

**S**CHEFOLD, FRANK, civil and mechanical engineer, New Albany, is a native of the little kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany, where he was born April 23, 1846. His parents were Edward and Caroline Schefold. His father was an advocate of law before the king. Frank Schefold's educational advantages were good. At school he obtained a thorough knowledge of his own language, and had also made some progress in French and Latin, when he was apprenticed to one of the best mechanical schools of his country, at Biberach, where he remained until he had attained his eighteenth year. He then entered the Polytechnic school at Stuttgart, where he spent three years in the study of chemistry, hydraulics, civil engineering, and the Greek and English languages. He reads and translates French and English with ease, as well as the classic tongues of Greece and Rome. In 1866 he emigrated to this country, and was employed for about a year in the Philadelphia patent office as draughtsman. After two years more in that city he went to Cincinnati, and was assistant civil engineer of the Cincinnati water-works from 1870 to 1875, with the exception of some eight months spent in Europe; during which time he visited and inspected the great water-works of London, Vienna, Hamburg, Berlin, Leipsic, etc. In 1875 he was called to New Albany, Indiana, to superintend the drafting and construction of the water-works of that place. He is now superintendent and civil engineer of the water-works in that city, and also has charge of those at Bowling Green, Kentucky. He has a reputation as a civil engineer second to none in the state. In 1875 he married Miss Elizabeth Smith, daughter of William Smith, of Campbell County, Kentucky; they have one child. Mr. and Mrs. Schefold are both members of the Universalist Church, of New Albany.