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Memories of Olden Times in

Bloomington.

I came to Bloomington in April,

1857. Mr. Geo. W. Hardin was

the principal hotel man here at

that time. The county officers

were Judge Wm. Lowe, Clerk of

the county; Jess Wright was

Sheriff; Eas Blair was one of the

law makers. Monroe county then

extended about twenty miles east

of Bloomington near where Nash-

ville now stands, in Brown county.

I traveled from Columbus to Jack-

son's salt works. There I spent

the first night in Monroe county.

Capt. Jackson was making salt at

that time. It was twelve miles

from there to Bloomington. Later

I got acquainted with Capt. Jack-

son as a candidate for the Legisla-

ture. The Captain was a very

prominent man, and a leader in

eastern Monroe county. Men all

had their guns in those days, and

when election day came they all

met at a certain point, and then

Capt. Jackson led them, mounted

on horseback, with his gun. They

would come from Jackson's Lick

(18 miles) in a body, 50 to 75

strong, all voter, and march

around the square, stack their arms,

up to the west window of the

court house, and all vote the

same ticket that Jackson voted.

Eas Blair was the father-in-

law of Geo. Jacob B. Lowe, a very

popular man. He lived near Mr.

Waldron's tannery, in a large brick

house, and on the grounds was

fine big spring. Mr. Blair was re-

peatedly elected sheriff of the

county.

All voted at the county seat.

Lowe was Clerk, and he was one

of the most looking men in the

country—his popularity was un-

bounded. I have seen his forces

combined with Mr. Blair's march

from the hill country east to

Bloomington under Captain Jack-

son and others. They were al-

ways victorious. Gen. Jacob B.

Lowe was said to be the finest

person of his day. His father-in-

law, Mr. Blair, was one of Monroe

county's law makers, and was nev-

er defeated. They were Jacksons.

Twenty miles of Brown county

voted here; the majority then was

560 Democratic. Jacob B. Lowe

was later one of Monroe county's

law makers, and was once the most

popular man in the county. In

the latter part of his life he made

public declaration of his faith in

his Savior. He demanded of Rev.

Elder Black that he be immured

in pure running water, and through

time he continued faithful to death,

while many who were taken into

the church at the same time turned

backward.

W. N. ROSEBERRY.

—A special to the Sentinel says:

"Great religious excitement is pre-

valing at Mt. Ebal, a country

church in the south part of this

county. A 'spiritual meeting' has

been in progress at that place for

more than six weeks under the su-

ervision of three women preachers,

the Misses Sarah Laughlin, Annie

Huffman and Mattie Tomlinson of

Illinois, who claim to 'slay with

the power.' 'Cast out devils,' etc.

A great many believe have been

found in that rural vicinity, and

the excitement has become almost

a frenzy. When struck with the

"power" the victim begins to trem-

ble and shake, gradually becoming

more violent, until he or she falls

to the floor and then lies as if in a

trance. The services are of a sen-

sational character, consisting prin-

cipally of singing and praying, in

which all join at once. The ma-

jority of converts are children and

young people. The more educated

and level-headed people of the

community take no stock in the

meeting. A great many have at-

tended from here and the general

impression is that it is a hanging

and more of an injury than a ben-

efit to the community."

—Dr. Samuel E. Smith has

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