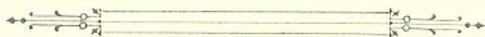


proof of his ability in agricultural affairs, while its appearance indicates his possession of progressive ideas and good taste.

The home of our subject is presided over by a woman of intelligence, housewifely skill, and fine character, with whom he was united in marriage in Silver Creek Township, this county, November 29, 1871. Her maiden name was Sarah E. Sutton, her birthplace New Jasper, and her natal day December 2, 1850. She is a daughter of William G. and Martha E. (Hagler) Sutton, natives of New Jasper Township, whose parents were early settlers in the county. After spending some years of their married life in that township, Mr. and Mrs. Sutton came to Silver Creek Township in 1854, purchasing a farm of more than two hundred acres, which they made their home until 1882. At that time they retired to Jamestown, where they are yet living, retired from an active participation in their former duties, and devoting their time to social and religious matters. Both are active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Their family included eight sons and daughters, one of whom is now deceased, Mrs. Smith being the eldest.

The family of our subject and his estimable wife includes five living children, and two deceased: Frank Adelbert died at the age of ten years and six months, and William Daniel when seven months old. The survivors are Stella, Viola, Cyrus B., Nora, and Eva, whose presence around the family fireside gladdens the parental hearts. Mr. Smith gives his allegiance to the Republican party. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In addition to the fine estate on which they live, they own another improved farm near Jamestown, which is seventy acres in extent.



ENOCH G. ARBOGAST, a native-born citizen of Clark County, now residing in Springfield, has for many years been closely connected with its industrial interests, and is at present doing a prosperous business as a blacksmith, having opened a wagon and blacksmith shop in this city in 1876. He is well known as a man

of honorable reputation, and during his long residence here he has won the high esteem and confidence of all. He was born in Moorefield Township, December 23, 1825, the eldest son of John and Elizabeth Arbogast. For parental history see sketch of Eli Arbogast on another page of this volume. His early education was acquired in the pioneer schools of this region, which were conducted on the subscription plan in a rude log house, provided with rough, home-made furniture, slabs with wooden pins for legs serving for seats. In the winter season the boys used these benches for sleds, when there was snow on the ground sliding down hill on them, thus utilizing them for two purposes. There were no desks in the schoolhouse, but holes were bored in the logs, into which wooden pegs were inserted, and the board laid on the top of these was used by the larger scholars to write on.

Our subject assisted his father in the farm work until he was seventeen years old, when he commenced to learn the trade of a wheelwright, at which he served about two years, and then was employed as a journeyman in that capacity a few years. After that he engaged in the lumber business, buying the timber standing and manufacturing it into lumber. He built up quite an extensive and paying business in that line, which he carried on successfully until 1873. In 1876, as before mentioned, he turned his attention to his present business. He has considerable mechanical skill and ingenuity, re-enforced by a thorough knowledge of his calling in all its details, so that he has attracted a great deal of custom and controls quite a large trade.

Mr. Arbogast was united in marriage to Miss Lavina J. Harmon, in 1851. She is also a native of Ohio, born in Bellbrook, Greene County, and a daughter of Henry and Mary Harmon. Mr. and Mrs. Arbogast have eight children living—J. Oscar, Schuyler C., Emma J., William E., Nettie C., Charles H., Walter H. and Mary C. Annie, the fourth child, died at the age of twenty-two years.

Mr. and Mrs. Arbogast are valued members of this community, where so many years of their lives have been passed. They are quietly and unostentatiously liberal, never withholding their

hands in cases of need, and showing in their everyday lives that their religion is not a mere form, but is deeply seated within their hearts. They are faithful and zealous members of the St. Paul Methodist Episcopal Church. In his political views, Mr. Arbogast is a staunch Republican.



JOHN JAMESON. A pleasantly located and valuable farm of one hundred and forty-seven acres in Cedarville Township, Greene County, is the home of the above-named gentleman, who is one of the oldest native citizens of the county. He has placed his land under a high state of cultivation and has himself built upon it an adequate number of barns and other farm buildings, all of which are well constructed and sufficiently commodious for their purposes. The dwelling is an attractive frame house of pleasing architectural design and excellent workmanship, so situated as to overlook a wide expanse of surrounding country, with Cedarville lying two miles away. It was erected in 1873, and it is a monument to the mechanical skill of the owner and builder.

George Jameson and his wife, Rebecca (Rankin) Jameson came with their family to this county early in the nineteenth century, their former home having been in Washington County, Pa. Among the members of this family was a son, John, who was a young man at the time of their removal, and who afterward married Miss Elizabeth McCoy and located on a farm known as the old Turnbull farm on the Xenia Pike. Miss McCoy was a daughter of Alexander McCoy, who when a young man had crossed the ocean from Ireland, locating in Pennsylvania, whence he had removed to Kentucky and in 1800 came to this county. The parents of our subject belonged to that branch of the Presbyterian Church popularly known as Seceders, and are buried in the cemetery of that church on Massie's Creek, both having died near Cedarville, where they lived for years. The father died when our subject was about

six years old, he being the third child of the six who were left to the widow's care.

The natal day of the subject of this sketch was August 8, 1815, and while still a small boy he was put to work at such labors as his strength would admit of, the little schooling that he had, being obtained in an old log cabin. The family were clothed by the product of his mother's hands, their winter garments being made from wool taken from the backs of their own sheep and spun and woven by her. They raised flax from which their summer garments were made, the entire work being accomplished by the family from the sowing of the seed until the garment was completed. The plants were pulled from the ground and thrown out loosely to dry, after which they were broken over a machine which was merely a board driven into the ground, leaving the edge about eight inches wide; on this edge a handful of the dried plants would be held and beaten on the other side of the board with a scutching knife—a dull wooden blade—which would break the outer coating of the plant and free the lint, making it ready for the further processes of spinning, weaving, etc. Indians were quite numerous in the neighborhood and our subject has heard his mother tell many stories of their habits, of the willow baskets which they made, and the manner in which the papposes were carried in them.

When the gentleman of whom we write grew to manhood he was employed as a carpenter, having learned that trade and carried it on for some years, before devoting himself to a farm life. On April 5, 1854, he was united in marriage with Miss Haddassah Townsley. Her parents were Inis and Sarah (McCoy) Townsley, her mother being a daughter of Capt. James McCoy, of Cedarville, who belonged to the same family as did our subject's mother. The paternal grandfather of Mrs. Jameson was John Townsley, one of the first pioneers in this county. Indians used to camp on Inis Townsley's land and when they came to the house the squaw would set the baby, which was fastened to a board, up against a tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Jameson belong to the United Presbyterian Church of Cedarville. In politics Mr. Jameson is a Republican, the principles of that party having been the belief of his family in former