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sixty-four acres of some of the finest land in the Scioto valley. He rents a part of it and the rest is under the care of his two sons.

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Mr. Cline was married in Franklin township, November 4, 1858, to Miss Lydia Briggs, the only sister of Henry Briggs, whose sketch appears upon another page of this work. The death of Mrs. Cline took place November 8, 1888, leaving three children and the bereaved husband. The children are: Anna, the wife of Nelson Breninger, of Texas; Lester, who married Lydia Moore, of Franklin county and resides at home; and Willard, who married Lizzie Huffman and is also at home.

The political opinions of Mr. Cline favor the Democratic party, and he has always taken a great interest in its success. He has faithfully served the township as trustee for eleven years, and has many times filled the minor offices. In all the county there is no one more thoroughly respected than our subject. He has done much for the development of the section in which he lives, and has taken intense interest in the improvements which have been wrought since his advent so many years ago.

## BARNABAS PHINNEY.

For many years this gentleman was prominently identified with the agricultural and business interests of Franklin county, Ohio, his home being on a farm in Clinton township, where he died on the 28th of January, 1899, honored and respected by all who knew him. He was born in Lee, Berkshire county, Massachusetts, April 3, 1813, and when four years of age moved to New York state with his parents, Calvin and Thankful (Bassett) Phinney, residing there until the removal of the family to Medina county, Ohio, more than sixty years ago. In 1838, at the age of twenty-six, he came to Franklin county, and located in Clinton township, where he continued to make his home throughout the remainder of his life. On his arrival here he purchased sixty acres of land, three of which are still retained by his widow as a home place. He was married on the 2nd of November, 1843, to Miss Mary S. Smiley. No children were born to them but they reared three from childhood, namely: Nellie Smiley; Barney Smiley; and Libbie Cruder, now Mrs. Arnold.

Mr. Phinney was a man of good business ability and did not confine his attention solely to agricultural pursuits, but became interested in other enterprises, including the construction and carrying on of the toll road from Columbus to Worthington, being treasurer of the company for a number of years. He also held stock in the Electric Street Car Company that built the line between those cities. In his political views he was a Republican, and at the polls always exercised the privileges of citizenship. He was a regular attendant at the Presbyteran church of Worthington, of which he was a trustee for many years, and was a liberal contributor to all religious denominations and to any other worthy public enterprise. As a gentleman he was widely and favorably known, and was highly respected by a host of friends.

