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## William R. Nofsinger's Family (Updated)

| Name                             | Birth      | Place             | Death      | Place              | Marriage   | Place         |
|----------------------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|--------------------|------------|---------------|
| Peter Nofsinger                  | 1775       |                   | 1841       |                    |            |               |
| m. Elizabeth Stover              | 1768       |                   | 1864       |                    |            |               |
| Joseph Nofsinger                 | 1790       |                   | 1850       |                    | 9-14-1812  | Virginia      |
| m. Mary Harshbarger              | 12-26-1796 | Botetourt, VA     | 1850       | Roachdale, IN      | 9-14-1812  | Virginia      |
| Salome Nofsinger                 | 1813       |                   | 1880       |                    |            |               |
| <b>William Rowland Nofsinger</b> | 2-18-1815  | Botetourt, VA     | 3-16-1880  | Indianapolis, IN   |            |               |
| m1. Mary Myers                   | 1817       |                   | 1840       |                    | 12-18-1836 | Ladoga, IN    |
| <u>Francis Bacon Nofsinger</u>   | 1-06-1837  | Ladoga, IN        | 1-06-1920  | Kansas City, MO    |            |               |
| <u>William Wallace Nofsinger</u> | @ 1840     | Montgomery Co, IN | 12-29-1845 | Ladoga IN          |            |               |
| m2. Evaline Howard*              | 1827       | Rockville, IN     | 4- 07-1853 | Rockville, IN      | 2-01-1844  | Rockville, IN |
| <u>Mary E. Nofsinger</u>         | 1845       | Rockville, IN     | 1874       | Indianapolis, IN   |            |               |
| m. Noble, William H L            | 1825       |                   | 1877       | Crown Hill Indy IN |            |               |
| Noble, Lizzie                    | 6-14-1848  |                   | 7-27-1848  | Rockville, IN      |            |               |
| m3. Emeline B. Baldwin           | 7-??-1833  | IL                |            | Kansas City, MO    | 6-16-1853  | Edgar, IL     |
| <u>Luby B. Nofsinger</u>         |            |                   | 8-13-1854  | Rockville, IN      |            |               |
| <u>William B. Nofsinger</u>      | 1856       |                   | 8-09-1857  | Crown Hill Indy IN |            |               |
| <u>Rowland Nofsinger</u>         | 5-13-1859  |                   |            |                    |            |               |
| <u>Joseph Lewis Nofsinger</u>    | 11-19-1864 | Indianapolis, IN  | 2-27-1906  | Kansas City, MO    |            |               |
| Elizabeth Nofsinger              | 1817       |                   | 1889       |                    |            |               |
| Samuel Nofsinger                 | 1821       |                   | 1900       |                    |            |               |
| Peter Nofsinger                  | 1823       |                   | 1871       |                    |            |               |
| Jacob Nofsinger                  | 1825       |                   | 1905       |                    |            |               |
| Susan Nofsinger                  | 1827       |                   | 1902       |                    |            |               |
| Catherine Nofsinger              | 1830       |                   | 1904       |                    |            |               |
| Nancy Nofsinger                  | 1835       |                   | 1840       |                    |            |               |
| Hannah Nofsinger                 | 1837       |                   | 1906       |                    |            |               |
| Caroline Nofsinger               | 1838       |                   | 1884       |                    |            |               |

\*Evaline Howard's parents were:

Tilghman Howard born 11-14-1797, died 8-16-1844, and buried in Rockville, IN

Her mother died in 1830 at Bloomington, IN

Her step-mother was Mary Maxwell born 1-22-1813, died 4-27-1909 and buried in Rockville, IN

Note that the *Biographical History of the Indiana General Assembly* Vol 1 1816-1899 gives William Rowland Nofsinger's biography on pages 294-295 and says he had 4 children altogether. Above we show four for his marriage to Emeline Baldwin plus others by his other wives. We quote this source:

Born Feb. 18, 1815 Botetourt Co., VA Studied Medicine and attended Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia and graduated in 1844. Married Mary Myers in 1836. Married Evaline Howard 1844. Married Emeline Baldwin 1853. 4 children all together. Moved to Ladoga, Montgomery county. Moved to Parke county in 1842. Moved to Indianapolis in 1855. Physician, a founder and cashier of the 1st National Bank in Indianapolis, Ind. Agent of the Singer Sewing Machine Company. Democrat; Fusion, Republican in 1854. Member of the Indiana Constitutional Convention 1850-51. Trustee of the Wabash and Erie Canal 1851-54. State Treasurer 1855-57. Lost his bid for Treasurer in 1856. Died March 16, 1880 Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana.

**CANAWLERS AT REST REVISITED:  
WILLIAM ROWLAND NOFSINGER**

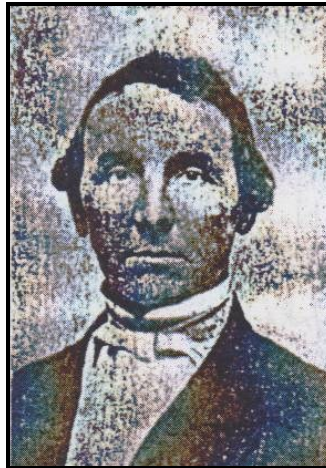
By Charles Davis

On page 3 of the January 2014 Vol. 13 No. 1 of *The Hoosier Packet* in the “Canawlers At Rest” column, Editor Carolyn I. Schmidt wrote about William Rowland Nofsinger. I, Charles Davis, have found the following information about his activities during his brief years while living here in Parke county, Indiana.

