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## **4810 Iowa Street Property History Report**

Client:	
Date:	22 August 2024
Subject:	4810 Iowa Street, Clayton, Indiana
Contract:	
Research goal:	Discover the general history of 4810 lowa Street and its owners

#### **Narrative of findings:**

#### I. Date of Construction

The home located at 4810 Iowa Street in Clayton, Indiana is recorded as being built in 1820 by the Hendricks County Assessor's Office. This date is questionable given both the style of the home and the fact that Hendricks County was not organized until 1824. This report will begin with an investigation into historical tax records to establish the home's true construction date; this date can be inferred from tax records by tracing the value of improvements for a property over a set period of time and identifying where the value increases. This method, accompanied by other sources such as newspaper articles and the home's architectural style, will provide the best evidence for determining a year of construction.

Table 1 on the following page shows the value of improvements for the property at 4810 lowa Street from 1864 to 1900. 1864 was chosen as a starting date due to the fact that an 1865 map of Clayton shows no structure on the property, so it is unlikely the house was constructed before that date.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Improvements can be thought of as any type of man-made alterations to a property, one of the most common improvements being a dwelling. Values assigned were for tax assessment purposes and were not the actual market value.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Warner, C.S., and Worley & Bracher, Map of Hendricks County, Indiana. Philadelphia: Stone & Titus, 1865. From Library of Congress, Map Collections. https://www.loc.gov/item/2013593185/. See page 4 of this report for a snippet of this map.

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Table 1. Tax Assessment Values associated with the property at 4810 lowa Street, 1864-1900.

Year	Owner	Value of Improvements	Citation <sup>3</sup>
1864	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, page 103
1865	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, page 112
1866	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, image 116
1867	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, page 124
1868	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, page 119
1869	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, image 113
1870	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, image 136
1871	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, image 146
1872	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, image 140
1873	Thomas Lockhart	n/a	Book 1, image 114
1874	Thomas Lockhart	n/a <sup>4</sup>	Book 1, image 119
1875	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, image 122
1876	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, image 125
1877	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, image 129
1878	Thomas Lockhart	\$0	Book 1, image 135
1879	Aaron Acton	\$0	Book 1, image 112
1880	Aaron Acton	\$280	Book 1, image 110
1881	Aaron Acton	\$600	Book 1, image 113
1882	Aaron Acton	\$600	Book 1, image 113
1883	Aaron Acton	\$600	Book 1, image 113
1884	Aaron Acton	\$600	Book 2, page 3
1885	Aaron Acton	\$625	Book 2, page 4
1886	Aaron Acton	\$570	Book 2, page 3
1887	Aaron Acton	\$570	Book 2, image 2
1888	Aaron Acton	\$570	Book 2, image 44
1889	Aaron Acton	\$570	Book 2, image 45
1890	Aaron Acton	\$570	Book 2, image 45
1891	Aaron Acton	\$1050	Book 2, image 45
1892	Aaron Acton	\$1050	Book 2, image 45
1893	Aaron Acton	\$1050	Book 2, image 43
1894	Aaron Acton	\$1050	Book 2, image 49
1895	Aaron Acton	800	Book 2, image 48
1896	Aaron Acton	800	Book 2, image 49
1897	Aaron Acton	800	Book 2, image 51
1898	Aaron Acton	800	Book 2, image 48
1899	Aaron Acton	800	Book 2, image 52
1900	Aaron Acton	800	Book 2, image 50

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Hendricks County Treasurer's Tax Duplicates, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives, http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/ArchiveHome.aspx. When possible, the actual page number of the tax duplicate book is cited. In the digital scans, some page numbers are not visible. In these cases, digital image numbers are substituted for page numbers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Tax records for the years 1873 and 1874 appear to be anomalies and possibly recorded in error. Lockhart's parcels for those years changed from what they were from 1864-1872 and 1875-1878 with no evidence of land transfer. This report simply skips those years in its investigation. Page 2

As seen in Table 1, tax records show that no improvement of any type was located on the property from 1864 to 1879—the value of improvements was always recorded as \$0. However, starting in 1879 and ending in 1900, three increases in the value of improvements took place:

- 1. Between 1879 and 1881 with an increase of \$600
- 2. Between 1884 and 1885 with an increase of \$25
- 3. Between 1890 and 1891 with an increase of \$480

The increase in value between the years 1884 and 1885 can be removed from consideration simply because it is too low to indicate the construction of a house. That leaves the years 1879-1881 and 1890-1891 as candidates for when the home was constructed. Both increases of \$600 and \$480 could indicate the construction of a home, so additional sources need to be used to help narrow the date.

Although the house has been renovated and architecturally updated since the time of its construction, a photograph of the home held by the current owner from c. 1890 reveals that it was originally built in the Italianate style. This style was popular in the United States from 1840-1885, which makes the 1890-1891 window less likely to be when the home was constructed. By that time, the Italianate style hard largely been supplanted by other styles. Further, a notice printed on September 30, 1880 in the *Hendricks* 

County Union indicates that Aaron Acton, the owner of the property at the time, was building a new home on Iowa Street in Clayton. This aligns perfectly with the increase in the value of improvements found in tax records between 1879 and 1881.

Aaron' Acton's new residence on north lows street is approaching completion.

Hendricks County Union, September 30, 1880.

This report therefore concludes that the 1820 date listed by the assessor's office is incorrect, and the true construction date of the home is 1880. This is supported by historical tax records, the home's original architectural style, and newspaper records.

#### II. Lockhart Family Ownership: 1864-1879

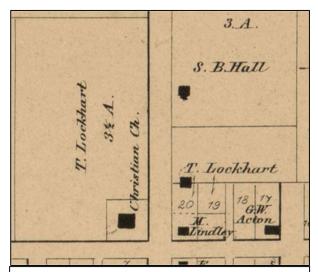
Prior to the house's construction in 1880 by the Acton family, the land it sits on was under the ownership of at least five different individuals. Its current .6-acre parcel of land was originally a part of an 80-acre parcel first sold by the federal government in 1831. Through the first half of the nineteenth century, these 80 acres proceeded to be resold and divided into smaller parcels. This report will begin the history of ownership in 1864, when the land came under the ownership of Thomas Lockhart and his wife Mary.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Virginia McAlester, *A Field Guide to American Houses*, (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2017), page 284.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Although this report does not cover their history, names of landowners prior to Thomas Lockhart include Jesse Mattox, Ezekiel Simmons, and Martha Simmons. Other possible owners include Joshua Norman, John Miles, and Alfred Hunt, but deed records themselves would need to be consulted to confirm these owners. As the 1860s approached, the land started to be divided in a way that tax records alone cannot be used to identify an owner.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Jesse Mattox (Hendricks County, Indiana) homestead patent no. 12970; "Land Patent Search," digital images, General Land Office Records (http://www.glorecords.blm.gov/PatentSearch: accessed 20 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> 1864 Hendricks County Treasurer Tax Duplicate, book 1, page 104, entry for Thomas Lockhart; digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TaxDuplicateIndex.aspx: accessed 19 July 2024). Page 3

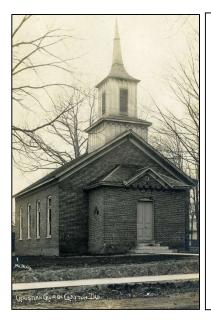


Snippet from an 1865 map of Clayton showing Thomas Lockhart's land. The road running down the center is lowa Street. Warner, C.S., and Worley & Bracher, Map of Hendricks County, Indiana. (Philadelphia: Stone & Titus, 1865). From Library of Congress, Map Collections. https://www.loc.gov/item/2013593185/.

Thomas Lockhart, born in 1793 in Virginia, is a prominent figure in Hendricks County history. After he arrived in Hendricks County in 1821, he served as one of the first county commissioners, and was the individual who surveyed the courthouse square in Danville. In 1832 he was converted at a Christian church meeting in Plainfield and began a life of ministry, travelling around Hendricks County and founding some of the earliest Christian churches. In 1837, he founded the Brownsburg Christian Church, in 1845 he helped organize the Danville Christian Church, in 1853 the Pittsboro Christian Church, and finally in 1863 the Clayton Christian Church.

Thomas Lockhart owned both the 3.5 acres of land that surrounded the Clayton Christian Church as well as land and town lots across Iowa Street, where his house was located. The Clayton Christian Church, pictured below, still stands at the corner of Iowa and Michigan Streets, having been converted into the Clayton town hall. Lockhart continued to own the land

through 1878, appearing to never have constructed any improvements on it. 12



Left: Clayton Christian Church c. 1910. The steeple has since been removed and the brick covered with stucco. Photo courtesy of the Guilford Township Historical Collection; Plainfield-Guilford Township Public Library.

**Right**: Revered Thomas Lockhart c. 1850. Photo courtesy of the Brownsburg Public Library Archives.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> History of Hendricks County, Indiana, (Chicago: Inter-state Publishing Company, 1885), page 278.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Madison Evans, *Biographical sketches of the pioneer preachers of Indiana*, (Philadelphia: J. Challen & sons, 1862), pages 342-343.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Peg Kennedy and Frankie Konovsek, *The Village of Brownsburg*, (Robinson, Illinois: Lamplight Publishing, 1998), pages 87-88. The churches that Lockhart founded in Hendricks County are all still in operation today; the Christian Church he founded in Brownsburg is now known as Connection Pointe.

