Randolph, Minn.; Arthur O. and Curtin of Emmettsburg, Iowa. In an early day he was a merchant, but followed farming after coming west. He is not active as he suffers considerably from rheumatism.

**MRS. DANIEL MEYERS** - Mrs. Meyers, nee Matilda R. SMULL, was born in Center county, Pa., Oct. 15, 1828; married Daniel Meyers, who is about two years younger than she, on July 2, 1851, and came west to Illinois in 1853. She is the mother of nine children, three of whom are living. They are: John and Mrs. Lincoln GOODMAN, Rock Run township, and Mrs. Ed. LAUCK, Spencer, Iowa.

**MRS. GEO. FRANTZ** - Mrs. Frantz was born July 18, 1824, in Center county, Pa., and came to Illinois in December, 1854, with her husband who passed away Nov. 3, 1889. She is the mother of three children: Mrs. J. MYER, Elkhorn, Wis., and Henry and George FRANTZ of Dakota. She is fairly vigorous for one of her age.

**MR. and MRS. THOS. COCHRAN** - Thos. Cochran, a native of Pennsylvania, was born June 20, 1820, and came west forty-seven years ago. Mrs. Cochran, who was a native of Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, was born June 8, 1817, and came west forty-eight years ago. They are the parents of six children, four of whom are still living. They are: Alfred, Charles, John and Mrs. Uriah RUBENDALL. Considering her advanced age, being now in her 88th year, Mrs. Cochran is very active, and Mr. Cochran is quite vigorous also.

**JACOB SLAGLE** - Mr. Slagle was born April 17, 1825, a Jackson, Northumberland county, Pa.; came west in 1864, accompanied by his wife, who was born in Schuylkill county, Pa., 1841. They are the parents of two children. C. BOWERS, Dakota and Walter G. SLAGLE of Hereford, Texas. In his days of active life Mr. Slagle followed milling, and he retired some years ago. He was an old soldier, serving six months in the second battalion of Pennsylvania. Mr. & Mrs. Slagle are both enjoying reasonably good health.

**CHARLES WILSON** - Mr. Wilson, a native of Ireland, was born Dec. 26, 1823; came to America in 1853, accompanied by his parents. His wife died about twenty years ago. He has four children: Mrs. Thos. CROW, Florence; Annie, Andrew and Moses of Dakota. Mr. Wilson followed farming and was prosperous. His health is excellent. He was at one time a schoolmate of James G. BLAINE.

**MRS. BARNHART AUGENSTEIN** - Mrs. Augenstein is a native of Berks county, Pa., and was born near Reading, that state, Oct. 28, 1816; came to Illinois in May, 1845; married Mr. Augenstein, Dec. 28th, of the same year, and settled on a farm. Mr. Augenstein was a native of Germany and came to America in 1833. He passed away some years ago. Mrs. Augenstein is the mother of eleven children, nine of whom are still living. They are; Mrs. John LANTZ, Forreston; Charles, Oakland, Ia.; Mrs. Alfred BEAR, Cedarville; Joseph, Afolkey; Wm., Orangeville; Newton, Rock Grove; Lucy, Frank and Arthur at home. She is bright and active and enjoys the comforts of a good home.

**AUGUST GERKE** - August Gerke, whose exact age we do not have, is over seventy-five and lives in Jefferson, having located there in 1858 on his arrival from Germany. He is in vigorous health.

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The obituary secretary of the Old Settlers' association of Stephenson county read the following report covering Aug. 23, 1909 to Aug. 29, 1910.

1909

- Aug. 24 Mrs. Mary FAUVER, of Freeport, aged 62 years.
- Sept. 5 James ASKEY, Rock Grove, born in Center county, Pa., May 26, 1846. Came to this county in ?1815?
- Sept. 6 John BECK, Freeport, born in Germany, July 11, 1823. Came to this county in the 50's.
- Sept. 6 A.A. LUTZ, Waddams Grove, aged 75 years.
- Sept. 14 William STOBBER, Freeport. Age 74 years.
- Sept. 19 Mrs. Susannah KOHL, Freeport, born in Clinton county Pa., Sept. 4, 1823. Came to this county in 1855.
- Sept. 20 Jacob WITTENMEYER, Cedarville, aged 87 years. Resident of this county over 60 years.
- Sept. 21 Carlton C. SOLACE, McConnell, aged 71 years. Came to this county in 1852.
- Sept. 24 Mrs. Mary HOLLIS, Freeport, born in Freeport, Jan. 16, 1869.
- Sept. 25 Antone RODEMEYER, Freeport, born in Germany July 30, 1830. Came to this county in 1856.
- Sept. 25 Mrs. Mary HUMMEL, born in Reading, Pa., Sept. 15, 1824. Came to this county over 60 years ago.
- Sept. 25 Mrs. Amanda BUCHANAN, Freeport, born in Labanon county, Pa., June 18, 1850. Came to this county in 1866.
- Sept. 26 Mrs. Elizabeth MAURER, Rock Grove, born Feb. 20, 1820. Came to this county in 1840.
- Sept. 29 Mrs. William DIVELEY, McConnell, age 71 years.
- Sept. 30 J.W. SANDOE, Dakota, born in Buckeye township, Jan. 3, 1855.
- Sept. 30 Mrs. Louisa LUEKEMAN, Freeport, born in Germany, July 7, 1828.
- Sept. 30 Mrs. Lena STEFFEN, born in Stephenson county 47 years ago.
- Oct. 1 John SHOESMITH, Lena, born in England, Apr. 2, 1837. Came to this county in 1848.
- Oct. 1 Mrs. Helena COLLINS, Freeport. Born in Germany, aged 83.
- Oct. 8 Mrs. Anna BRINKMEIER, Loran.
- Oct. 9 M. MARSCHINO, Rock Run, aged 80.
- Oct. 16 William A. BAUSCHER, Freeport, born in Freeport, Sept. 18, 1868.
- Oct. 17 Isaiah GRAHAM, Mt. Vernon, S.D., born in Pennsylvania Dec. 2, 1824, came to this county in 1864. Lived in county until two years ago.
- Oct. 17 Mrs. E. MC GINLEY, Freeport, aged 75.
- Oct. 19 Mrs. Jerome J. ROSENSTIEL, Freeport, b:in Freeport, Feb. 16, 1861.
- Oct. 21 Mrs. M. CAWLEY, Freeport, born in Ireland, 1854.
- Oct. 20 Jacob CORDES, Ridott, born in Germany, Sept. 18, 1829. Came to this county 1857.
- Oct. 21 Mrs. Susan HUBER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Mar. 1, 1833. Came to this county 1857.
- Oct. 21 Mrs. A.M. LAIBLE, Freeport, born in Germany 1824.
- Oct. 22 John G. SMITH, Freeport, age 80 years.
- Oct. 21 Charles TOELKE, Dakota township, born in Germany, April 29, 1861. Came to this county 1868.
- Oct. 24 Mrs. Michael SCHNEIDER, Freeport, born in Germany, Jan. 20, 1825. Lived in Freeport 50 years.
- Oct. 26 Bowen B. KEITH, Freeport, born in Newport, N.Y., Nov. 17, 1826. Came to this county 1853.

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- Oct. 26 John WEILER, Dakota, born in Dakota township 48 years ago.
- Oct. 28 John F. FRANZ, Freeport. Born in Freeport Mar. 25, 1856.
- Oct. 31 Mrs. Ellen RIGNEY, Red Oak, born in Ireland, June 6, 1834.
- Oct. 31 Israel FODGATE, Afolkey, age 59 years.
- Nov. 5 Mrs. Ellen ZIMMERMAN, Dakota, age 85 years.
- Nov. 6 Mrs. J.F. FAIR, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Mar. 17, 1857.
- Nov. 6 C.A. MC NAMARA, Freeport. Age 52 years.
- Nov. 8 Thomas COCHRAN, Afolkey. Born in Union county, Pa., June 20, 1820. Came to this county 50 years ago.
- Nov. 11 Thomas J. ALLEN, Rock City. Born in Indiana, Dec. 30, 1834.
- Nov. 12 Ira SHIPPEE, McConnell. Born in Pennsylvania, June 4, 1846. Came to this county in 1853.
- Nov. 14 George B. HALDEMAN, Cedarville. Born in Mt. Carroll 48 years ago.
- Nov. 19 Mrs. Kelvin PORTER, Afolkey, born in County Donegal, Ireland, 68 years ago. Came to county 1848.
- Nov. 20 Mrs. Wilhelmina WACHLIN, McConnell, born in Germany. Came to county 1868.
- Nov. 21 Oscar TAYLOR, Freeport, born in New York state, Feb. 16, 1822, Resident of county 65 years.
- Nov. 23 Mrs. SALSURY, Freeport, born in Vermont, Dec. 28, 1836. Came to county 1873.
- Nov. 24 John A. BERTCH, Davis, age 81 years.
- Nov. 24 Edward MARTIN, Harlem township. Born in England, Jan. 10, 1827.
- Nov. 26 James FOX, Pearl City. Born in York county Pa., July 25, 1832. Came to county in 1861.
- Nov. 28 Mrs. Willaim HINKE, Erin township, born in Silesia, Germany, Aug. 12, 1831. Came to county 1853.
- Nov. 30 Mrs. Jane BELL, Freeport, born in Union county, Pa., Feb. 24, 1822. Came to county 1839.
- Nov. 30 Mrs. Henry SCHROYER, Orangeville, born in Berks Co. Pa., Nov. 1830
- Dec. 2 Charles DOLLMEYER, Chicago, former old resident of Freeport, born in Freeport 62 years ago.
- Dec. 3 Mrs. Jacob BRUBAKER, Freeport, born in Berks Co. Pa., July 8, 1849
- Dec. 4 George S. ROUSH, Lena, born in Center county, Pa., Apr. 17, 1840. Came to county 1849.
- Dec. 4 Samuel E. DEAL, Orangeville, born in Northampton county, Pa., Oct. 19, 1825. Came to county 1864.
- Dec. 5 Henry SCHROYER, Orangeville, born in Center Co., Pa., Oct. 2, 1827.
- Dec. 7 Oliver C. BARNES, Freeport, born in Terre Haute, Ind., June 24, 1827. Came to county 1839.
- Dec. 10 Mrs. John RAYHORN, McConnell, born in Clinton county, Pa., Nov. 3, 1827. Came to county 1847.
- Dec. 18 August BERGMAN, Freeport, born in Germany, Sept. 27, 1935. Came to county 1852.
- Dec. 23 Mrs. Catherine FRANZ, Freeport, born in France, Aug. 3, 1823.
- Dec. 23 Mrs. Leah WOLF ROLAND, Freeport, born in Union county, Pa., Aug. 1818. Came to county 1850.
- Dec. 24 Mrs. David SUNDERLAND, Freeport, born in Carroll Co., Apr. 15, 1843.
- Dec. 31 Mrs. Elizabeth SCHWARR, Freeport, born in Prussia, May 22, 1842. Came to county in the 50's.
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- Jan. 2 Charles RATZ, Rock City, age 82 years.

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- Jan. 5 Mrs. Catherine YOUNGER, Freeport, born in Florence township, 1874.
- Jan. 6 P.R. THOMPSON, Freeport, age 65 years.
- Jan. 8 Daniel KOHL, Harlem township, born in Reading, Pa., Mar. 14, 1841.
- Jan. 14 Boyd BRUNDAGE, Luther, Ia., former old resident, age 58 years.
- Jan. 18 W.M. PUTNAM, Freeport, born at Rahway, N.J., Dec. 8, 1837.
- Jan. 22 Mrs. John FRYBERGER, Orangeville, born in Chester county, Pa., Nov. 17, 1850. One of the oldest residents of this county.
- Jan. 23 Phillip BURKHART, Freeport. Born in Germany, Apr. 13, 1831. Came to Freeport nearly 60 years ago.
- Jan. 23 Mrs. Mary MIDEKE, Eleroy, born in Prussie, May 12, 1819. Came to county 1858.
- Jan. 23 Mrs. Ferdinand BENZ, Freeport, born in Germany, Apr. 6, 1836.
- Jan. 27 Mrs. E.M. BLAISDELL, Chicago, former old resident of Freeport, aged 76 years.
- Jan. 28 Philip SCHNEIDER, Freeport, born in Germany, June 20, 1825. Came to county 1867.
- Jan. 29 Charles G. STEFFEN, Freeport, born in France, Mar. 21, 1842. Came to county 1856.
- Jan. 29 Dr. W.P. NARAMORE, Lena, born in Seneca county, N.Y., Dec. 19, 1824. Came to county 1846. President of Old Settlers' association for a number of years.
- Feb. 2 Thomas WEBB, Freeport, born in England, Feb. 27, 1829. Came to county 1869.
- Feb. 3 Mrs. D.L. RICHARDS, Harlem, born in Northampton county, Pa., Feb. 13, 1834. Came to county 1858.
- Feb. 5 Joseph LAMM, Freeport, born in Buffalo, N.Y., May 12, 1835. Came to county 1837.
- Feb. 7 Mrs. Mary SCHAFER, Freeport, born in Germany, Nov. 3, 1833.
- Feb. 8 Theophilus K. GREENWOOD, Freeport, born in New York, 1828. Came to county in 1857.
- Feb. 8 Cornelius HEITTER, Freeport, aged 73 years. Came to county in 1845.
- Feb. 9 Jesse MC KIBBEN, Ridott, born in Center county, Pa., Sept. 15, 1828. Came to county in 1847.
- Feb. 14 Henry C. KUHLEMEIER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Nov. 13, 1836. Came to county 1847.
- Feb. 18 Hon. Charles BETTS, Freeport, born in Batavia, N.Y., June 13, 1825. Came to county in 1848.
- Feb. 21 Christopher BARNES, Jena, born in Prussia, July 3, 1813. Came to county 1852.
- Feb. 20 Mrs. John PEPPERMAN, Cedarville, born in Cedarville, 1868.
- Feb. 21 Henry BERG, Freeport, born in Germany 66 years ago.
- Feb. 22 Mrs. Elizabeth SOLIDAY, Freeport, born in Center county, Pa., Jan. 11, 1829.
- Feb. 25 William STAAS, Freeport, born in Germany 67 years ago. Came to county in 60's.
- Feb. 25 Henry PETERSON, Freeport, born in Germany, Apr. 5, 1837. Came to county 1859.
- Feb. 28 Mrs. Caroline OBEREM, Freeport, born in Germany, May 15, 1842. Came to county 1864.
- Mar. 2 Mrs. Susan MERNITZ, Freeport, born in Stephenson Co., Feb. 1, 1847.
- Mar. 2 Joseph DEAN, Harlem, born in Stark county, Ohio, Jan 4, 1840. Came to county 1844.

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- Mar. 3 Richard COOMBER, Lena, born in England 75 years ago.
- Mar. 6 Fred. BRADY, Freeport, born in Germany, Nov. 8, 1846. Came to county 1853.
- Mar. 6 John STAHL, Freeport, born in Pennsylvania, Sept. 3, 1823. Came to county 1871.
- Mar. 7 Miss Kate GOODHUB, Freeport.
- Mar. 12 Mrs. A.W. HART, Freeport, born in New York, May 29, 1831. Came to county 1848.
- Mar. 16 Mrs. Caroline BUETLER, Freeport, age 91 years.
- Mar. 19 Mrs. Daniel BRUBAKER, Ridott, born in Lancaster twp. Aug. 16, 1854.
- Mar. 22 Henry ROHKAR, Freeport, born in Germany, June 11, 1829. Came to county 1856.
- Mar. 28 Mrs. Elizabeth ALTEMEIER, Freeport, born in Germany, July 25, 1842. Came to county 1858.
- Apr. 1 John MILLER, Freeport, born in Germany, Sept. 8, 1827. Came to county 1863.
- Apr. 2 Mrs. Catharine BARDELL, Ridott, age 84 years.
- Apr. 4 Mrs. Sophia KLAUS, Freeport, born in Germany, Sept. 24, 1832. Came to county 1857.
- Apr. 5 Mrs. Thomas HUNT, Ridott, born in Utica, N.Y., Aug. 17, 1835. Came to county 1837.
- Apr. 5 Jacob YEIGH, Lena, age 83 years.
- Apr. 7 Jacob AURAND, Pearl City, age 80 years. Came to county 1845
- Apr. 9 Henry HOEFER, Freeport, born in Germany, May 31, 1823. Came to county 1847.
- Apr. 24 John FLICKINGER, Jefferson township, born in Pennsylvania, Sept. 1, 1820. Came to county 1845.
- Apr. 18 Henry H. UPP, Freeport, born in Pennsylvania, Nov. 10, 1824. Came to county 1847.
- May 1 Edward BURKHARDT, Freeport, born in Freeport, Aug. 19, 1859.
- May 1 Martin BROBST, Rock Grove, age 74 years.
- May 4 Mrs. Conrad RAYHORN, Orangeville, born in Union county, Pa., May 27, 1830.
- May 6 Thomas GEMMILL, Freeport, born in York county, Pa., Jan. 21, 1830. Came to county 1851.
- May 7 Miss Etta FRUHDAG, Freeport, born in Silver Creek township, Dec. 16, 1865.
- May 10 Mrs. Augusta M. WRIGHT, Freeport, born in New York, Oct. 2, 1822. Came to county 1855.
- May 10 Mrs. Frank VOIGT, Freeport, born in Buena Vista in 1867.
- May 11 Charles H. MEYERS, Freeport, born in Florence Twp., Oct. 1, 1856.
- May 18 Edward S. BROWN, Freeport, born in Buffalo, Apr. 18, 1843. Came to county 1847.
- May 23 Mrs. George W. HOYMAN, Freeport, born in Union county Pa., age 66.
- May 28 John EGAN, Freeport, born in Rock Run township 1848.
- May 29 Mrs. Sarah NESBIT, Freeport, born in Ohio, Apr. 1, 1849. Came to county in 1850.
- May 31 Mrs. Dora KLENTZ, McConnell, age 88 years.
- June 8 Miss Helen COATES, Freeport, born in Freeport 1857.
- June 10 Fred. WINTER, Orangeville, born in Center Co., Pa. Jan. 18, 1842.
- June 16 Daniel ALEXANDER, Freeport, born in Millheim, Pa. Apr. 18, 1834.
- June 8 Mrs. Herman BOWER, Cedarville, born in Buckeye Twp., 61 years ago.



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- June 17 James YARGER, Freeport, born in Pennsylvania 62 years ago.  
June 18 Alex NESBIT, Freeport, born in Lewisburg, Pa., Oct. 8, 1837. Came to county in 1853.  
June 20 Samuel H. JOHNSON, Freeport, age 88 years, Resident of county over half century.  
June 21 William HIGHLAND, Rock Run, born in Rock Run 58 years ago.  
June 21 Mrs. Annabelle HIRTZ, Freeport, born in Germany, Nov. 27, 1834. Came to county 56 years ago.  
June 22 Paul WAGNER, Freeport, born in Freeport, Aug. 12, 1867.  
June 25 Michael ROOT, Freeport, born in Ireland, May 15, 1829. Came to county in 1855.  
July 5 Mrs. Nora KECK, Freeport, born in Buckeye Twp., May 4, 1863.  
July 14 Mrs. Henry MENSENKAMP, Freeport, born in Germany, Mar. 9, 1838. Came to county 1848.  
July 15 Dr. L.M. CURRIER, Freeport, born in New York, Jan. 14, 1847.  
July 16 Michael MALONE, Freeport, born in Ireland in 1826. Came to county in 1860.  
July 25 Samuel RAYMER, Freeport, born in New York 69 years ago, Came to county 1853.  
July 26 Mrs. D.F. HARLACHER, Freeport, born in Pa., Dec. 14, 1853.  
July 30 William PILSON, Lena, born in Winslow township 57 years ago.  
Aug. 1 Oney FOLEY, Eleroy, born at Eleroy 58 years ago.  
Aug. 2 Peter BEAR, Orangeville, born in Union county, Pa., Jan. 26, 1840. Came to county 1841.  
Aug. 22 John R. HAYES, Chicago, former old resident of county, age 70 years, born in Center county, Pa. Came to county in 1844.  
Aug. 23 John F. BROWN, Lena, age 82, lived in county 48 years.

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FROM: Kent Observer (Pearl City News) Nov. 30, 1916 page 1

JAMES B. TIMMS: one of the oldest residents of county and who lived in Illinois during the entire eighty-five years of his life, died at his home in Pearl City Sunday. He has been an invalid for more than a year and for many months had been confined to his bed.

Unlike many early settlers of the county, Mr. Timms did not come to Illinois from states in the east. He was born June 16, 1831, near Apple River station, in Jo Daviess county at a time when settlers along the frontier were experiencing hardships of the Blackhawk war. His father was a native of South Carolina who moved to the Tennessee country in the early 21's and who a few years later became a river pilot on the Mississippi. Shortly after James B. TIMMS was born, his parents moved to Stephenson county, where the father purchased a farm on the site of the historic BlackHawk battle ground. Mr. Timms in later days often recalled the early years of his life when as a boy he helped his father clear the ground; how neighbors were unknown and one could travel miles without seeing a cabin; how the family of which he was a member had to endure every hardship and how even when he was a young man and had secured land of his own, he had to furrow it for the first time, erect all the buildings himself and live for many months without a luxury of any kind.

On the 16th of March, 1854, Mr. Timms was united in marriage to Miss Christina GABLE, the ceremony being performed in this city. It was shortly after that that Mr. Timms secured eighty acres of the old Timms homestead

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west of Freeport. By gradually improving his land he was able to secure more and it was not long before he was the owner of 200 acres of the best land in the county.

For a great many years Mr. Timms was prominent in the affairs of the republican party of this county, but after the forming of the prohibition party he changed his politics slightly and voted the national prohibition ticket. He at one time served his community efficiently as supervisor and was several times elected delegate to county and state conventions.

Mr. Timms was one of the oldest Masons in the county. He became a Master Mason in Freeport and belonged to Pearl Lodge 828, F. & A.M. who had charge of the services at the cemetery. For more than 30 years he was a member of Freeport Chapter R.A.M.

The Black Hawk monument erected, on the site of the battle of Kellog's Grove in Kent Township; and known to nearly every resident of the county, will long stand as a monument to work of Mr. Timms. It was due to his efforts that the monument was built and the place marked where one of the most decisive battles of the Black Hawk war took place.

The monument stands on one of the highest points in Illinois, overlooking the Yellow Creek valley, and can be seen for miles in every direction. It is built of flinty limestone taken from the quarry nearby on a farm then owned by Mr. Timms. The monument built by Wm. ASCHER of Freeport is eight feet square at the base three feet square at the top and is thirty-four feet high. Credit for the erection of this monument belongs to Mr. Timms, who lived on the site of the famous old battle field. His father was a soldier in the Black Hawk war and James B. Timms was living when the attack made on the fort at Apple River by Black Hawk and his braves in 1832.

Surviving him are one son and five daughters. His wife passed away in 1909. The children who survive him are: Harvey M. TIMMS of Los Angeles, Cal., Mrs. Adelaide DEISHER of this place, Mrs. Lucy KINMAN of Kansas, Mrs. Olive KEELER of Chicago, Mrs. John KLECKNER of Kent, and Mrs. Wm. HARRIS of Iowa. A son Albert preceded him recently.

The funeral services were held at the M.E. Church on Wednesday, Rev. TUTTLE officiating. Interment was made in the Yellow Creek Cemetery.

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ADA SHEETZ AURAND - Was born in Florence Township, Mar. 29, 1880 and passed away at the home in Loran Township Nov. 23, 1916, aged 36 year, 7 months and 24 days.

She was married to Vernon L. AURAND July 3rd, 1911. She leaves to mourn her departure, her husband, and one daughter Ruth; her mother, Mrs. Martha SHEETZ of Freeport; three sisters, Mrs. Cora WINTERS of Florence, Mrs. Florence HART of Pasadena, Cal., and Mrs. Margaret PHIPPS of Bolton; also 1 brother, John of Fort Du Pont, Delaware.

Mrs. Aurand was a woman who made friends wherever she sent. She was a neat, quiet and lovable person and her death exacted sympathy from all who know her.

Funeral services were held at the late home Saturday, conducted by Rev. W.H. TUTTLE of Pearl City and Rev. J.F. GLOTIELTY of Van Brocklin. Interment was made in the Oakland Cemetery near Freeport.







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Have Lived Here Long-1904 (continued from: Vol. 9 No. 2 page 14)

MRS. MARY HUMMEL - Mrs. Hummel, who is now in her 79th year, was born in Berks county, Pa., came west about 1848; married Mr. Hummel, who died recently at the age of nearly ninety years. She is the mother of seven children as follows: Frank, George, Mrs. S. RAYMER, Mrs. J.W. SANDOE, Mrs. J. GEYER, Mrs. Leah KUNTZ and Mrs. Sarah SCOTT. The weight of years has been telling on Mrs. Hummel as she is not nearly so robust and active as she was a decade ago.

GEORGE BOLLMAN - George Bollman of the village of Davis is in his 89th year. He was born May 20, 1816, in Lebanon county, Pa., and came west in 1855. He was married and is the father of three children, namely: Mrs. Sarah SMITH, Mrs. Kate BRUBAKER and Mrs. Anna BURBANK. Mr. Bollman is a plasterer by trade, but has not done much work of late years. He was an old soldier, serving two years in the civil war.

MATTHEW REDDY - Mr. Reddy was born in Ireland in 1826; came to America in 1848 and located in New York where he remained one year before coming to Illinois. He married Bridge CUFF, who is several years his junior, being now sixty-six. They are the parents of fourteen children, eleven of whom are living, as follows: Annie and John at home; Patrick and Mrs. John BAILEY, Pecatonica; Mrs. M. KISLEY and Nora, Rock Island; Mrs. John DAILY and James North Bend, Nebr.; Morris, Milwaukee and Charles in Norwalk, Ohio. Mr Reddy is reasonably well fixed in life. He enjoys good health and is quite active.

MICHAEL STINSON - Michael Stinson, now almost 93 years old, was born in County Sligo, Parish Curry, Ireland, Sept. 22, 1811; came to America in 1835, and after a lapse of five years he returned to Ireland where he married Eliza KELLEY, who died in 1871. Mr. Stinson is the father of six children, five of whom are living. They are: Edw., Hampton, Iowa; Michael and William, Pecatonica; Mrs. Thomas HYLAND, Lincoln, Nebr. and Mrs. Ed CRANE, Los Angeles, Cal. Mr. Stinson followed farming when he was in active life and was prosperous. While he is regarded by his friends as a man of temperate habits, he has always used "the weed" smoking and chewing daily, and he has never disobeyed entirely the scriptural injunction, "Take a little wine for your stomach's sake." (Article includes a picture of him)

JOHN GLYNN - John Glynn of Rock Run was born in Ireland about 82 years ago; came to America the latter part of the thirties; went to California in '49 but returned shortly after and located on a farm in Rock Run. He married Mary SUARDS who is his junior by a score or more of years. They are the parents of eight children, all of whom are at home assisting in the farming. Mr. Glynn is one of the most active men in the county considering his age.

MRS. RACHAEL BELLMAN - Mrs. Rachael Bellman of Davis was born in Union county, Pa., Jan. 15, 1816; married Daniel Bellman in 1833; came west in 1852 and located on a farm in Rock Grove township where they resided until about thirty years ago when they moved to Davis. Mr. Bellman passed away in 1881. Mrs. Bellman was the mother of eleven children, three of whom are still living as follows: Alfred F., Snohomish, Wash.; Lincoln, Minneapolis, Minn.; and Mrs. A.E. SMITH, this city. Although in her eighty-ninth year Mrs. Bellman is in quite good health and is fairly active. It is a noteworthy fact that she is a second cousin of the martyred president, Abraham LINCOLN.

MRS. FRED DREACKY- Mrs. Dreacky was born Oct. 1, 1817, in Germany and came to America in 1856 with her husband and family. She is the mother of five children, three of whom are living; Louisa, Frederick and Henry. Mrs. Dreacky continues active.



PETER MC HOES - Peter Mc Hoes of Davis, whose age is 83, was born in Northampton county, Pa., Sept. 6, 1821; came west in 1857; married Mary Ann SLAWTER in 1856, who passed away in 1877. He has five children living, two sons and three daughters. Mr. Mc Hoes is a retired merchant, though he had been variously engaged during his years of active life and was successful in all his undertakings, having a competence for old age. He filled a number of township offices in his time, and was useful generally. While residing in the village of Orangeville some years ago he laid out an addition which has become an important part of the town. Mr. Mc Hoes is quite vigorous for one of his age.

FREDERICK SCHROEDER - Frederick Schroeder of Rock Run was born in Germany in April 1821; came to America in 1848 and married Minnie RICHTER. To them nine children were born, seven of whom are living, as follows: Frederick, Henry, Charles, George, John, Samuel and Sarah. Mr. Schroeder has followed farming and has been very successful. He enjoys good health and is very active for one so old.

MORRIS HYLAND - Morris Hyland was born Dec. 15, 1813 in County West Meath, Ireland; came to America when he was twenty-one years old and located at Pittsfield, Mass., where he resided ten years. He then went back to Ireland and married Mary BLANEY, whom he brought with him to Illinois and located on a farm in Rock Run township. Mrs. Hyland has been dead a number of years. Mr. Hyland is the father of eight children, seven of whom are still living. They are: John of Avon, Wis.; Mrs. James SPELMAN, Davis; Thomas, Lincoln, Nebr.; Mrs. Daniel RICHARDSON; William and Michael of Pecatonica. Considering his age he is quite active. He has a good appetite and sleeps well. He has never used tobacco.

WILLIAM WELLING - Wm. Welling, who is in his 85th year, was born in Germany, Mar. 1, 1820; married Louisa HENZE. Mr. Welling is the father of eleven children, ten of whom are living. They are; Emma, William, Louisa, Henry, August, David, Frederick, Martha, Anna and Sophia. Mr. Welling has followed farming and has been very successful. He is in good health and reasonably vigorous.

PHILIP HOLTSE - Philip Holtse was born in Germany 85 years ago the 12th of last December and came to this country in 1847 and has been living in Rock Run township ever since. Mr. Holtse has been a very industrious man, an honest and upright citizen, retiring in his nature and devoted to his home. Mrs. Holtse is 75 years old and still living. They have five children: Louisia, Caroline, Henry, Fred and William. His vocation has been that of a farmer in which he has been very prosperous and is still quite vigorous for one of his age. The Holtse family are among the most respected people of the county.

D.B. SNIVELY - Mr. Snively, who is in his 76th year and who came to Illinois about forty years ago, was born in Franklin county, Pa., and was married about fifty years ago. Mr. & Mrs. Snively are the parents of four children; Benj. and Henry, Pecatonica; Albert, Rock City and William, Ridott. Mr. Snively followed farming until a few years ago, when he retired. Since then he has taken life easy, though occasionally he surprises his neighbors by doing some piece of work in about half the time it would require some men much younger than he to do it.

CHRISTIAN POPP - Christian Popp of Jefferson is nearly eighty years old and is quite active. Mrs. Popp is over seventy-five and is in feeble health. (To be continued Vol. 9 No. 4)

From: Freeport Daily Bulletin - Aug. 30, 1911

The following is the report of the obituary secretary of the Stephenson county Old Settlers Association from Aug. 29, 1910 to Aug. 24, 1911.

Sept. 4 Mrs. Hugh BENNEHOFF, Rock Run township. Born in Pennsylvania, Feb. 12, 1838. Came to this county in 1852 or 1853.

Sept. 4 Henry FETTERHOFF, Ridott. Born in Pennsylvania 95 years ago. Came to this county in 1850.

Sept. 5 Abraham C. NEWCOMER, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Nov. 29, 1823. Came to this county 48 years ago.

Oct. 2 Mary E. MILTON, Ridott. Born in Ridott township, June 10, 1853.

Oct. 4 Mrs. Martha SEIFERT, Freeport. Born in Ohio, Sept. 18, 1836. Came to this county in 1838.

