

## BIOGRAPHICAL.

*Isaac N. Askew* was born in Richland (now Ashland) County, Ohio, Feb. 19, 1824, the son of Isaac T. and Mary (Harvout) Askew, his father a native of Maryland, and his mother of Ohio, and a grandson of Colonel Jonathan Harvout, of Revolutionary fame. He was reared in his native county on a farm, remaining there till 1847, when he came to Indiana and bought an unimproved tract in Allen County, residing there about six years. He then sold his land and moved to De Kalb County, buying a farm east of Spencerville, on the St. Joe River, which he improved. He subsequently sold this farm and bought one west of Spencerville, where he lived till April, 1874. He then sold out and moved to Keyser Township, buying the farm where he has since resided. He owns eighty acres of finely-cultivated land, and is surrounded with all that makes life pleasant. For the past twenty years he has in connection with attending to his own farm assisted his neighbors during harvest, running a threshing-machine. Mr. Askew was married Nov. 27, 1853, to Rebecca H. Squiers, daughter of William A. and Susanna Squiers. They have had five children—W. T. M., born March 11, 1855; George W., born Sept. 16, 1858; Perry, born Dec. 16, 1860, died in infancy; Nettie, born Oct. 4, 1877, and Jennie, born Aug. 29, 1871. Mrs. Askew is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. Politically, Mr. Askew affiliates with the Democratic party.