

#### HIRAM MARVIN.

Hiram Marvin, deceased, was born in Shelby, Ohio, April 21, 1829, and through the long years of an active business career made his home in the city of his birth, where he was recognized as one of its leading, influential and valued residents. His parents were Stephen and Sarah (Burr) Marvin, natives of Connecticut, whence they journeyed westward to Shelby, in 1800, this being their wedding trip. The journey was made in a one-horse wagon, leading through unbroken forests and often over almost impassable roads.

They were the parents of six sons and seven daughters who grew to the years of maturity.

Amid the wild scenes of the frontier in Richland county, Hiram Marvin, of this review, was reared. He was married in 1854 to Miss Maria Hinman, and engaged in farming until the inauguration of the Civil war. He responded to the country's call for troops and went to the front in defense of the Union. He valiantly aided in protecting the stars and stripes until the battle of Vicksburg, where he sustained an injury which incapacitated him not only for further military service, but for agricultural pursuits as well. Upon his return home he entered into partnership with John Kerr in the drug business and successfully conducted that enterprise until 1881, enjoying a large and lucrative patronage. In the year mentioned, however, he sold out and returned to the farm, there spending his remaining days. He died in 1892, and his wife in 1891, at the age of sixty-three years.

In 1854 our subject was married to Maria Hinman, at Grafton, Ohio, and they were the parents of seven children, but three of the number died in infancy. In order of birth the four who are living are as follows: Sarah M., who is a member of the Bloom street school in Mansfield; Hubbard Orten, who died in 1887, at the age of twenty-three years; Wilber Hiram, who is married and lives in Oregon; and Laura Caroline.

Through more than six decades Hiram Marvin was the witness of the development and upbuilding of Richland county, and saw many wonderful changes as it threw off the primitive surroundings and conditions and advanced into the latter-day civilization of the nineteenth century. His life was unmarked by any event of exciting interest, but was one of consistent, manly principles and faithful to every duty; and such a career is indeed worthy of emulation.