The value of improvements was recorded as \$0 from 1864-1878. For complete source citations for every year, see Table 1. Page 4

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#### III. Acton Family Ownership: 1879-1906

On January 31, 1879, Thomas and his wife executed a deed that transferred a portion of their property on the west side of lowa Street to Aaron Acton for the amount of \$215.\(^{13}\) The rod and link measurements detailed in this deed closely match the boundaries of the .6-acre parcel that the house sits on today, so it is likely that the house's modern-day parcel was established in 1879.\(^{14}\)

Aaron Acton was born in Ripley County, Indiana on July 22, 1839; he was left parentless at the age of 14 after his father, also named Aaron, died in 1849 and his mother, Mary, died in 1853. He was raised learning both farming and carpentry, and spent time in Missouri, Iowa, and Kansas before arriving in Indiana. Aaron came to Hendricks County in February 1861, two months before the start of the American Civil War. Family ties likely brought Aaron to Hendricks County—his

brother George was living there in 1860.<sup>17</sup> George lived in Carter's Addition to Clayton on Lot 17, just east of the lot that Aaron would eventually purchase.<sup>18</sup>

Six months after Aaron arrived in Hendricks County, he enlisted in Company B, 7<sup>th</sup> Indiana COMPANT B—Wounded—Sergt. Henry Straughan, Corporal Lewis S. Watts, Corporal Aaron Acton, Corporal Isaac Nash, George Higgins, James Odell, Presly Lockwood, William Reynolds, William Stevens, J. Black, Sidney Adams, Matt Lockwood.

Hendricks County Union, May 26, 1864.

Corporal Aaron Acton, Henry C. Odell, and Eli Gregory, of Co. B, and Sergeant Ray, Alva Hadley, M. Smith, and Wm. Brown, of Co. I, 7th Ind., were taken prisoners on the 19th ult.

Hendricks County Union, September 8, 1864.

Aaron Acton, one of our best citizens, enjoyed the hospitalities of Jeff. Davis, at Andersonville, where he "shrank" from 153 to 90 lbs. avoirdupois, which he says was rather light marching condition.

Danville Union, February 24, 1876.

Volunteer Infantry. Aaron would spend the next three years in the Union Army, fighting in more than thirty battles, including Fredericksburg, Antietam, Petersburg, and Gettysburg. <sup>19</sup> He was both wounded and captured, and spent time as a prisoner of war at the infamous Andersonville prison in Georgia. <sup>20</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Deed Records, Hendricks County, Indiana, volume 51: page 490, Thomas Lockhart & wife to Aaron Acton (1879); digital images, *FamilySearch*, "Deed records, 1825-1889," (https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/246951: accessed 8 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> In surveying, 1 rod is equal to 16.5 feet. Each rod contains 25 links.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Atlas of Hendricks Co., Indiana (Chicago: J.H. Beers & Co., 1878), page 45.; A portrait and biographical record of Boone, Clinton, and Hendricks Counties IND., (Chicago: A.W. Bowen & Co., 1895), page 1072. The 1878 and 1895 biographies of Aaron give different maiden names for his mother. The 1878 biography lists her maiden name as Egan, while the 1895 biography lists it as Woodfell. This report did not investigate this further.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> A portrait and biographical record of Boone, Clinton, and Hendricks Counties IND., (Chicago: A.W. Bowen & Co., 1895), page 1072. The 1878 biography of Aaron says that he arrived in Hendricks County in March 1865, which is the year the 1895 biography says he was honorably discharged from the army. This report accepts 1861 as the year Aaron likely arrived in Hendricks County. He was likely in Hendricks County for a short 6 months, enlisted, and then returned and remained there for the rest of his life.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> For Aaron and George living together in the house of their widowed mother in Ripley County, see 1850 U.S. census, Ripley County, Kentucky, population schedule, page 327 (stamped), dwelling 59, family 61, Mary Acton household; digital image, *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org: accessed 20 July 2024); citing NARA microfilm publication M432. For George's residence in Hendricks County, see 1860 U.S. census, Hendricks County, Indiana, population schedule, Liberty Township, page 75 (penned), dwelling 556, family 558, George W. Acton household; digital image, *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org: accessed 20 July 2024); citing NARA microfilm publication M653.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> 1860 Hendricks County Treasurer Tax Duplicate, book 1, image 72, entry for George W. Acton; digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TaxDuplicateIndex.aspx: accessed 20 July 2024). See page 4 of this report to reference the 1865 map of Clayton showing George's property. The modern address for this location is 50 East Michigan Street. It is unknown if the house that stands their today is George's.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> "Aaron Acton Dead," *The Republican*, 2 March 1905, page 1, column 3; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 14 July 2024)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> A portrait and biographical record of Boone, Clinton, and Hendricks Counties IND., (Chicago: A.W. Bowen & Co., 1895), page 1072.
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After being honorably discharged on March 17, 1865, Aaron returned to Clayton and settled on Lot 42.<sup>21</sup> On January 31, 1869, he married Amanda Hall.<sup>22</sup> Amanda, born in Kentucky in 1846, moved with her parents and eight siblings to Hendricks County in the 1850s.<sup>23</sup> The family settled on a rural lot in Clayton, on lowa Street across the road from where the future Acton house would be built.<sup>24</sup> The 1870 census lists Aaron's occupation as a carpenter and Amanda's as "keeping house." Aaron and Amanda had two children, only one surviving into adulthood. Their first child, a son named Seth Otis, was born in 1871 but died in infancy.<sup>26</sup> Three years later, their daughter Glenrose was born on February 13, 1874.<sup>27</sup>



Snippet from an 1878 map of Liberty Township showing the location of Aaron Acton's sawmill (identified by the red arrow). Atlas of Hendricks Co., Indiana (Chicago: J.H. Beers & Co., 1878)

In addition to being a carpenter, Aaron also operated his own sawmill north of Clayton. The mill was located just west of Iowa Street, on what today is York Avenue. <sup>28</sup> Although no direct evidence has come to light yet, given Aaron's occupation, it is plausible that he was involved in the construction of his own house. Also plausible is that he and his brother George both were involved in its construction, George being listed as a carpenter, builder, and contractor in various sources. <sup>29</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> 1861 Hendricks County Treasurer Tax Duplicate, book 1, image 97, entry for Aaron Acton; digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TaxDuplicateIndex.aspx: accessed 20 July 2024). Lot 42 has since been split in two. The modern address for it is the entirety of 82 East Kentucky Street and a portion of the fenced property to the west. This report did not investigate the house at 82 East Kentucky Street, but a very preliminary evaluation of the exterior suggests that it could date to the years when Aaron owned the lot.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Marriage Records, Hendricks County, Indiana, volume 7: page 145, marriage of Aaron Acton and Amanda J. Hall (1869); digital images, FamilySearch, "Indiana Marriages, 1811-1979," (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:V8MQ-6JT: accessed 9 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> 1860 U.S. census, Hendricks County, Indiana, population schedule, page 75 (penned), dwelling 555, family 557, Samuel B. Hall household; digital image, *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org: accessed 20 July 2024); citing NARA microfilm publication M653. The 1850 census has the Halls living in Kentucky, and the 1860 census shows that they had moved to Hendricks County sometime during the 1850s.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> 1860 Hendricks County Treasurer Tax Duplicate, book 2, image 81, entry for Samuel B. Hall; digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TaxDuplicateIndex.aspx: accessed 20 July 2024). See page 4 of this report to reference the 1865 map showing the property of S.B. Hall on the east side of Iowa Street. The Hall's residence likely sat where the Clayton Baptist Church sits today.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> 1870 U.S. census, Hendricks County, Indiana, population schedule, Liberty Township, page 11 (penned), dwelling 89, family 85, Aron [sic] Acton household; digital image, FamilySearch (https://www.familysearch.org: accessed 9 July 2024); citing NARA microfilm publication M593.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> Atlas of Hendricks Co., Indiana (Chicago: J.H. Beers & Co., 1878), page 45; FindAGrave, database with images (http://www.findagrave.com: accessed 9 July 2024), memorial 19843524, Seth Otis Acton, Clayton East Cemetery, Clayton, Hendricks County, Indiana; grave marker photograph by Jessica Davis. The 1878 biography of Aaron states that Seth was born Feb 18, 1872, while his gravestone records 1871 as the birth year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Atlas of Hendricks Co., Indiana (Chicago: J.H. Beers & Co., 1878), page 45; FindAGrave, database with images (http://www.findagrave.com: accessed 9 July 2024), memorial 99490838, Glenrose Acton Brill, Danville South Cemetery, Danville, Hendricks County, Indiana; grave marker photograph by Ryan Holly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> The mill was likely located around the modern-day address of 115 York Avenue.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> The people's guide: a business, political, and religious directory of Hendricks Co., Ind, (Indianapolis: Indianapolis Printing and Publishing House, 1874), page 152; 1880 U.S. census, Hendricks County, Indiana, population schedule, Clayton, page 9 (penned), dwelling 69 family 84, George W. Acton household; digital image, FamilySearch (https://www.familysearch.org: accessed 9 July 2024); citing NARA microfilm publication T91895; "Death of George Acton," The Republican, 3 October 1895, page 7, column 3; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 15 August 2024).

At the time the Acton house was completed in 1880, Aaron was 37, Amanda 33, and their daughter Glenrose 6. Aaron's primary occupation was his sawmill north of town.<sup>30</sup>

#### PECKSBURG.

Ed Johnson has treated himself to a new buggy.

Lewis Stokes is building a new barn. Raised it Monday.

Mrs. Bartholomew went to Brown county visiting Monday.

Aaron Acton, the Clayton undertaker, gave our village a call Tuesday.

The Republican, October 25, 1894

Thomas Lockhart continued to live across the street as a neighbor to the Acton family. In 1884, a wedding took place at the Acton home that was officiated by him. In that same year, Aaron acquired Lot 6 of the Western Addition to Clayton, located just south of the his home. It is not clear what he used this lot for, but research suggests it may have been for an undertaking business. Aaron appears to have entered the undertaking business as early as 1894, with his undertaking activities covered frequently in local papers. In 1895, Aaron acquired 11 acres of land at the southeast corner of what is now lowa Street and York

Avenue for \$800.<sup>34</sup> Therefore, by 1896, the Acton family owned several pieces of real estate in Clayton: the lot their house sat on, Lot 6 of the Western Addition to Clayton, and 11 acres to the north of their home.

