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EDGAR S. MOSES, farmer, section 33, Union Township, was born in Root Township, Adams County, April 22, 1856, son of Samuel and Eliza (Hunter) Moses. He was reared in his native township, attended the common schools, and completed his education at Wabash College, attending there two years. Since leaving school he has worked on the farm during the summer season and taught school during the winter, and by so doing is now in possession of a very handsome farm, well stocked. His special pride is in raising fine horses. (See sketch of Samuel Moses.) He was married April 8, 1880, to Miss Maggie Dailey, who was born in St. Mary's Township, Adams County, July 22, 1858. She was reared at her birth-place, and completed her education at the Northern Indiana Normal School, situated at Valparaiso. She followed teaching both before and after marriage. Her parents were James and Mary (Johnson) Dailey. Her father was born in Maryland, and when six years old went with his parents to Athens County, Ohio, where he was reared, and came to Adams County, Indiana, a year or two before marriage, which occurred October 14, 1841. Mrs. Dailey was formerly Miss Mary Johnson. She was born in Hardin County, Ohio, September 22, 1822, and April 26, 1837, removed to Van Wert County, Ohio, where she lived until her marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Dailey came to St. Mary's Township immediately after their marriage, where Mr. Dailey had entered eighty acres of land from the Government. Their outfit for housekeeping consisted of one bed, an ax, a mattock and one skillet. They also had a cook-stove, which was a great rarity for a pioneer. Thus they commenced life in this primitive way, but before the husband died they were the possessors of 600 acres of land, and had erected good buildings. The father died in 1864, leaving a wife and twelve children. The mother died December 6, 1885, upon the old farm where she and her husband had commenced their married life together. She was a member of the Baptist church, having united with that church when forty years of age. At the time of her death there were ten of their children living. Since that time one more has joined her in the "beautiful beyond." Their children were - Nimrod, who died two months after, aged forty-three years; Mary, wife of B. Jones; Davis, Joseph, Rebecca, who died after reaching young womanhood; Amy, wife of John Cowan; Emily, wife of James C. Moses; Maggie, wife of our subject; Samanthan, living at home; Almira, who died soon after her father; James T. and E. W., twins. Mr. and Mrs. Moses have one child - Eliza Gertrude, born June 6, 1882. The grandfather of Mrs. Moses, James Dailey was born in Cork, Ireland, and died in Athens County, Ohio. Her grandmother, Mary (Majors) Dailey, was probably born in Maryland, and died in Athens County, Ohio, at the age of ninety-two years. Their children were - Nimrod, Eliza, Julia, Matilda, Mary, Robert, Esais, James and William. Her maternal grandfather, Joseph Johnson, was born in Virginia May 23, 1776, and died in Van Wert County, Ohio. Her grandmother, Mary (Davis) Johnson, was born January 3, 1783, also died in Van Wert County. They were married April 13 1806. Their children were - Benjamin, Anne (Johnson) Wager, Rebecca (Johnson) Foster, Able, Davis, Amy (Johnson) Baxter, died in Colorado; Catherine, who died in young womanhood; Mary (Johnson) Dailey, Joseph and Benjamin.

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EDGAR S. MOSES.

None among the present men owning and operating farms in Union township, Adams county, is better known, more highly respected or has contributed more to the material welfare of his community than has Edgar S. Moses, the subject of this sketch. He was born in Root township, Adams county, April 22, 1856. His parents were Samuel and Eliza (Hunter) Moses. Samuel Moses was born in Shade township, Somerset county, Pennsylvania, February 21, 1825. When he was seven years of age his

parents left Pennsylvania and journeyed to Ohio. They settled on a farm in Carroll county, where their son, Samuel, was reared. He was educated in the common schools of his neighborhood and learned the life of a tiller of the soil. He grew to manhood on his father's farm and was married November 20, 1845, to Miss Eliza Hunter. His wife was born in Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, in 1824, and when still a young girl removed with her parents to Carroll county, Ohio. She was the daughter of James and Jane (Cochran) Hunter. James Hunter was born in Ireland and the ancestors of Jane Cochran came originally from Switzerland.

Following their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Moses decided to emigrate to Indiana. He settled in Adams county in 1853 with his wife and four children on a farm a short distance south of the present Alpha Methodist Episcopal church in Root township. He lived on this farm for the next four years, when Mr. Moses sold it and purchased forty acres in section 23, Root township. This farm was partially improved when he purchased it and from time to time he added to its improvements until it became a valuable and profitable piece of farm property. He continued to live on his Root township farm until his death, which occurred May 5, 1891, when he was sixty-six years of age. His wife survived him four years and died December 20, 1895, at the age of sixty-six years. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Moses were the parents of a family of seven children, of whom two died in infancy. Those that reached maturity were named: Rebecca J., the wife of Abraham Farrey; John S., James C, Clara C, the wife of Michael B. Krouse, and Edgar S.