Oct. 7 Conrad K. SWARTZ, Freeport. Born in Germany, Aug. 27, 1853.

Oct. 10 Mrs. Minerva MC CONNELL. Born in Connecticut, Aug. 21, 1826. One of the earliest settlers in Waddams township.

Oct. 16 Emanuel MOORE, Eleroy. Born in Pennsylvania, Jan. 17, 1830. Came to this county in 1855.

Oct. 19 Mrs. Elizabeth GILBERT, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, 1838.

Oct. 19 Mrs. Reuben WISE, Davis, age 75 years.

Oct. 20 Mrs. Mary WEISHAR, Freeport. Born in Germany, Aug. 1, 1840. Came to this county in 1853.

Nov. 4 Mrs. Christian KIRCHER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Apr. 4, 1825. Came to this county in 1856.

Nov. 7 Ira LOWRY, Freeport. Born in Center county, Pa., Apr. 5, 1839. Came to this county in 1845.

Sept. 28 Mrs. John F. BENDER, Red Oak. Born in Germany, Mar. 27, 1827. Came to this county in 1854.

Oct. 25 Mrs. Bridget SILK, Freeport. Born in Ireland, Mar. 17, 1828. Came to this county in 1839.

Nov. 11 John S. LATTIG, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Oct. 18, 1839. Came to this county when a boy.

Nov. 11 Mrs. Elizabeth MUSSER, Lena.

Nov. 12 Mrs. Harriet E. BOGAR, Freeport. Born in New York, June 16, 1844. Came to this county in 1866.

Nov. 21 Mrs. Amy B. PRESTON, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Oct. 15, 1832. Came to this county in 1865.

Nov. 21 Mrs. Allen BOYER, Lena. Age 93 years. Came to this county in 1846.

Nov. 26 Daniel WENZEL, Davis. Born Apr. 23, 1824. Came to this co. in 1863.

Nov. 27 William H. WAGNER, Freeport. Born in Baden, Germany, Mar. 14, 1841. Came to this county in 1852.

Nov. 27 Theodore DOLLMEYER, Freeport. Born in Freeport, Sept. 2, 1856.

Nov. 29 Mrs. Sarah LEVERINGTON, Winslow, age 80 years.

Dec. 3 Mrs. R. MC LAIN. Born in Ireland, Dec. 18, 1823. Came to this county in 1855.

Dec. 5 Mrs. George W. RAND, Freeport. Born in Stephenson co. Aug. 14, 1837.

Dec. 6 Miss Julia ANDERSON, Davis, Born in Davis, 45 years ago.

Dec. 6 John GORR, Orangeville. Born in Pennsylvania, Sept. 25, 1834. Came to this county in 1865.

Dec. 8 Mrs. Elizabeth BOOKMAN, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Jan. 16, 1824. Came to this county in 1868.

Dec. 8 Mrs. John VALE, Freeport. Born in Ireland, 86 years ago.

Dec. 11 Isaac Newton MALLORY, Freeport. Born in Ohio, Nov. 27, 1827. Came to this county in 1836.



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Dec. 11 Miss Mathilda FISHER, Rock Grove. Born in Stephenson county, 64 years ago.

Dec. 14 Mrs. J.L. YARGER, Freeport. Born in Freeport, 57 years ago.

Dec. 14 Calvin S. STOUT, Freeport. Born in Erin township, June 6, 1865.

Dec. 16 Frederick SCHRAMM, Mc Connell. Born in Germany, Dec. 2, 1839. Came to this county in 1869.

Dec. 16 Mrs. Addison SHELLY, Lancaster township. Born in Lancaster township, Nov. 26, 1848.

Dec. 17 Mrs. Mary AGNEY. Born in New York, Aug. 25, 1820. Resident of county nearly 50 years.

Dec. 19 Mrs. G.W. TANDY, Freeport. Born in New York, 1835. Came to county in 1857.

Dec. 21 Walter LINDEMAN, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania 1837. Came to this county in 1844.

Dec. 27 Mrs. Susan LUTZ, Buckeye township, age, 75 years.

Dec. 30 Mary C. MC CAULEY, Rock Grove. Born in Pennsylvania 75 years ago. Came to this county in 1846.

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Jan. 2 Mrs. Martha DEMUTH, Freeport, Born in Pennsylvania, Aug. 26, 1835. Came to this county in 1856.

Jan. 3 Warren C. HEA, Freeport. Born in Ontario, Mar. 14, 1854. Came to Freeport, when a boy.

--- Mrs. Charles KOEHLER, Freeport. Born in Germany, May 23, 1836. Came to this county in 1854.

Jan. 6 Thomas W. JOHNSON, Freeport. Born in England, Jan. 19, 1825. Came to Freeport in 1836.

Jan. 6 Mathias SPRINGMAN, Scioto Mills. Born in Germany, Jan. 24, 1827. Came to this county in 1856.

Jan. 7 Mrs. Almeda A. DANE, Freeport. Born in Wis., 65 years ago. Came to this county in 1862.

Jan. 13 John MIZNER, a former resident of Kent township for 50 years. Died in Missouri, age 94 years.

--- Abraham K. STIBGEN, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Dec. 1, 1833. Came to Freeport in 1848.

Jan. 26 John BAUSCHER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Mar. 7, 1834. Came to this county in the fifties.

Jan. 26 Mrs. Thressa MUEHLENHOFF, Freeport. Born in Germany, Oct. 20, 1834. Came to this county in 1862.

Jan. 31 Mrs. Rebecca FISHER, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, May 21, 1826. Came to this county in 1866.

--- Simon ALBERT, Freeport. Born in Germany, Nov. 30, 1834. Came to this county in 1861.

Feb. 10 Meint VOSBERG, Baileyville. Age 75 years.

Feb. 11 Isaac DIEMER, Buckeye township. Born in Pennsylvania, Sept. 23, 1844. Came to this county in 1846.

Feb. 14 Asa CAREY, Ridott. Age 80 years.

Feb. 15 Charles E. PLOWMAN, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Jan. 1, 1850. Came to this county in 1855.

Feb. 16 L.W. MUNN, Freeport, Born in New York, March 14, 1823. Came to Freeport in 1843.

Feb. 23 Mrs. C.D. CRAMER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Nov. 10, 1856. Came to this county in the sixties.



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- Feb. 27 W.W. HUTCHISON, Lancaster township. Born in Union Co., Pa., Oct. 15, 1828. Came to this county in 1843.
- Mar. 1 Davis T. GISHWILLER, Lena. Born in Indiana, July 23, 1853. Came to this county when a child.
- Mar. 1 Peter JOHNSON, Rock City. Born in Norway, Mar 19, 1856. Came to this county when a boy.
- Mar. 4 Mrs. William HUNT, Ridott. Born in Ridott, Apr. 25, 1858.
- Mar. 6 W.H. CROTZER, Lena. Born in Pennsylvania, July 12, 1840. Came to this county in 1857.
- Mar. 6 Mrs. Simon MESSMAN, Dakota. Born in Germany, July 18, 1851. Came to this county in 1853.
- Mar. 7 Miss Mary LECKINGTON, Lena. Born in Pennsylvania, Apr. 4, 1846. Came to this county in 1862.
- Mar. 7 Simon T. ROTE. Born in Pennsylvania. Came to this county in 1844.
- Mar. 13 Mrs. Frederick DEMMELL, Lancaster. Born in Germany, Sept. 29, 1837.
- Mar. 14 Mrs. Nancy G. SAXBY, Freeport. Born in New York, Mar. 18, 1823. Came to Freeport in 1861.
- Mar. 17 Phillip BECKER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Sept. 4, 1832. Came to this county in 1850.
- Mar. 18 John PIPER, Freeport. Born in Maryland, Feb. 7, 1852. Came to this county 54 years ago.
- Mrs. Ella E. SCHMELTZER, Dakota. Born in Rock Run Twp. Nov 19, 1860.
- Mar. 23 Cyrus SHEETZ, Bolton. Born in Florence township May 25, 1856.
- Mar. 26 John W. MEIDINGER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Sept. 13, 1827. Came to this county in 1855.
- Mar. 27 Mrs. Elizabeth BALZER, Freeport. Age 85 years.
- Mar. 28 Geo. W. FREY, Santa Anna, Cal. Born in Kent township, Oct. 6, 1854. Resident of this county until August, 1910.
- Apr. 3 Thomas O. SHAFFER, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Apr. 22, 1848. Came to this county in 1868.
- Apr. 10 Mrs. John W. MUSSER, Freeport. Born in Lancaster, Pa., Oct. 15, 1832. Came to this county in 1848.
- Apr. 12 Mrs. Alvina KENYON, Freeport. Born in Canada, Feb. 12, 1832. Came to this county over half century ago.
- Apr. 15 David TEMPLETON, Missouri. Former old resident of Buckeye township, Age, 71 years.
- Apr. 17 Mrs. Elizabeth DOLAN, Freeport, Born in Ireland 82 years ago. Came to this county in 1854.
- Apr. 21 Mrs. Geo. BECKER, Freeport. Born in Freeport, 55 years ago.
- Apr. 21 Mrs. Geo. H. KRAMER, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania Apr. 15, 1852.
- Apr. 22 Mrs. Jane E. BUTTERFIELD, Dakota. Born in Pennsylvania, Dec. 6, 1832. Came to this county in 1844.
- Apr. 24 Mrs. Harriet ASKEY, Orangville. Born in Pa., 64 years ago.
- Apr. 24 Calvin KISTNER, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Nov. 1836. Came to this county in 1854.
- Apr. 26 Mrs. Elizabeth FLANNIGAN, Freeport. Born in Vermont 54 years ago. Lived in county 46 years.
- Apr. 27 Gerjet MANUS, Freeport. Born in Germany, Oct. 9, 1830. Came to this county in 1854.
- Apr. 27 Mrs. Elizabeth GRATTELO, Freeport. Born in France, Feb. 8, 1833. Came to this county 41 years ago.

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- Apr. 28 Mrs. Catherine J. BUTTZ, Davis. Born in Pennsylvania, Aug. 20, 1837. Came to this county in 1852.
- Apr. 29 David BOBB, Des Moines, Iowa. Born in Pennsylvania, May 18, 1813. Came to this county in 1845 and resided here until a few years ago.
- May 3 Albert SNAP, Florence. Born in Germany, Aug. 30, 1824. Came to this county in 1853.
- May 5 Leonard STOSKOPF, Freeport. Born in Canada. Oct. 5, 1840. Came to this county in 1841.
- May 6 Daniel MUSSER, Orangeville. Born in Center county, Pa., Oct. 26, 1836. Came to this county in 1856.
- May 9 Hugh BENNEHOFF, Rock Grove. Age 80 years. Resident to Rock Grove township over half century.
- May 10 Henry M. BARNUM, Freeport. Born in Vermont, Feb. 6, 1835. Came to county in 1859.
- May 1 George YODER, Harlem township. Born in Ohio, 80 years ago. Came to this county in 1870
- May 21 Mrs. Catherine FEHR, Cedarville, Born in Pennsylvania, 85 years ago. Came to this county in 1854.
- May 26 Mrs. Susie D. JONES, Salida, Cal. Former old resident of this county. Born in Pennsylvania, Mar. 30, 1846. Came to this county in 1854.
- May 27 Samuel OSWALT, Cedarville. Born in Pennsylvania in 1828.
- May 17 Mrs. Dorothea LORENZ, Freeport. Born in Germany Mar. 18, 1833. Came to this county in 1860.
- May 30 Mrs. Anna BURNS, Freeport. Born in Ireland, 92 years ago. Lived in this county since 1865.
- May 31 William J. LAU. Former resident of Cedarville. Born in Pennsylvania in 1848. Came to this county when a young man.
- May 31 Thomas DAWSON, Freeport. Born in England, Feb. 7, 1839. Came to this county in 1860.
- June 2 Lewis KANEY, Baileyville, Age 60 years.
- June 6 Robert WEBB, Freeport. Born in Ridott in 1864
- June 9 Henry BOLENDER, Rock Grove. Born in Rock City, 58 years ago.
- June 15 Henry H. BECKER, Freeport. Born in York county, Pa., Dec. 21, 1824. Came to this county in 1856.
- June 14 George MAYER, Lancaster. Born in Lancaster township, 44 years ago.
- June 23 James WALL, Florence twp. Born in Stephenson county, Mar. 30, 1852.
- June 25 Henry BOLL, Freeport. Born in Germany, Apr. 18, 1845. Came to this county in 1866.
- June 27 Mrs. Joseph BROWN, Freeport. Born in SilverCreek twp. 57 years ago
- June 29 Mrs. Catharine WIRTH, Freeport. Born in Germany, 76 years ago. Came to this county in 1856.
- July 4 Mrs. Mary Ann KILEY, Freeport. Born in Ireland, Mar. 1828.
- July 11 John HENSING, Freeport. Born in Germany, June 21, 1828. Came to this county in 1854.
- July 12 Bernard HUENKEMEIER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Aug. 19, 1822. Came to this county in 1848.
- July 18 Mrs. Wm. LAMM, Freeport, Born in Silver township, Sept. 10, 1846.
- July 18 Mrs. Wilhelmina NAGELMEIER, Rock City. Born in Germany, Jan. 17, 1830. Came to this county in 1851.
- July 21 Miss Isabell FRY, Freeport. Born in Freeport, Dec. 21, 1857.
- July 23 Theodore BERBIG, Baileyville. Born in Germany, Apr. 21, 1832. Came to this county in 1862.

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July 26 Mrs. Geo. EMERICK, Afolkey. Born in Pennsylvania, Apr. 29, 1839. Came to this county in 1843.

July 29 Charles SCHEIDER, Red Oak. Born in Germany, May 18, 1845. Came to this county in 1868.

Aug. 1 Mrs. Simon HERMSMEIER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Oct. 22, 1852. Came to this county in 1855.

Aug. 9 Robert MC LAIN, Born in Ireland, 88 years ago, Lived in Buckeye township over 50 years.

Aug. 12 John F. MAYER, Freeport. Born at Forreston, 65 years ago. Resident to Freeport greater part of his life.

Aug. 13 Miss Minnie KEELER, Freeport. Born in SilverCreek twp. Mar 26, 1863

Aug. 15 Mrs. Margaret ALBRIGHT, Damascus. Born in Pennsylvania, in 1820. Came to this county in 1860.

Aug. 16 Mrs. Thela MEYERS, Florence Station. Born in Germany, May 4, 1832. Came to this county in the 50's.

Aug. 10 Miss Susan KRAMER, Afolkey. Born in Pennsylvania, 1840. Came to this county in 1869.

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From: Freeport Journal Standard October 23, 1916

MRS. CLINGMAN STATE'S OLDEST WOMAN, IS DEAD

Mrs. Maria SIMPSON CLINGMAN died at half past nine o'clock last evening at the home of her son, William CLINGMAN, at Cedarville. Had she lived until Dec. 12 of this year Mrs. CLINGMAN would have been 107 years old. As it is she was the oldest person in Illinois and one of the oldest in the United States. Although of such great age, it has been only recently that Mrs. Clingman has been really ill. For many years her vitality and good health has been the wonder of her friends. Even after she had passed the hundred-year mark she was able to receive her friends, and with the exception of the last two years she remained active and in possession of all her mental faculties. At the age of 100 she could read and sew.

Mrs. Clingman's life has been a wonderful one. Born at a time when the United States extended west only as far as the Mississippi river she has lived to see her country developed to the Pacific and from Canada to the gulf. She was three years old at the time of the second war with England. She was 37 at the time of the war with Mexico. At the time the Civil War broke out she was 52 and three of her sons enlisted with the armies of the north. In 1898 when war with Spain broke out, three of her grandchildren hastened to join the colors.

All of the worlds greatest inventions have been made since Mrs. Clingman was a girl. The first locomotive was introduced into the United States when she was six years old, the first passenger railroad was built when she was sixteen, matches were unheard of until two years after that, the telegraph was not known until Mrs. Clingman was twenty-three, and it was two years later before the electric motor was invented. The typewriter was first heard of in 1843. Bessemer steel was perfected in 1855, self-binding reapers came to use in 1873, telephones in 1876, phonographs in 1877, the X-ray in 1895, the practical airship in 1901, the flying machine in 1906, color photograph, radium, motion pictures-all of these things and many more which are today looked upon in many cases as necessities were at the time Mrs. CLINGMAN was born, unheard of and perhaps even undreamed of. In her

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life time events have happened which will be read about for hundreds of years. She has witnessed progress such as may never be repeated again in an equal period of time of the world's history.

Mrs. CLINGMAN was born Dec. 12, 1809, in Portsmouth, Scioto county, Ohio and was before her marriage to JOSIAH CLINGMAN on Nov. 25, 1830, in Ohio, Miss MARIA SIMPSON. Five years after their marriage Mr. & Mrs. Clingman, with their two children, came to Illinois. They made the trip by boat, coming down the Ohio and up the Mississippi, Illinois and LaSalle rivers to Putnam county, and a little later to LaSalle county. They arrived in Illinois in 1835, and a year later Josiah Clingman came on horseback to this county to take up a claim a few miles north of Cedarville. The following year Mrs. Clingman and her children joined him. That was in 1837 and since that time Mrs. Clingman has had her home continuously in this county. The years which have not been spent on the Clingman farm, have been enjoyed with her son in Cedarville. Mrs. Clingman often told of life as she found it when she first came to this county with her husband and their three children-George, Mary and Chester, the last-named having been born in LaSalle county. Cedarville then consisted of a long shack and a mill claim marked by two logs which had been cut and laid across each other near the rapids-a mark of respect all along the "frontier". These logs had been placed by John GODDARD and the claim was bought the same year by Dr. VAN VALZAH.

Mr. Clingman had started his cabin when he first west to Cedarville but the roof was still lacking when Mrs. Clingman and the children arrived. During the time it was being put on she stayed with another family in that neighborhood who were the proud owners of a one-room log cabin. The women and children slept in the cabin but the men were forced to sleep in the potato hole which had been dug underneath.

At last the Clingman cabin was finished and the family moved in. All that was lacking was the floor, and for the wood with which to make it Mr. Clingman had to drive his oxen as far south as yellow creek, where at the time black walnut was plentiful.

Housekeeping in those days, Mrs. Clingman used to say, was simple. For five or six years she got along without a stove, and with only a few simple cooking utensils which had been brought from Ohio. Clothing they made themselves, even to their hats and caps. They sheared and picked the wool, spun it into yarn and had it made into cloth at Orangeville. Flour was as rare in those days as it is high-priced today. It could only be obtained by going to Galena or Wolf Creek. The first flour the Clingman family got came from Galena, being taken first to Brewster's Ferry and being brought from there by Mr. Clingman in his ox cart. Other supplies were secured from Savanna.

Of the ten children of Mr. & Mrs. Clingman, three served their country during the civil war. JASON was a member of the 11th Illinois and WILLIAM and THOMAS of Company A, 46th Illinois Infantry. At the battle of Shiloh, Thomas received wounds which later caused his death. Three of Mrs. Clingman's grandchildren served in the army during the Spanish-American war.

For nearly a hundred years Mrs. Clingman has been a member of the Methodist church, she having joined the church when 9 years old. For more than 75 years she was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Cedarville, and as long as her health permitted it she was a regular

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Have lived here long - 1904 (continued from Vol. 9 No. 3 page 24)

Mrs. James FITZPATRICK - Mrs. Fitzpatrick, whose maiden name was Mary REDDY, was born in Ireland, March 25th, 1822, and came to America about fifty years ago. She was married shortly after her arrival in this county to Mr. Fitzpatrick, who died about five years ago. She has three children living. They are: Mrs. Wm. OWENS, Julia and Martin; all of Rock Run. The weight of years has told on this good old lady as she is quite feeble.

HENRY KLOEPPING - Henry Kloepping of Rock Grove township, who is now in his 85th year, was born in Germany, Feb. 20, 1820. In 1848 he came to America, the journey having required sixteen weeks. After residing about two years in St. Louis he came to Stephenson county and located three miles east of the village of Rock Grove, where he has since resided. He is a stone mason and followed his trade and farming for many years, though he has taken life easy for several years as he richly deserves. During the civil war he volunteered but was never called out. Mrs. Kloepping is well up in years also, but we are unable to give her exact age. Both are quite vigorous. Mr. & Mrs. Kloepping are the parents of three children, two of whom - Henry W. and Mary are living.

MRS. LOUISA MESSMAN - Mrs. Louisa Messman, who is in her 92nd year, was born in Germany, Sept. 6, 1813. She came to America in 1852 with her husband who died in 1880. They were nine weeks on the way and narrowly escaped being shipwrecked when they were almost at their journey's end. Mrs. Messman is the mother of three children - Simon of Dakota, Henry of Rock Grove and Mrs. Minnie MEIERS of Oakley, Wis. Although not very vigorous, Mrs. Messman is in very fair health. (Article includes a picture of her)

MRS. ELIZABETH MAURER - Mrs. Maurer, now in her 85th year, was born on Feb. 20, 1820, in Union county, Pa. She came west with her parents in 1840. Mr. Maurer died some years ago, but five children: Mrs. John CANDY of Oklahoma, Mrs. MENGEDOLT of Freeport and Moses, Wm. II, and George B. of Rock Grove are living. Mrs. Maurer has been in poor health for some years.

FRED HENDRICKSMEIER - Fred Hendricksmeier was born in Germany, Feb. 6, 1828, and came to America in July 1848. The journey was a stormy one and required seven weeks. Mrs. Hendricksmeier, who is still living, was born in Germany also, the date of her birth having been Aug. 20, 1832. They are the parents of eight children, namely: Sophia, Mary, Fred, Louisa, John, Martha, Amelia and Hannah.

DAVID ROCKEY - David Rockey, who was a native of Tylersville, Pa., was born May 30, 1820, and came west in an early day. He married MARY PAUL, who passed away several years ago. He is the father of nine children, as follows: Mrs. L. SPANGLER, this city; Ammon, Dike, Ia.; David, Orangeville; Mrs. R. ELY, Monroe, Wis.; Mrs. E. FEHR, this city; Elmer and Mrs. Chas KIZER, Cedarville; Frank and Mrs. Henry NEUSCHWANDER, Afolkey. He is in poor health, having received a paralytic stroke about a year ago.

JACOB SULLIVAN - Jacob Sullivan is a native of Adams county, Pa., and having been born Aug. 31, 1819, he was just 85 years old on old settler's day. He came west by wagon and had many mishaps on his journey, his horses dying on the road and many other things occurring which caused much annoyance and which were hard for one of his circumstances to bear. In 1848 he landed in Green county, Wis. and in 1850 moved to Rock Grove township, where he has since resided. He followed farming for many years. Mrs. Sullivan died in 1889. He has five children, as follows: Charles A., Mrs. Sarah KNISS, Mrs. Myron SMULL, Susan and Jacob. (Article includes a picture of him)

MRS. CATHARINE FISHER - Mrs. Fisher, who is the widow of the late Samuel H. FISHER, was born at Aaronsbury, Center county, Pa., Sept. 29, 1829; came to Illinois in 1831, and was married Jan. 22, 1861. She is the mother of four children, three of whom died some years ago. Edwin, who is still living, resides on the farm about three miles west of the village of Rock Grove, his mother making her home with him. She is quite active for one of her years.

N.J. BARMORE - Mr. Barmore is a native of Green county, Pa., and was born Feb. 11, 1828. He came to Wisconsin in 1848, and to Stephenson county in 1850. On Dec. 9, 1851, he was married to SUSAN STAIR, who is now in her seventy-third year. They are the parents of nine children, seven of whom are living, as follows: MRS. T.H. CAHOON, Frank G., Jacob S., and B.B., Orangeville; Mrs. F.B. CHAMBERS, Lincoln, Nebr.; Mrs. H.L. RAYMER, Monroe, and Mrs. Frank GIFT, Sheldon, Iowa. Mr. Barmore followed farming until recently. He was school treasurer nineteen years and trustee fourteen years. He enjoys quite good health.

ANDREW GOCHENAU - Mr. Gochenaur was born Aug. 23, 1823, in Lancaster county, Pa. He came west with his wife and one child in 1850 and located on a farm in Dakota township where. He resided until some fifteen years ago when he moved to the village of Rock Grove. He filled the office of supervisor for several years. Mrs. Gochenaur was born Dec. 14, 1823, in Cumberland county, Pa. Mr. & Mrs. Gochenaur have six children living; John B., Wm. H., Mrs. John CANDY, Frank A., Harry B. and Mary E. Mr. G. is very vigorous but Mrs. Gochenaur has been in feeble health for a number of years. (Article includes pictures of them.)

GARET MANUS - Garett Manus of Silver Creek, formerly of Ridott township, is in his 75th year and has lived in the county over fifty years. He was born in Ost Friesland, Germany, and came to America in 1854. Mrs. Manus passed away a few months ago, but he has three sons living; D.G. of Madella, Minnesota; S.G., who is attending school in Dubuque and Albert H., who is a student in the university of Minnesota. Mr. Manus is well educated and taught school both in Germany and America, though most of his time has been devoted to farming. He was town clerk in the town of Ridott for seven years and assessor seven years, and has served also as assessor in Silver Creek. He was not an old soldier, but helped to pay for substitutes. Mr. Manus is very active, both in body and mind and is full of reminiscences which are very interesting.

JACOB MOLTER - Jacob Molter is a native of Germany, having been born in Bavaria, Aug. 19, 1815, and now being 89 years old. He came to this country in 1850. His wife died a few years ago. He has five children: J.J.; Daniel; Philip; Catharine and John. Mr. Molter was an industrious and prosperous farmer and owns a large farm in the town of Ridott upon which he resided until his wife passed away. Since then he makes his home with his daughter, Mrs. Jacob MAPES, in the town of Silver Creek. His health is fair but appetite poor. His memory is good for one of his age. His noble character has made him many friends.

F. ZIMMERMAN - Mr. Zimmerman of Silver Creek is a native of Hanover, Germany, and was born Oct. 3, 1825. He came to America about forty years ago. He has five children living viz: Benjamin; Ella; Bertha; Lena and Katie. His wife has been dead a number of years. Mr. Zimmerman is a farmer and is quite active. (Article includes a picture of him.)

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From: Freeport Daily Bulletin - Aug. 29, 1912 page 5

The following is the report of the obituary secretary of the county Old Settlers Association.

1911

- Aug. 23 Mrs. Elizabeth SCHOPPMEIER, Dakota. Born in Germany, Jan. 14, 1819. Pioneer resident of the county.
- Aug. 27 Johann F. RADER, Pearl City. Born in Germany, May 7, 1845. Came to county in 1869 or 1870.
- Aug. 28 Peter WOLFE, Dakota. Born in Pennsylvania, Apr. 10, 1830, Came to county in 1855.
- Aug. 28 Frederick HANKE, Erin. Born in Germany, June 12, 1829. Came to county in 1848.
- Sept. 2 James MANION, Freeport. Born in Vermont, Feb. 22, 1846. Came to county in 1858.
- Sept. 5 Herman WALZ, Freeport. Born in Freeport, Aug. 1869.
- Sept. 9 Mrs. William H. MITCHELL, Freeport. Born at Monroe, Wis. Resident of the county since 1860.
- Sept. 20 Mrs. I. KNISS, Freeport. Born in Pa. Came to the county in 1850.
- Sept. 11 Mrs. Margaret ADDAMS, Freeport. Born in Florence township, Sept. 4, 1860.
- Sept. 14 Charles KYLER, Winslow, aged 84. Spent his entire life in the county.
- Sept. 15 Mrs. I.G. WISE, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Feb. 8, 1854. Came to county in 1869
- Sept. 17 Miss Letitia BOALS, Freeport. Born in Ireland, in 1838. Came to county in 1844.
- Sept. 25 Mrs. Michael KENNEDY, Freeport. Born in Ireland, about 80 years ago. Came to county over 50 years ago.
- Sept. 26 Mrs. Ijebulon(?) PEPPERMAN, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, 1828. Came to county when a young girl.
- Oct. 1 Louis GISHWILLER, Lena. Born in Ger., 1818. Came to county in 1870
- Oct. 1 Miss Margaret STAHL, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania Jan. 1, 1859. Came to county in 1871.
- Oct. 2 John G. HEILMAN, Ridott. Born in Germany. Came to county in 1852.
- Oct. 2 Mrs. Charles MORGAN, Freeport. Born in county, Aug. 14, 1856.
- Oct. 3 Christopher KRUCKENBERG, Ridott. Born in Germany, Nov. 30, 1835. Resident of county 48 years.
- Oct. 4 Wilbur F. GODDARD, Freeport. Born in Buckeye twp., Mar. 16, 1850.
- Oct. 6 John OHMSGERDS, Freeport. Born in Germany 74 years ago. Came to county in 1867.
- Oct. 8 Conrad EDLER, Freeport. Born in Germany, May 9, 1831. Resident of the county about 65 years.
- Oct. 11 Miss Lizzie BAMBERGER, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania 83 years ago. Resident of Freeport 40 years.
- Oct. 1 John BURRELL, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Feb. 20, 1830. Came to county in 1851.
- Oct. 19 Peter HEERMAN, Freeport. Born in Germany 75 years ago. Came to county when 16 years of age.
- Oct. 19 FRANKLIN R. FOSTER, Rock City. Born in Rock Run Twp., Oct. 2, 1859
- Oct. 26 Fred THOREN, Rock City. Born in Germany, July 12, 1831. Came to county in 1847.
- Oct. 28 Samuel YARGER, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Sept. 24, 1854. Came to county in 1867.

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- Oct. 28 Mrs. Elizabeth EBEL, Orangeville. Born in Germany, 68 years ago. Came to county about 1867.
- Oct. 29 John H. FOLGATE, Red Oak. Born in Buckeye township, 55 years ago.
- Nov. 3 Mrs. Catharine EGAN, Freeport. Born in Ireland, May 8, 1825. Came to county in 1847.
- Nov. 9 James LACY, Harlem Townshp, Born in Rock City, Aug. 22, 1859.
- Nov. 12 Miss Tracy GAEKE, Freeport, Born in Freeport, Feb. 21, 1859.
- Nov. 13 George BORDNER, Freeport. Born in Penhsylvania, Mar. 19, 1824. Came to county in 1848.
- Nov. 14 Joseph RADERS, New Dublin. Born in Germany, July 28, 1850. Came to county in 1868.
- Nov. 22 Michael KACHELHOFFER, Silver Creek township. Born in France, 1825. Came to ccunty in 1847.
- Nov. 24 Herbert ILGEN, Freeport. Born in Dakota, July 4, 1871.
- Nov. 26 J.F. DITTMAN, Freeport. Born in Germany, Feb. 27, 1824. Came to county in 1856.
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- Nov. 29 Mrs. Elizabeth SNYDER, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Jan. 21, 1834. Came to county in 1846.
- Dec. 2 Daniel C. LAMB, Loran township. Born in Indiana, Sept. 16, 1836. Came to county in 1842.
- Dec. 3 Mrs. Martha J. SMITH, Chicago. Born in Maryland, 83 years ago. Came to county in 1847 and resided here until a few years ago.
- Dec. 7 Mathilda TUMMS (?), Freeport, Born in Germany, Dec. 1831. Came to county in 1847.
- Dec. 10 Mrs. Catherine BERMAN, Freeport. Born in Ireland, Dec. 22, 1830. Resident of county nearly 50 years.
- Dec. 16 Mrs. Mary ROWRAY, Alden, Ia. Born in Pennsylvania, 87 years ago. A resident of the county greater part of life until last fall.
- Dec. 17 Mrs. Harriet CROWDEN, Freeport. Born in England, Apr. 9, 1827. Came to county in 1860.
- Dec. 22 Mrs. Magdalena ARNDT, Freeport. Born in France, Nov. 3, 1837. Came to county in 50's.
- Dec. 28 Michael MATTER, Florence. Born in Germany, 82 years ago. Resident of county many years.

