

JACOB RUPEL, one of the leading agriculturists of Jay County, engaged in farming and stock-raising in Jackson Township, is a native of Darke County, Ohio, born October 4, 1850. When he was four years old his father came to Jay County and settled in Jackson Township, and there he was reared amid pioneer scenes. His youth was spent in assisting his father on the farm, and in attending the common schools of his neighborhood, completing his education at Liber College. He was united in marriage February 12, 1878, to Miss Julia Ann Richelderfer, a native of Indiana, born in Adams County, July 21, 1853, a daughter of Charles and Sophia Richelderfer. They are the parents of two sons - Ezra Elmer and Charles Vernon.

After his marriage Mr. Rupel settled on a farm on section 33, Hartford Township, Adams County, where he resided seven years. In October, 1885, he brought his family to the farm in Jackson Township, Jay County, where they have since made their home. He is now the owner of 192 acres of choice land in one body, 114 acres in Jackson Township and seventy-eight acres adjoining in Hartford Township. His farm is divided into different fields for the convenience of his stock, his farm being well adapted to stock-raising, to which enterprise he devotes considerable attention. His residence, a two story brick, is one of the finest in Jackson Township, and his large barn erected in 1887, is not surpassed in the county. The latter is a two story building, 40 x 70 feet, and is very conveniently arranged for his stock and grain. In fact all the surroundings of the Rupel farm, shows the owner to be a thorough, practical farmer. In his political views Mr. Rupel affiliates with the Republican party.

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