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**EDWARD P. HINKLEY, farmer, Sec. 10; P. O. Eagle; born, Dec. 29, 1839, in China, St. Clair Co., Mich.; his parents, Oramel and Phebe (Earle) Hinkley, were Vermonters; in June, 1840, they came to Eagle; lived that summer with A. R. Hinkley, building that fall a log house on land which Mr. H. had not entered at the Land Office; a certain man on learning this, started for Milwaukee on Horseback, but was distance by Mr. H. on foot; this sturdy old pioneer reached the town, entered his land, and footed it home, stopping only for a meal in town. At his death, Aug. 18, 1855, he left seven children-Edward P., Emily E., Urania E., Albert A., Urzelia, William H., and Charles O. Mr. Hinkley lived on the homestead until Aug. 21, 1862, when he enlisted in Co. G, 28th W. V. I.; was with his regiment in the Yazoo Pass and White River expeditions, in the fight at Helena and the capture of Little Rock; was then, for thirteen months, at Pine Pluff, Ark., participating in the Saline River Expedition and the battle at Mt. Elba; the regiment was then sent to Mobile via New Orleans, investing Spanish forts, and being thirteen days under fire; after the capture of Mobile and the forts, the regiment made a 200-mile raid north in Alabama, and took the rebel navy yard at Ray's Landing; the next move was to Texas; Mr. Hinkley, being sick at Brazos, was honorably discharged in August, 1865; he says that his regiment did more steamboat riding than any in the service. On his return, he bought 80 acres of his present farm, where he settled in 1872; has added 40 acres; also owning his share of the old homestead. Married, July 4, 1872, Miss Salena, daughter of William and Ann Ardiss, of Lincolnshire, Eng.; they have three children-Hubert A., Percival E., and Myrtle G. The mother of Mr. H. died Feb. 27, 1879. He is a Republican, and, with his wife, a member of the M. E. Church. Is devoting much attention to growing and manufacturing sorghum, his mill turning out from 1,000 to 2,000 gallons per annum.**

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