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- Jan. 1 John WOLFE, Freeport. Age 80 years. Resident of county almost 50 years.
- Jan. 1 Mrs. Jane BORDNER, Afolkey. Born in New York state, 80 years ago.
- Jan. 4 Frederick KOLLER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Sept. 14, 1838. Came to county in 1849.
- Jan. 8 Gottfried LANGENSTEIN, Afolkey. Born in Pennsylvania, June 4, 1839. Came to county when a small child.
- Jan. 12 Christ SCHOONHOVEN, Silver Creek township. Age 86 years.
- Jan. 13 Mrs. Lizzie RUTTER, Davis. Born in the county 51 years ago.
- Jan. 7 Mrs. Joseph A. DAME, Freeport. Born in Wisconsin 65 years ago. Came to county in 60's.
- Jan. 15 Mrs. Wilhelmina STAAS, Freeport. Born in Germany in 1847. Came to county 44 years ago.
- Jan. 21 Mrs. Samantha SKINNER, Winslow. Age 91 years. One of the earliest settlers.



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- Jan. 27 Daniel KECK, Dakota. Born in Pennsylvania, Jan. 1, 1828. Came to county in 1859.
- Jan. 31 Henry F. WAGNER, Rock Grove. Born in Pennsylvania, 58 years ago. Lived in the county 46 years.
- Feb. 1 James TROTTER, Dallas, Texas. Born in Buckeye township, Mar. 27, 1837. Lived in county until 10 years ago.
- Feb. 4 John C. SCHADLE, Freeport. Born at Cedarville, 53 years ago.
- Feb. 7 Israel G. WISE, Freeport. Born at Clarno, Wis., 63 years ago.
- Feb. 15 Henry KOSTEBADER, Sciota Mills. Born in Harlem twp. Sept. 13, 1854.
- Feb. 15 Mrs. Frances VON LUTZON, Freeport. Born in Germany, 86 years ago. Came to county in early 50's.
- Feb. 7 Joseph GISHWEILER, Lena. Age 70 years. Old resident of county.
- Feb. 18 Mrs. Julia E. ROSEBRUGH, Freeport. Born in New York, Feb. 14, 1832. Came to county in 1857.
- Feb. 18 Mrs. Elizabeth FRISBY, Lena. Born in Indiana, Mar. 18, 1832. Came to county in 1837.
- Feb. 18 Mrs. Elmira R. GILMAN, Pasadena, Cal. Old resident of county, coming here in 1846. Born in Pennsylvania, Dec. 16, 1834.
- Feb. 21 Mrs. H.H. BECKER, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, May 4, 1826. Came to county in 1856.
- Feb. 24 Andrews BLACK, Freeport. Born in Ireland, Mar. 4, 1834. Came to county 58 years ago.
- Feb. 25 Joseph SPENGLER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Feb. 24, 1826. Came to county at age of 17.
- Feb. 26 William DREYER, Freeport. Born here 46 years ago.
- Feb. 27 Mrs. Barbara DILLEY, Freeport. Born in Germany, 75 years ago. Came to county at age of 14.
- Feb. 27 Mrs. Joseph DICKOVER, Freeport. Born in Indiana, Feb. 3, 1827.
- Mar. 1 Mrs. Anna C. ROSENSTIEL, Freeport. Born in Pa., Feb. 3, 1827.
- Mar. 3 Fred SMITH, Freeport. Born in Freeport, Sept. 9, 1866.
- Mar. 6 Mrs. Mary ACKERMAN, Freeport. Born in Germany, 84 years ago. Came to county 53 years ago.
- Mar. 8 William S. WEINHOLD, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Sept. 15, 1841. Came to county in 1866.
- Mar. 8 Mrs. John WESSELS, Silver Creek twp. Born in Ger., Oct. 2, 1832.
- Mar. 7 Henry KIRCHHEFFER, Tilden, Neb. Age 77 years. Lived in county until one year ago since 1867.
- Mar. 10 William J. MADDEN, Freeport. Born in Galena, June 17, 1848. Came to county in 1852.
- Mar. 12 Frederick BECKER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Jan. 31, 1840.
- Mar. 12 Charles PERKINS, Freeport. Born in Freeport, 48 years ago.
- Mar. 14 Mrs. Addie S. MAYER, Freeport. Born in Ohio in 1842. Resident of county nearly 50 years.
- Mar. 15 Mrs. Fred NESEMEIER, Florence township. Born in Silver Creek township, Mar. 1, 1857.
- Mar. 21 Mrs. Nancy SHORE, Pearl City, Born in Pennsylvania, July 28, 1818.
- Mar. 22 Henry BECKMEIER, Rock Run. Born in Germany, Dec. 4, 1837. Came to county in 1855.
- Mar. 23 Mrs. Ella BRUNDAGE, Freeport. Born at McConnell, Dec. 1, 1870.
- Mar. 25 Isaac MC CLAIN, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Mar. 3, 1823. Came to county 52 years ago.
- Mar. 30 Mrs. Mary V. KRYDER, Buckeye township. Born in Buckeye township, 42 years ago.

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- Mar. 31 Mrs. George P. KINGSLEY, Minden, Neb., 75 years of age. Former old resident of the county.
- Apr. 6 Mrs. Elizabeth HOEBEL, Ridott. Born in Germany, Sept. 2, 1827. Came to county in 1842
- Apr. 7 John W. WINTERS, Eleroy. Born in Pennsylvania, Dec. 29, 1832. Came to county over 50 years ago.
- Apr. 11 Samuel SCHMITT, Silver Creek township. Born in Germany, June 23, 1823. Came to county in 1854.
- Apr. 12 Thomas FLICKENGER, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, 80 years ago. Came to county 60 years ago.
- Apr. 13 Mrs. Anna E. MARKEL, Freeport. Born at Afolkey, Oct. 30, 1854.
- Apr. 14 Mrs. Sarah NEIL, Dakota. Age 80 years.
- Apr. 15 Mrs. F.S. SIECK, Freeport. Born in Germnay, Apr. 13, 67 years ago. Came to county 42 years ago.
- Apr. 17 Mrs. Wilhelmina BRICKMEIER, Baileyville. Born in Germany, 63 years ago. Came here when a girl.
- Apr. 22 Mrs. Mary DEGON. Born in Canada, 1822. Came to county in 1855.
- Apr. 27 Mrs. Bridget KENNEDY, Freeport. Born in Ireland, 92 years ago. An early settler of county.
- Apr. 30 Mrs. Katherine DANIELS, Freeport. Born in Prussia, May 13, 1851. Came to county when five years of age.
- Apr. 28 Mrs. Ann HARRISON, Buckeye township. Born in England, Jan. 29, 1829. Came to county 74 years ago.
- May 5 Paul PIETREK, Freeport. Born in Prussia, Jan. 11, 1830. Came to county 67 years ago.
- May 7 John R. SMITH, Freeport. Born in Germnay, 85 years ago. Lived in county over 50 years.
- May 8 John H. DEAMER, Freeport. Born in Maryland, Aug. 25, 1824. Came to county in 1864.
- May 21 Mrs. William BOKEMEIER, Lancaster township. Born in Lancaster, 45 years ago.
- May 26 James C. SULLIVAN, Damascus. Born in Ireland, 1834. Came to county in 1844.
- June 9 Thomas BUTLER, Loran township. Age 52 years. Lived in county nearly all his life.
- June 11 Mrs. C. HEIMENDINGER, Freeport. Born in Germany, 89 years ago. Came to county 52 years ago.
- June 13 Mr. Charles ROHKAR, Ridott. Born in Germany, 86 years ago. Came to county in 1854.
- June 19 Joseph RODEMEYER, Freeport. Born in Germany, Nov. 24, 1844. Came to county when a young boy.
- June 19 Andrew FAIST, Freeport. Born in Germany, Dec. 2, 1826. Came to county in 1859.
- June 22 Mrs. E.H. ALLEN, Freeport. Born in Freeport, July 8, 1862.
- June 28 Mrs. Susan BOLENDER, Orangeville. Born in Pennsylvania, Nov. 23, 1837. Came to county in 1856.
- June 27 Israel SOLT, Freeport, Born in Pennsylvania, Apr. 7, 1840. Came to county in 1847.
- June 27 Mrs. Cynthia CLARK, Freeport. Born in New York, Sept. 27, 1839. Came to this county when 17 years of age.
- July 5 James PECK, County Home. Born in New York, Jan. 6, 1820. Came to county in 1850.

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- July 6 John A. GLEASON, Freeport, Born in Wisconsin, Mar. 7, 1864. Came to county when a child.
- July 9 Mrs. James SULLIVAN, Harlem. Born in Ireland, 74 years ago. Lived in Harlem 60 years.
- July 8 Mrs. Rosanna GLASSER, Davis. Born in Pennsylvania, 86 years ago. Came to county in 1856.
- July 17 Alexander J. MC COY, Freeport. Born in Vermont, Oct. 21, 1824. Came to county in 1863.
- Aug. 2 Mrs. Susanna GOODRICH, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, May 2, 1829. Came to county in 1843.
- Aug. 2 O.D. WEAVER, Dakota. Born in Pennsylvania, Oct. 16, 1825. Came to county in 1845.
- Aug. 5 Mrs. D.B. RUTTER, Freeport. Born in Freeport, Oct. 10, 1864 and spent most of her life there.
- Aug. 5 Henry SHUNEMAN, Freeport. Born in Germany, Apr. 1847. Came to county in 1860.
- Aug. 5 Dirk AMELSBURG, Florence Station. Born in Germany, Mar. 1, 1852. Came to county in 1860.
- Aug. 5 Mrs. Henry UHE, Lena. Born in Germany, Dec. 6, 1859. Came to county in 1865.
- Aug. 6 Benjamin CLOW, Van Bricklin. Born in New York, Sept. 14, 1825. Came to county in 1855.
- Aug. 7 Mrs. William H. MATTER, Freeport. Born in Pennsylvania, Jan. 28, 1841. Came to county in 1862.
- Aug. 7 J.K. BORDNER, Afolkey. Born in New York, Dec. 18, 1833. Came to county in 1851.
- Aug. 12 D.B. SCHULTE, Freeport. Born in Prussia, Dec. 11, 1822. Came to county in 1854.
- Aug. 11 Mrs. Jerusha HOTCHKISS, Ridott. Born in New York, 83 years ago, Aug. 22. Came to county in 1848.
- Aug. 12 Mrs. Helen RICE ROSEBRUGH, Freeport. Born in Frpt., 42 years ago. ----- B. KOHL, Harlem
- Aug. 13 Claas O. COLLMAN, Freeport, Born in Germany.

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## INDEX TO INDIANA MARRIAGES THRU 1850 COMPLETED

The Indiana State Library's Genealogical Division has completed its statewide "Index to Indiana Marriages through 1850". This is a culmination of a file which began over 15 years ago. The file is alphabetically arranged by both "bride and groom" and gives date and county of marriage. The following counties are excluded due to the unavailability of records prior to 1850: Clay; Jasper; Madison; Newton; Noble; Starke & part of Sullivan.

The Indiana State Library; 140 N. Senate Ave.; Indianapolis, IN 46204 is open Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. till 4:30 p.m. Saturdays (September thru May only) from 8:30 a.m. till 4:00 p.m.

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1992 FOUNDERS DAY CONFERENCE OF THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF WISCONSIN  
FEBRUARY 14, 15, 1992 at Holiday Inn-West in Middleton, Wis.

Head speaker: Elizabeth Shown MILLS, will present "Genealogy-Serious Study, or the "Soaps" of History"; "Finding and Using Birth, Marriage and Death Records Prior to Vital Registrations"; "How to Research the National Archives Without Going to Washington, D.C."; and "Finding Females: Wives, Mothers, Daughters, Sisters & Paramours".

James L. HANSEN - "Hidden Treasures: Lesser Known Genealogical Resources of the State Historical Society."

Peter W. BUNCE - "The National Archives-Great Lakes Region: What's There and How to Use it Effectively."

Nicholas MULLER, III - "The Society's Commitment to Genealogy"

James W. WARREN - "How to Prepare for a Research Trip."

Registration before-Feb. 7th (\$5.00 discount on registration before Feb. 1st) Fee for both days \$40.00 for more information write to: Membership Coordinator; State Historical Society of Wisconsin; 816 State St.; Madison, WI 53706-1488 or call (608) 264-6587

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SOCIAL SECURITY RECORDS DESTRUCTION PLANNED

The Social Security Administration plans to destroy the original 37 Million applications for Social Security. The early files include many persons born in the 1860 and 1870's. Many were naturalized citizens. Applications show the address of the applicant, the date and place of birth, father's name, and mother's maiden name. Genealogists and researchers are asked to write the Social Security Administration; 6401 Security Blvd. Baltimore, MD 21235 to ask that these records be turned over to the National Archives for genealogical research purposes. You can currently obtain a copy of the application by writing to Social Security Office of Public Inquiry; 4th floor; Annex Building M; 6401 Security Blvd.; Baltimore, MD 21235. Give SS number if known, date of birth, and reason for search. The fees for this service are \$7.00 with SS # and \$16.50 without SS #.

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#### NOTICE

As a part of our continuing efforts to contain costs and ensure effective public service, the US Census Bureau's age search function is being relocated from Pittsburg, Kansas to Jeffersonville, Indiana

Effective August 1, 1991, applications for age search should be directed to:  
Bureau of Census  
P.O. Box 1545  
Jeffersonville, IN 47131

A supply of applications forms (BS-600) indicating this new address will be sent as soon as possible. You may continue using the old forms until then. When you receive the revised forms, PLEASE DISPOSE OF THE OLD FORMS IN YOUR POSSESSION.

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COMPUTER LINK WILL PERSONALIZE CIVIL WAR BATTLES by: DEB RIECHMANN  
Sharpsburg, MD - Visitors to Civil War battlefields soon will be able to ask a computer if their long-lost ancestors were Yankees or Rebels.

The National Park Service has begun a three-year project to make a computerized directory of the blue and gray - all 3.5 million soldiers who fought in the War Between the States.

When the database is complete, Americans will be able to learn their ancestors' links to the war by searching for their names and regiments on computers' installed at Civil War sites across the nation. Historians estimate that at least half of all Americans have relatives who fought in the Civil War.

"It's going to change a way we look at the war. It's going to personalize the battles, the struggles that went on," said Rich RAMBUR, superintendent at Antietam National Battlefield, one of two places where the computerized directory will be tested this fall. "We've spent decades in the preservation of Civil War land and artifacts. Now, we're preserving the names."

The computers are expected to provide the soldier's name, home state, regiment and rank, and whether he fought for North or South, said John F. PETERSON, who works in the Park Service's computer division in Washington.

"It won't prove that your great-grandfather fought at Gettysburg; for example, but it will tell you what regiment he was in and it will tell you that that regiment fought at Gettysburg," Peterson said.

"If someone's name is Robert SMITH, it's going to be very hard. For Lees and Smiths, you're going to get lots and lots of screens of names. If you know the person's regiment, middle initial or (home) state, you'll be able to narrow the search."

The computers will provide brief information on the 7,000 civil war regiments and units and information on many of the 10,500 battles and skirmishes, Peterson said. "We're also going to be able to track where Civil War soldiers are buried at our 11 Civil War cemeteries within the park system," he said.

Computers are to be installed at all 28 Civil War sites that the National Park Service operates in 21 states and the District. About 11 million people visit those sites each year, Peterson said, and the most frequently asked question is, "Did my great-great-grandfather fight here?"

To answer the question park, historians now must research pension and service records, state rosters, census and war records and county histories.

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From: Freeport Evening Standard - May 24, 1906.

Mc Connell: John FRAGER dropped in on us and as Johnny always comes with a smile we can say we love to greet him. He is one of our most conspicuous characters. I will try and inform you that on the 11th day of January, 1854; he with two more boys came to stay. Jacob, Peter and John. They grew and became large and powerful men and their combined weight at one time was 690 pounds. At the present time they are widely separated, Jacob out on the Pacific slope, Peter far in the south. Their parents are both gone. Their mother gave birth to two sets of triplets and bore twins twice. Space will not permit me to say more concerning them.

Have lived here long-1904 (continued from Vol. 9 No. 4 page 33,34)

MICHAEL KACHELHOFFER - Who was 79 years old the 24th day of February, was born in Shoenberg, France, and came to this country in 1845. Mrs. Kachelhoffer is 76 years old. Mr. Kachelhoffer traveled from New York to Stephenson county with the late M. HETTINGER of this city. They have four children; EDWARD, ROSE, JOSSIE and VICTOR. Mr. Kachelhoffer has followed the wagon and carriage business all his life and many of the old settlers who used his wagons praise his workmanship to this day. He still labors every day and judging from his actions one would not think him over 60. He has lived in the town of Silver Creek since he first came to the county and perhaps he has resided in the township more years than any one now living. His health is good, his mind perfectly clear, and memory good. He is greatly esteemed by his friends for his true worth.

JAMES M. SMITH - Mr. Smith was a native of Mifflinberg, Union County, Pa., and was born Dec. 4, 1819. He came to Illinois in 1844, accompanied by his mother. On Feb. 20, 1850 he was united in marriage to MARY A. MILLER, of Lancaster township, who passed away in 1852. In 1860 he married a sister of his first wife. He is the father of two children, twins, by the first marriage. CHARLES A. and MARY C. and one daughter, JENNIE O., by the second marriage. Mr. Smith started in life in this county as a farmer, but soon changed his occupation to that of a merchant and conducted a store at Buena Vista for many years. Later he engaged in the lumber business in this city with D.A. MC MILLAN, but discontinued that business some ten years ago, since which time he has lived a retired life. During his residence in Buckeye township, he served as supervisor and collector, was postmaster twenty-four years, and for many years was secretary of the Buckeye Insurance company. He is quite feeble.

JOHN ROSKAM - Mr. Roskam of Baileyville was born in Hanover, Germany, Feb. 24, 1825; came to America about forty years ago. Mrs. Roskam is living and is quite active. They have six children living; OLLIE, BERTHA, ETTA, HANNAH, ALBERT and FANNIE. Mr. Roskam conducts a boot and shoe store. He is quite rigorous. (Article includes a picture of him)

NORMAN BRACE - Has almost, reached his 91st year, having been born in Connecticut, Jan. 31, 1814 and came west to the state of Illinois when but a boy and to Stephenson county in 1835. His wife and four children are living. The children's names are: ORIN, HENRY, HARRY and ELLEN. His occupation has been that of a farmer and he possesses all the elements of a true pioneer and battled with the difficulties common to building up a home in a new country. Mr. Brace owns two nice farms and still carries on farming. Some two years ago he fell and hurt his hip from which he has not fully recovered. Notwithstanding this he goes about with a crutch still actually performing manual labor. His health is good, mind clear and memory that of a man of seventy or even younger. Mr. Brace just always been a man of retired disposition and can be placed among the good men of the county.

MICHAEL BARDELL - Born in Alsace, Germany, May 29, 1822, came to the United States, Jan. 5th 1841, lived on Long Island for over 4 years and then came to this county. He operated a farm in Ridott which he owned up to about 16 years ago when he moved to Ridott Village where he now lives. His wife and five children are living, Mrs. DANIEL MARKS, Omaha, Nebr.; Mrs. HENRY DAUGHENBAUGH, Ridott; Mrs. F.D. BROOKS, Chicago; WM., Marengo and CHARLES H., Freeport. Mr. Bardell is of quiet nature and a good man.

MRS. ELIZABETH HOEBEL - Mrs. Hoebel, nee ELIZABETH WEINGERT, was born in Germany in 1828, and in 1847 married JACOB HOEBEL, who passed away several years ago. She is the mother of six children; JOHN, JACOB, KATHARINE, GEORGE, LOUIS and MARY. She makes her home on the farm with her son Louis. She is quite active for one of her age.

JOHN MENNENGA - Is a native of Germany, born at Hanover, Dec. 20th, 1820 and emigrated to Illinois, this county in 1854. He bought himself a small piece of land and being a man of great activity and energy made a success of farming. Today he owns a large tract of excellent land. He has two children; RIMTIUS and ALIDA. He is married the second time. His health is very good and he is as spry as one of sixty.

ABRAHAM SCHLEICH - Who has reached his 78th year, was born in Baden, Feb. 8, 1826, and came to this country in 1853 and settled on a farm in Ridott township where he lived up to 1889 when he moved to Ridott village where he still lives. His first wife died in 1873. They had four children; SAMUEL, JOHN, HENRY and Mrs. GEO. KURTZ. He remarried in 1889. He has been a successful farmer and is the possessor of a fine farm. His health is good.

PATRICK BURNES - Was born July 20th, 1827, in the county of Wexford, Ireland, and came to this country in 1853. His family consists of a wife and four children, JOHN, EMMA LAMB, FRANK, and GRANT. He has followed the occupation of tilling the soil with much success. He is a man of right conviction and strong character. His health is fairly good. Mrs. Burnes, nee DEBORAH LLOYD, was born in Toronto, Ontario, July 15, 1823, and accompanied by her uncle, GARRET LLOYD, came here via the lakes. Her father came later and settled near Farwell's bridge. She has made her husband a good companion. Her health is not very good, but she keeps moving around most of the time.

THOMAS GRIFFIN - Thos. Griffin of the village of Ridott, who is now in his eighty-seventh year, was born June 20, 1818, in the county of Waterford, Ireland; came to America in 1826 with his parents who located at Granby, province of Quebec, Canada. When Mr. Griffin was a lad of ten years old his father died and he was thrown upon his own responsibilities. For some years he drove a team from Granby to Montreal and return, a distance of 54 miles, making weekly trips. Later he traveled and labored in many states in this country. On Feb. 20, 1853 he married Miss OLIVE SWEET, a Canadian lady, and after spending on year at Titusville, Pa., they came to Illinois and located in Ridott township; first on a farm and later they moved to town, where they have since resided. During their residence of fifty years in this county they have seen the broad prairies developed into beautiful farms. Mr. Griffin, owing to his advanced years, is rather feeble, yet he is in the best of spirits. He was drafted during the time of the civil war, and with twenty-three others, was assigned to the 46th Illinois, sent from Peoria county. He was in several engagements, but his army life wasn't very agreeable for the reason that during his nine months' service he was required to march, as he puts it "all over God's creation." Mr. & Mrs. Griffin have no children of their own but brought up three of their relatives children. Mrs. Griffin, who is a few years younger than her husband, is very active.

MRS. SOPHIA HUNT - Mrs. Hunt, nee SOPHIA VAUGHAN was born in New York, Mar. 9, 1828, and came west in 1856, accompanied by her husband and family. Her husband died Mar. 6, 1903. She was the mother of nine children, and all are living except one. Old age is telling on her as she is in feeble health.



HENRY FETTERHOFF - Owing to the death of his mother when he was but an infant, and to his father's neglect in keeping records, Mr. Fetterhoff isn't positive of a few things about his life, but he knows that he was born in Dauphin county, Penn., and he thinks his age is somewhere between eighty-five and ninety. When he was but a boy he moved to Clinton county, Pa., and in 1850 he came to Illinois with GEORGE KOHL, whose sketch appears elsewhere. He was married in 1804(?) to a Miss BRICK, and they have one son, HENRY JACOB. He has been a carpenter, miller and farmer successfully, and sees now that his farm of 345 acres is properly tilled. When he came to Illinois he had just \$80. He worked hard and got along in the world, but lost about \$10,000 by balling people. This he has "cut out" however, of late years. In explanation of his having been a "soft mark" in the balling business, he says that remembering that he and his father were as poor as Job's turkey while they lived along the mountains in Pennsylvania, he could not help but pity poor people who came to him for aid in the country, and so he let his sympathies run away with him to the extent of the sum named. He saw the point in time, however, to save himself, and is in such circumstances that he needn't have any fears of going to the poor house. He doesn't have much use for newspapers, as the reports of murders, wars, etc., have a tendency to give him many unpleasant dreams.

JAMES OWEN - Mr. Owen was born in County Donegal, Ireland, Dec. 21, 1819, and came to America in 1847. He married JULIA MC GINN in New Jersey in 1849, who died Apr. 30, 1902. Mr. Owen is the father of eleven children, two of whom passed away some years ago. Those living are: WILLIAM and HUGH, Pecatonica; BARNEY and JAMES at home; Mrs. Wm. BRADLEY and HENRY in the south; DENNIS in North Dakota and JOHN at Davis. He has followed farming for many years, and his health is such that he continues quite active, though his eyesight is failing. He has been quite a reader in his time, and knows all about the history of England and Ireland. Before crossing the waters he read the London Times, the Observer and Punch. Since he is in America he has read the New York World and Philadelphia Ledger largely, and has a fund of information that is wonderful.

EDWARD DOONAN - Mr. Doonan, who is in his 83rd year, was born in Ireland, and came to America about the year 1850. He married ELLEN MC GUIRE, who died six years ago. Mr. Doonan has no children of his own but raised five as follows: Mrs. Wm. HYLAND, Pecatonica; JAMES MC INTYRE, California; JAMES HINES, Durand; CATHERINE MC CARTHY, who died many years ago and ARTHUR DOONAN at home. He followed baking in Ireland and farming in this country. His health is fair, though he suffers somewhat from rheumatism.

CHRISTIAN GUTH - Mr. Guth was born in Bavaria, Germany, Sept. 14, 1824, and came to this country in 1855 with his wife and two children and accompanied also by his two brother, ADAM and DANIEL. His wife died some ten years ago. He has three children: ADAM, JOHN and JACOB. The Guth family is an estimable one, They possess the high traits that are always appreciated. He was a farmer and a good one in ever particular. He owns a fine farm which is under the best of cultivation and supplied with convenient farm buildings, including a commodious residence, which is located on a rise of ground commanding a fine view of the surrounding country for miles. He served his native country six years as a soldier. His health is not good, and he is rather feeble.

MRS. D. KRUSE - Among the very old people of the county is Mrs. Kruse, who is past ninety-two and who resides about half a mile east of German Valley. She was born in Germany and came to America about the year 1853. Her husband died a few months ago. She is the mother of two children: CONRAD and JOHN, both of German Valley. This old lady is remarkably vigorous and active for one of her years, her faculties being practically unimpaired.

JOHN EVERTS - Was born in Germany, Aug. 9, 1828, and came to America in 1850, accompanied by C.O. and ANNO COLLMAN and a number of others. In 1853 he married MARY SUNE, who was born in Germany, Aug. 16, 1825. They are the parents of five children, four of whom have passed away, Mrs. BENJAMIN BUSSING of Dundee, Minn., is still living. Mr. Everts followed farming until he was incapacitated for labor by an accident. He then retired and lives in the village of Everts, which was named after him. He and Mrs. Everts are both enjoying fairly good health, though not so active as they once were.

FRIELING FRIELING - Mr. Frieling, who is now in his ninetieth year, was born in Germany, Apr. 19, 1815, and came to America in 1850, locating on a farm in Ridott township about one mile west of German Valley, where he has since resided. He never married, but had as a housekeeper, a sister who died some years ago, since which time Mrs. ELIZABETH HEDDEN assumed these duties. He is in very feeble health and is so badly crippled up with rheumatism that he can be about only a little of the time and that on crutches.

JELLE HEEREN - Is a native of Germany, where he was born June 30, 1822, came to this county in 1849, settled in Ridott township and has lived at the same place ever since. His wife has passed away. There are ten children: WESSEL, GEPPA, FASKA, JOHN, HEYE, EMMA, JETTA, ANGELINE, JOHANNA and ZELLA. He has by industry and perseverance accumulated considerable property. His health is very good and he is still able to perform a full day's labor.

CHARLES ROHKAR - Was born in Hanover, Germany, in 1826, came to this county in 1852, and lived in Freeport up to 1872 when he moved to Ridott, where he has lived ever since. His wife died several years ago. There are four children living: HENRY of Rockford; CHARLES, MRS. CAROLINE MURRAY and Mrs. MARGARET KNOBLE of the county. He held the office of constable for his town many years. His health is fairly good and he is still able to carry on business.

MRS. RACHAEL GITCHELS - A daughter of the late GEO. SIBERT and wife, was born in Canton, Ohio, Sept. 5, 1834, and came to this county soon afterward with her parents. Her husband LEWIS D. GITCHELL, was killed in 1873 by a runaway horse. She lived on a farm up to the time of the death of her husband when she moved to the village of Ridott, where she still resides. She has a vivid recollection of the country when it was in its wild state. Her health is good and she is still quite active and as usual very industrious and careful of her affairs.

SAMUEL HART - Was born in Juniata county, Pa., 70 years ago the 20th day of last May. He came to this county in 1857, accompanied by his brother, Wm. HART and has lived here ever since. His wife died Oct. 17, 1902, aged 64. He has two children, GEORGE and Miss PARMELLA, both of Pearl City. Mr. Hart was a prosperous farmer up to a few years ago when he retired. He is one of Stephenson county's staunch citizens and enjoys the confidence of all who know him. He has been commissioner of highways, school trustee and school director. Mr. Hart is a man of vigorous health for one of his age. He says the times were exceedingly hard the first years that he lived in the county. (Article includes a picture of him.)

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The following is the report of the obituary secretary of the county's Old Settlers Association for the years 1912 & 1913.

