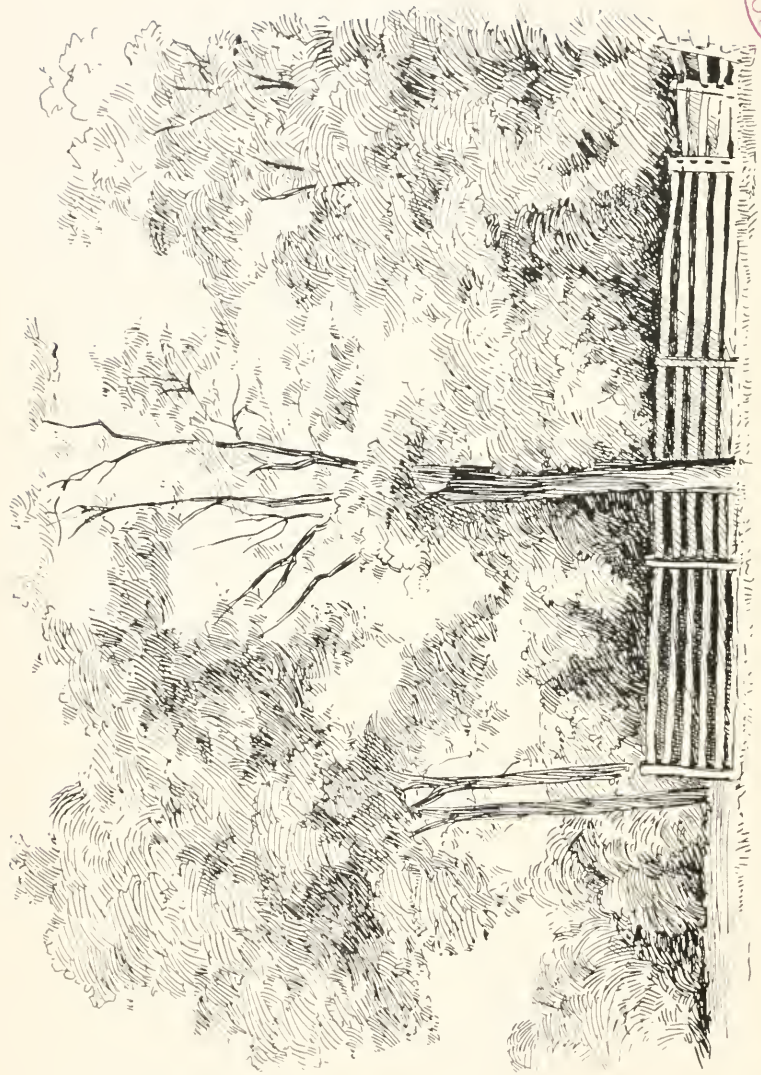


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View of the old Bear homestead near Newville, Pa., showing enclosure, within which, Jacob Bear, Sr. and other members of the family are buried.



A Genealogy of the Bear Family and
Biographical Record of the De-
scendants of Jacob Bear

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PREFACE

THE idea of compiling such a record as is herein given had often been suggested, but the undertaking was not finally launched until the Summer of 1903. In the vicinity of Bearsdale, Macon county, Illinois, Jacob, Samuel and Ephraim Bear, Jr., had lived and reared their large families, but in recent years the children and grandchildren of these old pioneers have become more and more scattered. In the Summer of 1903, some of each branch who had removed to other localities, it so happened, were back in the old neighborhood at the same time, and coming together at the old homestead of Samuel Bear, where his widow and youngest son still reside, it was thought this would be a good time to put the plan into operation. At this gathering were the following persons: Mrs. Hulda Rankin, Mrs. Mary E. Braden, Mrs. Emma Reisinger, Mrs. Mary Bear, Mrs. Sarah M. Bear, Mrs. Ann C. Bear, Samuel E. Bear and wife, and Brice J. Bear and wife. Brice J. Bear, of Bearsdale, Ill., was elected President, and an Executive Committee appointed composed of the following persons: Samuel E. Bear, of Welch, Ind. Ter.; Mrs. Mary E. Braden, of Lake Arthur, La.; Mrs. Hulda Rankin, of White Heath, Ill.; Mrs. Elizabeth A. Troutman, of Decatur, Ill., and Mrs. Emma C. Reisinger, of Bearsdale, Ill. Walter S. Bear, of St. Louis, Mo., was made Secretary, and selected to collect the material for the book. At this time it was not expected to get up anything more than a record of the descendants of Ephraim Bear, Sr., but as old records were found, the plan so unfolded itself that in this volume is given practically a complete record of all the descendants of Jacob Bear, Sr. There are possibly not a dozen names missing in this genealogy, which embraces seven generations from 1747 to 1906.

