

## SHOCKNEY, CHARLES H.

Charles H. SHOCKNEY, one of the veteran members of the bar of the Jay Circuit Court, a practicing attorney in this county for more than thirty years, with offices at Redkey for the past twenty years or more, is a native Hoosier, a fact of which he never has ceased to be proud, and has lived in this state all his life. Mr. SHOCKNEY was born in Tipton county on October 8, 1854, and is a son of Dr. William P. and Jane C. (FRAZIER) SHOCKNEY, the latter of whom was born in North Carolina but had come to Indiana with her parents in the days of her girlhood, her family locating in Howard county. Dr. William P. SHOCKNEY was born in Maryland, but had also come to Indiana with his parents in the days of his youth and had here grown to manhood, his family having settled in Randolph county. For several years he taught school, in the meantime giving his attention to the study of medicine and presently became a physician, for many years having practiced his profession at Windfall in Tipton county, Indiana. Doctor SHOCKNEY and his wife were the parents of eight children, four of whom are still living, the subject of this sketch having three brothers, John A., Theodore and James N. SHOCKNEY.

Reared in Randolph county, his parents having moved there from Tipton county when he was eight years old, Charles H. SHOCKNEY completed his schooling in the Eastern Indiana Normal School at Muncie, which he attended for three years, and was for nine years thereafter engaged in teaching school in Randolph county. He then for several years was engaged in railway service, meantime giving his attention to the study of law, which studies he completed under the preceptorship of his brother, Theodore SHOCKNEY, in the latter's law office at Union City, and in 1884 was admitted to the Ohio state bar. In 1885 he was admitted to the Indiana bar and for five years thereafter was associated with his brother in the practice of his profession. In 1890 Mr. SHOCKNEY opened an office of his own and in 1892 located at Dunkirk, where he remained until 1900, when he moved to Redkey and has since been engaged in practice in the latter city. Mr. SHOCKNEY is a Democrat and has ever given a good citizen's attention to local civic affairs, long having been recognized as one of the strong men of his party in Jay county.

On January 28, 1880, Charles H. SHOCKNEY was united in marriage to Alice WHEELER, who was born in Randolph county, and to this union three children have been born, two of whom are living, Theodore and Adaline, both of whom are married.

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