1912		Sept. 7	George O. PICKARD, Frp.
Aug. 18	Z.T. LIEBHART, Lena	Dec. 11	Mathias MARVIN, Freeport
Aug. 18	George BREON, Lena	Dec. 12	Mrs. Raphael DIFFENBAUGH, Chicago
Aug. 22	Eugene SNYDER, Freeport	Dec. 15	Charles PRESTIN, Freeport
Aug. 29	Solomon WISE, Rock Grove	Dec. 16	William H. MUSSER, Frp.
Aug. 30	Eliza SAEGER, Freeport	Dec. 16	Mrs. C.F. RUNKLE, Orangeville
Aug. 30	Elias HECKMAN, Orangeville	Dec. 16	Mrs. Walter SEIDEL, Eleroy
Aug. 22	John S. PHILLIPS, Waddams	Dec. 19	Mrs. Mary BUEHLER, Frp.
Sept. 2	Jacob BENDER, Orangeville	Dec. 22	Jacob KAHL, Winslow
Sept. 3	F.H. BIESEMEIER, Eleroy	Dec. 24	John FITZ, Freeport
Sept. 7	Charles LESEMAN, Kent Twp.	Dec. 27	Benjamin F. ILGEN, Frp.
Sept. 3	Mrs. Phidelia LAWVER, Lena	Dec. 28	Mrs. J.E. WHEELAND, Frp.
Sept. 8	Mrs. Sophia STAAS, Lancaster		
Sept. 9	Frederick BALLSCHMIDT, Frp.	1913	
Sept. 14	W.P. EMMERT, Port Huron, MI	Jan. 5	Mrs. George SNYDER, Buena Vista
Sept. 17	Mrs. Margaret MCGITRICK, Frp.	Jan. 6	Mrs. Polly YODER, Dubuque, Iowa
Sept. 17	Mrs. Louisa BECKER, Freeport	Jan. 6	Mrs. Rebekah MANNY, Frp.
Sept. 22	Mrs. Mary SULIVAN, Freeport	Jan. 8	Mrs. Catherine SILLS, Cedarville
Oct. 1	Mrs. Amanda TEMPLETON, Dakota	Jan. 9	John M. LILJEQUIST, Davis
Oct. 6	Mrs. Adam MARKER, Freeport	Jan. 12	James MC GETRICK, Frp.
Oct. 10	Mrs. Sarah KETCHEM, Freeport	Jan. 14	Mrs. Amelia BOKHOF, Rock City
Oct. 12	John P. HANCE, Florence	Jan. 15	Mrs. Sarah POLLOCK, Dakota
Oct. 16	Mrs. F.A. BROAD, Freeport	Jan. 17	Jesse R. LEIGH, Freeport
Oct. 24	Joseph GUNSAUL, Lena	Jan. 23	Edward STOCKS, Freeport
Nov. 6	William DELANEY, Freeport	Jan. 24	Mrs. Mary NASH, Freeport
Nov. 7	Mrs. John BASTIAN, Freeport	Jan. 29	Fred HOFMEISTER, Frp.
Nov. 10	Mrs. Matilda BITTNER, Ridott	Jan. 30	Mrs. Mary A. LONG, Frp.
Nov. 10	Jacob DECKLAR, Chicago	Jan. 31	Mrs. Sophia HAGEDORN, Frp.
Nov. 15	Mrs. Christian WEARY, Frp.	Feb. 6	Mrs. P.J. GEIB, Freeport
Nov. 16	George M. FUGATE, Freeport	Feb. 7	Albert MC DANIEL, McConnell
Nov. 16	John SEISE, Sr., Lena	Feb. 9	William GUINTEIR, Silver Creek
Nov. 17	H.C. SOPER, Freeport	Feb. 9	Mrs. Savilla HEANEY, Damascus
Nov. 10	Capt. W.I. BRADY, Freeport	Feb. 13	Charles SCHAD, Freeport
Nov. 20	Mrs. Elizabeth PHILE, Lancaster	Feb. 13	Mrs. Emma SAUCERMAN, Frp.
Nov. 20	Mrs. Minnie DUBERT, Baileyville	Feb. 19	Mrs. Anelina A. MEASE, Frp.
Nov. 22	Mrs. Margaret B. REESE, Rock Grove	Feb. 16	Miss Mary NOTT, Katoa
Nov. 24	Mrs. Amanda J. THOREN, Rock Grove	Mar. 2	Frederick KORTMEIER, Frp.
Nov. 25	John H. RUBENDAHL	Mar. 3	Mrs. Emily CRONKRITE, Frp.
Nov. 26	Mrs. Elida RICE, Freeport	Mar. 6	Mrs. Nelo JANSSEN, German Valley
Nov. 23	Mrs. Lila BUCKLEY, Kansas	Mar. 6	Nathan YOUNT, Freeport
Nov. 29	C. Fred MAYER, Freeport	Mar. 7	Mrs. Nancy BOALS, Freeport
Nov. 30	Charles BURNS, Freeport	Mar. 13	P.G. KAUTENBERGER, Frp.
Dec. 5	Martin SERF, Freeport		
Dec. 6	Mrs. Louella B. SAUCERMAN, Winslow		
Dec. 9	Mrs. I.M. BOBB, Orangeville		

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Mar. 9	Mrs. E.S. WAGNER, Orangeville	June 1	John RYNN, Freeport
Mar. 14	Mrs. Henry BENNING, Rock City	June 7	Jonathan FOLGATE, Freeport
Mar. 25	Jacob HARTMAN, Freeport	June 28	Miss Rachael A. LA SHELLE, Rock City
Mar. 27	Gen. Smith D. ATKINS, Frp.	June 10	Mrs. Harry KEELER, Frp.
Mar. 28	Henry J. KOCHSMEIER, Frp.	June 11	Otto WEIK, Freeport
Mar. 30	Miss Cynthia FOWLER, Vermillion, S.D.	June 12	Mrs. Fred KLOEPPING, Eleroy
Apr. 1	Edgar ALSTON, Lena	June 13	Dr. F.A. DIETRICH, Frp.
Apr. 2	Charles RICHTER, Freeport	June 16	Willoughby BEAR, Orangeville
Apr. 10	Dewitt C. DUNN, Lena	June 17	Mrs. John BURRELL, Frp.
Apr. 11	John BRADSHAW, Freeport	June 17	Mrs. Lavina BAKER, Davis
Apr. 11	Jebulum PEPPERMAN, Frp.	June 20	Mrs. Mary DEERY, Lancaster
Apr. 13	Mrs. John J. VAN MATRE, Orangeville	June 20	William AUER, Ridott
Apr. 19	Capt. W.J. REITZELL, Frp.	June 26	Mrs. Martha KLONTZ, Chicago
Apr. 23	Mrs. Vina HOGAN, Freeport	June 29	Mrs. H.M. ZIEGLER, Rock City
Apr. 27	Mrs. Leah BRUBAKER, Lancaster	June 30	Mrs. J.H. STEARNS, Frp.
Apr. 2	Jacob BEHLINGER, Manitau, Ark.	July 6	Mrs. Henry GERKE, Frp.
May 3	Mrs. S.K. FISHER, McConnell	July 6	Frank W. KERR, Ridott
May 9	Mrs. Jane BECHTOLD, Silver Creek	July 8	Mrs. Caroline HILL, Frpt.
May 19	Daniel H. LONG, Freeport	July 8	Christ HOMAN, Mc Connell
May 12	William WARNEKA, Loran	July 15	Fred BENDER, County farm
May 22	Mrs. Catherine STRAUB, Frp.	July 15	Mrs. Emma BENNEHOFF, Frp.
May 27	John KRAGER, Cedarville	July 16	George F. SCHOENEY, Frp.
May 27	Mrs. Anna B. SMITH, Frp.	July 31	Henry B. WITTE, Freeport
May 29	William H. SPITLER, Frp.	Aug. 11	L.Z. FARWELL, Freeport
		Aug. 9	Jacob HUTMACHER, Cedarville
		Aug. 19	John C. KLINE, Orangeville
		Aug. 20	Mrs. Jacob COOK, Orangeville
		Aug. 24	Edward G. SIEKMANN, Harlem
		Aug. 25	William KASTE, Freeport

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From: Montgomery Standard - Montgomery County, Missouri Jan. 26, 1899 p. 3

Miss Nellie MC COY, a spinster, died Saturday night, at the home of her nephew, W.J. REISNOR, of Wellsville. Had she lived twenty-five days longer she would have reached her 100th birthday. She was born in Northumberland county, Pa., February 14, 1800, came west to Freeport, Ill. in 1849, and from there moved in 1870 to Montgomery county, where she has since lived. Up to her 85th birthday she was in possession of her mental facilities and was able to engage in active domestic duties. At that time she was stricken with paralysis, and from then to the time of her death she had been an invalid. She was a member of the Congregational church. Miss Mc Coy had a sister, also a spinster, who died some years ago at an advanced age.



FROM: FREEPORT DAILY JOURNAL - January 14, 1908

MUSSENA P. MITCHELL, whose death occurred Tuesday morning at the home of his grandson, John F. GLASSER, six miles northwest of Freeport, in Lancaster township, removed from earthly activities a man who was perhaps the oldest settler in Stephenson county, Mr. Mitchell having come to this community on Jan. 25, 1841. His residence in this county was an honorable one and the surviving relatives possess the heritage of a life which was filled with good will toward his fellowmen.

Although he was nearly 96 years old. Mr. Mitchell's health had been quite good until six weeks ago, when a steady decline was perceptible. His birthday had been regularly observed by a gathering of relatives at the home of Mr. Glasser, and on the last anniversary, in May, he took a lively interest in the occasion.

Mr. Mitchell was a man who possessed an intellect which was as keen as that of any person who debated the issues of the day with him. His remarkable faculty for remembering events and dates made his opinion carry more than the usual weight, and he was universally respected by the entire countryside. Nearly all the years of his long life had been spent on the farm, where he lived near to nature, and the marked punctuality with which he retired and arose was often ascribed as the reason for his longevity.

Mr. Mitchell came to this community when it was an unsettled wilderness, when the breaking of the virgin soil was a task which required the strongest muscles, when public highways were practically unknown, and the people who lived remote from the towns and villages found their way to their destination through trails, many of which had been broken by the redman. His life covered a span of many important epochs, in the nation's history, and his fund of reminiscences was a never ending recital of the days when the people looked forward to the coming of railroad trains, and when the commercial use of electricity and the hundreds of other inventions were regarded as inventors' dreams.

Mr. Mitchell was the sole survivor of a family of four sons and three daughters, and all of these lived to a ripe old age. They were Mrs. MARGARET SEDAM, who lived to be 90 years old; Mrs. EMILY BROWN, 80 years; WILLIAM MITCHELL, known as SQUIRE MITCHELL, 85 years; JACOB MITCHELL and Mrs. A.M. NEEDLER, 70 years and ROBERT MITCHELL, 63 years.

Mr. Mitchell was born on May 6, 1812, at Aaronsburg, Center county, Penn. His Marriage to Miss MARIA RUTH occurred Aug. 27, 1833, at Bigmocharow, Northumberland county, Penn. The couple left there on April 19, 1839, and arrived at Halfday, Lake county, Ill. on the 17th of the following month. They came by team and wagon as far as Pittsburg from there by boat to Peoria, Ill., thence by wagon to Halfday.

Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell arrived in Stephenson county over sixty-five years ago on January 25, 1841, the trip to Buena Vista, where they located first being made with teams and sleds. After living there one year they moved to Lancaster township and settled on the farm known as the old KORTEMEYER farm, living there from 1842 to 1848. In 1848 they moved to the farm now owned by Mr. WACHLIN, two miles east and four miles north of Freeport. Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell lived there until 1875, the death of Mrs. Mitchell occurring on March 25 of that year. They were the parents of four children, as follows: Lavina (Mrs. Tobias CLUMP); Hannah, who died at the age of 21 years; ELMIRA, (Mrs. F.J. CLUMP); of Superior, Ia., Mrs. GLASSER died at the age of 57 years and Mrs. TOBIAS CLUMP at the age of 63 years.

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Mr. Mitchell made his home with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. & Mrs. F.J. CLUMP, until the spring of 1884, when they moved west. He then made his home with his son-in-law, WILLIAM GLASSER, until six years ago, when the latter moved to Dakota, Ill. Since that time he has made his home with his grandson John F. Glasser, on the old GLASSER homestead, six miles northeast of Freeport.

The funeral will be held Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock from the Home of Mr. Glasser, the Rev. W.D. MARBURGER, of the Dakota Reformed church, to officiate.

The pallbearers will be the following grandchildren; I.M. GLASSER; J.F. GLASSER; F.E. CLUMP; grandchildren and W.M. GLASSER, NELLIS LAIBLE and Arthur G. LAIBLE, great-grandchildren.

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ZIMMERMAN - PHIFFEY - WEAVER - WALKER

Looking for descendants of Daniel ZIMMERMAN; born 27 Jan 1819, Lycoming Co., PA. Came to Stephenson Co., IL in 1846. Married HARRIET PHIFFEY, 1843. She was born 24 Jan 1821 in Germany, died 24 Aug 1874. They had five children: Christina (L.A. WEAVER); Daniel M.; John F.; Catherine Elizabeth (Wilson WALKER); & William Emanuel. Was Daniel a son of Matthias? When & where did he die?

Russell ZIMMERMAN; Box 135 304 N. Lee; Davis, IL 61019 (815-865-5215)

ZIMMERMAN - ARTLEY - KRYDER - SHANE - HALL - MACKEY - SWEELEY

Looking for descendants of Matthias ZIMMERMAN, born about 1794, died 9 Mar. 1875 at Dakota, IL. Married: Catherine ???, she died 1865. Had 10 children: Samuel; Lovina (KRYDER); Mathias, Jr.; Anna Mary (ARTLEY); Sarah (SHANE); Maria; Daniel; Catharine (HALL); Hannah (MACKEY); & Susan (SWEELEY). Who was Matthias father? When did Matthias come to Stephenson Co.?

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SULLIVAN - PIERCE - SCANLAN

Wish to contact anyone with information on the family of Julia SULLIVAN, born in Kerry County, Ireland 31 Mar. 1831. Married in Butler County, Ohio to DENNIS PIERCE, 9 Jan. 1851. Moved to Stephenson Co., IL in 1853. Dennis died 4 June 1854. Julia married Thomas SCANLAN, 29 Sept. 1857, lived near Nora, IL. Julia is known to have had a brother living in American.

Mary PIERCE, Rt. 1 Box 54, Lebanon, KS 66952  
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Have lived here long-Sept. 22, 1904 (Continued from Vol. 12 No. 2 Page 16)

LEVI BOLENDER, who is in his 82th year, was born in Union county, Pa., Nov. 12, 1822, and having come to this county in 1840, he is one of the very oldest residents. He followed farming for many years and filled several township offices such as commissioner of highways and school trustee. For one of his years he is quite vigorous. In 1852 he was united in marriage with SARAH HAAS, who passed away Jan. 14, 1888. Mr Bolender is the father of nine children, as follows: HENRY H.; EMMA C.; DAVID C.; ALLEN F.; Mrs. A.J. THOREN; EDWARD J.; Mrs. IDA RANDALL; JOHN A.; and JAY H. (Article includes a picture of him.)

GEORGE HEILMAN, is a native of Baden, Germany and was born there on Aug. 22nd, 1829. He served a term as a soldier under the German government. He was also in active service as a soldier in the rebellion in Baden in 1848. He learned the trade of butcher in Baden, but when he came to the United States in 1854, abandoned it, and took up the occupation of a farmer, in which vocation he was quite successful. He has a family of six children; Mrs. GEO. FISHER; SUSIE E. at home; JACOB P.; Mrs. Mary NIX; SAMUEL R. and LEWIS C. His health is good and he is quite active.

MICHAEL KELLEY, whose age is eighty-two was a native of County Sligo, Ireland, and came to America in the fifties, accompanied by his parents. Mrs. Kelley and one son, EDWARD are dead. PATRICK another son is living, and looks after the farming for his father. Mr. Kelley claims to have hauled the first load of lumber used in building the first house in the town of Broadhead, Wis. He is quite active.

REUBEN PENTICOFF, was born in Union county, Penn., Jan. 12, 1831 and came to this county with his parents in 1848. His family consists of his wife and eight children; LEWIS; CHARLES; HARRY; HARVEY; KATHARINE; LIZZIE; LYDIA and CAROLINE. Mr. Penticoff by industry and frugality is the owner of a fine farm, well improved and in good state of cultivation. He has retired from farming but when on the farm took great pride in keeping fine stock. He held several town offices. His health is fairly good. Mr. Penticoff is a good citizen and has many friends throughout the community in which he lives.

SAMUEL LAMB, was born in Center county, Penn., Sept. 17, 1814, and came to Stephenson county in 1845, accompanied by his wife and one daughter and settled on his farm in 1846 where he still resides. His wife died Oct. 3rd, 1883. He has two children living, Mrs. C. STRUNK of West Point township and W.T. LAMB of Ridott. He always enjoyed the life of a farmer and to this day it affords him pleasure to walk out over the fields and observe the growing crops. He has always been of a cheerful disposition and the very best of a citizen. His health is not of the very best but he is able to be around all the time. He drove a team from his native place to where he now lives which took him five weeks. In his early days he hauled grain to Chicago by team and brought on his return groceries for the merchants. His life is a good illustration of the hardy spirit of the pioneers of Illinois.

JOHN LABORDE, was born Sept. 5, 1822, in Snyder county, Pa., came west in 1849 and on May 15, 1853, he married CATHERINE DICKSON, who was born Oct. 22, 1829, and is still living. They are the parents of six children, three of whom are living. They are: Mrs. PERRY SCHRACK, Oneco; J.A. and SYLVESTER at Orangeville. Mr. Laborde was a miller by trade but retired from active life several years ago. He is in fairly good health himself but Mrs. Laborde is poorly.



MRS. SOPHIA EELLS, nee SOPHIA BUSHNELL, was a native of Kirtland, Ohio, and was born Nov. 29th, 1825. She came to Cook county, where Chicago now stands in 1834. He father dug the first well in cook county. The family lived there until 1840, when they moved to Stephenson county and located near the village of Oneco. In 1841 she married W.H. EELLS and they moved into the log house on the farm south of Winslow, where they resided until some years ago when they moved to Winslow. Mr. Eells died in 1892. She is the mother of nine children, five of whom are living. They are: W.A.; GEO. C.; JOHN W. and Mrs. JOHN BARR, of Winslow, and J.A.; who is superintendent of the poor farm. Mrs. Eells, or "Grandma" Eells as she is familiarly known, is a fine type of the pioneer settler of Illinois. When she resided in Cook county, the city of Chicago consisted of only about twenty-five houses. (Article includes a picture of her).

MRS. SARAH WEBSTER, who was a native of Center county, Pa., was born May 19, 1825, came west in 1840, accompanied by her parents and on Oct. 6, 1843 she married CHAS. WEBSTER, a native of Canada, who was born Sept. 13, 1816. Mr. Webster was a druggist in Winslow, but died some thirty years ago. She was the mother of five children, two of whom, DELLA LOUISA at home, and CHAS., a druggist in Chicago, are still living. When she arrived in Winslow Sixty-four years ago there were a mill, two log houses, one frame house and one store and hotel in the village. She has resided in Winslow ever since. She is a well preserved and vigorous woman, and would not be taken for over sixty years of age by one who was not acquainted with her.

MR. and MRS. HUGH RUNKLE, who is in his seventy-ninth year, was born in Center county, Pa. Oct. 5, 1825, and came west many years ago. In 1851 he married HANNAH FYE, who is in her seventy-fourth year. They are the parents of nine children, six of whom are living, viz: Mrs. WM. SIMCOX, Rockford, Mrs. HENRY FEHR, Darion, Wis.; CALVIN and OSCAR, Orangeville; JOHN, Forreston, and ERWIN, Chicago. Mr. Runkle followed farming until a few years ago, when he retired. Both he and Mrs. Runkle are vigorous and active.

MUSSENA P. MITCHELL, who is in his 93rd year, was born at Aaronsburg, Center county, Pa., May 6, 1812; came to Chicago in 1839 and to Stephenson county in 1841. In 1832 he was married to MARIA RUTH, who was born in 1815. Mrs. Mitchell has been dead a number of years. Mr. Mitchell is the father of four children. In his earlier days he was a tailor by trade, but after coming to Illinois he followed farming until he retired some years ago. When he reached Freeport in 1841 there were only five or six houses in the town. He stopped with one ABRAM JOHNSON, who occupied a little frame building just south of WOODMANSE'S, and slept on the floor. He chews and smokes, has an appetite like that of a woodchopper, sleeps well, retiring at 9 and rising at 5, and is sufficiently active to cause one to think that he might live twenty-five years longer. (Article includes a picture of him)

JOHN F. BROWN, who is in his 76th year, resident in Lancaster township. He was born at Lewisburg, Union county, Pa., Mar. 12, 1828, came to Stephenson county and lived successively for a few years at Kent and Lena before moving to Lancaster. His wife, who is a few years his junior, is still living. He has one daughter, Mrs. SUSAN BROWN.

MRS. JANE W. BELL, nee JANE W. YOUNG, daughter of the late ROBERT YOUNG, who is now in her 83rd year, was born in Union county, Pa., Feb. 24, 1822, and came to Illinois with her parents in 1836. Her husband passed away several years ago. She has three children living as follows: Mrs. ETHEL CLINGMAN; EDWARD and SAMUEL BELL. In an early day Mrs. Bell was a school teacher. She is quite vigorous for one of her age. (Article includes her picture.)

FROM: Freeport Journal Standard - Aug. 26, 1925

MANY PIONEERS PASS ON SINCE OLD SETTLERS' REUNION OF 1924.

Nearly 300 deaths of Stephenson county people have been recorded by the obituary secretary of the Old Settlers' association. Mrs. F.W. ERMOLD of Cedarville, since the reunion of 1924. Many prominent people are included in the list, which was read at the reunion in YEAGLE'S grove, Cedarville, today. It follows:

1924

- Aug. 25 - Samuel F. MOYER, died at Rockford, Ill., born in Orangeville, Ill, 1860.
- Aug. 27 - Mrs. George KLEVER, died at Ridott; born in Germany in 1842.
- Aug. 26 - Miss Mary MC GOVERN, Freeport, born in New York in 1854; came to Steph. county same year
- Aug. 29 - George BRUINS, Freeport; born in Germany in 1848; came to county at age of 17.
- Sept. 1 - Herman A. SCHROEDERMEIER, Freeport; born at Rock Grove township in 1857.
- Sept. 2 - Herman H. KUHLEMEYER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1848; came to county in 1852.
- Sept. 1 - Alexander FAY, Freeport; born in New York in 1854; came to county when a small boy.
- Aug. 30 - John F. SCHMICH, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1871.
- Aug. 3 - Henry KOETHE, Lena; born in Germany in 1845; came to Stephenson county in 1864.
- Sept. 1 - Miss Ellen BROWN, Mt. Carroll; born there in 1829.
- Sept. 5 - Mrs. D. PELCK, Freeport; born in Germany in 1844; came to county in 1852.
- Sept. 4 - William L. PIFER, Cedarville; born in Cedarville in 1853.
- Sept. 4 - Mrs. Amanda OBERBILLIG, Freeport; born at Mc Connell in 1855.
- Sept. 6 - W.R. PATTERSON, Mc Connell; born in 1856.
- Sept. 7 - Mrs. Dorothy GRAALMAN, Ridott; born in Germany in 1867; came to Steph. co. when a child.
- Sept. 8 - Mrs. Carrie CONFER, Eleroy; born at Waddams in 1873.
- Sept. 7 - Charles L. HERRMAN, Freeport; born in Silver Creek in 1867.
- Sept. 8 - Mrs. George LAMBERT, Dakota; born in Pennsylvania in 1852; came to county in 1854.
- Sept. 10 - John BUEHL, Freeport, born in Freeport in 1853.
- Sept. 11 - Matthew ZIMMERMAN, Freeport; born in Austria in 1837; came to Stephenson county in 1860
- Sept. 11 - U.D. RITZMAN, Freeport; born in Orangeville in 1855.
- Sept. 11 - Miss Myrtle HOOVER. Oak Park; born in Freeport in 1867.
- Sept. 12 - John C. REED, Orangeville; born in Pennsylvania in 1848; came to county in 1856.
- Sept. 14 - Henry HELLEMEIER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1882; came to Stephenson co. as a child.
- Sept. 12 - George W. SHINKLE, Mc Connell, Wis.; born in 1836; came to this county when a boy.
- Sept. 15 - George M. DILLY, Freeport; born in Ridott in 1867.
- Sept. 17 - Lewis MOSES, Cedarville; born in Pennsylvania in 1845; came to county in 1855.
- Sept. 22 - John FAWVER, Freeport; born in Wisconsin in 1854; came to this county as a young man.
- Sept. 22 - Mrs. Cornelia MARSH, Shirland, born in Rock Run in 1840.
- Sept. 27 - Mrs. Evelyn KLONTZ, Mc Connell; born in Ohio in 1853; came to county in 1873.
- Sept. 12 - Solomon P. AUMAN, Kent; born in Stephenson county in 1854.
- Sept. 27 - Mrs. Friedericka BORCHARDT, Buena Vista; born in Germany in 1837.
- Sept. 30 - Rintus MENNENGA, German Valley; born in German Valley in 1857.
- Sept. 30 - August M. WALKER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1870; came to county at age of 3 years.
- Oct. 1 - Byron L. PICKARD, Lena; born in Erin township in 1844.
- Oct. 3 - Mrs. Margaret GROSS, Freeport; born in Germany in 1844; came to county in 1867.
- Oct. 5 - Mrs. Harry SPIELMAN, Lancaster township; born in Freeport in 1873.
- Oct. 4 - Albert D. WADDELL, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1856.
- Oct. 8 - Mrs. Louis VOY RUSS, Lena; born in Germany in 1843; came to county in 1867.
- Oct. 14 - Isaac HAWN, Marshalltown, Ia., born in Pa. in 1844; came to county when a young boy.
- Oct. 13 - Gottlieb FULLMER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1850; came to county when about year old.
- Oct. 12 - Mrs. Margaret E. KLECKNER, Lena; born in Lena in 1848.
- Oct. 13 - Ephraim LECKINGTON, Lena; born in Pennsylvania in 1843; came to county in 1852.
- Oct. 15 - Mrs. John F. EVERS, Freeport; born in Germany in 1851; came to county in 1882.
- Oct. 16 - Warntje WIRTJES, Florence Station; born in Germany in 1857; came to county in 1875.
- Oct. 19 - Charles H. ALBRIGHT, Lena. born in 1850.

- Oct. 17 - Mrs. William RICE, Lena; born in 1854.
- Oct. 22 - Ernest SCHWARTZ, Freeport; born in Pecatonica in 1878; came to co. at 2 years of age.
- Oct. 22 - James OSWALT, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1856; came to county in 1874.
- Oct. 15 - Howard C. BOBB, West Mc Henry; born in Orangeville in 1870.
- Oct. 26 - Mrs. Joseph WEBER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1840; came to county in 1874.
- Oct. 25 - Mrs. Charles RINDERMAN, Freeport; born in Germany in 1849; came to county when a very young girl.
- Oct. 25 - Philip KNECHT, Freeport; born in Germany in 1840; came to county in 1852.
- Oct. 28 - Mrs. Ellen RODEMEYER, Freeport; born in Stephenson county in 1855.
- Oct. 27 - Mrs. George KRYDER, Cedarville; born in Cedarville in 1865.
- Oct. 29 - Mrs. Agnes CARMODY, Freeport; born in Lena in 1871.
- Oct. 29 - Sarah GILBERT WINGERT, Kent; born in Pennsylvania in 1850; came to county in 1870.
- Oct. 31 - Seward BABCOCK, Freeport; born in Ridott in 1855.
- Oct. 31 - Mrs. Charlotte GRAHAM, Pocahontas, Ia. born in 1840.
- Nov. 1 - Mrs. Mary DAMEIER, Lena; born in Kent township in 1854.
- Nov. 3 - Henry JORDAN, Mc Connell; born in Pennsylvania in 1852; came to county in 1879.
- Noc. 6 - Mrs. Johonna O'CONNELL, Freeport; born in Ireland in 1832; came to Stephenson county over 56 years ago.
- Nov. 6 - Mrs. Mary PHILLIPS, Freeport; born in 1836.
- Nov. 8 - Mrs. Ella FICKSON, Freeport, born in New York in 1869; came to county 40 years ago.
- Nov. 8 - Thomas SPITTLER, Lena; born in 1856.
- Nov. 8 - Fred R.E. DAWSON, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1874.
- Nov. 10 - John COLE, Mc Connell; born in Ohio in 1844.
- Nov. 11 - Joseph WALTER, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1845; came to county in 1846.
- Nov. 11 - Aaron PENTICOFF, Freeport; born in Pearl City in 1854.
- Nov. 13 - Henry TEGELER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1865; came to county in 1883.
- Nov. 16 - Mrs. Henrietta KAILEY, Freeport; born in New York in 1847; came to county in 1854.
- Nov. 16 - Mrs. Elizabeth NAMPEL, Freeport; born in Germany in 1848; came to county in 1866.
- Oct. 4 - Laird A. MITCHELL, Zion City, Ill.; born in Stephenson county in 1842.
- Nov. 16 - Mrs. Mary WEILER, Dakota; born near Dakota in 1866.
- Nov. 7 - Emma Augusta MUSSER, Rising City, Neb.; born in Orangeville in 1857.
- Nov. 23 - Mrs. E.H. MORGAN, Freeport; born in Connecticut in 1853; came to county 71 years ago.
- Nov. 24 - Jacob BEST, Davis; born in Davis in 1860.
- Nov. 25 - Simon ORTMEIER, Freeport, born in Germany in 1850; came to county in 1867.
- Nov. 30 - Nancy Louise STAVER, Warren, born in Ridott in 1878.
- Nov. 29 - John WHITE, Loran.
- Dec. 5 - Mrs. Mayme FOWLER, Lena; born in Erin township in 1879.
- Dec. 5 - Miss Sophia BOEKE, Lena; born in Waddams township in 1862.
- Dec. 7 - Mrs. Blanche BUNKER, Winslow, born in Winslow in 1864.
- Dec. 9 - Mrs. Hannah DAVIS, Kent; born in Pennsylvania in 1826; came to county in 1847.
- Dec. 10 - Emanuel YOUNG, Buckeye township; born in Babbs Grove in 1848.
- Dec. 12 - Mrs. Conrad SCHMIDT, Freeport; born in Maryland in 1841; came to county in 1860.
- Dec. 14 - John Herman RODEMEIER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1849; came to county in 1881.
- Dec. 13 - Mrs. Almeda HALL, Cedarville; born in 1861.
- Dec. 12 - John JOHNSON, Freeport; born in Germany in 1858; came to county in 1875.
- Dec. 16 - Miss Frances A. ROSEBRUGH, Freeport; born in New York in 1835; came to county in 1861.
- Dec. 16 - Harry GEISE, Pearl City; born in 1875.
- Dec. 19 - Dr. Milton BAUMBARTNER, Oklahoma; born in Orangeville in 1874.
- Dec. 19 - Cornelius FOLGATE, Mc Connell; born in Mc Connell in 1850.
- Dec. 20 - Mrs. Sustan A. KAUFFMAN, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1840; came to county when a small girl.
- Dec. 20 - Henry ALTENBERN, Lena; born near Lena in 1851.
- Dec. 18 - Charles Jeffrey LAPP, Dakota, born in Iowa in 1876; came to county when 3 years old.
- Dec. 10 - Charles Conrad MEINERT, Davis; born in Davis in 1867.

Dec. 21 - Miss Cora SNYDER, Lena; born in Lena in 1855.  
Dec. 24 - Wm. H. IRWIN, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1859.  
Dec. 23 - Mrs. C. KATZENBERGER, Pearl City; born in Stephenson county in 1885.  
Dec. 24 - Mrs. Walter L. FULLER, Freeport; born in Winslow in 1869.  
Dec. 25 - Franklin H. ADELMAN, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1843.  
Dec. 28 - Louis HOFFMAN, Rockford; born in Freeport in 1856.  
Dec. 31 - Lew CLINGMAN, Chicago; born in Buckeye township in 1844.  
Dec. 27 - Miss Jane MORGAN, Freeport; born in New York in 1843; came to this co. when a young girl  
Dec. 21 - Lydia Louise PLAGER, Pearl City; born in Loran township in 1864.  
Dec. 20 - John A. KOLLER, born in Rock City in 1862.

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Jan. 1 - George C. SWARTZ, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1850; came to county in 1885.  
Jan. 1 - Gustav ROEMER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1843; came to county in 1882.  
Jan. 1 - Ashley M. VORE, Freeport; born in Cedarville in 1876.  
Jan. 4 - Harvey W. MOGLE, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1849.  
Jan. 3 - Mrs. M.M. MAYER, Devils Lake, N.D., born in Pennsylvania in 1837.  
Jan. 7 - Mrs. Mary DANIELS, Freeport; born in Germany in 1853; came to county at an early age.  
Jan. 7 - Henry SCHNEIDERMAN, Freeport; born in Germany in 1838; came to county as a youth.  
Jan. 3 - Mrs. Steve LA BORDE, Cedarville; born in Stephenson county in 1867.  
Jan. 14 - Robert PENTICOFF, Freeport; born in Cedarville in 1860.  
Jan. 11 - C.H. MEYER, Pasadena, Calif; born in 1852.  
Jan. 16 - Mrs. Elizabeth LERCH, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1885.  
Jan. 16 - Henry F.A. WIENEKE, Freeport; born in Germany in 1843; came to county in 1867.  
Jan. 20 - Ephraim LIPHART, Lena; born in Pennsylvania in 1856; came to county in 1868.  
Jan. 22 - Mrs. Susanna RICHART, Cedarville; born in Pennsylvania in 1841.  
Jan. 24 - August HOMAN, Freeport; born in Germany in 1847; came to county in 1872.  
Jan. 24 - Thomas R. ALLISON, Lena; born in 1843.  
Jan. 27 - Robert A. GIBLER, Hollywood, Calif.; born in Freeport in 1870.  
Jan. 30 - J.W. KUNTZ, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1847; came to county when a boy.  
Jan. 30 - Fred EGEMEIER, Davis; born in Germany in 1856; came to county in 1882.  
Jan. 30 - Mrs. Margaret SHIELDS, Freeport; born in Ger. in 1847; came to co. when a young girl.  
Feb. 4 - Mrs. Margaret MALBURN, Freeport; born in Missouri in 1842; came to county in 1863.  
Feb. 3 - Andrew KRIEG, Freeport; born in Germany in 1857; came to county in 1882.  
Feb. 8 - Wm. BOKEMEIER, Freeport; born in Lancaster township in 1859.  
Feb. 8 - Benjamin LAMM, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1859.  
Feb. 1 - Abraham L. BRUBAKER, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1840; came to county in 1852.  
Feb. 11 - Frederick H. MILLER, Davis; born in Davis in 1883.  
Feb. 12 - William BUSKE, Lena; born in Prussia in 1846; came to county in 1882.  
Feb. 15 - Sarah Jane BROWN, Dakota; born in Illinois in 1837; came to county in 1840.  
Feb. 16 - Mrs. Mary GORDON, Freeport; born in Ireland in 1848; came to county in 1866.  
Feb. 16 - Mrs. Carl THIEL, Basswood; born in Germany in 1851; came to county in 1881.  
Feb. 19 - Mr. F.W. WALKER, Dakota; born in Pennsylvania in 1840; came to county in 1849.  
Feb. 23 - Richard ROSENSTIEL, Damascus; born in Harlem township in 1854.  
Feb. 22 - Fred H. SIEMS, Freeport; born in Germany in 1866; came here same year.  
Feb. 18 - Mrs. H.G. AURAND, Pearl City; born in Freeport in 1858.  
Feb. 26 - Zachary T. HOWE, Freeport; born in Stephenson county in 1849.  
Feb. 25 - Mrs. C.J. SCHUTH, Freeport; born in Illinois in 1883; came to county in 1885.  
Mar. 3 - Francis H. TOWSLEE, Freeport; born in Wisconsin in 1855; came to county in 1857.  
Mar. 3 - Mrs. Philip STEPHAN, Freeport; born in Germany in 1858; came to county in 1861.  
Mar. 4 - Mrs. L. KOEHLER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1850; came to county in 1855.  
Mar. 6 - Mrs. Sarah BRUCE, Cedarville; born in Pennsylvania in 1830; came to county in 1860.  
Mar. 5 - Mrs. Jane JOHNSON, Freeport; born in England.  
Mar. 7 - Mrs. Mary ROTE, Afolkey; born in Pennsylvania in 1835; came to county in early 50's.