While growing up in the house, Glenrose Acton attended school to become a music teacher. During the years 1887-1888, Glenrose studied piano at Central Normal College in Danville.<sup>35</sup> In 1892, it was reported in local papers that she was taking music lessons in Indianapolis, and in 1894 she was studying at Butler University.<sup>36</sup> By 1896, she was teaching instrumental music and in 1900 her occupation was recorded as "music teacher" in the federal census.<sup>37</sup>

The years 1900-1902 were very eventful for the Acton family, with Glenrose's marriage, a house fire, and slander lawsuit all happening in relatively quick succession. On October 10, 1900, Glenrose was

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> 1880 U.S. census, Hendricks County, Indiana, population schedule, Clayton, page 21 (penned), dwelling 217 family 220, Aaron Acton household; digital image, *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org: accessed 9 July 2024); citing NARA microfilm publication T9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> 1880 U.S. census, Hendricks County, Indiana, population schedule, Clayton, page 23 (penned), dwelling 232 family 235, Thomas Lockhart household; digital image, *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org: accessed 9 July 2024); citing NARA microfilm publication T9; 1880 Hendricks County Treasurer Tax Duplicate, book 1, image 135, entry for Thomas Lockhart; digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TaxDuplicateIndex.aspx: accessed 20 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> "Clayton," Hendricks County Republican, 17 January 1884, page 11, column 1; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 11 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Deed Records, Hendricks County, Indiana, volume 61: page 269, Arlita Golden to Aaron Acton (1884); digital images, FamilySearch, "Deed records, 1825-1889," (https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/246951: accessed 19 August 2024). Today, lot 6 is home to Polley's Perfect Seasons Heating & Air Conditioning.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> 1889-1899 Liberty Township Grantee Transfer Book, image 2, to Aaron Acton from John Hammond (1895); digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TransferBooksIndex.aspx: accessed 16 August 2024). Digitized deed records are only available for Hendricks County through 1886. Deeds executed after that year must be obtained by visiting the Hendricks County Recorder's office in person. To maximize the research time allotted, this report relies on the "transfer books" for land transfers executed past 1886. The transfer books serve as an index for the actual deeds, and include information regarding the grantor, grantee, land involved in the transfer, deed date, and amount paid for the land.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Twelfth Annual Catalogue of the Central Normal College and Commercial Institute, 1887-1888, page 5; digital image, Danville Center Township Public Library digital collections (https://indianamemory.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/p15078coll18: accessed 16 August 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> "Clayton," Hendricks County Republican, 14 April 1892, page 7, column 3; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 11 July 2024); "Clayton," The Republican, 22 February 1894, page 8, column 3; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 11 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> 1900 U.S. census, Hendricks County, Indiana, population schedule, Clayton, sheet B4), dwelling 97 family 99, Aaron Acton household; digital image, FamilySearch (https://www.familysearch.org: accessed 9 July 2024); citing NARA microfilm publication T623.
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married at the Acton home to William T. Brill. Six months later in April 1901, the Acton home caught fire, and was saved due to the fact that a key to the Christian church next door was kept at the house. Three months later in July 1901, Aaron filed a slander suit against fellow Clayton resident George Short. Aaron alleged that George was telling people that he had stolen coal and lumber from a neighbor. Although he had sued George for \$20,000 a jury eventually awarded him \$600.

Aaron died suddenly in his sleep on February 26, 1905. In March 1905, Amanda and Glenrose held an estate auction at the house. After Aaron's death, the house was rented by at least two different individuals. Amanda presumably went to live with Glenrose and her husband, who were living in Danville. Amanda and Glenrose proceeded to sell off their Clayton real estate rather quickly: the home was sold in November 1906 for \$2500, the 11 acres to the north were sold in March 1907 for \$1600, and Lot 6 to the south was sold in April 1910 for \$1000.

Early Wednesday morning a fire was discovered on the roof of Aaron Acton's house. The fire had just got started when discovered and by ringing a church bell a goodly number turned out and soon had the fire put out. The greatest damage was done with water. Mr. Acton herewith returns thanks to those who so readily responded to his call for help. In this connection allow us to say that a key to the Christian church is at Mr. Acton's residence and by this means the bell can soon be rung to warn the publie in case of fire. It would not be a bad idea if all the other churches would place keys either at a near residence or some business house where some one remains at night in order to meet just such emergencies.

The Republican, April 18, 1901

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> Marriage Records, Hendricks County, Indiana, volume 12: page 273, marriage of William T. Brill and Glenrose Acton (1900); digital images, FamilySearch, "Indiana Marriages, 1811-1979," (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:V8MW-TZ5: accessed 9 July 2024); "Indiana Weddings," The Indianapolis News, 11 October 1900, page 11, column 5; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 11 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> "Clayton," *The Republican*, 18 April 1901, page 1, column 3; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 14 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> "Heavy Damage Suit," *The Indianapolis News*, 5 March 1902, page 2, column 1; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 14 July 2024); "Verdict for \$600," *The Indianapolis Sun*, 11 March 1902, page 1, column 5; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 14 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> "Aaron Acton Dead," *The Republican*, 2 March 1905, page 1, column 3; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 14 July 2024); "A Grim Record," *The Republican*, 5 October 1905, page 1, column 6; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 14 July 2024). Aaron and Amanda are both buried in Clayton Cemetery.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup> "Clayton," The Republican, 23 March 1905, page 8, column 4; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 14 July 2024)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> "Clayton," *The Republican*, 6 April 1905, page 2, column 2; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 14 July 2024); "Clayton," *The Republican*, 7 September 1905, page 8, column 3; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 14 July 2024). The first tenant to move into the Acton house was W.S. Budd, followed by Aaron Lindley. Newspaper accounts make it appear that the house was occupied by multiple tenants at the same time.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> 1905 Hendricks County Treasurer Tax Duplicate, book 1, image 5, entry for Wm. T. Brill; digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TaxDuplicateIndex.aspx: accessed 16 August 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> 1899-1913 Liberty Township Grantor Transfer Book, image 2, Amanda Acton et. Al to Alvin Woodward (1906) and Amanda Acton to Jediah W. Hussey (1907); digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives

<sup>(</sup>http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TransferBooksIndex.aspx: accessed 16 August 2024); 1909-1913 Clayton Grantor Transfer Book, image 2, Amanda Acton et. Al to Everett R Robards (1910); digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TransferBooksIndex.aspx: accessed 16 August 2024). Page 8

#### IV. Woodward Family Ownership: 1906 – TBD

Alvin Woodward was born around 1870 in Liberty Township, the middle son of eight children. 46 He grew up on his parents' farm southeast of Belleville.47 Alvin married his first wife, Fannie Hammond, in March 1896.48 On December 14, 1899, a daughter was born.49 Fannie died two weeks later on December 27, leaving Alvin widowed with their infant daughter.<sup>50</sup> By the time of Fannie's death, the Woodward family was already living in Clayton.<sup>51</sup> Alvin remarried in 1904 to Sara Bosley and their first son, Donald, was born in 1905.52 Alvin and Sara purchased the Acton home in November 1906 for the sum of \$2500.53

Alvin and Sarah had two more sons while living in the former Acton home; Louis born in 1907 and Lynn in



John Harrison store in Clayton c. 1905. Standing in front, from left to right, are Alvin Woodward, Grant Stone, Lula Wills, and John Harrison. Photograph likely taken around the time the store changed ownership. The building still stands on the southeast corner of Kentucky and Iowa Streets. Photo courtesy of the Guilford Township Historical Collection; Plainfield-Guilford Township Public Library.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> 1880 U.S. census, Hendricks County, Indiana, population schedule, Liberty Township, page 14 (penned), family 137, John S. Woodard [sic] household; digital image, FamilySearch (https://www.familysearch.org: accessed 2 August 2024); citing NARA microfilm publication T9.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> 1878 Hendricks County Treasurer Tax Duplicate, book 1, image 155, entry for John S. Woodward; digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TaxDuplicateIndex.aspx: accessed 20 July 2024); "Map of Liberty Township," *Atlas of Hendricks Co., Indiana* (Chicago: J.H. Beers & Co., 1878), page 20. Alvin's childhood home was located at the modern-day address of 6851 S County Road 275 E. It no longer appears to be standing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> Marriage Records, Hendricks County, Indiana, volume 11: page 444, marriage of Alvin Woodward and Fannie Hammond (1896); digital images, *FamilySearch*, "Indiana Marriages, 1811-1979," (https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:V8MW-T8Z: accessed 2 August 2024); "Woodward-Hammond," *The Republican*, 12 March 1896, page 8, column 1; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 20 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> "Local and Personal," *The Republican*, 21 December 1899, page 1, column 3; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 20 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> "Additional Local," *The Republican*, 28 December 1899, page 7, column 2; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 20 July 2024). Although likely due to the timing of her death, it is unclear whether or not Fannie died from complications from childbirth.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> 1899 Hendricks County Treasurer Tax Duplicate, book 2, image 104, entry for Alvin Woodward; digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TaxDuplicateIndex.aspx: accessed 20 July 2024); Plat of Clayton, *Standard Atlas of Hendricks County Indiana* (Chicago: Geo. A. Ogle & Co., 1904), page 27. Fannie's death notice in *The Republican* noted that the family was living in Clayton at the time of her death. Tax records from 1899 and a 1904 map of Clayton indicate that his property was approximately at the modern-day address of 4986 S State Road 39.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> Marriage Records, Marion County, Indiana, volume 37: page 80, marriage of Alvin Woodward and Sara Bosley (1904); digital images, FamilySearch, "Indiana Marriages, 1811-1979," (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:XFHJ-YBS: accessed 19 August 2024); "Clayton," *The Republican*, 21 December 1905, page 1, column 2; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 20 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>53</sup> 1899-1913 Liberty Township Grantor Transfer Book, image 2, Amanda Acton et. Al to Alvin Woodward (1906); digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TransferBooksIndex.aspx: accessed 16 August 2024; "Clayton," *The Republican*, 25 October 1906, page 1, column 3; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 20 July 2024).