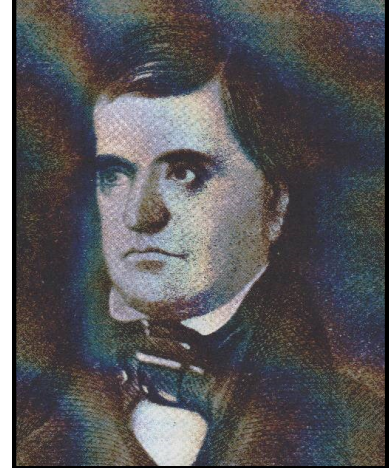
William moved to Parke country early in 1842. He then studied medicine and attended Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from which he was graduated in 1844. That year on February 1, he married Gen. Tilghman A. Howards’ daughter Evaline, by the general’s first wife, in Rockville, Parke county, Indiana. So far I have not been able to find Howard’s first wife’s name.

William was a member of the Indiana Constitution Convention, then served as Wabash & Erie Canal trustee until his term expired in 1856. According to the *Rockville True Republican* of December 21, 1854, p. 2, it was close to say he left Parke county in 1855, the year he was elected Indiana State Treasurer. He then moved to Indianapolis, Marion county, Indiana.

In Rockville William’s home was located on the northwest corner of York and Jefferson streets, on the south



William Rowland Nofsinger  
2-15-1815 ~ 3-16-1880  
Buried Crown Hill Cemetery,  
Indianapolis, Indiana

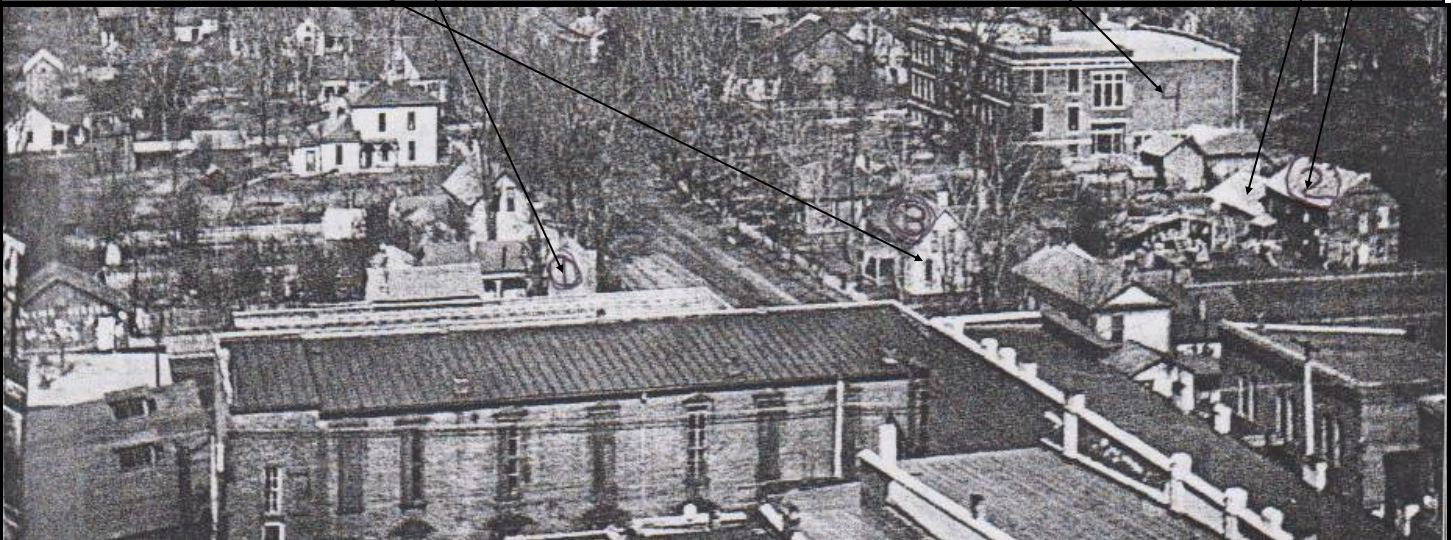


Gen. Tilghman Ashurst Howard  
11-14-1797 ~ 8-16-1844  
Buried Rockville, Indiana

-half of lot 17. It was just across the street west of Samuel Nixon Baker’s Pottery, an old canal man himself. In a letter from Mr. Baker to Hon. John G. Davis dated March 4, 1854, “Doc Nofsingers are well.”

While in Indianapolis, Mr. Nofsinger sold his Rockville home to William Reeder for \$1,300 on January 28, 1859. Deed Record 2/77 The 1939 picture of Rockville shows the location of this home. It was raised in 1950 to break ground for the Grab-It-Here grocery store. The store had its grand opening on March 22, 1951.

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| Home of Samuel Nixon Baker, corner Jefferson and York Street, see <i>The Hoosier Packet</i> February 2006 by Charles Davis | Home of William Rowland Nofsinger S½ Lot 17 SE corner Jefferson & York raised 1950 for grocery store. | Rockville High School raised in 1970s | Samuel Nixon Baker Pottery est. 1834, Lots 17-18, had canal boat “Wild Boy,” run by son Charles H. Baker 1909, closed 1910, raised June 1912, kiln, pottery |
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1909 photo taken from Court House Tower