Mar. 10 - Henry SPELMAN, Freeport; born in Davis in 1870.  
 Mar. 10 - Mrs. Cora HOMAN, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1877.  
 Mar. 13 - Mrs. C.S. HILL, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1836; came to county in 1857.  
 Mar. 14 - Mrs. Harriett FURST, Freeport; born in Ohio in 1837; came to county in 1843.  
 Mar. 14 - Miss Ellen MC GOVERN, Freeport; born in New York; came to county in 1856.  
 Mar. 14 - William J. MC GURK, Freeport; born in Kent township in 1867.  
 Mar. 15 - Harry A. YOUNG, Springfield; born in Iowa in 1874; came to county in 1875.  
 Mar. 15 - Mrs. Anna E. SPANGLER, Freeport; born in Harlem township in 1849.  
 Mar. 14 - Richard VAIL, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1867.  
 Mar. 18 - Mrs. Geo. FRYBARGER, Cedarville; born in Ohio in 1839.  
 Mar. 16 - William F. FAHR, Lena; born in Pennsylvania in 1849; came to county in 1856.  
 Mar. 16 - Jacob F. SCHADLE, Freeport; born in Stephenson county in 1864.  
 Mar. 17 - Edward J. SCANLAN, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1862.  
 — Mar. 16 - Hiram T. HARMS, Ridott; born in Germany in 1853; came to Stephenson county in 1867.  
 Mar. 19 - Frank L. FURRY, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1858; came to county in 1860.  
 Mar. 19 - George J. SCHMIDT, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1860.  
 Mar. 19 - Samuel KOSTENBADER, Freeport; born in Buckeye township in 1848.  
 Mar. 20 - Mrs. F.A. DARLING; Lena; born in 1834.  
 Mar. 22 - Mrs. Almira SHANK, Lena; born in Wisconsin in 1852.  
 Mar. 25 - James BUSKER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1867 came to county in 1868.  
 Mar. 25 - Mrs. James ROTE, Orangeville; born in Afolkey in 1867.  
 Mar. 25 - William FERGUSON, Lena; born in Waddams township in 1858.  
 Mar. 28 - Mrs. S.G. WAGNER, Freeport; born in Freeport.  
 Mar. 27 - Bert KEISTER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1880.  
 Mar. 28 - Harvey Eugne FULTON, Freeport; born in Rock Grove in 1869.  
 Mar. 31 - Mrs. Henry STROHM, Winslow; born in Pennsylvania in 1842; came to county in 1854.  
 Apr. 5 - Paul BICKENBACH, Los Angeles, Calif.; born in 1852.  
 Apr. 7 - Chas S. SERPASS, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1857.  
 Apr. 8 - Mrs. Teelke WAALKES, German Valley; born in Germany in 1847; came to county 40 years ago.  
 Apr. 11 - Edward KOSTENBADER, Scioto Mills; born in Harlem township in 1883.  
 Apr. 15 - William E. WASHBURN, Freeport; born in New York in 1860; came to county in 1865.  
 Apr. 16 - Mrs. Frederick PRASSE, Davis; born in Rock Run township in 1861.  
 Apr. 19 - Conrad C. HENZE, Davis; born in Germany in 1843; came to Stephenson county in 1856.  
 Apr. 18 - Mrs. Harriet BOYER, Ridott; born in Pennsylvania in 1835; came to county in 1857.  
 Apr. 18 - Mrs. Sarah LANGENSTEIN, Oakland, Calif.; born in Pa. in 1839; came to co. when a girl.  
 Apr. 21 - Mrs. Henry BOOKMAN, Freeport; born in Stephenson county in 1852.  
 Apr. 22 - Christian VOLLMER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1855; came to county when a small boy.  
 Apr. 21 - Mrs. FRANK SLOATMAN, Lena; born in Kent township in 1871.  
 Apr. 25 - Mrs. FRANK TAPPE, Freeport; born in Germany in 1860; came to county in 1866.  
 Apr. 28 - J.E. ASPINWALL, Freeport; born in New York in 1842; came to county in 1844.  
 Apr. 28 - Mrs. Thomas DINLEY, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1868.  
 Apr. 20 - Mrs. Hal HARNISH, Freeport; born in Harlam township in 1885.  
 Apr. 28 - Mrs. Ira CRIPPEN, Spokane, Wash.; born in 1848.  
 May 3 - Julius WAGNER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1848; came to county in 1872.  
 May 3 - Mrs. Henry WITTBECKER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1864.  
 May 2 - Mrs. Louise M. CRAMER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1843; came to county in 1871.  
 May 1 - Mrs. Minnie GALLOWAY, Joliet; born in Freeport in 1880.  
 May 5 - Herman BOKHOF, Durand; born in Germany in 1841; came to county in 1850.  
 May 4 - Mrs. Leah STAMM, Mc Connell; born in Pennsylvania in 1845; came to county in 1866.  
 Apr. 25 - Mrs. Sarah Lavina EELLS, Winslow; born in Winslow in 1850.  
 May 5 - Mrs. Mary Jane WALTON, Freeport; born in England in 1856; came to county 44 years ago.  
 Apr. 29 - John LONG, Davis; born in New York in 1843; came to county in 1846.  
 May 6 - Mrs. Augusta HINTZ, Lena; born in Germany in 1851; came to county in 1876.

May 10 - Dr. C.P. LEITZELL, Lena, born in Pennsylvania in 1855; came to county in 1883.  
May 12 - William M. GIBLER, Freeport; born in Durand in 1867; came to county in 1870.  
May 14 - William S. SECKER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1857.  
May 14 - Fred WIENAND, Freeport; born in Germany in 1852.  
May 15 - Christian SNIVELEY, Freeport; born in Maryland in 1861; came to this county in 1884.  
May 15 - Mrs. E.S. BROWN, Freeport; born in New York in 1843; came to county, a early settler.  
May 15 - Mrs. A. SCHUBERT, Lancaster township; born in Germany in 1841; came to county in 1868.  
May 19 - Mrs. Katherine MOLTER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1838; came to county in 1852.  
May 17 - Mrs. Josephine HODGES, Freeport; born in Stephenson county in 1874.  
May 16 - Henry C. THORN, Freeport; born in Vermont in 1852.  
May 19 - Robert C. MC LEES, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1837; came to county in 1854.  
May 22 - Fred EBERLE, Freeport; born in Germany in 1877; came to county when a small boy.  
May 23 - Mrs. Margaret HARTING, Freeport; born in Rock Grove township in 1842.  
May 26 - Mrs. Jane NIHART, Oneco township; born in Ohio in 1846; came here in 1849.  
May 27 - Mrs. Elizabeth J. WRIGHT, Freeport; born in England in 1851; came to county in 1884.  
May 23 - Ludwig Wm. HEITHECKER, Davis; born in Germany in 1849; came to county in 1853.  
May 28 - Frank R. HARTSOUGH, Forreston; born in Mc Connell in 1869.  
May 29 - Fred BORCHERS, Freeport; born in 1843.  
May 29 - Mrs. Mary A. RIORDAN, Freeport; born in Ireland in 1847; came to county in 1857.  
May 31 - Mrs. Mathilda SIMLER, Lancaster twp.; born in Ger. in 1863; came to co. when a small child.  
May 30 - Mrs. George M. SHEETZ, Chicago; born in Freeport.  
May 28 - Miss Kitty May HINDS, Winslow; born in Winslow township in 1886.  
May 28 - Mrs. Margaret STAMM, Mc Connell; born in Pennsylvania in 1845; came to county in 1858.  
June 5 - Mrs. Emma SHEETZ, Harlem township; born in Harlem township in 1853.  
June 6 - John MUEHLENHOFF, Freeport; born in Germany in 1832; came to county in 1862.  
June 6 - Mrs. Frances MALONE, Freeport; born in Ireland in 1841; came to county in 1845.  
June 12 - Carl THIEL, Oneco township; born in Germany in 1849; came to county in 1881.  
June 9 - Herman W. KNABE, Freeport; born in Germany in 1854; came to county in 1856.  
June 12 - Robert WARDELOW, Dakota; born in Ireland in 1840; came to county in 1849.  
June 19 - Frank B. HINDS, Winslow; born in Freeport in 1856.  
June 21 - Mrs. Augusta SCHOCH, Davis; born in Germany in 1853.  
June 21 - Mrs. Catherine LAKIMACHER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1851.  
Apr. 21 - Harrison BROWNLEE, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1853; came to county in 1865.  
June 25 - Jacob SCHAFER, Lena; born in 1851.  
June 26 - Dr. R.S. GRAHAM, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1872.  
June 27 - Mrs. Frank HUMMEL, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1847; came to county in 1864.  
June 28 - Matthew SHIELDS, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1875.  
June 29 - Peter ECKHOFF, German Valley; born in Germany in 1842.  
July 7 - Mrs. Louise MEYERS, Freeport; born in 1875.  
June 30 - Mrs. Augusta HERBIG, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1873.  
July 2 - Clyde HALL, Cedarville; born in Cedarville in 1884.  
July 9 - Mrs. Louise FETTERHOFF, Freeport; born in Harlem township in 1860.  
July 9 - Fred PRYSHOFF, Freeport; born in Germany in 1842; came to county in 1864.  
July 2 - Amos LAUSCH, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; born in Orangeville in 1853.  
July 18 - Peter BENNETHUM, Hollywood, Calif.  
July 20 - Mrs. Theo. ELLIS, Lena; born in Winslow in 1865.  
July 19 - C.F. LUEDEKING, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1886.  
July 18 - Mrs. Fred W. OSTEN, Freeport; born in Germany in 1837; came to county in 1852.  
July 21 - Frank R. MEASE, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1859.  
July 20 - Mrs. Joseph GRATTELO, Freeport; born in Prussia in 1859; came to county in 1864.  
July 22 - Mrs. John GUYER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1850.  
July 23 - Mrs. Burt W. WISE, Freeport; born in Freeport.  
July 24 - Valentine WICKLER, Freeport; born in Scales Mound in 1853; came to co. about 40 years ago

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July 26 - Mrs. Mary D. SCHULZ, Freeport; born in 1852.  
 July 25 - Mrs. Mary NESEMEYER, Chicago.  
 July 28 - Mrs. Wm. FREYER, Winslow; born in Oneco township in 1873.  
 July 29 - Mrs. John SEIDEL, Oneco township; born in Oneco township in 1848.  
 July 22 - Mrs. Mary SHIPPEE, Winslow; born in Waddams in 1852.  
 July 30 - Joseph E. EICHELBERGER, Freeport; born in Indiana in 1866; came to county when a boy.  
 Aug. 1 - Gerald M. RIORDAN, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1885.  
 Aug. 2 - Henry HOLSTE, Freeport; born in Rock Grove township in 1855.  
 Aug. 8 - Charles F. CRAMER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1883.  
 Aug. 9 - Mrs. Mercy FRISBIE, Portland, Ore.; born in Vermont in 1831.  
 Aug. 12 - John HARTMAN, California; born in Freeport in 1867.  
 Aug. 9 - Mrs. Pauline BUSKE, Lena; born in Germany in 1849; came to county in 1882.  
 Aug. 13 - David EGGERT, Davis; born in Davis in 1865.  
 Aug. 13 - Mrs. William PHILLIPS, Lena; born in Waddams township.  
 Aug. 10 - Mrs. J. BROWN TAYLOR, Willows Calif.  
 Aug. 11 - Mrs. Valentine HAAS, Davis; born in Davis in 1831.

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Daniel GALPIN, Lanark	K.C. KRUEGER, Holland, Ia.	Aaron BOLENDER, Rock Grove.
William RUNKLE, Lakefield, MN	J.C. SHANK, Monroe, Wis.	H.J. BILLERBECK, Osmond, Neb.
R.T. COOPER, Seward, Neb.	William DIVELEY, Mc Connell	George SHINKLE, Mc Connell
Charles GRAVES, Mc Connell	Mrs. Margaret Welty, Nora	John RUNKLE, Rossie, Iowa
A.W. FRANKENBERGER, Rock Grove	Jacob LAUSCH, Rock Grove	W. KAILEY, Mc Connell
By S. BECHTOLD, Mc Connell	William H. KRYDER, Cedarville	William LAW, Cedarville
D.D. TYLER, Winslow	C.F. WRIGHT, Warren	Peter WOLF, Dakota
Lewis RITZMAN, Orangeville	C.A. BELKNAP, Orangeville	W.W. BIGELOW, Rockton
James DEERY, Lancaster	F.B. WALKER, Dakota	A.F. MOORE, Polo
J.L. MOORE, Polo	Henry COFFAMN, Polo	Samuel G. BETEBENNER, Polo
Moses HERBERT, Polo	Henry WOLF, Polo	David BARNBERGER, Polo
Harrison COFFMAN, Polo	Cash SULTRYMAN, Polo	John BETEBENNER, Polo
John R. THOMPSON, Pol	H.E. RUBENDALT, Polo	Thomas ALLEN, Polo
W.H. BARKMAN, Polo	H.D. PARMLEE, Polo	George AMBROSE, Polo
J.D. CAMPBELL, Polo	W. ATKINS, POLO	J.W. CLINTON, Polo
Amos MOORE, Polo	Samulel POWL, Polo	Edwin WATERBERRY, Polo
Lebits MOORE, Polo	John POWL, Polo	Tice WORLEY, Polo
O.R. HIBARGER, Polo	Jacob POWL, Polo	O.H. SWINGLEY, Omaha
T.J. FEARER, Oregon, Ill.	Reuben LOWER, Lena	Joseph A. TAFT, Oneco
M.C. BOWERS, Chicago	Mrs. M.C. BOWERS, Chicago	John KLAPP, Freeport
James RYAN, Freeport	W.F. BENNETHUM, Freeport	Joseph S. DAWSON, Freeport
H.H. UPP, Freeport	Margaret Jane FOX, Freeport	Mrs. Annie PECK, Bolton
J.M. FOX, Bolton	Mrs. W.S. BEST, Bolton	William HOGAN, Lanark
E.M. TALLMAN, Lanark	J.F. BIDLACK, Lanark	W.G. WILD, Lanark
William TALLMAN, Lanark	R. CHISHOLM, Lanark	Peter BAUSCHER, Freeport
Charles WEAVER, Lena	Mrs. M. WEAVER, Lena	Henry ROBBINS, Forreston
Amasa CURTIS, Austin, Ill.	Fred WEBER, Ackley, Ia.	Isaiah BEST, Freeport
David BRUBAKER, Dubuque	Mrs. A. VAN DYKE HARRIS, Beloit,	Thomas JOHNSON, Freeport
M.F. COOLRIDGE, Rockford	Wis.	W.H. MITCHELL, Freeport
Mrs. W.G. BARNES, Freeport	J.E. FRISBIE, Enid, Okla.	G.H.E. REED, Amboy
Mrs. Kate ALBEE, Lena	D.B. PERLEY, Pecatonica	Fred DRENER, Freeport
George R. WALKER, Durand	William YEAGER, Lena	Walter KUMMERER, Freeport
Miss Winnie TAYLOR, Freeport	Jacob DECKLAR, Freeport	William TROTTER, Freeport

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LEVI FAHS, of Cedarville, who is in his 77th year, was born in York Co., Pa.; came west in 1854; married Ellen BEAR in 1861, who died in 1877. Some years later Mr. Fahs married again his second wife's maiden name have been Polly JONES. He is the father of nine children by his first marriage four of whom are still living. The are: Mrs. Joseph H. HAYES, Fauikton, South Dakota; Mrs. Henry FRANTZ, Mary E., Emma and Orlando.

WILLIAM MATTER, who lives with his daughter, Mrs. GEORGE LAMBERT, about two miles northwest of Dakota village, and who enjoys the distinction of being the oldest man in Stephenson county, being now in his ninety-sixth year, was born Dec. 8, 1808 near Harrisburg, Dauphin county, Pa., and came to Illinois March 31, 1850. He married LEAH TROUTMAN, who was born March 31, 1814 and died March 29, 1899, her funeral having occurred on her birthday. Mr. Matter is the father of eleven children, two of whom died in infancy. Those living are: Mrs. DANIEL FEHR; JONATHAN; MOSES and Mrs. GEORGE LAMBERT of Dakota township; Mrs. ALBERT TOOL, Ackley, Ia.; Mrs. CHAS. FEHR, Hooppole, Ill.; CONRAD in South Dakota; GIDEON, Maryville, Mo., and JAMES of Jewel, Kansas. He followed tailoring while he resided in Pennsylvania but changed his occupation to that of a farmer when he came to Illinois. He enjoys very good health, though his hearing and eyesight are not so good as they once were. His habits have always been good, though he smoked somewhat when he lived in Pennsylvania. He retires at about dark and rises at six in the morning, though a little earlier usually during the summer. After breakfast and dinner he generally takes a little rest, but during the remainder of the day he occupies his time, when the weather is good, in doing work about the premises, this being wholly on his own choice for he is well enough fixed in life not to do anything. On the day a representative of the BULLETIN called on him he was fixing a barnyard fence and said he enjoyed his work. He is a remarkably well preserved old man. Article includes a picture of him.

HARRISON DIEMER, was born in Northampton county, Pa., Oct. 18, 1828, came to Illinois in 1841, accompanied by his parents, a brother and a sister. He is a retired farmer and lives in the village of Dakota. His wife and two sons, I.M. and W.W. constitute his family, and all are vigorous. He was the first supervisor of Dakota township.

JOHN WIRTH, was born in Germany Sept. 5, 1826, came to America in 1852 and lived at Buffalo, New York, two years before coming to Illinois. On the 20th of February, 1853, he married CATHERINE HAIST, who died a few years ago. He is the father of eight children, one of whom is dead. Those living are: JOHN J.; Mrs. DARIUS ELSTON; GEORGE; Mrs. OTTO SEYFRIED; HENRY T.; ANNA and KATE. For many years he followed farming, and he is the owner of one of the best farms in the county. During the past eight or ten years he has lived a retired life in the village of Dakota. He is vigorous and active, spending much of his time visiting with his many friends, old and young, and "making sunshine" wherever he goes, his bright and witty remarks amusing everybody.

HUGH BENNEHOFF, now in this 76th year, was born in Union county, Pa., Feb. 12, 1829; came to Illinois with his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Bennehoff in 1848. He followed harness making and farming and filled the offices of supervisor and assessor a number of years very acceptably. Mrs. Bennehoff is still living and both are quite vigorous. They have five children; MARY E.; IDA J.; JOHN W.; EFFIE N.; and CHARLES F.



PETER WOLF, who is in his seventy-fifth year, was born in Center county, Pa., married ELIZABETH ROWRAY, in 1848, and came to Illinois in 1855. He has several trades, but since he came to this state has followed farming in Rock Run township until he retired a few years ago. Mr. & Mrs. Wolf are the parents of twelve children, ten of whom are still living. Mr. Wolf is in fairly good health, though his eyesight has almost entirely failed him and he suffers somewhat from an injury he received to his left hand some years ago.

ROBERT NELSON, was born in county Donegal, Ireland, Jan. 3, 1829; came to America in 1844, with his parents, two brothers and two sisters, and married ELIZABETH WILSON in 1862. They are the parents of six children, as follows: ANDREW and WILLIAM, Westmoreland, Kansas; JOHN, THOMAS and MARY at home and JAMES, Dakota. Mr. Nelson has followed farming and has filled local offices, among which was school director for more than thirty years. When the Nelson family came to Illinois it was by the way of Canada and the lakes and they were almost shipwrecked on lake Michigan, the boat having been driven against a rock. Mr. Nelson came to Illinois when game was plentiful and says he saw 54 deer in one herd near Scioto at one time.

O.D. WEAVER, was born Oct. 16, 1825, in Center county, Pa., came west in 1844 and married HARRIET ILGEN in 1846. He was a carpenter by trade, though he changed his occupation to that of a farmer some years later. While working at his trade he built the first house in Cedarville in 1847. He crossed the plains in 1852 and engaged in mining in California, but returned after an absence of a few years. He has filled a number of township offices and has been a useful citizen. Mr. & Mrs. Weaver are the parents of six children, four sons and two daughters. GUST, deputy county clerk, being one of them. Mr. Weaver could relate stories of occurrences coming under his own observations that would make a volume as large as Webster's unabridged dictionary.

JOHN KLOSTER, a native of Germany, who is in his 76th year, came to America in 1851, married BARBARA SCHULTE in 1852 and settled on a farm where he has been very successful. Mr. & Mrs. Kloster are the parents of thirteen children as follows: NICHOLAS; MARY; HATTIE; THERESA; JOHN; GERTRUDE; ANNA; FREDERICK; GEORGE; KATIE; WILLIAM; FRANK and WALTER. Mr. Kloster was a soldier in the old country in 1848. He has been a school director and has always been a useful citizen. His health is good.

MRS. C.T. KLECKNER, of Davis was born in Union county, Pa., Apr. 24, 1824; came west forty-six years ago and married PASCHAL L. CHAMBERS, who died in 1863. About nineteen years ago she married again, her second husband having been the late C.T. Kleckner, who passed away two years ago. She had five children by her first marriage, all of whom are living. They are: Mrs. L.A. MITCHELL, Zion City, Ill.; J.R. CHAMBERS, Dakota; Mrs. ZIMMERMAN, Red Oak, Ia.; J.W.; Williamsport, Pa., and GEORGIA at home. Considering her age she is quite active.

SAMUEL SCHMITT, was born in Germany, June 3, 1823, being 81 years old. Mrs. Schmitt is past her 80th year. They came here in the year 1845. They have three children: GEORGE; JOHN and SAMUEL, all living in this county. Mr. Schmitt's vocation has always been that of a farmer and he owns one of the finest farms in Stephenson county, well improved with beautiful surroundings. He still labors at the arduous duties of a farmer's occupation. Both Mr. and Mrs. Schmitt possess excellent traits of character which have secured for them the esteem of a large circle of friends.

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## OBITUARY LIST READ AT OLD SETTLERS' MEETING

More than 250 Stephenson county people many of them residents of the county for half a century or longer, passed away since the old settlers' reunion of 1923, according to the report of the obituary secretary, Mrs. F.W. ERMOLD, Cedarville, which was read at the reunion of 1924 held yesterday in CLINGMAN'S grove, Cedarville. Names of many prominent people of Freeport are included in the list, which is as follows:

1923

- Aug. 27 - David M. SWARTZ, Orangeville; born in Pennsylvania in 1853; came to county at age of 2.  
Aug. 31 - William J. HALL, Freeport; born in England in 1854; came to county in 1878.  
Sept. 7 - Mrs. Louisa HUNEKE, Lena; born in 1833; came to county 70 years ago.  
Aug. 30 - Mrs. Fred RUNTE, Rock City; born at Davis in 1852.  
Sept. 10 - Henry FOSHA, German Valley; born in Germany Valley in 1848.  
Sept. 10 - William WILER, Dakota; born in Stephenson county in 1853.  
Sept. 5 - Frank Herman BECKER, Pearl City; born in Germany in 1856; came to county in 1882.  
Sept. 16 - Mrs. Mary R. PHILLIPS, Damascus; born in Maryland in 1839; came to county in 1845.  
Sept. 16 - Miss Louise LENZ, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1854; came to county in 1860.  
Sept. 23 - Mrs. A. POWELL, Lena; born in Germany in 1844; came to county in 1880.  
Sept. 23 - Mrs. J.M. FERGUSON, Lena; born in New York in 1851; came to county in 1854.  
Sept. 24 - William YEAGER, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1851; came to county as a small boy.  
Sept. 24 - Mrs. Sophie HAASE, Freeport; born in Stephenson county in 1847.  
Sept. 27 - Adelbert STEBBINS, Freeport; born in Silver Creek township in 1845.  
Sept. 29 - Karl August HEROLD, Freeport; born in Germany in 1840; came to county in 1882.  
Sept. 29 - Melvin L. BROWN, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1855; came to county more than 40 years ago.  
Sept. 29 - Mrs. Louise TEMPELMAYR, Freeport, born in Freeport in 1873.  
Oct. 6 - Nicholas LATZ, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1873.  
Oct. 10 - Mrs. Wm. H. HECK, Freeport; born at Scioto Mills in 1870.  
Oct. 11 - Mrs. Caroline JACOBSEN, Freeport; born in Germany in 1830; came to county in 1863.  
Oct. 16 - Mrs. Louis FRY, Cedarville, born in Forreton in 1858.  
Oct. 17 - Mrs. Matilda STOCKING, Freeport; born in New York; came to county in 1868.  
Oct. 21 - Mrs. Freda LEBETSAMER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1863; came to county in 1884.  
Oct. 20 - Mary Elizabeth PENTICOFF, Freeport; born in Stephenson county in 1875.  
Oct. 22 - Jacob ENGLEMAN, Scioto Mills; born in Pa. in 1841. came to county about 50 years ago.  
Oct. 20 - George KLEVER, Ridott; born in Germany in 1842; came to county at 12 years of age.  
Oct. 22 - Mrs. Amanda SCUDDER, Freeport; born in New York in 1849; came to county in 1877.  
Oct. 21 - Mrs. A.H. HALE, Orangeville, born in Pennsylvania in 1847; came to county in 1856.  
Oct. 27 - Edward W.R. DREYER, Freeport, born in Canada in 1841; came to county in 1869.  
Oct. 28 - Mrs. Mary B. WELFELT, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1861.  
Oct. 28 - Mrs. Catherine LIEBETRAU, Freeport; born in New York city in 1856; came to county about 64 years ago.  
Nov. 3 - U.G. RUBENDALL, Freeport; born at Orangeville in 1864.  
Nov. 4 - Mrs. Rachel EILERT, Rock City, born in New Jersey in 1837; came to county in 1854.  
Nov. 3 - Henry COFFMAN, German Valley; born in Ogle county in 1849.  
Nov. 4 - Miss Beulah A. BARMORE, Orangeville; born in Orangeville in 1881.  
Nov. 12 - Mrs. Thos. FITZGERALD, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1884.  
Nov. 14 - Miss Minnie L. ARNDT, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1861.  
Nov. 21 - Mrs. August DIESTELMEIER, Lena; born in Kent township in 1862.  
Nov. 24 - Mrs. M.J. HEA, Phillippine Island; born in Pa. in 1858; came to county 61 years ago.  
Nov. 24 - Mrs. Charlotte FAUVER, Rock Run; born in Lancaster township in 1847.  
Nov. 29 - Mrs. Wilhelmina SCHLEGEL, Pearl City; born in Germany in 1831; came to county in 1845.  
Nov. 26 - Daniel VAN OSTERLOO, German Valley; born in German Valley in 1851.  
Dec. 1 - John H. HARTING, Freeport; born in Ohio in 1838.  
Dec. 1 - Thomas GRANT, Freeport; born in Ireland in 1844; came to county in 1845.

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- Dec. 1 - John ROTZLER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1841; came to county in 1859.
- Dec. 2 - Ulfert POPPEN, German Valley; born in Germany in 1843; came to county in 1848.
- Dec. 6 - William W. KOEHLER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1869.
- Dec. 6 - Miss Marguerite OHDEN, Freeport, born in Freeport in 1881.
- Dec. 10 - Theo. KUNDINGER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1835; came to county in 1869.
- Dec. 9 - Chas. H. SHAFER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1870.
- Dec. 13 - Catherine GLYNN, Pecatonica, born in Stephenson county.
- Dec. 14 - John H. WHITLOCK, Rockford; born in Canada in 1844; came to county about 40 years ago.
- Dec. 14 - Mrs. Candalia GRIMM, Freeport; born in Maryland in 1840; came to county in 1864.
- Dec. 17 - Mrs. Henrietta FLUEGEL, Eleroy; born in Germany in 1840; came to county in 1864.
- Dec. 15 - Aarjen FRUHDAG, German Valley; born in Germany in 1835; came to county when a boy.
- Dec. 18 - Mrs. Albert ASKEY, Ridott; born in Ohio in 1862; lived in county all her life.
- Dec. 20 - Mrs. Homer SHONS, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1881.
- Dec. 20 - Miss Elizabeth KUNTZ, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1884.
- Dec. 21 - Mrs. Margaret KAISER, Ridott; born in Ridott in 1858.
- Dec. 24 - Mrs. Belva HART, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1884.
- Dec. 23 - William S. DIR, Freeport; born in Tampico, IL in 1864; came to county when a young man.
- Dec. 25 - Mrs. Minnie PIETRICK, Freeport, born in Germany in 1837; came to county in 1863.
- Dec. 26 - Mrs. John SUELTMAN, Freeport; born in Germany in 1853; came to county about 48 years ago.
- Dec. 26 - Mrs. Wilhelmina FISCHER, Frp.; born in Ger. in 1837; came to county about 51 years ago.
- Dec. 27 - S.A. WEAVER, Dakota; born in Cedarville in 1851.
- Dec. 27 - William C. SWANZEY, Freeport; born in Ridott township in 1852.
- Dec. 21 - Mrs. J.C. HURD, Lena; born in England in 1848; came to county as a baby.
- Dec. 21 - Mrs. Nancy M. BLAIR, Lena; b: in Vermont in 1844; came to co. when about 2 years of age.
- Dec. 28 - Ed. G. BOLENDER, Orangeville; born in Oneco township in 1865.
- Dec. 29 - Chas. M. SAXBY, Freeport; born in Boone county, IL, in 1843; came to county in 1872.
- Dec. 29 - Mrs. Wm. BUTTERFIELD, Dakota; born in Rock Grove, Ill, in 1858.
- Dec. 30 - Mrs. Ruth REYNOLDS, Freeport; born in Canada in 1858; came to county in 1879.
- Dec. 31 - Mrs. Lydia B. STIBGEN, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1836; came to county in 1855.
- Dec. 30 - John A. BOLENDER, Freeport; born in Rock Grove township in 1870.