Woodward & Stone store (formerly John Harrison Store) in Clayton c. 1915. Alvin Wooward is on the far left. The building still stands on the southeast corner of Kentucky and Iowa Streets. Photo courtesy of the Guilford Township Historical Collection; Plainfield-Guilford Township Public Library.

1912.<sup>54</sup> As early as 1902, Alvin was in a grocery business partnership known as Woodward & Rhoades; their store house was located on lot 29 or 30 on the south side of Kentucky Street.<sup>55</sup> In February 1906, this partnership ended and Alvin created a new partnership with Grant Stone, taking over the old John Harrison grocery on lot 36.<sup>56</sup> At the time of the 1910 census, Alvin's occupation was listed as a grocery salesman.<sup>57</sup>

The Woodward family likely updated the style of their home around 1915, modernizing it from the original Italianate style.

Newspapers reported in 1914 that Alvin was considering renovating the home in the "bungalow style"

and adding a new veranda.<sup>58</sup> This is supported by tax records from 1912 and 1915, which show that the value of improvements for the property increased by \$400.<sup>59</sup> It is possible that Alvin was influenced by the advertisements for the trendy bungalow style he saw in local papers.<sup>60</sup>

Although the Woodward family renovated the style of the home around 1915, it is unclear if this was when the house's original 1880 size (viewable in the owner's photograph of the house from c. 1890) was expanded. Referring back to Table 1, a significant increase of \$480 in the value of improvements also occurred between 1890 and 1891 while the home was still owned by the Acton family. This could point

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> "Clayton," *The Republican*, 29 August 1907, page 1, column 2; "Clayton," The Republican, 25 January 1912, page 1, column 1; digital images, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 20 July 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>55</sup> "Clayton," *The Republican*, 8 May 1902, page 8, column 1; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 20 July 2024); 1903 Hendricks County Treasurer Tax Duplicate, book 2, image 105, entry for Woodward & Rhoades; digital image, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TaxDuplicateIndex.aspx: accessed 16 August 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>56</sup> "Clayton," *The Republican*, 15 February 1906, page 1, column 1; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 11 August 2024); "Clayton," The Republican, 12 April 1906, page 8, column 4; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 11 August 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>57</sup> 1910 U.S. census, Hendricks County, Indiana, population schedule, Liberty Township, sheet 1A, family 9, dwelling 9, Alvin Woodward household; digital image, *FamilySearch* (https://www.familysearch.org: accessed 2 August 2024); citing NARA microfilm publication T624.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>58</sup> "Clayton," *The Republican*, 2 July 1914, page 7, column 5; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 20 July 2024). Aside from the increase in the tax value, no other record has been discovered that confirms that these renovations were completed. However, the cement block porch the house currently has is quintessential of the time period and certainly evidence of the work being completed. Additionally, coins dated from around this time were placed into the walkway to the porch.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> 1912 Hendricks County Treasurer Tax Duplicate, book 2, image 152, entry for Alvin Woodward; 1915 Hendricks County Treasurer Tax Duplicate, book 2, image 137, entry for Alvin Woodward; digital images, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives (http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TaxDuplicateIndex.aspx: accessed 17 July 2024). Tax records for Clayton for the years 1913 and 1914 have been lost, so it is unclear whether or not the increase occurred in 1913, 1914, or 1915.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>60</sup> "Build a Bungalow," *Coatesville Herald*, 6 November 1913, page 5; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 20 July 2024).

to additions being constructed. No direct evidence has been discovered yet that reveals who was responsible for the expansion of the house—only who was responsible for updating its style.

Between the years 1909 and 1917, the Woodward family hosted the large Craven-Barker family reunion six times at their house: 1909, 1911, 1912, 1914, 1916, and 1917. These reunions, often with attendance of more than 150 people, were attended by the descendants of William Craven (1800-1889) and Jane Barker (1796-1866), early settler of Hendricks County. In 1914, Alvin ran for and was nominated on the Republican ticket for clerk of Hendricks County. He was defeated in the November 1914 elections by the Democrat candidate Dr. A. P. W. Bridges of Plainfield.

#### V. Recommendations for Future Research/Work

- Remaining years of Woodward ownership (1916 ???)
- Ownership after Woodward family
- Deeper investigation into the home's expansion, including possible site visit to look at home's structure.
- Descendant tracking of Acton & Woodward families to try and locate additional historical photographs of the home & families

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> "Family Reunion," *The Republican*, 12 August 1909, page 1, column 5; "Clayton," *The Republican*, 17 August 1911, page 8, column 4; "Clayton," *The Republican*, 22 August 1912, page 7, columns 5&6; "Clayton," *The Republican*, 20 August 1914, page 8, column 3; "Craven-Baker Reunion," *The Danville Gazette*, 17 August 1916, page 1, column 2; "Clayton," *The Republican*, 23 August 1917, page 8, columns 4&5; digital images, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 11 August 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> Although a thorough genealogical investigation was not done for this report, a very cursory look into Alvin's heritage seems to indicate that he was a descendant of William Craven's brother, Ira, not William himself.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>63</sup> "For Clerk," *The Republican*, 15 October 1914, page 1, column 4; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 11 August 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> "Divide Offices," *The Danville Gazette*, 5 November 1914, page 1, column 3; digital image, NewspaperArchive (https://newspaperarchive.com: accessed 11 August 2024).
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Source explanation: An Indiana State Law passed in the 1840s required County Treasurer and County Auditor offices to reconcile their tax records at the end of each year. The result of this was a duplicate of tax assessment rolls, which listed taxpayer names, any land they owned, and the assessed value of both the land itself and any improvements that existed on it.

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Source explanation: Every ten years, the United States conducts a national census that records every household and its occupants as mandated by Article 1 Section 2 of the Constitution. Among other things, the 1870 and 1880 censuses collected details regarding age, sex, occupation, and place of birth.

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Indiana Marriage Records, 1811-2019; digital images, FamilySearch, https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1410397.

Source explanation: Marriage licenses were recorded at the county level and collected information such as the name of the spouses, the date the marriage license was issued, and the date the marriage took place.

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Hendricks County Deed Records 1825-1889, digital images, FamilySearch, <a href="https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/246951">https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog/246951</a>

Source explanation: Deeds are written legal documents that are used to transfer the ownership of land. They include details such as the names of the buyers (grantees) and sellers (grantors), the date the deed was recorded, the legal description of the land being transferred, as well as the amount for which the land was sold/purchased.

Hendricks County Grantee/Grantor Books, 1860-1943, Hendricks County Government Digital Archives. http://hcapps.co.hendricks.in.us/DataWarehouse/Archive/SectionMenus/TransferBooksIndex.aspx

Source explanation: Grantee and grantor books act as an index to the deed books. They record the names of the grantee (buyer) and grantor (seller) of a piece of land, the deed and transfer date, and the volume and page number of the deed book that transaction can be found on.

#### Newspapers

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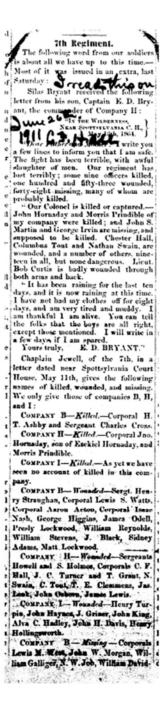
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A portrait and biographical record of Boone, Clinton, and Hendricks Counties IND., (Chicago: A.W. Bowen & Co., 1895).

Plat of Clayton, Standard Atlas of Hendricks County Indiana (Chicago: Geo. A. Ogle & Co., 1904).

#### Appendix A - Newspaper Primary Sources

Articles are arranged in chronological order; dates can be located at the bottom right of each.



# Personalities. Major Warner L. Vestal is improving at slowly, despite his grumbling and growling propensities. His wound proves to he a very severe one. But keep your spirits, Warner, and all will yet be well. On Sunday last, on hearing that Lieut. Enos C. Hornaday, late of the 11th Iud., Enos C. Hornaday, late of the 11th Ind., M had returned home very sick, we went down to see him. We found Enos doing finely. He resigned his commission on account of continued physical disability. He left the regiment on the the 25th ult. We regret that Lieut. H. has resigned, for the 11th has but few men so resolute, so regardless of danger, and so jor carnest and faithful in the discharge of perilous duty, as Lieut. Enos C. Hornaday proved himself in many a trying moment, to be. God bless you, Enos, is the earnest prayer of an old comrade-in-arms. Harvey C. Henry, Walter B. Hays, — Adams, and others, of the 11th, are expected home this week. Their term of enlistment expired on the 31st of last month. Capt. Luke, of the 7th Ind., called on us one day last week. The Captain was wounded severely in the right shoulder, on the 25th of May last, and is not yet entirely recovered. We were glad to Marsh Hess, John Ohaver, Thomas McMullen, and others, of the 7th, will be at home in a few days. Sergeant Wills, of the 70th Ind., who was wounded in some of the battles fought by Sherman during the Atlanta campaign, started for his regiment one day last week. oay iast week. Corporal Aaron Acton, Henry C. Odell, and Eli Gregory, of Co. B, and be Sergeant Ray, Alva Hadley, M. Smith, and Wm. Brown, of Co. I, 7th Ind., awere taken prisoners on the 19th ult.

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Alf Welshans, who has until late been in command of a block-house on the N. & C. R. R., has returned to his regiment—the 4th Cavairy.

Martin Gregg, alias "Dutch," is keeping post-office at Pulaski, Tenn. Bully.

