

ASA WEEDMAN (DECEASED).

Asa Weedman was the eldest son of John and Rachel (Wilson) Weedman. He was born in Perry county, Ohio, October 15, 1817, and was in his boyhood when the family removed to Illinois, and settled in Randolph's Grove. He came with his parents to Hurley's Grove in 1835, and remained at home until his marriage, when he commenced farming for himself. In 1856 he was united in marriage to Miss Delilah Hand, daughter of Rev. George and Barbara Hand, who were among the pioneers of Illinois, and the first settlers of Randolph's Grove in McLean county. By the union of Mr. and Mrs. Weedman there were eleven children, seven of whom are yet living. Mr. Weedman died June 21st, 1866, while yet comparatively a young man. In his life he was an active and useful citizen, and was esteemed by

all who knew him. In his personal appearance he was large and well formed slightly inclined to corpulency, but possessing considerable physical strength. Few men within the radius of his acquaintance were better know nor esteemed more for their virtues of both head and heart than Asa Weedman. His loss to the community was a serious one, as his enterprise and public spirit were of such an active character that he was foremost in promoting and aiding enterprises that had for their object the public good or the material advancement of his neighborhood or county. He and his wife were both devoted members of the M. E. church. One of his sons, Philip, lives on the old place. He married Annie, daughter of H. K. Gillespie, February 6, 1873, by which union there were two children.