Of his father's family of seven children Edgar S. Moses was the youngest. He was reared on his father's farm in Root township and obtained his preliminary education in the common schools of his immediate neighborhood. After he had completed the courses offered in the common schools he supplemented the education thus gained by two years' study at Wabash College at Crawfordsville, Indiana. His progress in Wabash College was satisfactory and he made the most of his opportunities. After leaving college he returned to Adams county and taught school during the winter months for several terms. However, his chief concern was farming and he assisted his father in the management and cultivation of the home estate. Under the tutelage of his father he became a skillful farmer and learned the lessons he applied so admirably to his profit in after life.

Mr. Moses was married April 8, 1888, in Saint Mary's township, Adams county, to Miss Margaret A. Dailey. His wife was born in Saint Mary's township, July 11, 1858. She was reared in this township and received her preliminary education in the township schools. After she completed this stage of her education she studied in the normal college at Valparaiso, Indiana, and graduated from this educational institution. Following her graduation she taught school in Adams county for six years before her marriage to Mr. Moses. She is a patron of education and is prominent in educational circles of her neighborhood.

Mrs. Edgar Moses is a daughter of James T. and Mary (Johnson) Dailey. Her father was born in Maryland and came with his parents to Ohio when a youth. He was reared in Athens county, Ohio, and grew to manhood in that county. Mary (Johnson) Dailey was born in Hardin county, Ohio, September 22, 1822. She was a daughter of James and Mary (Frazier) Johnson. James Johnson was born in Cork, Ireland, and died in Athens county, Ohio. His wife was a native of Maryland and also died in Athens county, Ohio, at the advanced age of ninety-two years. When Mary Johnson was fifteen years of age she came to Van Wert county with her parents and lived with them on their farm until her marriage to James T. Dailey. Soon after this event the Daileys removed to Indiana and settled in Saint Mary's township, Adams county, on a tract of eighty acres of land which James Dailey entered from the government. He prospered and became one of the largest landholders in the township. At the time of his death, which occurred in 1864, he was the owner of six hundred acres of fine land. His widow survived him a number of years and followed him to the grave December 6, 1885. Both Mr. and Mrs. James Dailey died on the farm he entered from the government. The following named children were born of the union of Mr. and Mrs. James Dailey: Nimrod, Davis, Mary, the wife of Benjamin Jones;

Joseph J., Amy, the wife of John C. Cowen; Emily C, the wife of J. C. Moses; Samantha V., who was the wife of Charles Gage and who died in Saint Mary's township; Margaret A., the wife of the subject of this sketch ; James T. and E. W.

Following the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Moses they lived for two years on a farm in St. Mary's township and two years later he purchased his present farm in Union township. This estate he has greatly improved since it came into his possession and it is today one of the finest and most productive farms in the township. He employs modern methods and machinery in its operation and his crops are annually large and profitable. One child, a daughter, Gertrude E., has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Moses. She is an exceedingly talented young woman and has created an enviable place for herself in the musical world of the country. In her youth she displayed an unusual musical talent and her parents have done much to develop it and have given their daughter exceptional opportunities to pursue musical studies. She was a pupil for several years at the American Conservatory of Music at Chicago, and graduated from that institution when but eighteen years of age, receiving a gold medal in recognition of her remarkable accomplishments. After the completion of the regular course at the conservatory she took post-graduate work and again graduated from the higher departments with distinction. Her second graduation was accomplished when she was but twenty years of age. She is now an instructor in the piano department of the music department of the Yankton College at Yankton, South Dakota, which position she has held for three years.

Some years ago Mr. and Mrs. Moses took a little girl into their family to rear. This little girl, Mary Gage, was left an orphan at the time of her mother's death, and was but seventeen months of age when she was taken by Mr. and Mrs. Moses. Although she has not been adopted by her foster parents she has been reared by them as though she was their own child. She is a daughter of Samantha V. Gage, who was the wife of Charles Gage and a sister of Mrs. Edgar Moses.

Mr. Moses is one of the prominent men of his township and county. For many years he served as the chairman of the Adams county institutes, and he is the present chairman of these bodies. With his wife he is a member of the Presbyterian church and has been exceedingly active in the affairs of this denomination. He has been an elder of his home church since 1889 and a representative of the congregation to the general assembly which met at Saratoga, New York, in 1894. In addition he has represented his congregation at various church assemblies in this state. In politics he is an ardent Republican and a faithful worker in the interests of this party. His work and interest have not been confined to his immediate vicinity, for he has been a representative of his fellow residents of Union township in district and state assemblies. He is greatly esteemed by all whose privilege it has been to know him and to be associated with him in business, political and social affairs and is counted among the strong men of the community in which he lives. Mr. Moses owns a one-half interest in the Earnsberger Bros. & Moses winter vegetable green house at Decatur, one of the largest of its kind in the state.