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Com. Serg't John Moore seems to be "livin' glorious" "down South," judging from the following, which we extract from a letter written by him to his father, J. K. Moore, Esq., and which was dated near Cartersville, Ga., August 28th:

"We are living in regular "old Point Rock style." Allow me to give you our bill of fare for this morning's breakfast.

Beefsteak, gotten up in the most approved style, by Stanley Hall. Exgs. boiled, by

style, by Stanley Hall. Eggs, boiled, by John. Desiricated Potatoes, prepared by Mr. Smith, Coffee, soft bread, honey, and butter, filled the bill. That "isn't so very slow," for the army, you discover. By the way, the Colonel breakfasted with us. You will perceive that if we are away down in Georgia, fighting, bleeding and dying every day for the "good old flag," we have not lost all our taste for

flag," we have not lost all our taste for the good things of the land.

Every other day I go foraging. Have a good deal of fun as I go along. I have an acquaintance in the country who seems to think as much of me as if I were his own boy. He will do anything for me. There is where I can get all the mill I can use. A little further on my egg man lives, and so on. Fruit here is not so good as usual. Peaches are not larger than good-sized goose eggs. Apples we have eat until—well, p

Wm. Ohaver, 53d Ind., who was wounded at Atlanta, is now home on "eick leave." Will was wounded in two one ball tendering compliments on left cheek, and another paying rek spects through left shoulder.

Henry Carnes, same regiment, who was severely wounded in the foot, is on bis way home.

Capt. James T. Matlock, 70th Ind., arrived homelast Monday evening. The Captain's wound is improving finely. Our printer friend, Petroleum V. Nasby, "Paster uv sed Church in charg," is at Indianapolis, augaged in getting out his new work. his new work.

Normal school begins April 4th.

Guy Lawrence rides a black pony.

Experts say our fruit crop is still safe.

Nowland then a candidate shows his card.

The Clayton House is again in full and complete equipage.

The latest dodge is to dispense the "ardent" in translucent flasks.

Capt. Juo. Worrell foods his cattle under shelter, and thinks it pays.

Alfred Hunt has added another Liberty township farm to his earthly possessions.

The undertaker at this place complains of hard times. Too healthy here for him.

Mrs. Clark, a widow lady, and an invalid of long standing, died in this village on Thursday of last week.

Elder O. P. Rodgers, of Greencastle, is preaching daily to large and appreciative audiences at the Christian Church.

The Sunday-school Convention at Cartersburg passed off very pleasantly and profitably to all interested in this great work.

William Worrell's reputation as a livery man, is too well and favorably known hereabouts to need further commendation than to say that he is again at his post.

Aaron Acton, one of our best citizens, enjoyed the hospitalites of Jeff. Davis, at Andersonville, where he "shrank" from 153 to 90 lbs. avoirdupois, which he says was rather light marching condition.

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As no items have appeared in the Union from our village for some time I will take upon myself the responsibility of corresponding for one week at least.

Clayton never seemed in a more prosperous condition than now. Politically it is wide awake. The prospects for a grand Republican victory this fall is as good as we could ask. Occasionally a little one horse democrat speaker comes in, but always fails to raise a breeze. But the great political question of the day was throughly ventilated on last Friday evening by Rev. J. C. Reynerson, the Greenback champion of this country.

The work on Ed. Johnson's new business block is progressing finely.

The school here, under the charge of Mr. Prigg bids fair to be a success.

We are glad to learn that Miss. Mann, who has been quite ill for several weeks past, is recovering and will soon be able to take charge of her position as telegraph operator, a place she has very creditably filled for several years.

Aaron Acton's new residence on north Iowa street is approaching completion.

Clayton was the happy recipient of a new dry goods store last week, with Mr. Koss of Indianapolis as proprietor. Our new business man seems to be a genial gentleman and deserves a share of the custom.

The Democrats in this vicinity out in full force at turned the rally at Danville. They were joined here by the mossbacks from the swamps of Mud-Creek and the jungles around Stilesville, every one trying to do his best. And so they did do their best. Two of the marshals were seen to empty their bottles joyfully behind one of our churches. In the evening some were enquiring their way home, others were reeling upon horseback. The whole gave us a true picture of bad whisky and the Democracy.

Johnson Bros. & Co. are invoicing, this week.

Prof. Neff is giving good satisfaction in our school.

Chas. Wilson, of Stilesville, was in town this week.

J. F. Hall, a Normal student, visited J. S Patterson, Sunday.

Miss Alma Lewis, of Indianapolis, was visiting here last week.

Mr. Blake and wife, of Lizton, spent Sunday with relatives and friends here.

Hick Jackson, liveryman, of Mooresville, was seen on our streets this week.

\* Bro. Green, the Presiding Elder, will fill the pulpit next Sunday and Sunday night.

Roscoe Alman and Lee Cress, of Plainfield, were in our town on a trading ex pedition.

Miss Josie Brown, of Terre Haute, was visiting here last week, the guest of Miss Florence Brown.

Ben Vestal, of Plainfietd, was in our town this week, looking for some good roadsters.

Mr. Sid. Warren and wife have been visiting relatives and friends in Monrovia, the past week.

Bent Wilson, traveling agent and reporter for the Indianapolis Sentinel, was in town Monday.

Bro. Switzer is holding a series of meetings in the M. E. Church this week. Come out and hear him. He will do you good-

Elias Blue, of Jasper County, after an absence of seven years, surprised some of our old citizens by a short visit this week.

Mr. Sowers, of Brazil, and Miss Kate Stone, of Plainfield, were married last Friday, at Aaron Acton's, Rev. Thomas Lockhart officiating.

Chessie Jones, our telegraph operator, has gone to New York for a short stay, and Mr. McCormack, of Cartersburg, is running the office in his absence.

Mr. Owens is receiving many compliments from the farmers as a miller and a gentleman in every respect. Clark & Harrison made a good selection for a miller.

The cards are out for the wedding of Dr. M. S. McCormack and Miss Maggie Bolen, Thursday, the 17th inst., at the residence of the bride's parents, B. F. Bolen. May peace and prosperity attend them.

Boom the hotel.

We need a hotel. Why not have one?

Eva Worrel is attending school at Plainfield.

The ticket nominated gives general satisfaction.

Glen Acton is taking music lessons at Indianapolis.

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Danville Hendricks County Republican, April 14, 1892 Pg. 7, Danville, Indiana, US https://newspaperarchive.com/other-articles-clipping-apr-14-1892-4609599/

Great interest is taken in Clayton in education as it is represented in the various colleges as follows: Miss Glen Acton, Butler; Ulysses Jones, Franklin; Dee Johnson and Miss Mabel Reid, Indianapolis High School; Miss Maud Hufford and Miss Fannie Harkrider, Greencastle High School; H. K. Johnson and H. F. Weesner, DePanw University; F. C. Jackson and Clarence Martin, Central Normal College; Miss May Miles, Crawfordsville High School; Worrell, State Normal Miss Eva School: Ethel West and Clyde West, Indianapolis Business College.

Danville Republican, February 22, 1894 Pg. 8, Danville, Indiana, US <a href="https://newspaperarchive.com/other-articles-clipping-feb-22-1894-4609601/">https://newspaperarchive.com/other-articles-clipping-feb-22-1894-4609601/</a>

# PECKSBURG.

Ed Johnson has treated himself to a new buggy.

Lewis Stokes is building a new barn. Raised it Monday.

Mrs. Bartholomew went to Brown county visiting Monday.

Aaron Acton, the Clayton undertaker, gave our village a call Tuesday.

Daniel Hendricks and family, of Brown county, are visiting Cy Bartholomew.

William H. Ragan and wife, of Greencastle, visited at Wilson Woods Sunday.

One of W. R. Shirley's best horses was badly cut on a barbed wire fence Monday.

Ozro Hadley is improving, and hopes are entertained that he will soon beaup and about.

A couple of young men from Coatesville were around here last week peddling overcoats.

George Acton, for many years a citizen of this city died Saturday morning of malarial fever. The funeral Monday afternoon was largely attended. In the death of Mr. Acton this county losses one of its best citizens. By occupation he was a builder and contractor and many of the best structures in Danville are monuments to his skill and ability but the best monument he erected was the memory of a noble, upright life which will long exist with those who knew him. He was a member of the Christian church. widow receives the sympathy of innumerable friends.

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There was a most pretty home wedding at the residence of John Hammond, north of Belleville, Wednesday evening of last week, the contracting parties being Mr. Alvin Woodward, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Woodward, and Miss Fannie Hammond, Rev. U. C. Brewer officiating.

The homestead was filled with a merry party of friends and relatives and at the appointed hour, 7:30 P. M., to the strains of the wedding march from the organ presided over by Miss Bess Brill, there came into the parlor Mr. Curtis M. Walker and Miss Myrtle Ellis, Mr. Woodward and Miss Hammond and Mr. Brewer. They took position, and Mr. Brewer prefaced the ceremony by stating that the fourth of March was a favorite day in the bride's family for marriages, her father and mother, grandfather and grandmother and a great-grandfather and greatgrandmother having all been married on this date, this couple making the fourth generation thus united. With brief but impressive words, Mr. Brewer made them man and wife and then the company extended their congratulations. Miss Ellis wore a beautiful dress of silk and the bride was becomingly attired in a white satin gown. Miss Ellis carried pink and the bride, a cluster of white roses. Following, an elaborate luncheon was served to the The number of handsome guests. presents testified in what high esteem the bride and groom are held. They are both well known teachers of the county. They were both born in this county, and the bride, after completing the common schools, attended the Central Normal College. She has taught in the primary department at Belleville. She is handsome and kind, and a willing worker in the Methodist church. Mr. Woodward will follow his profession of a teacher. He received his education in the Central Academy and the Tri-State Normal. The happy couple departed amidst a shower of rice and old shoes, and drove to Danville, where they took the train for the sea-coast. They will visit Washington and other eastern cities before their return.

