RES OF A.B. FISHER
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Prominent among the citizens of Xenia, stands Mr. Andrew B. Fisher, to whom this sketch and this sheet is respectfully addressed.

He was born in the county of Deer Creek, Carroll County, Indiana, October 3, 1844. His parents—David and Susannah (Smith) natives of Virginia, and emigrated to Montgomery county, ohio, in the year 1804. Removing to Carroll county, they remained their residence in that county until 1861, then changed to White County of this State, where, February 5, 1871, the former died. Andrew had been called to the death of his mother in August, 1847. Brothers and two sisters comprised the children, seven sons and two daughters. Four of them are still living, as follows: Jacob, John, Hannah and the subject of this biography. In the life of the latter nothing occurred of importance up to 1862. The great war of the rebellion then being in progress and our country in unspeakable peril, young Fisher, then only 17 years of age, inspired with patriotic devotion, enlisted—much against the desire of his father—in Company "G," 72d Ind. Inf. Vols.

Reporting orders to report for duty at South Bend, Indiana, the Rendezvous of his Regiment,—he arrived there July 30, 1862.

A few days subsequently his Regiment broke camp for Lexington, Ky., reaching there August 30, 1862. But two days escaped ere young Fisher was prostrated with sickness and sent to the Hospital.

While here, he and all his fellow inmates were taken prisoners, this occurred September 1, 1862, on the fourth following he was paroled and sent home. Remaining at home until exchanged, a month he returned to the front again to be taken prisoner while participating in the memorable raid of Gen. J. H. Morgan, May 4, 1863.

Less fortunate in this, his second Confederate captive, he was assigned quarters at the famous Libby Prison and like the many unfortunates whose misfortune of that dire imprisonment he languished under the torments of hunger and exposure near unto death. Relief came, however, in time to spare him the advantage of prisoners. He was forwarded to the Hospital at Annapolis, Maryland, where, for five weeks he was tenderly cared for and then his parole preserved. From here he was transferred to Indianapolis, the capital of his own State; there receiving a discharge by reason of his physical disability, July 31, 1863.

Returning to his home once more, he engaged at farming and milling until March 29 1865, when declining health prompted him to undertake a trip to the Pacific, entering a party were bound for the Boise City, Idaho, he made connection to join them, over on May 10, 1865, and until consolidation of 20 cars started on the perilous trip. The purpose of this expedition was to open a new route through to Virginia City, Montana Territory, where they arrived August 15, 1865. The journey so arduous at times encountered by Indians—at one time causing a timely entrench meeting, August 20 they again took up the line of march. Passing Salt Lake City, Utah, they arrived at their objective point. There they arrived September 23.

Journeying here until October 15, Mr. Fisher concluded to visit San Francisco, California, which place he reached October 18, and where he remained until March, 1867. From there started with the thought of home and friends he proceeded to return to Iowa, arriving April 20, 1867.

Mr. Fisher was married December 24, 1867, to Miss Louisa E. Snider of Martin, White County, Indiana. On November, 1868, he moved to Xenia, his present place of residence, and engaged in general merchandising and in the lumber and sales business. By close industry and close application to business he has accumulated quite a handsome competency, being at present one of the largest lumber dealers in Jackson Township. He has also added considerably to the value of his property, making as much in the place in the way of improvements, making as an instance the fine brick store room—as fact, to be established in Miami County.

His lumber yard is always well stocked with the various kinds of lumber consumed in this vicinity, while his store factory gives constant employment to several men.

We accompany this sketch with a view of his pleasant home, store factory, lumber yard and store building, also portraits of himself and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Fisher have been the parents of four children,—three of whom, at the present time are living.

As a citizen Mr. Fisher is highly respected, and in business circles he stands unrivaled. Politically he is a staunch Republican. Religiously a consistent member of the Society of Christian Church,—which he and his wife have joined. He good previous to marriage, while mostly self-made, he is indeed a favorite within the circle of his acquaintance.

In conclusion, may his remaining days be made happy by greater accomplishments, and when, at last, wearied of life's strife and conflicts, he sinks to rest, may his memory ever be revered by posterity.

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