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WILLIAM J. ARCHBOLD

Jeremiah Archbold, father of William J., was the fourth child in his parents' [Thomas Archbold & Malinda Berry Andrews] family. He was born in Ohio September 25, 1829, and was six years of age when brought to Adams County. He grew up with the old Root Township farm as his environment, and eventually owned half of that farm, comprising a little more than 100 acres. To its cultivation and superintendence he gave the active yeirs of his life, and he died there honored and respected on June 10, 1917, when nearly eighty-eight years of age. He was a lifelong supporter and voter with the democratic party. For twenty-six years he held the office of justice of the peace. Whether officially or otherwise he was a man whose word was almost accepted as law, and he presided over his justice court with such dignity and impartiality that few decisions were ever appealed and rarely was one of them reversed by a higher court.

In Adams County Jeremiah Archbold married Lovina Paulison, who was born in New Jersev in 1832, was taken when very young to Ohio and was still a girl in her teens when she came to Adams County and settled in Root Township with her parents, John and Elizabeth (Van Camp) Paulison. Her parents spent the rest of their days in Root Township, and her father died in his fiftieth year. There were many sons and daughters in the Paulison family, but only one of them is still living. The Paulisons were members of the Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Lovina Arehbold died at the old home at the age of eighty-three. She became a member of the Methodist Church. There were four sons and five daughters, five of whom are still living, William J. being the fourth in age.