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- Jan. 1 - Christ BURKHART, Beuna Vista; born in Germany in 1842.
- Jan. 2 - Mrs. Wilhelmina WERNICKE, Freeport; born in Germany in 1855; came to county in 1867.
- Jan. 4 - Mrs. Caroline KARETEDT, Freeport; born in Germany in 1851; came to county in 1881.
- Jan. 5 - Daniel PENTICOFF, Freeport; born in Ohio in 1844; came to county over 40 years ago.
- Jan. 6 - David C. BOLENDER, Dakota; born in Rock Grove in 1856.
- Jan. 1 - Albert P. MEYERS, Waddams Grove; born in Ohio in 1858; came to county 40 years ago.
- Jan. 9 - Mrs. Amanda MOYER, Orangeville; born in Pennsylvania in 1839; came to county in 1854.
- Jan. 10 - Mrs. Chestle HOLLOWAY, Orangeville; born in Pa. in 1843; came to county in 1868.
- Jan. 10 - Mrs. O.D. WELLS, Mc Connell; born in Mc Connell in 1870.
- Jan. 10 - Edward SIEFERMAN, Freeport; born in Lancaster township in 1883.
- Jan. 8 - Henry FARINGER, Lena; born in Pennsylvania in 1829; came to county in 1854.
- Jan. 8 - Mrs. Wm. RAYMOND, Vilas, S.D.; born in Oneco township in 1840.
- Jan. 18 - Daniel P. GRESSLEY, Florence twp; born in New York in 1837; came to co. when a young man.
- Jan. 18 - Mrs. E.C. HARRIS, Centennial; born in Pennsylvania in 1854.
- Jan. 25 - Mrs. Isaiah SMITH, Freeport; born in Ohio in 1833.
- Jan. 26 - Mrs. C.T. MORSE, Freeport; born in Maine in 1836; came to county about 40 years ago.
- Jan. 25 - John BARR, Winslow; born in Stephenson county in 1843.
- Jan. 26 - Mrs. Amelia LEISNER, Red Oak; born in Germany in 1844; came to county in 1869.
- Jan. 28 - Mrs. Kate E. MUSSER, Madison; born in Stephenson county in 1848.
- Jan. 28 - Mr. David PENTICOFF, Kent.
- Feb. 2 - Mrs. Mary RICHTER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1857; came to county in 1883.

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- Feb. 4 - Albert B. FITCH, Freeport; born in New York in 1854; came to county about 1865.  
Feb. 4 - Mrs. Martha HUNSICKER, Dakota; born in Pa. in 1840; came to county about 40 years ago.  
Feb. 3 - Mrs. Virginia BRAY, Freeport; born in St. Louis, Mo., in 1855; came to county in 1860.  
Feb. 4 - Oliver P. WEBB, Freeport; born in Rock City, Ill., in 1842.  
Feb. 7 - Daniel W. CARROLL, Freeport; born in Harlem township in 1851.  
Feb. 7 - William BRICK, Freeport; born in Ridott in 1871.  
Feb. 8 - George W. OSWALT, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1850; came to county when 2 years of age.  
Feb. 8 - Mrs. Eva GUGGER, Freeport; born at Dakota, Ill., in 1870.  
Feb. 6 - Simon STEFFEN, Pearl City.  
Feb. 10 - Samuel LESHER, Rockford; born in Orangeville in 1848.  
Feb. 9 - Mrs. Wm. SHIRK, Freeport; born in Loran township in 1870.  
Feb. 12 - Richard WAHLER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1836; came to county in 1866.  
Feb. 12 - Daniel VAN MATRE, Lena; born in Winslow in 1876.  
Feb. 17 - Mrs. Amelia PETERMEIER, Freeport; born in Rock Run township in 1855.  
Feb. 19 - John SIMPSON, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1871.  
Feb. 20 - Henry TOELKE, Rock City; born in Germany in 1856; came to county in 1868.  
Feb. 20 - David BABB, Pearl city; born at Babb's Grove in 1842.  
Feb. 22 - Mrs. Nancy BOTDORF, Freeport; born at Afolkey, Ill. in 1876.  
Feb. 21 - Mrs. Amelia DAWS, Lena; born in 1857.  
Feb. 24 - Mrs. Anna WEHRENBURG, Freeport; born in Germany in 1846; came to county in 1884.  
Feb. 25 - Mrs. George BARDELL, Silver Creek; born in Silver Creek in 1861.  
Feb. 28 - Mrs. Margaret DUTH, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1845; came to county in 1847.  
Feb. 28 - Mrs. Mahala SANDERSON, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1829; came to county in 1868.  
Feb. 29 - Mrs. Hilda RAEDEKER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1825; came to county as a young woman.  
Feb. 24 - Ira PICKARD, Lena; born near Lena in 1839.  
Feb. 29 - Chas. H. KEELER, Florence township; born in Silver Creek township in 1869.  
Feb. 29 - Oscar P. JONES, Red Oak; born in Buckeye township in 1853.  
Mar. 3 - Frederick C. HELD, Freeport, born in Germany in 1845; came to county in 1856.  
Mar. 3 - August HERBIG, Freeport, born in Freeport in 1865.  
Mar. 2 - Mrs. Delil BERTSCH, Freeport; born in 1842.  
Mar. 4 - Mrs. Benjamin LIED, Red Oak; born in Pennsylvania in 1851, came to county in 1864.  
Mar. 3 - Patrick WALL, Freeport; born in Florence township in 1857.  
Feb. 23 - Mrs. Wilhelmina KILIAN, Mc Connell, born in Germany in 1836; came to county in 1858.  
Mar. 6 - Mrs. Mary DIETLEIN, Freeport, born in Germany in 1842, came to county in 1855.  
Mar. 10 - William FISHER, Freeport; born in Rock Grove in 1849.  
Mar. 9 - Brinhard BLUST, Freeport; born in Germany in 1842; came to county about 56 years ago.  
Mar. 9 - Dayton O. DAWS, Freeport; born in Lena, Ill., in 1859.  
Mar. 19 - Mrs. Nettie WITTENMEYER, Silver Creek; born in Florence township in 1879.  
Mar. 16 - Mrs. William RICHARDS, Freeport; born in New York City in 1861; came to county in 1868.  
Mar. 21 - Mrs. Lucy KRAPE, Lena.  
Mar. 24 - Mrs. W.H. FOLL, Freeport; born in Lena in 1875.  
Mar. 23 - Samuel MOGLE, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1845; came to county as a small boy.  
Mar. 22 - Mrs. Kate GORE, Orangeville; born in Pennsylvania in 1846.  
Mar. 23 - Mr. William SACK, Davis; born in Germany in 1850.  
Mar. 22 - Mrs. Magdalena JANZI, Frp.; born in Ger. in 1844; came to co. when about 4 years of age.  
Mar. 22 - Mrs. L.F. KEELY, Lena.  
Mar. 25 - Mrs. Margaret GRACE, Freeport; born in 1856.  
Mar. 27 - John Thaddus MYERS, Lena; born in Pennsylvania in 1850; came to county in 1874.  
Apr. 2 - Mrs. Alice J. WASSON, Freeport; born in Lena, Ill., in 1850.  
Mar. 23 - Lewis Eugene LARROW, Mc Connell; born in Mc Connell, Ill., in 1873.  
Apr. 4 - George H. BECKER, Lena; born in Illinois in 1883.  
Apr. 4 - Mrs. Magdalena SCHALLER, Freeport; born in France in 1839; came to county 52 years ago.

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- Apr. 3 - Mrs. James BORDNER, Dakota; born in Chambers Grove in 1859.
- Apr. 7 - William A. FORD, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1867.
- Apr. 9 - Calvin PORTER, Afolkey; born in Pennsylvania in 1844; came to county in 1874
- Apr. 11 - Andrew WEISHAAR, Lena; born in Germany in 1847; came to county in 1855.
- Apr. 14 - William HENDRICKS, German Valley; born in Ger. in 1860; came to co. about 40 years ago.
- Apr. 13 - Mrs. Ananias BUMGARDNER, Durand; born at Buena Vista in 1854.
- Apr. 4 - Mrs. Alice KEISTER, Kent, Ill.; born in Pa. in 1855; came to county when 12 years of age.
- Apr. 14 - Mrs. W.C. SMITH, Dakota; born in Pennsylvania in 1863.
- Apr. 9 - Mr. Jonathan KRAMER, Rock Grove; born in Pennsylvania in 1850; came to county in 1868.
- Apr. 19 - George P. CONFER, Cedarville; born in Pennsylvania in 1854.
- Apr. 26 - Mrs. Mary W. HANSON, Pecatonica; born in Stephenson county in 1858.
- Apr. 27 - George W. WHITESIDE, Freeport; born in Wisconsin in 1848; came to county in 1865.
- Apr. 28 - Mrs. Caroline BOLLMAN, Cedarville; born in Pennsylvania in 1835; came to county in 1840.
- Apr. 28 - Mrs. Emma KEHR, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1877.
- Apr. 28 - Heye ALBERTUS, German Valley; born in Silver Creek township in 1863.
- Apr. 30 - Mrs. John LEHMAN, Freeport; born in Germany in 1850; came to county in 1883.
- Apr. 27 - George PETZER, Damaacus; born in Germany in 1850; came to county in 1855.
- May 1 - Jacob S. BRUBAKER, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1845; came to county in 1853.
- May 1 - Cyrus HOFFMAN, Red Oak; born in Pennsylvania in 1848.
- May 3 - Mrs. Angeline CANTRILL, Orangeville, born in Oneco township in 1847.
- Apr. 30 - Mrs. L.C. KAMPMEIER, Pearl City; born in 1869.
- May 1 - John GARNER, Pearl City; born in 1869.
- Apr. 23 - Mrs. Mary DEAL, Orangeville, born in Germany in 1840; came to county in 1857.
- May 5 - Fred MEINERT, Davis; born in Rock Grove in 1869.
- May 9 - Charles SCHRADER, Mc Connell; born in Germany in 1865; came to county about 40 years ago.
- May 9 - Fred NEIDERMEIER, Davis, born in Germany in 1854; came to county in 1877.
- May 12 - Mrs. John LUEBBING, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1861.
- May 13 - John H. DELHAUER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1860.
- May 14 - Aaron P. LATTIG, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1833; came to county in 1853.
- May 9 - Mrs. Carrie WILER, Dakota; born in 1844.
- May 19 - Mrs. Christian SCHLUETER, Davis; born in Germany in 1851; came to county about 1871.
- May 18 - Mrs. Rose AURAND, Pearl City; born in Germany in 1842; came to county in 1868.
- May 18 - Orin F. BRACE, Ridott; born in Ridott in 1858.
- May 20 - Mrs. John G. KEISTER, Dakota; born in Stephenson County in 1871.
- May 22 - Henry C. PIEPER, Rock City, born in Stephenson county in 1873.
- May 22 - Mrs. Susan KRAMER, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; born in 1846.
- May 23 - Louis KEGEL, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1874.
- May 26 - Z.T.F. RUNNER, Austin, Minn.; born in Pennsylvania in 1845; came to county in 1857.
- May 25 - Herman ENGELS, Florence township; born in Ger. in 1858; came to county when a young man.
- May 25 - James J. CHADWICK, Dakota; born in Wisconsin in 1847; came to county about 50 years ago.
- May 24 - Mrs. Jacob ISELY, Freeport; born in Switzerland in 1852; came to county about 1880.
- May 26 - Mrs. Herman KRUSE, Baileyville; born in Ger. in 1838; came to county when a young woman.
- May 20 - Oscar Jacob ELSESSER, Freeport; born in Red Oak, Ill., in 1884.
- May 29 - Charles L. LESTIKOW, Freeport; born in Waddams township in 1867.
- June 1 - John RILEY, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1862.
- June 3 - Abraham WELFELT, Freeport; born in Woosung, Ill., in 1861; came to county in 1834.
- June 3 - Dwight B. BREED, Freeport; born in New York in 1852; came to county in 1867.
- June 3 - Mrs. Mary ISERMAN, Freeport; born in Lancaster township in 1882.
- June 5 - Mrs. Ellen G. RAU, Freeport; born in Nora, Ill., in 1854; came to county in 1881.
- May 31 - Mrs. Ruben BOBB, Orangeville; born in Pennsylvania in 1847; came to county in 1853.
- June 12 - Walter G. COLE, Waterloo, Iowa; born in Ridott in 1844.
- June 14 - Mrs. Ole J. OLSON, Freeport; born in Lena, Ill., in 1878.



- June 15 - Henry FISHER, Freeport; born in Rock Grove township in 1845.  
June 11 - William SMITH, Winslow.  
June 18 - Mrs. Minnie READ, Freeport, born in Germany in 1866; came to county when 2 years of age.  
June 18 - John NOLAN, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1867.  
June 19 - J. Turner CLINGMAN, Cedarville; born in Cedarville in 1840.  
June 21 - Mrs. Emma LAMM, Freeport; born in New York in 1857; came to county at age of 15.  
June 22 - Mrs. Susanna KLECKNER, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1847; came to county in 1866.  
June 23 - Mrs. Augusta SCHAUER, Freeport; born in Silver Creek township in 1884.  
June 23 - Mrs. Minerva WATSON, Winslow; born in Pennsylvania in 1859; came to county in 1862.  
June 28 - Mrs. Charlotte KORTEMEIER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1839; came to county in 1868.  
June 30 - Fred TIELKEMEIER, Rock City, born in Germany in 1830  
June 29 - Mrs. Lena SIMPSON, Freeport; born in Freeport.  
June 29 - Mrs. J.F. TURNER, Freeport; born in Winslow, Ill., in 1872.  
July 1 - Engelka AMMERMAN, Silver Creek; born in Germany in 1832; came to county in 1865.  
July 3 - Mrs. Emma RYAN, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1848; came to county in 1866.  
July 3 - Mrs. Herman BROGE, Lena; born at Atlantic, O., in 1865; came to county in 1865.  
July 9 - Miss Anna VAN DEEST, Freeport; born in Baileyville.  
July 10 - Mrs. Mattie ENGELS, Florence station; born in 1875.  
July 10 - Fred REDMER, Freeport, born in Germany in 1852; came to county 42 years ago.  
July 12 - Earl KLEPPINGER, Freeport; born in Cedarville in 1883.  
July 14 - Preston M. HOWLAND, Freeport; born in Wisconsin in 1864; came to county in 1871.  
July 17 - Mrs. Johanna CREMER, Freeport; born in Silver Creek in 1860.  
July 17 - Mrs. Christian HEROLD, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1873.  
July 19 - David GOEKE, Davis; born in Davis in 1883.  
July 19 - Miss Minnie KLEVER, Ridott; born in Ridott in 1881.  
July 17 - Mrs. Fred LONG, Freeport; born in Germany in 1851; came to county in 1872.  
July 22 - Mrs. Magdalena STROHACKER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1832; came to county in 1864.  
July 22 - Mrs. F.G. BRADFORD, Winslow; born in Massachusetts in 1855; came to county in 1865.  
July 23 - Miles KUNKEL, Red Oak; born at Buena Vista in 1863.  
July 20 - George MILLIKEN, Oneco; born in Pennsylvania in 1849.  
July 25 - Mrs. William W. BARKLOW, Freeport; born in Pearl City in 1856.  
July 26 - Martin KELLY, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1854; came to county in 1884.  
July 28 - Mrs. Fred TOELKE, Davis; born in Wisconsin in 1876.  
Aug. 1 - John KNOBEL, Freeport; born in Wisconsin in 1871.  
July 30 - David M. SAUSMAN, Lena; born in 1842.  
Aug. 3 - X.G. HARNISH, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1846.  
Aug. 3 - Mrs. Polly HEITZER, Eleroy; born in New York in 1845; came to county as a child.  
Aug. 5 - Christian FOLKENS, Lena; born in Germany in 1850; came to county in 1873.  
Aug. 7 - John WAGNER, Orangeville; born at Buena Vista in 1858.  
Aug. 6 - W. Fred NESEMAYER, Freeport; born in Rock Grove in 1856.  
Aug. 8 - Simon M. FOGEL, Red Oak; born in Pennsylvania in 1846; came to county in 1856.  
Aug. 8 - Mrs. R.M. WHITE, Lena; born in Lena in 1865.  
Aug. 10 - Ludwig HEIDENREICH, Lena; born in Germany in 1847; came to county in 1866.  
Aug. 7 - Mrs. Clara KEPNER, Lena; born in Ohio in 1852; came to county when a baby.  
Aug. 10 - Mrs. Ellen E. WILCOXON, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania.  
Aug. 10 - Fred RAUBEY, Rock Run, born in Rock Run.  
Aug. 11 - Mrs. H.J. SIECK, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania; came to county when a baby.  
Aug. 13 - Richard DICKMAN, Lancaster township; born in Germany in 1866; came to county in 1882.  
Aug. 14 - Mrs. E.T. NOLAN, Freeport; born in Illinois in 1863; came to county in 1883.  
Aug. 15 - Mrs. Wilhelmina LUEDEKING, Freeport; born in Germany in 1856; came to county in 1883.  
Aug. 15 - Mrs. Mary G. DAWSON, Freeport.  
Aug. 15 - Mrs. Miles J. HAMM, Freeport; born in Freeport 1874.  
Aug. 18 - Fred J. DAMPMAN, Freeport; born in Lancaster township in 1881.

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FROM: The Lena Star - Mar. 4, 1892 page 8

WADDAMS GROVE Mar. 1, - Today has been a busy one in this neck-o'-woods- a day dreaded by a good many because it means "tear up and move several miles over the rough roads", such was the fate of a number in this locality to-day.

WM. GAELANFELD moved onto the JOHN HARMON farm in Chelsea.---LEE NUSS moved into the WEBER place, vacated by WM. GAELANFELD.---JOHN WERNIKE from the WM. ROTE farm moved onto the EAYSINGER place, recently purchased by LOUIS WERNIKE.---STEVE KURTZ, onto the A.M. DURKEE farm in Howardsville.---GEO. ZIPSIE recently moved from Kent onto Mrs. WEILAND'S farm, three miles north of here.---A.A. DREW will load a car at this place Wednesday and go to Garner, Iowa, where he has rented a large farm.---A number of other changes will take place before spring.---CON QUINN, West Point's jolly tax collector, was in town Thursday.---W.G. BARNES, MARSHAL HEA and JOHN WEBER were doing business at Warren last Friday.---Miss JENNIE WIRE went to Freeport Friday and returned Saturday evening.---Mrs. JOHN MAHON and daughter MARY were trading at Freeport Saturday.---D.C. MILLER and son GUS were doing business at Warren one day last week.---The sad news reached us Saturday that MARTIN FOX and wife had buried their oldest daughter, aged six, since moving west.---Mrs. STRUNK and daughter visited with relatives at Ridott last week. She was accompanied home Friday evening by her father, Mr. LAMB, who will visit with her for some time.---HI HULIT left for the west Monday morning last.---WALLACE BONEBRIGHT is enjoying a visit from his father-in-law, F.B. BOLTON, of Bolton, Ill., and his brother-in-law, THEO. CLOSZ and wife of Chicago.---LOUIS WERNIKE took the train for Freeport Monday.---Mrs. NUSS, of Lena, is visiting with her son LEE.---Mrs. CYRUS LUTTS, of Wisconsin, is the guest of C.T. BARNES and family this week. By order of the President, the Literary will meet in the usual place Saturday evening, Mar. 5. The members are all requested to be present as election of officers will take place.

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FROM: Davis Leader - Jan. 10, 1935

#### REGISTRAR REPORTS

Local registrar EDW. DE GUNTHER reports that there were six births and six deaths in his district the past year as follows.

Births: RONALD LEE WELLING, Feb. 12; FREDERICK BENJAMIN GRUNDER, Feb. 24; EVELYN JOANNE SYMANEK, May 1; EDNA VERNICA KEEHNEN, Sept. 13; LESTER GUFFREY, Sept. 20; DOROTHY ANN WEIMER, Nov. 28.

Deaths: GEORGE FRANKLIN WISE, Apr. 3; HELMEINE EGGEMEIER, May 16; WILLIAM KANNE, June 5; JOSEPHINE THOMPSON, June 25; MARY JOHNSON, Aug. 3; DELLA HOOVER, Aug. 10; EZRA R. BEST, Sept. 3.

Burials in the district were as follows:

Davis Cemetery: ROBERT RAYMOND KLITZ, Mar. 17; GEO. FRANKLIN WISE, Apr. 6; OSCAR BLACKMORE, July 13; WILBUR EGGEMEIER, Aug. 16; DELLA HOOVER, Aug. 22; EZRA BEST, Sept. 5; HARRY GEORGE WISE, Jr., Dec. 1.

Eppllyanna: HARRY JOHN NEIDERMEIER, JAN. 26; MINNIE HILLMAN, Mar. 5; HANNAH SCHRADER, Apr. 18; AUGUST KUHLEMEIER, May 15; HELMEINE EGGEMEIER, May 17; WILHELMINA ISERMAN, July 30; OSCAR SUTTER, Aug. 5; MARY JOHNSON, Aug. 12; MILDRED EMALINE MEINERT, Aug. 19; WILLIAM L. KUHLEMEIER, Sept. 24; AUGUSTA GOEKE, Oct. 4; HENRY MESSMAN, Nov. 22; AUGUST BENNING, Nov. 23.

Also Catholic Cemetery: MARTIN FITZPATRICK, Feb. 14





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From: Freeport Daily Journal Dec. 31,  
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THE DEATH ROLL

MANY BURIAL PERMITS ISSUED  
DURING THE YEAR

List of Those Who Have Been Interred  
in

Freeport Cemeteries During 1896  
Inquests of the Year

During the year 1896 City Clerk  
TANDY has issued 202 burial permits  
against 287 in 1895. Below we give the  
names of those who have died during the  
present year, together with the date of  
their death, age and cause of death:

JANUARY

1. MARIA KEISTER, 55 years;  
valvular disease. PHILIP NICKEL, 65  
years; consumption.
6. PATRICK CONNELL, 40 years;  
injury from fall. FRANK DAVIS, 22  
years; lung trouble.
9. L.M. SHELLENBERGER,  
congestion of stomach.
10. RUTH STOCK, 2 months;  
meningitis.
12. PHOEBE TRUDE, 73 years;  
nervous exhaustion. Infant KEVORED.
13. IDA NATZLE, infant.
15. MARY L. BOYER, 17 years;  
neuralgia.
16. ISAAC ANTIL, 59 years;  
pneumonia.
17. SOPHIA MEIER, 37 years,  
exhaustion.
18. RAYMOND HOPKINS, 9 months,  
meningitis.
19. Baby DONNELLY
21. L. MORIN, 16 years; diphtheria.  
WALTER SECHRIST, 12 years;  
appendicitis. CATHERINE WIDMAN,  
complication of diseases.

22. L.H. BECKER, 40 years;  
appendicitis. THOMAS LAWLESS, 66  
years; chronic catarrh.
28. MRS. J.M. CHRISTLIEB, 73 years;  
cancer of stomach. MRS. M.  
DONNELLY, 24 years; complication of  
diseases. HELEN BRAHMS, 1 year,  
peritonitis.
24. GEO. POWELL, 35 years; suicide.  
MARGARET J. ROBINSON, 86 years;  
old age.
27. O.W. CLINGMAN, 20 years, lung  
trouble.

FEBRUARY

4. JACOB EBERLE, 68 years; cancer
8. JOSEPH HEITZMAN, 16 years;  
pneumonia. MRS. ELLEN HARTLE,  
35 years, peritonitis.
9. ISAAC MILLER, 73 years; old age.
11. WM. VOSS, 18 years; pneumonia
13. J. MC GOVERN, 32 years;  
exposure.
14. LOUISA VOSS, 41 years;  
pneumonia. MRS. A.M. SCHMICH, 82  
years; pneumonia
15. MRS. CATHERINE SULLIVAN,  
69 years; heart disease.
17. MARY SCHLEUTER, 65 years;  
pneumonia. MRS. W.  
EICHELBERGER, 71 years; paralysis.
18. MRS. S.J. WELCH, 26 years;  
complication of diseases.
20. W.W. ZERDORFT, 35 years,  
pneumonia. ANNA M. GRAFT, 69  
years; paralysis.
21. HENRY PFEIFER, 74 years;  
asthma. A. HEFD, 66 years; pneumonia.
22. HATTIE HAHN, 19 years;  
consumption.
26. JAMES MC CULLOM, 86 years,  
old age.
27. MARY ANN HENEN, 28 years;  
consumption.



28. WM. STREET, 22 years;  
consumption.

MARCH

5. CATHERINE MEYERS, 73 years,  
paralysis.  
7. MRS. H.C. NOTT, 32 years, shock.  
8. FRANK ZOHLER, 80 years; heart  
disease. THOMAS KEARNAN, 67  
years; pneumonia.  
15. W. KOTTMAN, 52 years,  
complication. M.W. APKER, 41 years,  
pneumonia.  
22. JOHN KNICKLEBEIN, 78 years;  
pneumonia.  
25. LEONARD RATZ, 2 months;  
pneumonia. ARTHUR SAGER, 4 years,  
pneumonia.  
26. NATHAN SHUTZ, 84 years, old  
age.  
27. Infant PENTICOFF.  
28. JOHANN DAHL, 69 years,  
complication of diseases.

APRIL

3. H. GARSIDE, 1 year; meningitis.  
10. FRED STORK; 71 years, cancer.  
Infant FURRY.  
11. CHRISTIAN HELD, 73 years; heart  
failure. BARBARA MEYERS, 54  
years; homaplegia. A. DAHL, 79 years;  
old age.  
15. MRS. J.B. SNYDER, 76 years,  
complication.  
17. GEO. LESTER, 75 years; bright's  
disease.  
19. MRS. ADA FURRY, 36 years;  
complication. FRED KOEHLER, 78  
years; dropsy. MARY M. JANZI, 22  
years; tuberculosis.  
22. CHRISTIAN DORMAN, 83 years,  
old age.  
25. Infant BREWSTER.  
26. MARY A. KALVALEGE, 83  
Years;

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6. DWIGHT SCOTT, 2 months.  
9. TOBIAS CLUMP, 65 years,  
tuberculosis.  
10. CHARLES KOYM, 18 years;  
consumption. O.P. MC COOL, 75  
years; complication.  
11. ROSE Z. JANZI, 13 years;  
tuberculosis.  
12. PHILIP CLANCEY, 7 months,  
heart trouble.  
13. MARY E. WILES, 66 years; heart  
trouble.  
15. EMELINE GATES, 71 years;  
cardiac failure.  
20. WILLIAM BARNES, 81 years;  
complication. REV. N. SEVERING, 53  
years; meningitis.  
21. CHAS. H. GUND, 29 years, heart  
disease.  
22. ALMA GRATTELO, 3 years;  
pneumonia. CHAS. J. STUBBE, 31  
years; phltuses.  
25. W. SEIGMEIER, 1 year;  
convulsions  
31. FRED HILDEBRECHT, 41 years;  
meningitis.

JUNE

4. MARY C. CAREY, 14 years;  
tuberculosis  
5. FRANK LOOS, infant.  
6. Infant HOESLE.  
12. MARY E. TAVENER, 23 years;  
urena.  
13. J.C. BERTSCH, 1 month.  
15. ELLEN C. BANGASSER, 22 days.  
19. R.A. SEIGMEIER, 11 days;  
conuisions.  
21. FRED HERBIG, 16 years, drowned.  
22. CYRUS WINTERS, 67 years.  
complication.  
27. LOUISA FISHER, 82 years, cancer.



JULY

4. PEARL A. BLUST, infant; cholera infantum.
6. LEROY A. STANDRING, 8 months; menengitis.
8. BERTHA KEAGLE, 59 years; heart disease.
10. FRANK VORDORFER, 34 years; tuberculosis.
14. SAMUEL DUBS, 80 years, tuberculosis. A.T. GREEN, 81 years; complication. Infant STRAHER. RUTH DREPLES, 1 year, convulsions.
15. FELIX DARRAH, 58 years; heart disease.
16. CHAS. MORITZ, 6 years; acute nephritis.
18. JEROME DORR, 59 years, heart failure. KATHERINE EIDOM, 56 year; complication.
21. ANNA E. HOLBROOK, 41 years; inflammation of bowels.
24. E.F. EVANS, 71 years, inflammation of the stomach.
26. AMANDA SABIN, 80 years; paralysis.
29. JOHN RAYHORN, 76 years; inflammation of stomach.
31. ELLEN DERSHAW, 42 years; dropsy.

AUGUST

1. S.R. DUBS, 74 years, lung trouble.
4. C.A. YOUNG, 40 years; tuberculosis. GRAY WELCH, 6 months, cholera infantum..
8. Infant CORNISH, covulsions. EDWARD LAMM, 24 years; sun stroke. FRED FECHTER, 10 months, cholera infantum.
10. FRED WALKER, 8 years; drowned. MARY DINLEY, 65 years, complication.

11. AUG. LINDER, 65 years, typhoid fever.
13. ANNA HENSING, 21 years; consumption
14. MARY EEIDDLER, 6 months; cholera infantum.
17. HELEN FRANK, 4 months; inflammation of bowels. FRANK E. NAGLE, 32 years, comsumption. ARTHUR CASFORD, 10 years, gunshot wound.
18. THOS. BUEHLER, 75 years, paralysis.
19. MRS. JOHN HERGMAN, 71 years; complication.
15. CLINTON SHAFER, 30 years, heart disease.
14. HERMINA LEEMHUIS, 25 years; consumption.
15. A.E. LAMM, 3 months; cholera infantum.
25. ADOLPH EICHMEIER, 66 years; abscess.
28. HETTIE DAMMAN, 4 years; erupyama.
27. MARGARET HUGHES, 16 years, lung trouble.
31. HENRY BELLEM, 73 years, cholera morbus.

SEPTEMBER

1. ALMA FREDRICKS, 10 months, cholera infantum.
2. MRS. MARY MICHAEL, 38 years; typhoid fever.
3. MRS. THERESA LERCHE, 75 years; catarrh of stomach. ELIZABETH WENTZ, 79 years, complication.
7. MRS. C. MARSH, 78 years; bronchitis. MARIA D. OLIN, 98 years; bronchitis.
5. MARY MULHALL, 36 years; lung trouble.
8. GEO. WOLF, 69 years; cancer.

10. M. PIPER, 66 years. suicide.  
12. JAMES LIZER, 8 months; cholera infantum. H.M. CHASE, 78 years; cancer.  
10. ELIZA HEMENWAY, complication.  
14. HULDAH SELKE, 26 years; heart disease.  
15. MRS. G.W. ISAAC; tuberculosis.  
10. WM. PRESTON, 77 years; paralysis.  
16. H.W. ENGLE, 8 years; heart disease.  
15. DR. F.W. W. HANCE, 74 years; heart disease.  
19. MARY FARNUM; 16 months.  
MRS. ANNIE FARLEY, 27 years, Bright's disease.  
18. CHAS. F. NORTON, 48 years; liver trouble.  
28. GEO. F. AGNEW, 14 days, inflammation of bowels. Infant MOORE.  
26. MINA KRUSE, 64 years, complication.  
29. JACOB HEIDT, 47 years, asthma.  
MRS. S. EVANS, 23 years; typhoid pneumonia.

#### OCTOBER

2. SAMUEL SHAFFER, 63 years; paralysis. J.P. ROWE, 7 days; convulsions. MRS. KATE KRISE, 82 years; consumption.  
4. ELIZA ROLAND, 83 years; old age.  
7. BELLE MC LEES, 8 years; typhoid fever.  
14. MICHAEL RESH, 80 years; heart disease.  
18. MARY E. ROBERTS. 46 years; paralysis. ANNA M. BEST, 58 years; tuberculosis.

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19. CHAS. L. SEIFERT, 65 years, paralysis. ELIZABETH ZARTMAN, 1 year; diabetes.  
23. MRS. JOHN MILNER, 76 years; complication.  
26. SUSAN H. EVANS, 72 years; asthma.  
28. H. SCHMEDES, 60 years; Bright's disease. JACOB BODENSTEIN, 45 years, consumption.  
29. JOHN POPP, 69 years, result of accident.  
30. ARTHUR C. NASH, 6 months; poisoning.  
31. WM. MARTIN, 31 years; pneumonia.