It has been attempted to give a brief mention of the personality and vocation in life of each person who has, or had reached the years of maturity, but in most cases your Secretary has found it

difficult to procure the needed data, due, possibly, to the reticence, or modesty, of many of the friends. His aim has been to avoid any partiality in this regard, but naturally he could use only the data he was able to procure.

ORIGIN

THE German name Bär, meaning a beast, is equivalent to Baer when translated into English, but with few exceptions the true English spelling, Bear, has been adhered to by the family of which this genealogy has been compiled.

Every effort has been made to ascertain the place of birth, or nativity, of Jacob Bear, Sr., but while records have been found which give date of his birth and death, they do not state where he was born. The supposition is had by the older members of the family that he came from Germany, but no positive proof of this fact can be found. Your Secretary, in the course of his investigation, has been in communication with representatives of a good many families of our name, spelling it in different ways, and while it is remarkable that with few exceptions these families had their American origin in Pennsylvania, the connection, if at all, is very remote. It may be possible that could these families be traced in the old country, it would be found they had the same origin. Your Secretary has found two other families besides ourselves who were compiling genealogies at this time. One of these spell the name Bare and the other Bair, and both sprang from Lancaster county, Pa. As far back as can be traced, it seems the Bears (spelling the name in different ways) came over with the Swiss Mennonites about 1700 and settled in Lancaster county. It is possible that our Jacob came from one of these Lancaster county families. It is very probable that he was of Swiss-German origin, as a biographical sketch, written of Ephraim Bear, Jr., before the latter's death, stated the family was of Swiss origin. This was probably written with Ephraim's knowledge, and it is very probable he knew the place of birth of Jacob Bear, Sr., his grandfather. Unfortunately, Ephraim Bear, Jr., died many years before this work was undertaken. In fact, there are none now living of the third generation.

Ephraim Bear, Jr., was evidently much interested in family records, and it was due to his carefulness in this regard we are

able to give a complete record of the family of Jacob Bear, Sr. In an old Bible, which had been the property of his father, Ephraim Bear, Sr., Ephraim, Jr., had copied from other records the names and dates of birth of the family of Jacob Bear, Sr. Where he obtained this information, and what became of the original record, cannot be said. In this same record he had copied the names and dates of birth of the family of his mother's father, Sebastian Bowers. This latter record, however, he obtained from his cousin, Levi Kendig, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., a son of Anna (Bowers) Kendig. Mr. Kendig, who is still living, states Ephraim copied this record many years ago from the Sebastian Bowers' Bible, now in possession of Mr. Kendig.

All the early members of our family spoke German, so we are German in characteristic, whether Jacob Bear, from whom we are tracing, was actually born in Germany or came from German or Swiss-German parentage.

THE OLD HOMESTEAD

ABOUT two and a half miles from Newville, Pa., lies the old homestead of Jacob Bear, Sr., our paternal ancestor, of whose posterity this history is written. It long since passed out of the Bear family and is now owned by David S. Kerr. The old house was torn down many years ago and replaced with a building of more modern design, but on this farm Jacob Bear lived and died, and here he was buried.

On a small plat of ground, on the banks of the Canodoguinet Creek, Jacob, his wife, his sons Isaac, Jacob and Samuel, and his daughters Rebecca and Elizabeth, were buried, following a custom in those early days to bury the dead upon their own ground. In this little enclosure were also buried Elizabeth (Mountz) Bear and Rebecca (Myers) Bear, wives of Ephraim and Samuel Bear, grandsons of Jacob, Sr. This burial ground, in the after years, came to be known as the "Martin graveyard," because of the family of that name then owning the land; but they have not owned the property since 1867.

Jacob Bear bought this land October 13, 1786, from Margery and Walter Denny, and from the records of Cumberland county we give a copy of the deed conveying the property to Jacob Bear.