Born, to Prof. and Mrs. Alvin Wood-ward, of Clayton, Dec. 14, a little daughter.

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Mrs. Alvin Woodward, of Clayton, formerly Miss Fannie Hammond, died yesterday morning leaving a baby a week old. Mrs. Woodward was a most estimable lady, daughter of John Hammond, of Belleville. Her husband is a well known school teacher.

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# Indiana Weddings.

VALPARAISO, Ind., October 11.—Last night, at Hebron, this county, K. James Miller, seventy-three years old and Mrs. Carrie Andrews, sixty-five, were married, by the Rev. Mr. Harper. Both have been married twice before, and were divorced from their former companions.

CLAYTON, Ind., October 11.-A leading social event and a pretty home wedding occurred last night. The principals were Will T. Brill, a young man of Danville, and Miss Glenrose Acton, the accom-plished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Acton, one of the best-known families in Hendricks county. One hundred and twenty-five guests were present. Among the out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Lockwood and Miss Lockwood, Fred Stilz and Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Brill, of Indianapolis; Mrs. Oliver Deever, of Lena, Oklahoma; Mrs. Amelia Ross, of Flemingsburg, Ky.; Miss Kate Irons, of Plainfield; Mrs. Carolyn Irons, of Cartersburg; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Brill, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. McClelland and son Harry, Miss Minta Hunston, Miss Mayme Gregg Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Miles, Mr. and Horace G. W. Hamrick, Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Curtis and Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Franklin, of Danville; Miss Kate Walsh, of Stiles-ville; Mr. and Mrs. Jonah Brill, of Plainfield; Dr. and Mrs. Ann Strong and Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Hamrick, of Belleville. The spacious home was beautifully decgoldenrod and autumn orated with Seated behind a bank of palms in the hallway was the Montani Brothers' orchestra, of Indianapolis. Promptly at 8 o'clock, to the beautiful strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March, the bride and bridegroom, unattended, preceded by the Rev. L. E. Murray, of Indianapolis, entered the parlor. The wedding ceremony was brief and impressive. The bride wore a gown of white Paris muslin, trimmed in satin ribbons and fine bowknot lace. Light refreshments were The bridal pair left for Chicaserved. go, and they will be at home at Danville, November 1.

Early Wednesday morning a fire was discovered on the roof of Aaron ton's house. The fire had just got started when discovered and by ringing a church bell a goodly number turned out and soon had the fire put The greatest damage was done Mr. Acton herewith with water. turns thanks to those who so responded to his call for help. connection allow us to say that a key to the Christian church is at Mr. Acton's residence and by this means bell can soon be rung to warn the publie in case of fire. It would not be a bad idea if all the other churches would place keys either at a near residence or some business house where some one remains at night in order to meet just such emergencies.

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Cast of Aaron Acton, Clayton, who sued George Short for \$20,000 for slander, was called in court. Danville, Wednesday. Both are prominent business men. It is alleged that Short told that Acton had stolen coal. Their trouble first arose out of a difficulty in their church, several years ago.

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Verdict for \$600.

DANVILLE, Ind., March 11.—(Spl.)—Aaron Acton, of Clayton, who sued George Short for 20,000 for slander, was awarded a verdict for \$600 by the jury, Tuesday.

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Indianapolis Sun, March 11, 1902 Pg. 1, Indianapolis, Indiana, US <a href="https://newspaperarchive.com/other-articles-clipping-mar-11-1902-4576175/">https://newspaperarchive.com/other-articles-clipping-mar-11-1902-4576175/</a>

The Woodward-Rhoades store room will be ready for the plasterers by the time this appears in print. Work is proceeding rather slowly on the mill foundation.

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visiting relatives and friends.

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W. S. Budd, having rented the Aaron Acton residence property, moved his household goods into the same during the week.

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#### AARON ACTON DEAD.

Passing Away at Clayton of One of I County's Prominent Citizens.

At one o'clock on the morning of Sunday, Feb. 26, at the age of 65 years, b 5 months and 4 days, Aaron Acton departed this life. He was born in Rip ley county, Indiana, July 22, 1839, and f was left an orphan in early life by the I death of his parents and was thrown tupon his own resources.

Jan. 31, 1839, he was married to Julia of A. Hall. Two children were born to them—seth Otis, a son, who died in rinfancy, and Glen Rose, a daughter. c now Mrs. Wm. Brill.

Mr. Acton united with the Christian church in 1873, and lived an exemplary [1] christian life. In his death the church has lost one of the chief pillars of its r moral and financial support, and the e town of Clayton one of its most enter- |c prising citizens-always on the side of | improvement and advancement in t things both spiritual and temporal. A r charitable cuterprise always found I Asron Actou on hand. A new roof or | c some repairs for the church, or did the v Ladies' Aid Society need a table erected | t on a festal occasion, or to help feed gatherings, there was Aaron Acton, with his lumber, saw, hammer and nails. 50 C with all the concerns of life, and es- 1 g. | pecially that of the family - a good husband, a kind father, and withal, a good provider.

When soldiers were called for for the |s defense of our country in '61, Aaron r responded, and enlisted in Co. B, 7th s regiment, Ind. Vols., Aug. 30, 1861, and t was discharged March 16, 1865. Durn jug this time he participated in the battles of Green Briar, Winchester, T is Bull Run, Southmountain, Fredericks- e burg, Autietam, Petersburg, Gettys- it is burg and the Wilderness; and was h wounded slightly three different times. | t Present at the funeral as poll bearer and mourner was a comrade who shared with Mr. Acton the hardships o of all these battles. During the time Mr. Acton was in the service he spent seven months in the loathsome prison of Andersonville.

Asron Acton—an honest and true man—the noblest work of God—is gone, and will be greeted no more by us here on earth, but will ever be remembered by us as a tried, true and good man.

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Mesdames Amanda Acton and Glen Acton Brill have advertised the personal effects of Aaron Acton, deceased, for sale at his late residence on Saturday afternoon, commencing at 1:30. George West will be auctioneer.

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friends here the first of the week.

Aaron Lindley, of Monrovia, will move this week and occupy a part of the Aaron Acton residence.

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# Born, to Alvin Woodward and wife, Sunday, Dec. 17, a son.

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It will cause much comment when the fact becomes generally known that John Harrison who engaged in the mercantile business here on Feb. 17, 1867 and has been located on the same corner and Mr. Harrison has noted in the meantime the coming in and going to the wall of other firms, not one of which had so many years to its credit Mr. Harrison has passed his more than three score years and .. n and, feeling the infirmities of age creeping upon him, thought it best to relinquish some of his worldly business cares. He will continue to reside in Indianapolis but will visit this community frequently to oversee the management of his farm. His successors are well known to our citizens; as Mr. Woodward was lately of the firm of Rhoades & Woodward, engaged in the dry goods and grocery business here. And Mr. Stone has spent most of his mature years as teacher in our public schools. Harrison retains the storerooms and real estate. The invoicing of the stock commence Monday of goods will morning, two weeks possibly being required in the work.

It took almost five days to invoice the Rhoades & Woodward stock and it footed up over \$5000. Messrs. Rhoades and Woodward will wind up their partnership business as rapidly as possible and Mr. Rhoades will assist Mr. Tressel in the store something like a month.

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This week a three cornered move will take place in Clayton. Alvin Woodward will move to the Acton property which he lately purchased; Sam Pruitt will move into the property he bought of Mr. Woodward and W. S. Budd will move into the W. R. Craven property near the Presbyterial church.

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# CLAYTON.

Miss Katherine Lindley, of Martinsville, and Miss Katherine Bayliss, of Cartersburg, are visiting their cousin, Mrs. J. E. Busby.

Born, to Alvin Woodward and wife, a son.

Miss Etta Davis is the guest of Dawson Gilbert and wife.

School begins next Monday.

Miss Carrie Thompson, of Indianapolis, is spending the week with Mrs. W. S. Budd.

Dave Wills and family, Hubert Wills

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# FAMILY REUNION.

# Craven-Barker Families Meet at Alvin Woodward's Beautiful Home.

Sunday's reunion of the Craven-Barker families held at the home of Alvin Woodward in Clayton proved second to none in interest and attendance. The beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Woodward with its spacious lawn was thronged ail day by the visitors and the host and hostess never tired in looking after the pleasure of each. At noon upon the long table under the trees, the dinner was spread and it was all that man could wish. The business session followed and officers chosen as follows: president, Emmet Craven, Clayton; vice president, J. D. Hogate, Danville; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Anna Tincher, Amo; executive committee, Ether Milhon, Hazlewood; Vode Richardson, Clayton; John W. Craven, Bloomington: Albert Wilson, Clayton; Mrs. Phoebe Riley, Indianapolis.

The piano had been placed upon the front porch and the guests assembled to hear a delightful program of music by the Misses Demarcus, recitations by Hugh Shields and songs and recitations by the little folks. Then a feast of ice cream followed and with the approach of night, all departed.

There were 134 present. Next year's reunion will be held at Riverside park, August 14, 1910.

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Last Sunday though the temperature was soaring skyward there was a good turnout of the descendants to the seventh Craven-Barker family reunion at the home of Alvin Woodward The time was spent in social greetings and meeting strangers and tracing lines of genealogical descent, some of which were apparently mystifying, but nevertheless as all were bent upon a day's enjoyment the outcome could not be otherwise than happy. At the noon hour 132 individuals partook of the bounteous supplies provided by nature and the fair In the afternoon came the business session when the following officers for the ensuing year were selected—President Daniel Voorhees Richardson, Clayton; vice president, John W. Craven, Bloomington; secre-Mrs. Anna B. Tincher, Amo; treasurer, Dr. Lee Strong, Indianapolis. It was also decided to hold the next meeting here on the third Sunday in August, 1912, which falls on the 18th. With the descending sun the various families were noted wending their homeward ways, no doubt memories of the treasuring sweet day's doings and anticipating year's happy reunion.

