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MARION INGELS.

MARION INGELS was born in Morgan county, Indiana, September 17, 1844. His ancestors removed from Pennsylvania to Kentucky, and thence to Indiana, casting in their lot with the pioneer settlers of that State. Samuel Meranda, the grandfather of our subject, was a soldier in the War of 1812. Thomas Ingels, the father of our subject, was a native of the Hoosier State, and in 1843 married Miss Elizabeth Meranda. By occupation he was a farmer, following that pursuit throughout his active life. He died in 1859, at the age of forty years, while his wife survived until 1895, and passed away at the age of sixty-nine. They had six children, of whom five are now living, namely: Marion; John, of Center, Indiana; Mrs. S. R. Gideon, of Washington, D. C.; George, of Alva, Oklahoma, and Samuel, of Hemlock, Indiana.

Elder Ingels was reared upon his father's farm and through the winter months attended the district schools of the neighborhood until twenty years of age, when his uncle, James Ingels, sent him to Abingdon College, in Illinois, where he remained until his graduation. He was educated for the teacher's profession, but he soon began preaching in connection with his teaching, and continued so to do for five years, since which time he has abandoned teaching for preaching the gospel of the

Christian church. He has filled pastorates at Bryant, Abingdon, Cuba, Lewiston and Illiopolis, Illinois; and at Leanna, Oswego, Chetopa, North Topeka and Coffeyville, Kansas. He was united in marriage to Miss Libbie Frazier, June 6, 1869. Miss Frazier was born in Ursa, Illinois, November 11, 1848. Her father Lemuel G. Frazier, was a native of Kentucky, but removed to Adams county, Illinois, when a mere child where he grew to man's estate, raised a large family and died. He gave his daughter excellent educational privileges, and in 1873 she was graduated in Abingdon College, with the degree of bachelor of science. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Ingels has been blessed with two sons, Thomas L., who married Miss Jennie Little, of Savonburg, Kansas, and is living on his father's farm; and Harry P., now twelve years of age.

Elder Ingels continued his ministerial work in Illinois until the fall of 1882, when he came to Kansas and purchased eighty acres of land in east Cottage Grove township, near Leanna, Allen county. He has made splendid improvements upon his farm and has a most attractive home, which stands in the midst of highly cultivated fields. There is also a large orchard upon his place and all modern improvements, and in the periods of his rest from the ministerial duties he finds pleasure in the work of the farm.

He returned to Illinois in 1895 for a period of two years to educate his son Thomas in Eureka College. During these two years he did evangelistic work in Michigan and Illinois. He was State Sunday school evangelist of Kansas for six years and is now engaged in evangelistic work under the State missionary board of the Christian church. Mr. Ingels took the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1869, and that of Bachelor of Arts in 1873, in Abingdon College and he and his wife taught therein during the two college years beginning in the fall of 1875. He prepares the lessons for the Christian Endeavor Quarterly, and does other religious literary work. He has found in his wife a most able assistant. She is a most earnest worker in the missionary field, and is president of the Woman's

Christian Board of Missions in Kansas, an important position which she has filled for a number of years. Mr. Ingels is one of the leading ministers of the Christian church in this State, having filled positions of trust on the State board of the Interdenominational Sunday school work, and on the State boards of his own church. He is a man of thoughtful, earnest purpose, of strong intellectual endowments, of broad charity and kindly nature, and by all denominations, as well as his own people, is held in the highest regard.