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BABB, JOSEPH—Farmer, section 23, P. O. Montezuma. Was born in Belmont county, Ohio, November 9, 1826, and when twelve years of age, removed to Illinois, where he was engaged in farming until the spring of 1850. He then went to California and commenced farming, which he followed until 1852, and then returned to Illinois, remaining until 1855. He moved to Minnesota and followed farming until 1865, at which time he again returned to Illinois, and in the winter of 1869 came to this county, where he now owns a good farm of 319 acres. He was married on the 16th of June, 1853, to Miss Nancy J. Marple. Their family consists of six children: Milfred F., Mary J., George W., Harvey, Della, and Cynthia. During the late war Mr. Babb enlisted in 1864, in the Fourth Minnesota infantry, and served until the close of the war, when he was mustered out at Louisville, Kentucky.