The stock of ceneral merchandise

one of the instructors in the city schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sanderson and Carl Raber, of Camden, were here over Sunday visiting the family of John Raber, south of town.

Miss Mamie Jones, of Hall, was here during the week visiting the family of her brother. Dr. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lawrence and son, Manley, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Spann, of Indianapolis, were the guests of U. S. Candy and family, Friday.

Mrs. C. A. Edmonson and daughters, Nathalie and Louise, and Mrs. Dr. D. M. Reynolds and son, Perry, left last week for an outing at Win-

Last week J. C. Walker had three cars or fifty head of finished steers on the Chicago market that averaged 1,440 pounds per head and brought \$10.40 per hundred. So far as we know this is the highest price ever paid for Hendricks county cattle on the general market and is a credit of which Mr. Walker may justly feel proud. When it comes to stock shipments old Liberty is the banner town ship in the county.

J. S. Ryan and wife, Harry Givan and wife, Albert Worrell and wife and Alfred R. Glover and wife, Mrs. Minnie J. Swindler and Miss Blanche Slayback were those from here who attended the all-day services at the Amo Baptist church, Sunday.

The reunion of the Little family was held on the farm of Thomas Little, near Plainfield, Friday where about seventy persons were in attendance. The next annual reunion will be held in Clayton on the third Friday in August, 1913. Thomas Little, of Plainfield, was re-elected prescickling colts; yearling filly.

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son and the Twentieth Century club with the members of their families gave him an old fashioned surprise, Monday evening. When they arrived at his home he had retired but hearing conversation without he hastily arose, put on his pantaloons and barefooted proceeded to investigate. However affairs were soon righted and as the crowd had brought a generous supply of eatables all went well until near the midnight hour when hte guests turned homeward feeling that they had spent a most enjoyable evening

enjoyable evening.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Peck were at Coatesville, Sunday, visiting Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Sharp. Mrs. Sharp has just returned home from Ithica, New York, where she had been attending the summer term in instrumental music in Cornell university and where she in contest with 180 other music teachers was awarded a year's scholarship in Cornell university. She expects to go back this fall and finish her course.

The annual reunion of the Craven-Barker families was held Sunday on the spacious lawn of Alvin Woodward This organization is emposed of the relatives of William M. Craven and Jane Barker, two pioneers who settled in the southern part of Hendricks county about 1825. There were more III.

than one hundred and fifty persons present. D. V. Richardson of Clayton was president, John W. Craven, of Bloomington, vice president; Mrs. Anna Tincher, Amo, secretary and Dr. Lee Strong, of Indianapolis, treasurer. Representatives were present from more than twenty cities and towns in Indiana. Addresses were made by Rev. R. E. Gornell, of the Methodist church and Rev. Worth Frank of the Presbyterian church of Clayton. Mrs. Benj. Scott of Clayton gave a recitation. Music was furnished by the Clayton band. A history of the two families, pre-pared by W. M. Craven, was read by his son, Thomas Craven. The meet-The meeting next year will be held in Danville. Officers for next year were selected as follows:—president, Samuel M. Ralston, of Lebanon; vice president, Dr. Joel T. Barker, Danville; secretary, Mrs. Anna Tincher, Amo; treasurer, Alvin Woodward, Clayton; executive committee, Julian D. Hogate, Thomas Craven, John T. Richardson, Mrs. Nannie Henly, Mary Riley, Lee Strong and Virgil Hoadley.

At midnight Monday this section was visited by one of the heaviest downpours of rain known here in a. long time. For some hours preceding the storm the heat and sultriness were quite marked. Luckily there was no wind to do any damage. During the storm the sky was kept lurid by the incessant electrical discharges. Some three inches of water fell and many water gaps were swept aside. During the storm light-ning struck the barn of Amos L. Mitchell and it with nearly all of its contents was consumed. He carried \$800 insurance but it is estimated his loss will exceed the insurance by \$2,500. It was only by hard work his tongue and truck, been out three seasons; new riding Syracuse breaking plow; Sattley corn planter; walking it was consumed.

Electric disturbances put our trolley line out of commission nearly all of Tuesday forenn.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Christian church met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Morton Foster.

Ted Schmidt, of Greensburg, visited his sister, Mrs. Letha McCormick, Sunday.

Mrs. Alfred S. Williams and children were the guests of relatives at Harmony, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Chauncey McCormack and son, Wilber, and C. A. Edmonson were at Lake Winona from Saturday until Monday.

Mrs. Mary Wills was the guest of friends at Indianapolis, Sunday.

Mrs. J. B. Carr and son are visiting relatives and friends at Franklin this week.

Rollis Weesner, Morris Gilbert, L. Glover, Lee Worrell, Maurice Riley, Sterling Stringer, Claude Howson, Riley Stevenson and Herbert Rhodes have been tenting at Camp Shortduring the past week.

T. J. Miles is visiting in LaMar, Mo.

C. E. Kelley and family left Wednesday to visit at New Harmony, Ill.

day evening.

On Friday, January 19, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Wood-ward.

Rev. H 'A Turney of Indianapolis

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Bible conference at Winona.

The twelfth annual reunion of the Craven-Barker families was held here at the home of Alvin Woodward last Sunday. The forenoon was spent in a social way. After a bountiful dinner the association was entertained by the Rev. Hugh Shields, of Plainfield, and Miss Opal West, of Clayton. The officers for the year are: President, John W. Craven, Bloomington; vice president, D. V. Richardson, Clayton; secretary, Mrs. Anna B. Tincher, Amo; treasurer, Alvin Woodward, Clayton; executive committee, F. C. Day, Mollie Riley and Arthur Craven, of Indianapolis, Frank C. Richardson, Plainfield, and Alvin Woodward, Clayton. The members of the association are relatives of William M. and Jane (Barker) Craven. The crowd was estimated from 150 to 200.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stephenson and son, Herscheal, of Indianapolis, have returned home from a week's visit with friends and relatives at Danville, Hadley, Clayton and Carters-

Alvin Woodward is contemplating ret remodeling his residence after the bungalow style and adding a new ke veranda, making the whole more modern.

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Tuesday's Election Resulted in the Democrats Taking Seven Offices and the Republicans Five.

The election Tuesday resulted in the closest contest ever held in this county. Everything was orderly and there was no trouble of any kind, but it was one of the ng warmest campaigns in many years in every other respect.

Final results showed that the Democrats had been successful in electing sevn county officials, rolled up a majority for Senator and Congressman, and had captured five of the seven members of the board of county council.

The Republicans succeeded in electing four county officers, beside the representative to the legislature and two county councilmen.

The vote was so close that it was not until this morning that in. the results on some of the county es. candidates was finally known, it te, requiring the final count to determine the winners. Robert Shirhe ley, Republican candidate for assessor, and John Flynn, Democrate- ic candidate for recorder, had the closest rubs. Shirley pulled through H. with five votes, while Flynn won h- out with nine votes to the good.

The Democrats elected their canre didates for county clerk, recorder, on surveyor, treasurer, prosecuting attorney, sheriff and coroner, while the Republicans captured two places on the board of county commissioners, the auditor's office and 51 that of county assessor.

datic DÉTITO A. P. W. Bridges, 73, clerk. John Patterson, 42, treasurer. James W. Gentry, 100, sheriff. Э., John A. Flynn, 9, recorder. James P. Snodgrass, 156, prose-T. W. Garrison, 92, surveyor. Bert M. O'Brien, 21, coroner. Members of the county council electd wree, W. H. Stephenson, C Joshua Tharp, Wallace Christie, John W. Ader, and W. H. Elrod. Republicans-John G. Shelton, 139, commissioner sit district. Harry Sanders, 92, commissioner 3rd district. Robert Shirley, 5, assessor. Chas. M. Havens, 62, auditor.

When They Take Office. Flynn, recorder, Jan. 1, 1915. Patterson, treasurer, Jan. 1, 1916. Bridges, clerk, July, 1916. Sanders, succeeds self as commissioner, Jan. 1, 1915. Shelton, commissioner, Jan. 1, 1916. Havens, auditor, Jan. 1, 1916. O'Brien, coroner, Jan. 1, 1915.

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#### FOR CLERK.

ng Alvin Woodward Man of Unusual Qualifications for Office.

s- Alvin Woodward, Republican candig; date for clerk, was born in Liberty a township June 19, 1870. He is the at son of John S. and Lovey J. Woodto ward, well known and highly esteemil- ed citizens in their day. He attenda ed the schools of his township and



Alvin Woodward.

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when he was able to secure a license, began to teach, taking advanced work as opportunity offered at Central Academy, Plainfield, Central Normal College and the State Normal. In all, Mr. Woodward taught ten years, giving honest, careful effort to his labor as he always has wherever his work has called him.

In 1903, he went into the mercantile business in Clayton and is now
y so engaged, having been continuous
In that business with the exception
d of some three months. His public
activities consist in having served on
a the township advisory board and as
s clerk of Clayton corporation.

He has always taken an active interest in affairs and been identified it
with every movement that would in
make for a better community and a
more stalwart citizenship. There has in
ever been any question where Alvin
Woodward stood on problems of pubilic-concern. Yet quietly and without a
how, his life has been welded into it
the life of his community. A party
honors itself by selecting such a man
as a candidate. He brings to the a
ticket great strength and in return,
in the office to which he aspires, he
will give the people honest service,
marked clerical ability and courteous
treatment.

Mr. Woodward has an interesting family and his home bespeaks the kind of a man he is, one well worthy the votes of the people.