#### NOVEMBER

3. E.J. BOOS, 23 years; lung trouble.  
4. DR. J. HILTON, 47 years; complication.  
8. GEO. W. LOVELAND, 71 years; diabetes.  
9. DANIEL KUNZ, 76 years; disease of stomach.  
6. MRS. RUNDLETT, 90 years; old age.  
12. CAROLINE BLISS, 67 years; complication.  
24. ASHLEY BARBER, 52 years; heart disease.  
26. M.H. DONER, 38 years; consumption. JOHN WOODSIDE, 79 years, apoplexy.

#### DECEMBER

3. SARAH KISTNER, 80 years; old age.  
7. R.A. BIGELOW 41 years; heart disease. G.A. STILES, 69 years, heart trouble.  
16. CHARLOTTE SECKER, 27 years; consumption.  
17. AMELIA KILKER, 18 years; heart disease.

19. ANNETTE LUKERMAN, 1 month; liver trouble.
20. A.J. BENNETT, 27 years; killed by engine.
23. MRS. H. EAMES TAYLOR, 89 years; old age.
22. MAE ROGERS CLARK, 29 years; complication. ELIZABETH PONTIUS, 66 years, epileptic convulsions. GEORGE SNYDER, 90 years; heart disease.
24. MARGARET L. PURINTON, 77 years; paralysis.
26. HARRIET MEIGS, 72 years; cancer.
22. DR. L.B. PECK, 74 years; complication.
25. C.J. FRY, 76 years, heart failure.
27. MARY MABEY, 47 years; tuberculosis.

#### INQUESTS OF THE YEAR People Who Have Left the World Suddenly.

During the year just closing the coroner of Stephenson county has been called upon to hold sixteen inquests, as follows:

- Jan. 6. PATRICK CONNELL, Freeport, fell from the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad bridge.
- Jan. 23. GEORGE W. POWELL, Freeport, suicide by shooting.
- Feb. 13. JOSEPH MC GOVERN, Freeport, died of exposure.
- Feb 17. ORIN SKEEL, Waddams, died from natural causes and exposure.
- Mar. 5. MRS. KATE MEYERS, Freeport, died from natural causes superinduced by old age. She was 73 years of age.

- May 26. MRS. SOPHIA VOSS, Loran, came to her death by accidental drowning.
- June 21. FRED HERBIG, Freeport, accidentally drowned in Yellow creek.
- July 10. ADAM PHILIPS, Mc Connell, fell from a hay mow, dislocating his neck.
- Aug. 10. FRED WAHLER, Freeport, accidentally drowned in the Pecatonica river.
- Aug. 16. CHARLES L. HIME, Lancaster, fell down stairs and dislocated his neck.
- Sept. 3. HENRY HUGELSHOFER, Oneco, pulmonary apoplexy.
- Sept. 10. MARGARET PIPER, Freeport, suicide by poison.
- Nov. 15. C.F. KOONS, Afolkey, suicide by shooting.
- Nov. 24. ASHLEY BARBER, heart disease.
- Dec 18. MRS. JOHN H. KILKER, Baileyville, natural causes resulting from heart disease.
- Dec. 20. A.J. BENNETT, Rockford, struck by the Chicago & Northwestern engine.

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#### GENEOLOGY -

Mrs: Is it true that it cost \$100. to have my family tree looked up?

Mr: Well, not exactly, I paid \$5., to have it looked up, and \$95. to have it hushed up.



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From: Freeport Journal Standard May 19, 1923 page 2

**MOSES LEVERTON TELLS INCIDENTS OF PIONEER DAYS**

RECALLS CONDITIONS IN STEPHENSON COUNTY SEVENTY YEARS AGO.

GOOD LAND OBTAINABLE AT \$1.25 PER ACRE

Eggs 3 Cents a Dozen, Butter 6 Cents a Pound; Money Values Unstable.

MOSES LEVERTON, retired farmer residing between Warren and Winslow, tells interesting tales of the early days in Stephenson County and an excerpt from his narrative is given in the following letter. MR. LEVERTON has long been a prominent citizen in this part of the country and is particularly noted for his advocacy of good roads. In giving his "recollections of seventy years in Stephenson county." Mr. LEVERTON writes:

"We landed near Oneco on March 18, 1853, father, mother and seven children. From the eastern shore of Maryland we had come by boat and stage and by railroad as far as the railroad went, which was Rockford, Ill. For the rest of the journey father hired a man with a team and wagon for \$4 to bring us to Oneco. During the first day we drove as far as Rock Grove, where we stayed all night with the family of JOHN BOLENDER. They were very good to us, and although I have often heard my parents speak of them, I do not know whether they kept a tavern or just kept us out of kindness. They refused pay and mother often spoke about how kind MRS. BOLENDER was to the children. After seeing that we all had enough to eat, she put us to bed. The BOLENDERS seem to have been noted for their kindness in an early day.

"Since we had lost all our goods at Rockford, we did not even have a change of clothes. After we had been here about two weeks, we caught the measles and with little to wear and not much to eat, except corn pone and bacon, we were feeling miserable. A wash tub turned bottom side up served for a table and buckets, likewise over turned made chairs for father and mother, while we children hopped around like crickets and caught a bite where ever we could.

Father soon made a cross-legged table and some cots for us to sleep on.

**Orangeville Then "Bowertown"**

Orangeville was not on the map and in its place was Bowertown, a settlement with a few houses, a grist and saw mill, one or two stores and a blacksmith shop. Freeport did not have a railroad and was only a small village. There was not much inducement for the people to try to do much, as the products were not worth much. Wheat brought 35 cents a bushel, oats 6 cents, and corn 10 or 12 cents. Butter was worth 6 or 7 cents a pound and dressed hogs one and one fourth cents a pound. In 1857 father dressed seventeen hogs that weight 300 pounds, or better, apiece and found that he could only get 1 1/4 cents per pound for them. He build a rail fence around them to let them hang three weeks during which time the price went to 1 1/2 cents and he hauled them to Monroe and sold them.

**Eggs 3 Cents a Dozen**

Eggs were 3 cents per dozen, and more than once I helped mother carry them to Oneco and take out in trade for the eggs blue denim, at 9 cents a yard, to make our pants. One yard made a pair of trousers, always full length, as we had no knee breeches in those days. Since they were made as big at the bottom as at the top, my big toe would often catch in them and send me sprawling full length. I had many hard falls in that way.





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**ISAAC MALLORY;** Mr. Mallory, 128 American St., was a native of Monroe county, Ohio, and was born Nov. 27, 1827. He came to Vermillion county, this state, with his parents in 1829, and to Stephenson county in 1836. On Nov. 4th 1854, he married **MIRANDA WEBB**, and to them eleven children were born, seven of whom are living, as follows: **Mrs. JOHN HOFFMAN**, J.J. and **Mrs. GEORGE W. GREGORY**, of this city; **D.M.**, Linnville, Ia., **Mrs. W. GOCHENAUR**, Sycamore; **JAMES**, Wakefield, Nebr., and **Mrs. LEWIS QUINTUS**, Garner, Iowa. Mr. Mallory followed farming in Lancaster township before moving to town. He was a member of Co. "B" 46th Illinois Infantry, and served one year. He is remarkably active for one who has reached his age.

**MRS. WM. ROWRAY;** Mrs. Rowray, who makes her home with her brother, **JOHN SPITLER**, 197 Douglas avenue, was born July 4, 1825, in Union county, Pa., and came to Illinois in 1848 with her parents and family. She married in 1849 to **WM. ROWRAY**, who died on the 26th of March 1878. She is the mother of six children, three of whom are living. They are: **Mrs. KATE WICKWIRE**, **Mrs. ALICE DOLLMEYER** and **SUSIE**, all of this city. For one of her age she is quite active.

**MRS. CHARLOTTE HAGGERTY;** Mrs. Charlotte Haggerty, who is over 86 years old was born in Plymouth, Devonshire, Eng. Jan. 14, 1819. She and her husband and two children came here in 1849, and have always lived in the 3rd ward. Her husband died many years ago. There is one child living: **Mrs. JOSEPH FLURY** of Racine. She is remarkably bright and active and cheerful for one of her age.

**JOHN P. SPITLER:** Mr. Spitler was born March 12, 1827, in Union county, Pa., and came to this county in Oct. 17, 1849. On Oct. 31, 1850 he married **ELIZABETH MC CAMMON**, who is still living. Mr. Spitler is the father of seven children, four of whom are dead. Those living are: **FRANK** and **Mrs. Ed ALLINGTON**, city, and **Mrs. P.V. SNOW**, Red Cliff, Colorado. Shoemaking was his trade when he was engaged in active life, and he followed it over fifty years. He is quite vigorous.

**DAVID BALZER:** Mr. Balzer, 234 Douglas Ave., who is in his 84th year, was born in Germany, Feb. 23, 1821, and came to America in 1853. In October 1851 he married **ELIZABETH WOLF**, who was born in Germany also, her birthday having been April 18, 1626 (1826). They are the parents of two children; **Mrs. D. KOCH**, Ft. Dodge, IA., and **Mrs. ADAM WIRTH**, city. Mr. Balzer is a carpet weaver, but has not followed the business of late.

**MARCELLUS SCHRAMM:** Marcellus Schramm has reached his four score and over, having been born Jan. 16, 1822, in Germany. He emigrated to the United States in 1851, and to Freeport in 1853. He worked many years for Bidwell and Farewell and served his employers faithfully. He was not only an industrious man, but a judicious one, and has accumulated some good property in the city. He has five children: **WM.**, **MARY**, **ELIZABETH**, **ROSSO** and **DOND**. He is in good health.

**MRS. GUSTA M. WRIGHT:** Mrs. Wright, who lives on Clark avenue, was born Oct. 12, 1822, in New York City; was married to **Dr. C.B. WRIGHT** Aug. 4, 1839, and came to Illinois in 1855. Dr. Wright practiced medicine at Van Brocklin from the time he came to this county until he passed away in 1888. He served also as county judge from '63 to '69. Mrs. Wright was the mother of three children, all of whom are dead. Aside from being crippled up with rheumatism she is quite active for one of her years.

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**LEWIS GERMAIN:** Mr. Germain, 38 Winnifred street, was born in Germany Aug. 1, 1825, and came to America many years ago. In 1846 he married **MARY BUSHER**, who died about thirty years ago. He is the father of six children, as follows: **JOHN**, **FRED**, **Mrs. JOSEPH BOURAY** and **Mrs. NICHOLAS BOURAY**, Rock Run township, this county; **Mrs. SOSEPH HEINEN**, Florence township, and **EDWIN** in the town of Silver Creek. He was formerly a farmer in Rock Run township, but retired some years ago, coming to this city to make his home. He is quite active for one of his years.

**W.W. LOTT:** Mr. Lott, 170 Exchange street, was born at Urbana, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1929 (1829), and came to Stephenson county in 1856. He married **Mrs. ELLA E. ZIMMERMAN** in 1863. She passed away a few years ago. They were the parents of two children both of whom are dead. Mr. Lott was variously engaged, having been a farmer, a clerk and an insurance agent successively. He served four months in the civil war, having been a member of Co. A 11th regiment, this state. He returned home from the army sick, and after his health improved somewhat he tried to re-enter the service, but they would not accept him. He was foreman of the Blackhawk fire company, which was the first fire company organized in this city. In 1865 he assisted in playing the first matched game of baseball ever played in the west. It was between the Empire team of this city and the Garden City team of Chicago, the Freeport team winning the game. Mr. Lott is quite active.

**CHAS. D. BLANCHARD:** Mr. Blanchard, 79 Walnut Street, was born April 23, 1828, at Centerville, Allegheny county, N.Y., and came to Illinois in 1851. He was united in marriage June 9, 1853, with **HARRIET PATTET**, who came west from New York in 1844. Mr. & Mrs. Blanchard are the parents of eleven children, four of whom are living, viz: **Mrs. A.V. SHEETZ**, Florence township; **Mrs. CHAS. BIRNEY** and **Mrs. HENRY BECK**, Chicago, and **Mrs. BIRNEY**, wife of **Dr. BIRNEY**, White Stone, L.I. Mr. Blanchard was a school teacher in an early day but later followed farming and carpentering and at one time conducted a woolen mill. He was justice of the peace twelve years while he resided in Silver Creek township and served several terms also as supervisor and school treasurer. His health is good and he is vigorous.

**MRS. ADAM BECKER:** Mrs. Becker, who maiden name was **CATHERINE KERCH**, was born Nov. 24, 1813, in Germany, and came to America fifty-five years ago with her husband, who passed away fourteen years ago. She is the mother of six children, three of whom are living. They are: **JACOB H.**, and **ADAM BECKER**, this city and **GEORGE**, Pearl City. Notwithstanding her advanced age she is in excellent health. She eats and sleeps well and has rosy cheeks. Her time for retiring is 9 o'clock and she usually rises between five and six in the morning. She is a remarkably active lady for one of her age.

**LEWIS SAENGER:** Mr. Saenger was born in Baden, Germany, September 21, 1827; came to America in 1852, and to Freeport in 1855. Mrs. Saenger, who was also a native of Germany, came to America in 1857 and married Mr. Saenger on April 16th of that year. Her maiden name was **ANNA MARIE RACH**. Mr. & Mrs. Saenger are the parents of nine children, viz: **Mrs. FRANK NORTSTRUM**, New Mexico; **EUGENE**, Sioux Falls, S.D., **LEWIS**, Nashville, Tenn., **Mrs. HERMAN FRICK**, Janesville, Wis., **Mrs. FRED A SAENGER**, Lincoln, Neb., **HARRIET**, Janesville, Wis.; **WALTER**, **ERNEST** and **MARGARET**, this city. Mr. Saenger is a painter by trade, but owing to old age he has done but little for several years.

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**OLD SETTLERS WHO PASSED AWAY LAST YEAR.**

At the old settlers' reunion today the obituary secretary, George W. BARBER, read the following list of those who have announced the final summons since the date of the last reunion:

**SEPTEMBER 1905**

13 Mrs. Maria F. RISING of Freeport; born near Lena on Jan. 1, 1852, went to Texas in 1879 and returned to Freeport twenty years later.

17 Richard WEIK, of Freeport; born in Baden, Germany, on Jan. 6, 1846, and came to Freeport in 1854.

29 Samuel SCHWEITZER, of Freeport; born in Switzerland on Jan. 1, 1835, came to Freeport in 1857.

**OCTOBER 1905**

13 Mrs. Susan STRICKLER of Harlem township; born in Lebanon county, Pa., Jan. 23, 1831, and came to Freeport early in the sixties.

13 Mrs. Horace C. HERRICK of Freeport; born in Dubuque on Nov. 17, 1857, and a resident of Freeport for many years.

16 Louis HAGAMAN, of Freeport; born in Germany sixty-two years ago and came to Freeport in 1872.

18 Henry STOCK, of Eleroy, born in England in 1841 and came to Stephenson county at the age of two years.

18 John BALTZER, Freeport; born in Johnston, Pa., in Jan. 1864, and came east to Freeport with his parents at the age of two years.

19 John RACKOW, McConnell, born in Germany in 1831 and came directly to this county in 1865.

22 H.B. KUHLEMEIER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1841 and came to this city when still a child.

**NOVEMBER 1905**

4 Lot EVANS, Orangeville, born in Center county, Pa., Nov. 29, 1841, and came here in 1876. He was also a veteran of the civil war.

3 Mrs. DOUBLER, Maywood; born at Portsmouth, Ohio, in 1829 and came to Stephenson county with her parents in 1840.

10 D.J. ROCKEY, Sauk Rapids, Minn.; born in Stephenson county fifty-six years ago, and lived there till 1891.

14 Mrs. Maria J. KLIPPSTEIN, Freeport, born in Prussia Mar. 4, 1835 and came directly to Freeport from her native land, in 1852.

15 Mrs. HENEN, Damascus; born in Ireland in 1815 and came to Stephenson county many years ago.

18 Mrs. Elizabeth LINDER, Freeport, born in Germany on Nov. 16, 1836, and came here in 1854.

19 Mrs. Minnie RUTHE, Freeport; born in Germany July 20, 1836, and came here in 1857.

22 Theodore BASSLER, Freeport; born in Baden, Germany, Feb. 5, 1830, and came here in 1868.

22 Benjamin SHECKLER, Lena; eighty-four years old and a resident of the county for many years.

24 Mrs. Lucidna REIGARD, Freeport; born in Bradford county, New York, on Jan. 30, 1812, and came here in 1854.

27 John ELSESSER, Buckeye; born there in 1858 and was serving as county treasurer when he died.

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23 Mrs. Mary DEEMER, Orangeville; born in Center county, Pa., on Oct. 15, 1846, and came here with parents in same year.

29 Charles REITZELL, Chicago; born in Center county, Pa., seventy-two years ago and came to Stephenson county with his parents in 1840.

DECEMBER 1905

8 Charles P. SNOW, Lanark; born in Hamilton, New York, July 22, 1829, and came to this county in Sept. 1836.

8 Thomas GRIFFIN, Ridott, born June 3, 1818, in Pennsylvania and a resident of this county fifty-five years. Served two years in union army in war of the rebellion.

20 Joseph H. GIBLER, Freeport; born in Freeport 1845 and a pioneer blacksmith of the county. Was a soldier in the 46th regiment of Illinois volunteer infantry and also a pioneer musician.

20 Phillip BEEBE, Freeport; born at Adeline, Ogle county, in 1852 and came here many years ago.

20 Joseph KOENIG, Freeport; born in Bavaria, Germany, on May 18, 1822, and came to this county in 1846 and to Freeport some years later.

23 Mrs. Katherin KACHELHOFFER, Silver Creek; born in Baden, Germany, in 1829, and came here in 1832 and settled in Silver Creek township in 1839

26 Daniel ADAMSON, Freeport; born in Westport, Ireland, on Aug. 23, 1834, coming to America in 1856 and to Freeport in 1863.

26 William TIMMS, born in Kent township in 1839.

26 Fred MATTERT, Freeport; born in Germany 72 years ago and came here at an early age.

31 George R. WILCOXON, Sciota Mills; born there nearly 58 years ago and etaoiCt8fiAipBsas)dhmbbm (?published as is?)

JANUARY 1906

8 John H. EDER, Silver Creek township; born in Baden, Germany, 62 years ago and came here 28 years ago.

7 Samuel MACE, near Orangeville; born in Lebanon county Pa., and came here in 1868.

9 John O. FRESEMAN, Freeport, born in Germany Dec. 2, 1838, and came here in 1857 and was a veteran of the Civil war.

10 Henry LICHTENBERGER, Freeport, born in Wolfstein, Germany, on Sept. 29, 1837, and came to American in 1847 and to Freeport many years ago

5 Mary Ann HEISE, near McConnell; born Shueyville, Wis., Nov. 13, 1854.

12 August F. KAISER, Florence twp.; born in Freeport 49 years ago.

13 William WADDINGTON, Madison; a former Freeporter, born in Jo Daviess county, IL, and came to Freeport many years ago.

14 Henry M. BRUBAKER, Freeport; born in Lancaster county, Pa., Dec. 15, 1829, came west in 1869 an to Freeport in 1882.

24 Charles F. CURRIER, Freeport; born in Pottsdam, New York, July 31, 1828, came to Freeport in 1854 and resided here until his death.

25 Mrs. Caroline GUENTHER, Freeport; born in Bavaria, Germany, Oct. 2, 1847, came to America in 1856 and direct to Freeport.

29 Mrs. Catherine RAYMER, Freeport; born at Orangeville Oct. 6, 1849.

29 Henry HARTMAN, Lancaster; born in Snyder county, Pa., July 3, 1849, and came here in 1864.

FEBRUARY 1906

3 Mrs. Hana HAZEN, Rockford; born in New York state in 1834 and came to Freeport at an early date.



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3 Henry WHIPTLE, Evanston; born in Ohio in 1825 and came to Illinois in 1839.

10 Miss Eleanor BARBER, Freeport, born in Union county Pa., May 19, 1839 and came here with her parents in 1843.

21 John BEAVER, Freeport; born in Ohio 77 years ago and came here 25 years ago.

21 George WUNSHALL, Rock Grove; a veteran in the Civil war in Co. B, 46th regiment Ill. Vol. Inft., born in Germany 78 years ago and came here in the early 50's.

22 Mrs. Mary A. GOCHNAUR, Rock Grove; born in Pennsylvania in 1823 and came west in 1849.

22 Mrs. Nancy D. STEWART, Freeport; born in Mifflin county, Pa., Jan. 24, 1827, and came to this county in 1854.

#### MARCH 1906

7 J.W. SARBER, Freeport; born in Northumberland county, Pa., Sept. 14, 1846, and came here with her parents when 7 years of age.

7 Daniel LAUSCH, Cedarville; born in Lancaster county, Pa., June 20, 1829, and came here in 1856.

16 Mrs. John BIKE, near Orangeville; an old resident of county 880 (?) years of age.

16 Mrs. B.F. THOMAS, Freeport; an old resident 74 years of age.

25 John H. WILSON, Freeport; born in Union county, Pa., June 8, 1837 and came here in 1857.

30 Charles FINK, Cedarville; born in Pa. in 1850 an old settler.

26 A.F. FOLL, of Lena; born in England in 1835 and came here in 1858

#### APRIL 1906

3 William L. MAINE, Freeport; born in Broom county, N.Y., Nov. 22, 1839 and came here at an early date.

3 Mrs. D.B. SCHULTE, Freeport; born April 8, 1836, in Neu Weid, Germany, and came here in 1854.

14 Mrs. Jacob KLEIN, Freeport; born in Germany Nov. 26, 1836, and came to America with her parents in 1842 and here in 1858.

19 Jacob HEIME, Orangeville; born in Germany 50 years ago.

22 John HOEBELMAN, Freeport; born in Hanover, Germany, 69 years ago and came here when 4 years of age.

Mrs. Anna D. FERRIS, Freeport; born in Saratoga, New York, Dec. 9, 1820, and came to Freeport in 1859.

30 Mrs. Leonard STOSKOPF, Freeport; born in Ridott township in 1847.

30 David BOLLMAN, Davis, born in Pa. in 1829 and came here in 1854.

#### MAY 1906

7 Hoy. H.C. HYDE, Freeport; born Springfield, Mass., July 18, 1836. His father moved to Winnebago when he was one and a half years old and came here a few years later.

6 Mrs. Peter BENNETHUM, Freeport; born in Morristown, Pa., May 1826 and came to Illinois in 1844 and came to Freeport in 1854.

10 Charles KENNA, Freeport, a veteran of the Civil war and about 66 years of age and came here after the war.

20 Edward Payson HODGES, Freeport; born 1827 at Yenisburg, Vermaont, and came here at an early date.

19 Mrs. William KASTE, Freeport; born in Chicago Sept. 4, 1836, and came here in 1867.

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21 Mrs. Anna Marie SCHOEFFEL, Freeport; born in Germany Mar. 2, 1829, and came here in March 1856.

24 Charles G. SELLE, Freeport; an old soldier of the 46th regiment Ill. Vol. Infty. born in Germany June 10, 1839, and came to Freeport in 1868.

JUNE 1906

24 Mrs. Clara SHAFFER, Freeport; born at Afolkey 46 years ago.

24 Mrs. Mary FITZGERALD, Freeport; born in County Cork, Ireland, June 16, 1824, and came here with her parents fifty years ago.

23 E.P. PIERSOLL, Kansas City; a former resident of Freeport where he was born and made his home for many years.

*Don of Hunter*  
*Evan Hunter* 27 Rueben HUNTER, a former resident of Winslow, born in Pa., 72 years ago and came here in 1850.

28 Frank BANGASSER, Florence township; born in Alsace, Germany, on June 20, 1821, and came to this county in 1865.

29 Samuel HIVELEY, Freeport; born in Baltimore, Md., Aug. 21, 1843, and came to Freeport in 1865.

JULY 1906

12 W.H. YATE, Freeport, born in New York state Christmas day, 1831, came to Freeport in 1853.

13 Mrs. WARD, near McConnell; born in Alsace, Germany, 77 years ago, came here in 1850 and to McConnell 35 years ago.

23 Mrs. Elmina V. HART, Florence township; born in Mackville, Pa., Mar. 15, 1838, and came here with the family in 1848.

27 A.W. SMITH, Dakota; came here at an early date.

AUGUST 1906

3 E.J. CHAPIN, Winslow; a veteran of the Civil war, born in Coshocton county, O., (?) May 27, 1843, came here before the war.

4 Mrs. Caroline STRATE, Freeport; born in Lippe, Detmold, Germany, Oct. 8, 1820 and came here in 1848.

1 Samuel BOWERS, Dakota; born in Westmorland county Pa., Dec. 11, 1830, a soldier in the 169 Ohio Vol. Infty., came here after the war.

10 Levi POOR, Orangeville; native of Penn., born there 79 years ago and came here 30 years ago.

13 Mrs. Sarah UNANGST, Davis; born in Northampton county, Pa., in 1823, came to this county 50 years ago.

15 John HAROLD, Freeport; born in Baden, Germany, 75 years ago, a resident of the county 43 years.

18 Mrs. Samuel R. DÜBS, Freeport; born in Center county, Pa., on Dec. 13, 1822, came here in the early 50's.

21 Julius W. KENEDDY, Winslow; born there 57 years ago.

22 Joseph R. MURDAUGH, Freeport; born in Buckeye Sept. 8, 1842, and resided here for a number of years.

22 Mrs. Helena MAURER, Freeport; born in North Buffalo, N.Y., May 27, 1837, came here in 1856.

Total number of deaths, 93.

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SWOGHEN - From Germanic and Middle English meaning Echo.



HAVE LIVED HERE LONG-1904 (Continued from Vol. 11 No. 4 page 36)

H.H. MYNARD, 184 Union St., who is in his 82nd year, was born Nov. 3, 1822, at Prattsville, N.Y.; was married Mar. 13, 1845, to CAROLINE COOL, and came to this state 1853. They lived for a brief period in Cook county and then came to this county, locating on a farm in Ridott township, where they remained until about twenty-five years ago, when they came to this city. Mrs. Mynard died about twenty years ago. They had no children of their own, but adopted two; Miss ZELL, who has charge of Mr. Mynard's beautiful home, and FLOYD, who resides at Hanford, California. He filled a number of township offices. He is exceptionally active for one of his years.

ADAM MILLER, 217 Douglas ave., who is a native of Germany, was born Mar. 13, 1826, and came to America in 1848. He lived three years in New York before coming to Illinois. In 1854 he married KATHERINE DILLE, who died five years ago. He is the father of eight children, only three of whom are living. They are ADAM J. MILLER, Chicago; Mrs. WM. BURKHART and AMELIA, this city. Mr. Miller (MUELLER) was a blacksmith by trade, as were also his father, grandfather and great grandfather and anything that can be made out of iron he can make. He was an exceptionally fine mechanic. When he was fifty years of age he retired from active life and is now taking life easy.

JACOB MAURER, 181 Galena street, who is in his 75th year is a native of Germany and came to America in 1849, locating near Buffalo, N.Y., where he remained three years before coming to Illinois. He was married to HELEN HAIST of Buffalo, N.Y. She is still living and they celebrated their golden wedding Sept. 22, '03. They have no children of their own but have raised eight others, not adopting them however. When Mr. Maurer came to America he worked for awhile on a farm near Buffalo at \$8 per month and on the eight hour system-eight in the forenoon and eight in the afternoon. On this basis, however, he laid the foundation for a fortune which enabled him to retire some sixteen years ago. After coming to Illinois Mr. Maurer followed farming for a while, but later he was interested in a vinegar factory and conducted a hotel for some time before retiring from active life. He is enjoying good health and is living at his ease.

MRS. THOMAS EWING, nee SARAH HAUGHEY, was born at Stubenville, Ohio, Nov. 2, 1818; married THOMAS EWING in 1840, and came west in 1848, accompanied by her husband and three children and her husband's parents. Mr. Ewing died in 1891. Mr. & Mrs. Ewing were the parents of six children, four of whom are living, viz: WILLIAM, city; JOHN, Charles City, Ia.; Mrs. O. BARBER, Florence township, and FLORENCE, Muscatine, Iowa. Mrs. Ewing is a bright and active lady for one of her years.

MRS. ROBERT BELL, whose maiden name was ELIZABETH A. MC COOL, was born at Lewisburg, Union county, Pa., Nov. 24, 1826, and came west in 1840. She was united in marriage with ROBERT BELL, who died Mar. 28, 1894. She is the mother of five children, as follows: Mrs. T.C. LAIRD, Lawrence, Nebr.; JAMES, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mrs. CHAS. WOLF, city; JOSEPH, Chicago, and Mrs. WM. HANCE, this city. Considering her age, she is quite active. She retains her faculties and is a bright and interesting old lady.

HORATIO CHAPIN BURCHARD, attorney-at-law and perhaps the most eminent citizen of Stephenson county, was born in Marshall, Oneida county, N.Y., on Sept. 22, 1825. He paid a visit to Freeport in 1850, but did not remove here until three years later, and for over half a century he has been one of Freeport's most useful citizens, furnishing a valuable example of high endeavor and great accomplishment. In looking back over his past life and the marvelous changes that have been wrought during the fifty-one years of

his residence here, he discourses entertainingly of the events and incidents that he was witnessed or in which he has, perhaps, taken part and of the men connected with them. Viewed at this day, the history of those early times have a strong tinge of romance. He is a successful lawyer and has, moreover, attained high rank as a statesman. He has filled many official positions, local, state and national, and in all of them he has added to his reputation and left them with an untarnished record. From 1857 to 1860 he was school commissioner for the county; from 1861 to 1865, a member of the legislature; from 1869 to 1879, a leader in congress and for the greater part of that period a prominent member of the ways and means committee; then for six years director of the United States mint, and in 1885-86 a member of the Illinois revenue commission. He is an authority on financial and fiscal subjects. He was married on May 25, 1861, to JANE LAWYER daughter of the late MICHAEL LAWYER. She died in 1892. He has one son, EDWARD LAWYER BURCHARD, of Washington, D.C., who has charge of the congressional library. Mr. Burchard is social in disposition democratic in habits and manner and a true American. Despite the weight of seventy-nine years, he is still vigorous and diligently pursues his profession.

MR. & MRS. HORATIO JONES - Horatio Jones of Lena was born at Georgia, Virginia, in 1822, and Mrs. Jones, whose maiden name was BETSEY JEWELL, was born at Westford, Virginia, in 1815, the latter, who is several years older than her husband, being now in her 89th year. Mr. & Mrs. Jones came west in 1848 and located in Kent township where they resided until a few years ago when they moved to Lena and retired. They are the parents of four children, three, as follows, still living: A.D., Lena; Mrs. ALICE WASSON, this city, and CORA C., at home. Mr. Jones is not very vigorous, but Mrs. Jones is remarkably well preserved, her mind being clear, and active, remembering many occurrences of her earliest years most distinctly.

DR. W.P. NARAMORE, of Lena, who is in his eightieth year, was born Dec. 19, 1824 in Seneca county, New York; came west to Ohio in 1830 and to Illinois in 1846; married Miss LUCY A. JONES in 1848, who passed away in 1858; married Miss MARY BOWERS, who died some eight or ten years ago. Dr. Naramore is the father of two children by his first marriage and of five by the second, four of whom are living. They are: WILLARD W., Mason City, Iowa; MILTON O., Chicago; MATTIE L., at home and GEORGE, Linton, North Dakota. When the doctor reached his county he possessed a cash capital of 95 cents, which he has increased many fold, at any rate, he is in quite easy circumstances. He has been one of the very useful citizens of this county, not only in practice of his profession, but also in many other ways, having served the district in the legislature and this county on the board of supervisors during the time the court house was being built. In addition to the many other positions he has filled he has been president of the Old Settlers' association for many years and makes an ideal presiding officer. (Article includes a picture of him)

MRS. MAGDALENE BENSON, of Cedarville was born in Lebanon county, Pa., Nov. 20, 1820, came to Stephenson in 1847 with her husband, JAMES BENSON, who died some years ago. She is the mother of three children: JOSEPH K., and Mrs. D.G. ILGEN of Cedarville and Mrs. CHARLES SAXBY of Harlem. Mrs. Benson is quite active for one of her age. (Article includes a picture of her)

JACOB LANGENSTEIN of Buckeye, who is 77 years old, was born in Germany. He is the father of six children: MARY, CATHERINE, ELLEN, IDA and EDWARD at home and Rev. JOHN, who is in the state of Oregon.

