

appointed to fill out the remainder of his unexpired term, and, at the November election, was elected for the full term of four years.

**Sheriff.**—Ambrose Yocum, 1831-1834; William R. Jeffries, 1834-1838; Albert Compton, 1838-1846; Lewis R. Hutchason, 1846-1850; Richard Stoddert, 1850-1852; Thomas Lytle, 1852-1854; John R. Jeffries, 1854-1856; H. B. Worley, 1856-1858; Malden Jones, 1858-1860; I. H. Johnston, 1860-1862; John H. O'Hair, 1862-64; James B. Hickok, 1864-1866; G. M. Mitchell, 1866-1868; C. C. Starkweather, 1868-1870; A. M. Brown, 1870-1872; Owen Wiley, 1872-1874; George Moore, 1874-1876; James Ashmore, 1876-1878; John E. Brooks, 1878-1880; James Hamilton, 1880-1886; James H. McClelland, 1886-1890; William Checkley, 1890-1894; Amos H. Messer, 1894-1898; William Byers, 1898-1902; Newton M. Baird, 1902—.

**County Judges.**—James P. Jones, 1831-34; John F. Smyth, 1834; S. M. Dunbar, 1834-1835; William Collom, 1835-1837; Reuben Canterbury, 1837-1841; John W. Trower, 1841-1843; Robert S. Mills, 1843-1847; W. W. Bishop, 1847-1857; Gideon Edwards, 1857-1864; J. P. Cooper, 1864; McHenry Brooks, 1864-1869; A. M. Peterson, 1869-1873; W. E. Adams, 1873-1877; J. R. Cunningham, 1877-1882; Charles Bennett, 1882-1886; L. C. Henley, 1886-1894; Sumner S. Anderson, 1894-1898; John P. Harrah, 1898-1902; T. N. Cofer, 1902—.

**County Clerk.**—Nathan Ellington, 1831-1839; Loren D. Ellis, 1839; Nathan Ellington, 1839-1840; Enos Stutsman, 1840-184—; Samuel Huffman, 184—-1853; James McCrory, 1853-1861; Jacob I. Brown, 1861-1865; W. E. Adams, 1865-1873; Richard Stoddert, 1873-1877; W. R. Highland, 1877-1886; John S. Goodyear, 1886-1890; Ed Arterburn, 1890-1894; T. L. Galbreath, 1894-1898; Ambrose C. Sellars, 1898-1902; Samuel Rardin, 1902—.

**Treasurer.**—A. G. Mitchell, 1831-1843; Richard Stoddert, 1843-1849; Thomas Lytle, 1849-1851; Jacob I. Brown, 1851-1855; D. C. Ambler, 1855-1857; A. Y. Ballard, 1857-1859; Abram Highland, 1859-1863; D. H. Tremble, 1863-1869; H. M. Ashmore, 1869-1871; George Moore, 1871-1873; William B. Galbreath, 1873-1877; Joseph F. Goar, 1877-1882; Henry Fuller, 1882-1886; Elias Monroe, 1886-1890; James Shoemaker, 1890-1894; Randall Alexander, 1894-1898; D. C. Ganaway, 1898-1902; Ralph Jeffries, 1902—.

**Coroner.**—Robert A. Miller was the first Coroner and served till 1836; Ichabod Radley,

1836-1838; Preston R. Mount, 1838-1842; A. G. Mitchell, 1842-1844; William Harr, 1844-1846; Stephen Stone, 1846-1858; James W. Morgan, 1858-1860; S. F. Crawford, 1860-1861; Dr. S. Van Meter, 1861-1862; D. P. Lee, 1862-1864; A. G. Mitchell, 1864-1868; O. D. Hawkins, 1868-1870; Joel W. Hall, 1870-1872; D. H. Barnett, 1872-1874; Lewis C. True, 1874-1882; Luther Adams, 1882-1884; William Kemp, 1884 to March, 1888; Jesse K. Ellis, March to November, 1888; Z. D. Wheat, 1888-1892; M. W. Robbins, 1892-1896; Moses Kershaw, 1896-1904; Thomas Grimes, 1904—.

**Surveyor.**—Thomas Sconce, 1831-1835; Joseph Fowler, 1835-1839; Thomas Sconce, 1839-1843; Lewis R. Hutchason, 1843-1847; Thomas Lytle, 1847-1852; John Meadows, 1852-1855; William A. Brown, 1855-1859; Lewis B. Richardson, 1859-1861; Thomas Lytle, 1861-1864; James S. Yeargin, 1864-1867; George A. Brown, 1867-1869; John H. Clark, 1869-1875; John L. Aubert, 1875-1878; Zelora Green, 1878-1892; Orville Cox, 1892-1896; William B. Watson, 1896-1904; Joseph A. Trimble, 1904—.

**State's Attorney.**—Prior to the adoption of the Constitution of 1870, Prosecuting Attorneys were elected in circuits consisting of several counties, and James R. Cunningham was the first Coles County man to hold the office. He defeated Joseph G. Cannon, the present Speaker of the National House of Representatives, who was then a resident of Douglas County. Cunningham served until 1864, when Joseph G. Cannon was elected. In 1868 General Boyle, of Paris, was elected, and it was provided by law that such Attorneys should remain in office for the full term of four years, even though the new Constitution of 1870 provided for a State's Attorney to be elected by the people of each county. The first election, therefore, under the new order of things, was in 1872, and James W. Craig was then elected. The list in full from that time is as follows: James W. Craig, 1872-1876; Robert M. Gray, 1876-1880; Samuel M. Leitch, 1880-1888; John H. Marshall, 1888-1896; Emery Andrews, 1896-1900; John F. Voigt, 1900-1904; John McNutt, 1904—.

**School Commissioner.**—Charles S. Morton was the first School Commissioner and held office until 1841, when he was followed by James Alexander, who held office until 1845. Other incumbents were: James B. Harris, 1845-1849; H. Mann, 1849-1851; Gideon Edwards, 1851-1853; James A. Mitchell, 1853-1855; Gideon Edwards, 1855-1861; W. H. K. Pile, 1861-1863; Perry Mat-

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