# Craven-Barker Reunion.

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Clayton, Ind., Aug. 7.—The reunion of the Craven-Barker families held at this place yesterday. gathering was at the beautiful home of Alvin Woodward. J. Thomas Craven, vice-president of the association, was in charge, the president, Dr. R. H. Eastman, now being on field service on the battle fields of Austria. hundred and eighty-two persons enjoyed the bountiful dinner. During the afternoon more than -200 were present, relatives coming from all parts of the state. Dr. Eastman of New York City, who has been visits ing his sister, Mrs. J. T. Barker of Danville, was among those present. A formal program was sidetracked in favor of a social hour, and the mingling of relatives was most enjoyable. At the business session, R. D. Stone of Clayton was named for president of the association. Walter Richardson of Centerton was elected vice-president; Anna Tincher of Amo, secretary, and J. E. Craven of Hazelwood An executive committee treasurer. 1, was named composed of the following: Alvin Woodward, Clayton, chairman; Mrs. J. D. Hogate, Danville; Tilghman H. Stanley, Clayton; H. V. Lambert, and French Day.

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William Richard Underwood, pecting at any moment to receive a call to his country's colors, has broken up housekeeping and with his wife left Monday morning for Kentucky, While he for a visit with relatives. is in the service of Uncle Sam his wife will make her home there with associates of former days.

Mrs. Fern Staley and daughter. Miss Frieda, returned home Saturday from the regular fall millinery opening at Indianapolis. Mrs. Staley was at Indianapolis Tuesday laying in her stock of fall and winter millinery goods, which will be on sale in the room above Dr. Carr's dentistry of-

Grant W. Stone has improved sufficiently to come home Sunday evening from the Methodist hospital, Indianapolis, and his friends hope he may soon be out and in his usual place of business.

Monday evening Miss Glen Stout entertained the Misses Blanche and Hazel McClellan, of Hazlewood, and their company, Mr. Clyde Kerling, from Virginia.

Last Friday the Cunningham Construction company finished putting rock on the Sparks road from Belleville to the south township line. They expect to be about twenty days in putting the side ditches in shape. They are replacing their railway track along the National road west from Belleville to the Beadle road. Monday forenoon while at work in moving track in Belleville Clarence while dragging a section by himself let it drop and it caught his left lower limb just above the shoe top and scraped to the leaders down to the heel. He was brought at once Clayton for medical attention but may be incapitated for work for some time.

Second Lieutenant Paul Mitchell of the Coast Artillery, arrived home from Fortress Monroe Va., on Thursday of the past week for a visit with home folks. He has to report at Fort Morgan, near Mobile, Alabama, by Aughst 29.

The Baptist church, having granted Rev. H. Farr Waggener a vacation, will have no preaching services next Sabbath but during the morning hour following the Bible school there will be a business meeting to adopt a church letter to the coming association and select messengers. Let all the members attend.

Miss Letha McCormick was at Connersville during a part of the past week visiting the family of her brother.

Earl Givan, who for some time has been teaching in an Indian school at Colony, Okla., has geen transferred and with his family are moving to Kyle, South Dakota, for similar work. Here he will have special advantages over those allowed in Oklahoma.

The Craven-Barker families held their fourteenth annual reunion, Sunday at the home of Alvin Woodward in Clayton. This is one of the large families of time, there being now enrolled 152 heads of families. The usual program was carried out with the Bloomington, was immensely pleased addition of a talk by W. W. Sweet of

Kelley and Miss Ollie Van Arsdell, of Clayton. The meeting in 1918 will be held at the "Old Home" of the parent family, William Craven and Jane Barker, at Center Valley. The officers in charge for the coming year are: president, Arthur Craven, Indianapolis; vice president, Virgil Hoadley, Plainfield; secretary, John Wesley Craven, Clayton; treasurer, Jacob E. Craven, Indianapolis; executive committee, Daniel V. Richardson, Clavton; Edith Craven Wilson, Clayton; John N. Craven, Bridgeport; John T. Richardson, Clayton; John W. Cravens, Bloomington. The forenoon program next year will be a sermon by a Primitive Baptist preacher, the early Craven and Barker families being members of this faith.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Allen and Prof. and Mrs. C. C. Cauble went by "Overland" to Lake Wawasee Wednesday returning Thursday.

Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Johnson, of Clayton, and Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Quinn, of Indianapolis, started out in a Ford on a pleasure trip. They had not even selected a route of direction or points to view, but when Clayton was reached at 8:30 that night they had ridden 130 miles and had been through Mooresville, Waverly, Franklin, Columbus, Nashville, Bean Blossom and Martinsville, and had viewed scenes—especially in Brown county-that paid them well for their trouble.

If we understand the situation, the following outlines some of the preaching services in Clayton next Sunday. At the morning hour Dr. W. W. Sweet will preach from the pulpit of de Methodist Episcopal church. In the atfernoon at the same place the Dis-William trict Superintendent. Dr. Switzer, of Greencastle, will conduct the quarterly conference and at the evening hour he will bring the mes sage at the union service at the Presbyterian church.

Mr. and Mrs. Roderick D. Stone are at Lebanon this week attending the Boone county fair where Mr. Stone is in charge of a Schwartz electric lighting plant that is on exhibition.

Late Monday afternoon while out upon the streets upon business and a rain coming up, Miss Sarah Caylor accepted the invitation of a friend to ride home in her machine. When the destination was reached, it having begun to rain and everybody being in a rush, Miss Caylor undertook to alight before the machine stopped with the result that she was thrown to the ground with sufficient force to break the bone of her left arm very close Wednesday to the shoulder joint. morning, upon the advice of her physician, it was the intention to take her to the Rogert W. Long hospital, Indianapolis, for proper medical attention but when the time came, her sufferings were too intense to stand the trip. Probably she will go later in the week. During her affliction she will have the sympathy of this com-

munity.
The Women's Christian ance Union held an open meeting at the Baptist church, Thursday afternoon.

Monday, our township trustee, Dr. A. K. Gilbert, received six new school road wagons.

The Hon. John W. Cravens, at the opportunity to once more get DePauw and singing by Mrs. C. E. back on Hendricks county soil and en-

### Appendix B – Census Primary Sources

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Alita Golden to Haron Acton

This Indenture Witnesseth That, Notita Golden and George Mr. Golden her husband of Hendricks samply in the State of Indiana

Convey and Warrant To Naron Actor of Mendrick's County in the State of Indiana

goreto sum of four hundred and Jufly dollars, the following Real Estate in Scendrick's County, in the State of Indiana

Develor Lot munbered six (6) in Block munbered six (6) in the Western addition to the town of Clayton laid out by John Wiles

In Witness Whereof the said astite Golden and George Tr. Golden have hereunto set their hands and seals, this eleventh day of January AD, 1864

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State of Indiana & Centrick's County, 85, .

Offore me William it Ragan a notary public in and forsaid County, this eleventhe day of January 1884 arlita Golden and George W. Golden acknowledged the of the annexed deed.

Mitness my hand and Official seal this 11th day of January 1884 1/m A Ragan

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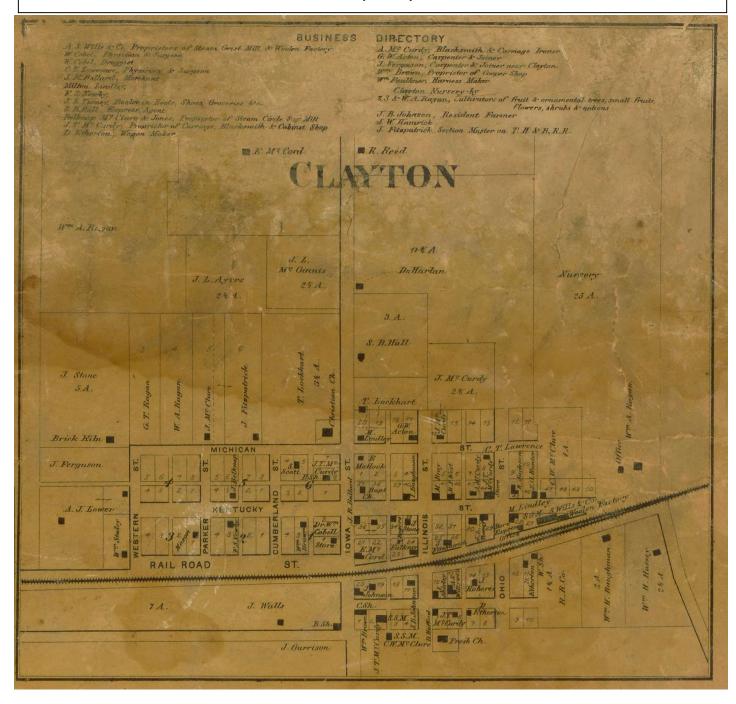
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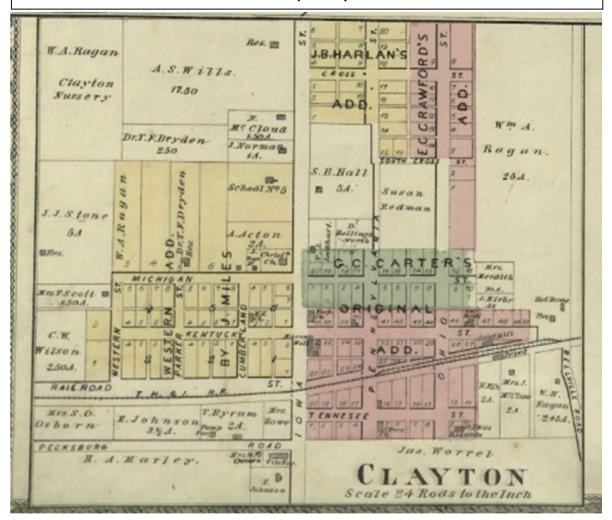
#### 1904 marriage between Alvin Woodward and Sara Bosley

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#### 1865 Map of Clayton



#### 1878 Map of Clayton



#### 1904 Map of Clayton

