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**F. B. Tomson**, farmer, P. O. Silver Lake. Has eighty acres of land, all improved; a story and a half house, containing five rooms, which was built in 1872 and cost \$400. He also has a two-story stone barn 20x24, built in 1879 at a cost of \$500. He has an orchard of 400 apple, 200 pear, 100 cherry and 1,000 peach, nearly all bearing, also 1,500 forest trees. Was born in Warren County, Ohio, and moved to Franklin County, Ind., when three years old, but soon after moved to Butler County, Ohio, where he lived till 1842, when he moved to Preble County, Ohio. He lived in Preble until 1865, when he moved to Hamilton, Butler Co., Ohio, where he lived five years and then moved to Shawnee County, Kan., in 1870. He worked at the carpenter trade continually till he moved to Kansas.

He was married in 1840 to **Miss Mary A. Barnhisel**, a native of Perry County, Pa., but raised in Hamilton County, Ohio. They have raised seven children, **Oscar, Adaline, Isabel, Martha A., John, Albert** and **Edwin**. **Mr. Tomson** was paralyzed on his left side March 6, 1877. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and has been a warm and earnest Republican from the time the party was first organized.