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MANY PIONEERS PASS ON SINCE OLD SETTLER' REUNION OF 1922

That many long-time residents of Stephenson county answered the summons of death since the old settler's reunion of 1922 was indicated when the obituary list for the year 1922-23 was read at today's reunion at Cedarville. The death list, in which appear the names of many prominent persons, was compiled by Mrs. F.W. ERMOLD, of Cedarville, obituary secretary. It follows:

- Aug. 31 (1922) - Carl W. SWARTZ, residence, Freeport, born in Freeport, in 1883  
Aug. 30 - Mrs. Orlando TOWER, residence Lena; born in Stephenson county.  
Sept. 2 - Franklin F. PICKARD, Freeport, born at Eleroy in 1860.  
Sept. 11 - Mrs. Sarah A. LAUCK, Rock Grove; born in Pa. in 1844; came to Stephenson Co. in 1857.  
Sept. 11 - Mrs. Clara KRIENS, Germany Valley; born in Ridott township in 1883.  
Sept. 12 - Miss Ida NEHUS, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1881.  
Sept. 15 - Henry John EULER, Freeport; born in Ger. in 1866; came to Stephenson county when a boy.  
Sept. 16 - Peter MC GURK, Freeport; born in Maryland in 1840; came to Stephenson Co. when a child.  
Sept. 18 - Mrs. Mary COHAHN, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1858.  
Sept. 18 - John M. KRUSEY, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1862.  
Sept. 18 - Mrs. Daniel MARKER, Beloit; born in Lena in 1863.  
Sept. 19 - William KOENIG, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1853; came to Stephenson Co. when a boy.  
Sept. 20 - August WITTE, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1867.  
Sept. 19 - John HANNIFAN, Freeport; born in 1852; life long resident.  
Sept. 20 - Harrison DIEMER, Dakota; born in Pa. in 1839; came here 74 years ago.  
Sept. 21 - Mrs. Ida May THOMPSON, Cedarville; born at Cedarville in 1856.  
Sept. 11 - George Henry LLOYD, Winslow; born in Ohio in 1847.  
Sept. 23 - John GUSHART, Cedarville; born in Ohio in 1852; came to Stephenson county in 1873.  
Sept. 26 - J.S. AFFLERBAUGH, Davis; born in Pennsylvania in 1838; came here 74 years ago.  
Sept. 23 - Mrs. Almeda HUNSICKER, Dakota; born in Pennsylvania in 1866; came here as a child.  
Sept. 28 - Samuel REESER, Orangeville; born at Orangeville in 1859.  
Sept. 28 - Henry ALTENBERN, Lena; born in Lena in 1857.  
Sept. 30 - Andrew WILSON, Red Oak; born at Afolkey in 1865.  
Sept. 28 - John HERSHEY, Pearl City; born in Pennsylvania in 1850; came here a mere boy.  
Oct. 1 - Frank HEANEY, Freeport; born at Hess's Mills in 1865.  
Oct. 4 - Mrs. J.H. MORITZ, Freeport; born in Germany in 1846; came here in 1867.  
Oct. 6 - Mrs. A.A. CURTISS, Freeport; born in Wisconsin in 1854; came to Stephenson Co. in 1871.  
Oct. 9 - William J. BEST, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1843; came to Stephenson Co. in 1847.  
Oct. 10 - Mrs. August SEITZ, Freeport; born in Mass. in 1855; came here when a few months old.  
Oct. 12 - Mrs. H.B. LEITZELL, Freeport; born at Dakota in 1857.  
Oct. 12 - Mrs. Elsie M. RUTTER, Freeport; born at Oneco in 1854.  
----- - William MC ELHINEY, Dakota  
Oct. 14 - Mrs. J. LEEMHUIS, Freeport; born in Germany in 1820.  
Oct. 21 - Martin D. CHILTON, Freeport; born at Oneco in 1848.  
Oct. 21 - Mrs. Margaret MAYER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1866.  
Oct. 18 - William STRONG, Ridott; born at Eleroy in 1842.  
Oct. 25 - Oscar N. BULL, Freeport; born at Amboy, IL in 1859; came to Stephenson Co. 40 years ago.  
Oct. 26 - Mrs. Laura TEMPLETON BROWN, Dakota; born at Dakota in 1862.  
Oct. 28 - Simon F. BOKEMEIER, Freeport; born in Lancaster township in 1849.  
Oct. 30 - Mrs. Johanna GABLE, Freeport; born in Prussia in 1848; came to Stephenson Co. in 1873.  
Oct. 31 - Benj. CLARK, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1842; came to Stephenson county in 1856.  
Nov. 3 - John D. NAMPLE, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1877.  
Nov. 3 - Miss Laura DRAKE, Winslow.  
Nov. 5 - Joseph M. MC LAUGHLIN, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1851, came to Stephenson Co. as young man  
Nov. 6 - Mrs. Wesley J. SNYDER, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1841; came to Steph.Co. at age of 10 years,  
Nov. 7 - Mrs. Carrie KOENIG, Freeport; born at Lena in 1855.  
Nov. 8 - John W. YOUNG, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1842; came to Stephenson Co. when quite young.



Nov. 9 - Miss Kate G. STAHL, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1837; came to Stephenson Co. in 1860.  
 Nov. 15 - Mrs. Sarah WISE, Ridott; born in Ohio in 1844; came to Stephenson Co. 44 years ago.  
 Nov. 19 - John C. BURNS, Freeport; born in Ireland in 1847; came to Steph. Co. when two years of age  
 Nov. 20 - Mrs. Harriet FRY, McConnell; born in Pa. in 1837; came to Stephenson Co. in 1844.  
 Nov. 22 - Mrs. Frank ROSENSTIEL, Red Oak; born in Ridott township in 1867.  
 Nov. 25 - Mrs. Ida May VAN DYKE, Freeport; born at Dixon, IL, in 1854; came to Steph. Co. in 1876  
 Nov. 28 - Jared H. STEMM, Winslow; born in Pa. in 1842; came to Stephenson county a very young man  
 Dec. 1 - Mrs. Melissa J. BACKES, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1863.  
 Dec. 2 - Joseph HART, Rock Run township; born in Freeport in 1857.  
 Dec. 3 - Mrs. Elizabeth GROB, Freeport; born in Switzerland in 1837, came to Steph. Co. 58 years ago  
 Dec. 4 - Mrs. Charlotte TEMPEL, Frp.; born in Ger. in 1840; came to Steph. Co. at 20 years of age  
 Dec. 5 - Jacob John WHEELAND, Freeport born in Pa. in 1853; came to Stephenson county in 1857.  
 Nov -- - Clarissa ? TOOGOOD, Lena; born in Waddams Grove in 1868.  
 Dec. 9 - Mrs. William F. BENETHUM, Freeport; born at Cedarville in 1858.  
 Dec. 10 - George RUSTON, Freeport; born in England in 1840; came to Stephenson Co. in 1862.  
 Dec. 12 - Christian GEHRING, Freeport; born in Germany in 1840; came to Stephenson Co. in 1876.  
 Dec. 10 - Mrs. John SCHROEDER, Germany Valley; born in Ger. in 1834; came to Steph. Co. in 1862  
 Dec. 12 - Mrs. Elizabeth POPKES, born in New York in 1858; came to Stephenson county when a child.  
 Dec. 13 - Mrs. Caroline FREIDAG, Frp., born in Ger. in 1849; came to Steph. Co. as a little girl.  
 Dec. 14 - Mrs. Fannie A. NAUTH, Freeport; born in Arkansas in 1854; came to Steph. Co. in 1862.  
 Dec. 14 - Louis WITTBECKER, Freeport, born in Freeport in 1870.  
 Dec. 14 - Charles L. HOMAN, Cedarville, born in Germany in 1853; came to Steph. Co. in 1871.  
 Dec. 14 - William ASCHER, Freeport, born in Freeport in 1851.  
 Dec. 10 - Mrs. Louisa COWLEY, Freeport born in Freeport in 1865.  
 Dec. 12 - Mrs. Laura LATHROP, Brookline, Mass.; born in Freeport in 1842.  
 Dec. 17 - Miss Anna MATTER, Florence Station; born in Stephenson county in 1863.  
 Dec. 20 - Mrs. J.H. MOSES, Cedarville; born in Stephenson county in 1860.  
 Dec. 21 - Samuel EISENBISE, Waddams Grove; born in Ohio in 1839; came to Stephenson county in 1876  
 Dec. 21 - Jacob DELP, Pearl City; born in Pennsylvania in 1833; came to Steph. Co. 75 years ago.  
 Dec. 23 - John HAMM, Sr., Freeport; born in Alsace Lorraine in 1835; came to Steph. Co. in 1855.  
 Dec. 23 - Mrs. Mary REEDY, Freeport; born in New York in 1846.  
 Dec. 26 - Thomas D. OSBORNE, Rockford; born in Freeport in 1860.  
 Dec. 25 - Mrs. F.N. SMULL, McConnell; born at Waddams Grove in 1861.  
 Dec. 25 - William F. GOHN, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1852; came to Stephenson county a young man.  
 Dec. 29 - Mr. J.F. MISHLER, Pearl City.  
 Dec. 29 - Mrs. J. EDWARDS, New York City; born in Freeport in 1858.  
 Dec. 30 - Adolph BOEHLAND, Pearl City; born in Wisc. in 1869; came to Steph. Co. at age of two years  
 Dec. 31 - Miss Johanna PENNENBORG, Freeport; born in Germany in 1850; came to Steph. Co. in 1869.  
 Dec. 30 - Christian RUMMELHAGEN, Freeport; born in Germany in 1840; came to Steph. Co. in 1870.  
 Dec. 28 - Rev. Charles S. FEHR, Geneseo; born in Pa. in 1845; came to Steph. Co. in 1850.  
 Jan. 3 (1923) - Mary Elizabeth SAXBY, Freeport; born in England in 1845; Steph. Co. in 1850.  
 Jan. 3 - Austin YARGER, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1848; came to Stephenson county in 1867.  
 Jan. 4 - Mary Ellen GRIMES, Freeport; born in Ohio in 1846; came to Stephenson county in 1850.  
 Jan. 4 - Henry R. NELSON, Lena; born in Norway in 1853; came to Stephenson county in 1875.  
 Jan. 3 - Mrs. Fred KAMPMEIER, German Valley; born in Germany in 1848; came to Steph. Co. in 1864.  
 Jan. 8 - Miss Lena BRICK, Ridott; born in Harlem township in 1864.  
 Jan. -- - Louis F. WARD, Danville; born in 1841.  
 Jan. 11 - Mrs. Julia C. MC GURK, Chicago.  
 Jan. 10 - Mrs. Elvira WHITMORE, Independence, IA; born in New York in 1834; came to Steph. Co. a small girl  
 Jan. 11 - Mrs. Catherine BABBITT, Freeport; born in Canada in 1832.  
 Jan. 12 - John S. NEIL, Freeport; born at Rock Run in 1861.  
 Jan. 15 - Mrs. Mary VAIL, Freeport; born in Ireland in 1847; came to Stephenson County in 1865  
 Jan. 15 - Mrs. L.D. VAN MATRE, Orangeville; born in Waddams township in 1860.

- Jan. 18 - William KAMPMEIER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1866; came to Stephenson county in 1882.  
Jan. 18 - Mrs. Anna MEYERS, Sciota Mills; born in Waddams township in 1867.  
Jan. 19 - James NELSON, Buckeye township; born in Ireland in 1830; came to Stephenson co. in 1844.  
Jan. 19 - Mrs. Anna SCHMEDES, Freeport; born in Germany in 1845; came to Stephenson county in 1869.  
Jan. 21 - F.A. MENSENKAMP, Freeport, born in Germany in 1839; came to Stephenson county in 1869.  
Jan. 24 - Perry O. STIVER, Freeport, born in Pennsylvania in 1855; came to Stephenson Co. in 1878.  
Jan. 24 - Henry MILLER, Davis; born in Germany in 1835; came to Stephenson county a young man.  
Jan. 24 - Newton MARK, Freeport; born at Cedarville in 1858.  
Jan. 28 - Mrs. Luella CLINGMAN, Cedarville; born in Buckeye township 1874.  
Jan. 31 - Miss Elmyra SHERBONDS, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1850; came to Steph. Co. a small child.  
Jan. 31 - Mrs. William KNIPSCHILD; Freeport; born in Ireland in 1846; came to Steph. Co. about 1873.  
Jan. 26 - Mrs. N.J. EBERHART, Orangeville; born in Switzerland in 1849; came to Steph. Co. in 1883.  
Jan. 31 - Mrs. Mary BRACE, Ridott; born in Germany in 1836; came to Stephenson county in 1847.  
Jan. 31 - Mrs. Susanna E. CARL, LaGrange, IL; born in Pa. in 1840; came to Steph. county in 1844.  
Feb. 2 - Mrs. William FARGHER, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1843; came to Stephenson county in 1855.  
Feb. 2 - Mrs. Dorothy ALBERTS, Freeport; born in Germany in 1844; came to Steph. Co. in 1883.  
Feb. 2 - Aaron BOWER, Orangeville; born in Pennsylvania in 1840; came to Steph. Co. in 1844.  
Feb. 3 - Mrs. Caroline HARTMAN, Freeport; born in Buckeye township in 1847.  
Feb. 4 - William BECHTOLD, Freeport; born in Buckeye township in 1840.  
Feb. 4 - John H. WESSELS, German Vallley; born in Germany in 1833; came to Steph. Co. in 1853.  
Feb. 6 - Harvey FARRINGER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1883.  
Feb. 7 - Charles KYLER, Winslow; born in Pennsylvania in 1852; lived in Steph. Co. most of his life.  
Feb. 6 - George COLE, Redwood Falls; born in Pa. in 1841; came to Steph. Co. when quite young.  
Feb. 6 - Mrs. Anna S. JAMES, Freeport; born in Jo Daviess Co., IL in 1845; came to Steph. Co. when a young woman.  
Feb. 7 - Mrs. A. COLLMAN, Lincoln, Neb; born in Ger. in 1834; came to Steph. Co. at the age of 19.  
Feb. 14 - Louis KLAGES, Florence township; born in Freeport in 1856.  
Feb. 10 - Ernest KOCK, Davis, born in Germany in 1861; came to Stephenson county in 1881.  
Feb. 18 - Thomas REARDON, Freeport, born at Lena in 1875.  
Feb. 17 - Patrick HURLEY, Freeport, born in Ireland in 1839; came to Steph. Co. in 1850.  
Feb. 18 - Mrs. Fred TIELKE, Davis; born at Davis in 1860.  
Feb. 19 - Mrs. Anna KENNISON, Freeport; born in Chicago in 1852; came to Steph. Co. in 1858.  
Feb. 20 - Mrs. Mary SMELIZER, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1852; came to Steph. Co. at about 15 years of age.  
Feb. 21 - Thomas KANE, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1864.  
Feb. 16 - Harriet VAN SICKLE, Damascus; born in Stephenson county in 1846.  
Feb. 21 - William HINTZ, Rock City; born in Germany in 1844; came to Steph. Co. in 1869.  
Feb. 21 - Mrs. Hannah GOEKE, Dakota; born in Dakota township in 1872.  
Feb. 22 - Patrick MOONEY, Freeport; born in Harlem township in 1872.  
Feb. 23 - Mrs. Anna SCHILLING, Freeport; born in Canada in 1855; came to Steph. Co. a small child.  
Feb. 23 - William FISCHER, Freeport, born in Germany in 1846; came to Stephenson county in 1871.  
Feb. 24 - Mrs. Amelia SMITH, Freeport, born in Germany in 1855; came to Stephenson county in 1870.  
Feb. 25 - Lewis RITZMAN, Orangeville; born in Pa. in 1846; came to Stephenson county in 1849.  
Feb. 26 - Mrs. Herman RABE, Basswood; born in 1846.  
Feb. 26 - Mrs. Augusta HOEFT, Basswood; born in 1868.  
Mar. 5 - D.F. THOMPSON, Kent; born in Pennsylvania in 1850; came to Steph. Co., in 1871.  
Mar. 1 - Oiver GILL, Rock Grove; born in Pennsylvania in 1847; came to Steph. Co., in 1864.  
Mar. 4 - Fred TOELKE, Davis; born in Germany in 1844; came to Stephenson county in 1868.  
Mar. 3 - Mrs. Johanna GRATTELO, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1855.  
Mar. 5 - John S. SNYDER, Lena; born in Canada in 1847; came to Stephenson county in 1849.  
Mar. 3 - Mrs. Isaac HOOT, Buckeye township; born in Buckeye township in 1858.  
Feb. 27 - Mrs. Edward MOREY, Winslow; born in Oneco township in 1860.  
Mar. 5 - Adolph BRANDT, Freeport; born in Germany in 1860; came to Stephenson county in 1883.

- Mar. 7 - Mary E. KAHLEY, Freeport; born at Cedarville in 1848.
- Mar. 8 - Matthew SHIELDS, Freeport; born in Germany in 1836; came to Stephenson co. a young man.
- Mar. 9 - Mrs. Katherine VAN LOH, Freeport; born in Germany in 1835; came to Steph. Co. in 1856.
- Mar. 10 - Mrs. Ellen NAPE, Cedarville; born in Pennsylvania in 1840; came to Steph. Co. in 1847.
- Mar. 5 - Charles SCHROEDER, Rock City; born at Rock Grove in 1853.
- Mar. 12 - Mrs. Lena LOVELAND, Freeport; born at Ridott, Ill. in 1855.
- Mar. 13 - Miss Catherine O'BRIN, Freeport; born in New Dublin in 1860; came to Steph. Co. in 1880.
- Mar. 11 - Miss Mary WILSON, Mt. Carroll; born in Pennsylvania.
- Mar. 12 - Mrs. Nancy GIBLER, Ridott; born in 1841.
- Mar. 12 - Miss Lucy A. VOUGHT, Hampton, Iowa; born in Freeport in 1845.
- Mar. 14 - Frank HOGINS, Erin twsp.; born in New York in 1842; came to Steph. Co. at age of 2 years.
- Mar. 15 - George MARIE, Freeport; born in Ridott township in 1870.
- Mar. 15 - Herman J. STRAUB, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1870.
- Mar. 16 - Mrs. Kate PENTICOFF, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1844; came to Steph. Co. at age of 10 years
- Mar. 16 - Wm. C. MOYER, Winslow; born in 1863.
- Mar. 18 - Mrs. Jennie BERG, Freeport; born in Germany in 1859; came to Stephenson Co. in 1878.
- Mar. 19 - John Smith HUDSON, Lena; born at Lena in 1853.
- Mar. 23 - John SCHILLER, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1858; came to Steph. Co. at age of 5 years.
- Mar. 23 - Joseph BOUCHERT, Freeport; born in Germany in 1845; came to Steph. Co. 40 years ago.
- Mar. 23 - George C. MOYER, Lena; born in West Point township in 1883.
- Mar. 20 - Jacob SPRAGUE, Frp.; born at Centennial, IL in 1863; came to Steph. Co. early in life
- Mar. 24 - Miss Anna LAPP, Dakota; born in Lancaster township in 1858.
- Mar. 26 - Herman HOSMAN; Quincy; born in Pennsylvania in 1846; came to Stephenson county in 1865.
- Mar. 27 - Mrs. Susan LANTZER, Lena; born in Pa. in 1851; came to Stephenson Co. at age of 2 year.
- Mar. 29 - Louis Albert LAABS, Pecatonica; born in Wisconsin in 1858; came to Steph. Co. about 1883
- - Mrs. Demerest BOLENDER, Rock Grove
- Mar. 31 - Mrs. Loretta B. CRAGO, Freeport; born at Mt. Pleasant in 1861.
- Apr. 2 - Michael BASTIAN, Freeport; born in Florence township in 1861.
- Apr. 3 - Mrs. George SHAFFER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1862.
- Apr. 4 - William RUHLE, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1850; came to Steph. Co. about 43 years ago.
- Apr. 4 - Mrs. Natalie ERFERT, Freeport; born in Ger. in 1843; came to Steph. Co. at age of 3 years
- Apr. 4 - Mrs. Elizabeth LAPP, Dakota; born in Lancaster township in 1856.
- Apr. 5 - Mrs. Albert VAN VALKENBERG, Irish Grove, born in New York in 1844; came to Stephenson county at age of 3 years.
- Apr. 6 - Mrs. Charles ZIPSE, Red Oak; born in Germany in 1863; came to Steph. Co. in 1871
- Apr. 7 - Mrs. Elizabeth MC KENNA, Freeport; born in Ireland in 1844; came to Steph. Co. 50 years ago
- Apr. 8 - Anna Marie UECKER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1876.
- Apr. 8 - Mrs. Anna CAREY, Freeport; born in Ireland in 1852; came to Steph. Co. when two months old
- Apr. 9 - Mrs. C.S. SNYDER, Orangeville; born in Pa. in 1855; came to Steph. Co. in 1861.
- Apr. 7 - Mrs. Catherine BOGENRIEF, Pearl City; born in Pa. in 1842; came to Steph. Co. in 1854.
- Apr. 13 - Mrs. Henry WIRTJES, Florence twp.; born in Iowa in 1883; came to Steph. Co. a baby.
- - Charles A. HOEBEL, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1858.
- Apr. 15 - Henry W. MOLCHIOR, Freeport; born in Ogle county in 1859; came to Steph. Co. a young man
- Apr. 16 - George KNELLER, Freeport; born in Germany in 1834; came to Stephenson county in 1854.
- Apr. 16 - John G. BAKER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1856.
- Apr. 15 - Jacob WEBER, Davis, born at Rock Run in 1840.
- Apr. 20 - John GERBER, Freeport; born in Switzerland in 1854; came to Stephenson county in 1870.
- Apr. 28 - Mrs. Frederike WEIFENBACH, Freeport; born in Germany in 1839; came to Steph. Co. in 1858
- Apr. 28 - Mrs. Samuel SCHROEDER, Freeport; born in Wisconsin in 1859.
- Apr. 30 - Ellis STROHECKER, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1858; came to Steph. Co. as a boy.
- Apr. 29 - Mrs. Lillian MACKAY BLUST, Freeport; born in Illinois in 1875.
- Apr. 27 - Mrs. Catherine KELTNER, Pearl City; born in Ohio in 1833; came to Steph. Co. about 1861.
- May 1 - Mrs. H. REITER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1863.

May 1 - John Jacob WISE, Dakota; born in Ohio in 1839; came to Stephenson county 40 years ago.  
May 1 - Robert O'DONNELL, Freeport; born in Ireland in 1864; came to Stephenson Co. in 1879.  
May 1 - Dr. Edward J. HOAG, Ridott; born in Rock Run township in 1860.  
May 3 - Mrs. Mary HOFFMAN, Chicago; born in Germany in 1842; came to Stephenson county in 1859.  
May 4 - Wm. FARGHER, Freeport; born in Isle of Man in 1838; came to Stephenson county in 1867.  
May 3 - August RAEDEKER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1868.  
May 7 - Joseph C. FISHER, Freeport; born in Pa. in 1859; came to Steph. Co. at age of 6 years.  
May 10 - Mrs. Justina SIGGES, Freeport; born in Germany in 1835; came to Steph. Co. 41 years ago.  
May 11 - Joseph ELLIS, Freeport; born in Austria in 1848; came to Stephenson county in early 50's.  
May 18 - Fred JACOBS, Freeport; born in Germany in 1868?; came to Stephenson county in 1883.  
May 20 - Lewis MAYER, Freeport; born in Florence township in 1863.  
May 18 - Mrs. Anne CRAMER, Rock Grove; born in Pennsylvania in 1859; came to Steph. Co. as a child.  
May 19 - Mrs. Minnie SCHIERENBERG, Kent; born in Kent township in 1874.  
May 21 - John LOBDELL, Lena; born in Will county, IL in 1837; came to Stephenson County at age of eight months.  
May 18 - Mrs. Wm. LAWLER, McConnell; born in Oneco township in 1861.  
May 22 - Peter HIEBST, Orangeville; born in France in 1835; came to Stephenson county in 1868.  
May 26 - Albert RABE, Winslow; born in 1856.  
May 29 - Miss Elizabeth KOENIG, Freeport; born in Mt. Morris in 1855; came to Steph. Co. in 1856.  
May 29 - Albert J. ALTENBERN, Freeport; born in West Point township in 1881.  
May 31 - Mrs. Conradine KLAGES, Freeport; born in Germany in 1832; came to Stephenson Co. in 1849.  
June 2 - Gustav A. HUENKEMEIER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1862.  
June 3 - James M. HINELINE, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1859.  
June 3 - O.I. BRACE, Florence township; born in Pa. in 1838; came to Stephenson Co. in 1869.  
June 10 - Mrs. Appalonia JOGERST, Freeport; born in Canada in 1842; came to Steph. Co. in 1862.  
June 14 - James W. OSWALT, Cedarville, born in Indiana in 1854; came to Steph. Co. in 1878.  
June 9 - Henry NIEDERMEIER, Rock City; born in Germany in 1861; came to Steph. Co. in 1867.  
June 13 - Mrs. Catherine A. STEMM, Dakota; born in Pennsylvania in 1842.  
June 16 - John A. HOEBEL, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1872.  
June 16 - Isaac WAGNER, Milwaukee, born in 1842.  
June 19 - Frank W. FARRINGER, Lena; born in Freeport in 1859.  
June 22 - Andrew HAKE, Buckeye township; born in Stephenson county in 1853.  
June 25 - Mrs. Sarah E. KNISS, Freeport; born in Wisconsin in 1849; came to Steph. Co. in 1851.  
June 26 - Miss Maria D. HOGAN, Freeport; born in Ireland in 1865; came to Steph. Co. 50 years ago.  
June 27 - Robert F. MUSSEY, Freeport; born in Buckeye township in 1860.  
June 28 - John W. BRENEMAN, Davis; born in Ohio in 1857; came to Stephenson county in 1867.  
June 23 - Perry B. STAVES, Freeport; born in Wisconsin in 1853.  
July 7 - Mrs. Johanna HICKLEY, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1860.  
July 1 - Mrs. Clara JAEGER, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1878.  
July 1 - Mrs. Catherine BRADLEY, Rock Run; born at Ridott in 1860.  
July 13 - Oscar David SEYLER, Lena; born at Lena in 1872.  
July 9 - Mrs. Mary KIPLINGER KAHL, Lena; born in Ohio in 1831; came to Stephenson county in 1854.  
July 15 - Charles H. CRANE, Freeport; born in Massachusetts in 1847.  
July 19 - William B. ANGLE, Freeport; born in Buckeye township in 1851.  
July 24 - Fred ZIMMERMAN, Freeport; born in Harlem township in 1859.  
July 25 - Mrs. Emma M. GIBLER, Freeport; born in England in 1846; came to Steph. Co. 35 years ago.  
July 21 - William SHADE, Freeport; born in Pennsylvania in 1853; came to Steph. Co. a small boy.  
July 21 - Cornelius REED, Cedarville; born in Pa. in 1850; came to Steph. Co. at age of 6 years.  
July 27 - Mrs. Frank BALLE, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1872.  
July 29 - James M. BARR, DAKOTA; born in Pennsylvania in 1851; came to Steph. Co. in 1866.  
July 31 - Benjamin BOYER, Ridott; born in Pennsylvania in 1838; came to Steph. Co. in 1883.  
Aug. 1 - Mrs. Anna EMRICH, Freeport; born in Freeport in 1855.  
Aug. 8 - G.R. RUMMEL, German Valley, born in Ogle County in 1854.



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Aug 8 - Jerit WOHLFORD, Cedarville, born in Pennsylvania in 1840; came to Steph. Co. in 1842.

Aug. 14 - Miss Jennie STEARNS, Freeport; born in Freeport

Aug. 11 - Mrs. John DIVAN, Polo; born at Davis in 1858.

Aug. 13 - Mrs. William STEWART, Freeport; born in England in 1846; came to Steph. Co. in 1866.

Other deaths since the foregoing list was compiled included the following:

Jacob H. BECKER, Chicago 82?; Mrs. Claribel BUCKMAN MITCHELL, Freeport; Miss Teifer Alice RITCHIE, Freeport; Louis WEIK, 78, Ridott; Claus F. KRUSE, Chicago, 82; David M. SWARTZ, Orangeville, 70; R. I. CUMMINGS, Freeport, 77; Mrs. Ulrick BOOMGARTEN, German Valley; Mrs. Irene Schofield MILLER, Orange, N.J., 50.

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From: Freeport Daily Journal Aug. 28, 1894

PETER POWELL, probably the oldest man in Freeport, died last evening at the home of Mr. & Mrs. T.D. HEWITT, on Pleasant street. Mr. Powell had been in feeble health for some years, and last Thursday evening he suffered a stroke of paralysis while at the dinner table, and passed from earth last evening at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Powell was born in 1801, on Bedloe's Island in New York harbor. His mother, MARY BEDLOE, was the wife the Mr. Bedloe in honor of whom the island was named. Mr. Powell was reared in New York City, and for many years he followed the occupation of contractor and builder in that city. In 1855 he came west and settled in Freeport, which city has ever since been his home. His wife died many years ago, and he outlived his seven children. For some time he has made his home with Mr. & Mrs. HEWITT. His nearest relatives are his grandchildren, Mr. J.E. ADAMSON, MRS. T.D. HEWITT and MRS. S.E. MC CALL, of Freeport; Mrs. Dr. TAGGART, of Chicago; Mrs. J.W. DENCH, of Providence, R.I.; and FRED K. PORTER, of Leadville, Colo.

Mr. Powell was a man of great intelligence and was well informed in regard to the history of this country. He led a correct life and for years has been prepared to cross the dark river.

The funeral will be held from Mr. Hewitt's residence tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, and Rev. MARCUS LANE will officiate. W.H.J. STRATTON will have charge of the funeral arrangements.

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From: Freeport Daily Journal Dec. 1, 1886

MRS. NANCY BOWERS, at the residence of Mrs. MARY C. THOMPSON, No. 134 Clay street, at six o'clock Wednesday morning, Mrs. NANCY BOWERS departed this life, after a brief illness. Monday the deceased appeared well, and did some sewing, but Tuesday noon she complained of being ill. She suffered a great deal of pain, but was conscious up to the last moment, and was satisfied to leave this world of care and sorrow.

Mrs. Bowers was a native of Northumberland Co., Pa., and would have been 86 years of age had she lived until the 7th of next June. She was united in marriage at her native place to JOHN H. BOWERS, who died 19 years ago. Thirty-eight years ago the family came west, and here Mrs. Bowers remained until her death. She was a lady of remarkable vitality for one of her years and was never know to complain. In early life she identified herself with the Evangelical Association, and was one of the first members of the Salem church. Here, where she was best known, her loss will be keenly felt by the sons and daughters, as well as by all others who enjoyed her friendship. She was the mother of fifteen children, twelve of them alive as follows: FRANK, Minnesota; WILLIAM, Monroe, Wis.; ANDREW, Pennsylvania; PHILIP, Polo; Mrs. AMELIA JOHNSON, Chicago; Mrs. CLARK, Centre county, Pa.; JAMES, THOMAS and SAMUEL BOWERS, Mrs. MARY C. THOMPSON, Mrs. T.M. STEVENS, and Mrs. CLARA STINE, Freeport. Over forty persons called her grandmother and a large number great grandmother.

The funeral will take place Friday or Saturday.