Deed of Conveyance
Margery and Walter
Denny
to
Jacob Bear.

This indenture, made this 13th of October, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-six, between Margery Denny and Walter Denny, both late of Westpennsborough township, Cumberland county, and State of Pennsylvania, of the one part, and Jacob Bear, of the township, county and State aforesaid of the other.

Witnesseth that the said Margery and Walter Denny for and in consideration of the sum of one thousand seven hundred pounds, good and lawful money of Pennsylvania, to them in hand paid by the said Jacob Bear before the sealing and delivery thereof, the

receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, released and confirmed, and by these presents doth grant, bargain, sell, release and confirm to the said Jacob Bear, his heirs and assigns forever, a certain messuage, tenement or tract of land situate, lying and being in Westpennsborough township, Cumberland county, bounded by the following lines (viz.): Beginning at a post on the bank of the Cannedoguinnet Creek, thence by James Graham's land south twenty-six degrees, east forty-two perches and an half to a post, south fifty-five degrees, west twenty-eight perches to a post, south thirty degrees, west eighteen perches to an ash tree, south forty-nine degrees and an half, east eighty perches and an half to a post, south forty-one degrees, west one perch to an hickory and south forty-nine degrees and an half east three hundred and ninety-one perches to a corner post of Alexander McKeehen's land, thence by the same south fifty-four degrees, west one hundred and twenty-seven perches and an half to an hickory grub in a line of George Lefeaver's land, thence by the same north three degrees, west twenty-two perches to a white oak and south eight degrees and an half, west thirty-nine perches and three-quarters to a corner white oak of Benjamin Paaton's land, thence by the same north one degree, west eighty-one perches to a stone and north fifty-six degrees and an half west two hundred and eighty perches and an half to a rock on the bank of the above said creek, thence down the same forty-six perches crossing said creek to a white oak, thence by William Griffin's land south eighty-four degrees, west thirty-five perches and an half to a post and north two degrees, west forty-three perches and three-quarters to a post on the line of widow Bovard's land, thence by the same north eighty-four degrees, east forty-two perches and an half to a hickory on the north-westerly side of the aforesaid creek, thence down the same one hundred and three perches and an half to the place of beginning. Containing in all two hundred and sixty acres and the usual allowance of 6 per cent. for roads, etc., with the appurtenances (which said tract was surveyed in pursuance of a warrant granted to the said Margery and Walter Denny, dated the 31st October, 1783) as will more fully appear by a Patent granted unto the said Margery and

Walter Denny the 7th day of January, 1786, and signed by the honourable Charles Biddle, Esqr., Vice President of the Supreme Executive Council, etc., etc., and willed by John Denny, deceased, as will be found in his last will and testament, a full and free power to sell and convey unto the said Margery and Walter Denny.

To have and to hold all and singular the messuage, buildings and other improvements thereon erected and made together with all the ways, woods, waters and watercourses, rights, liberties, privileges, advantages, hereditaments and appurtenances whatsoever thereunto belonging and in anywise appertaining and all the right, title, claim, interest, property and demand whatsoever of them the said Margery and Walter Denny their heirs or assigns forever, they the said Margery and Walter Denny do hereby warranty defend against all and every other person or persons lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof.

In witness whereof the said Margery and Walter Denny have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

her
 [Seal.] MARGERY X B. DENNY,
 mark
 [Seal.] WALTER DENNY.
 [Seal.] JAS. GERGUSON.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of us.

JOHN BURNS.
 ABRAHAM VOORHEESE.
 DAVID KUEYCLEY.

Fayette County, ss:

Before me, one of the Commonwealth's Justices of Courts of Quarter Sessions and Common Pleas for said county, came the above signing Margery Denny and Walter Denny, and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the above conveyance as their act and deed and desires that it may be taken on record. Witness my hand and seal this first day of January A. D. 1787.

[Seal.] JOHN ALLEN.

Cumberland County, ss:

The thirtieth day of January Anno Dom. 1787, before me, Alexander Laughlin, Esqr., one of the Justices of the Peace and Common Pleas in and for Cumberland County, came John Burns, of Franklin township, Fayette County, State of Pennsylvania, and on his solemn oath, according to law, did depose that he was personally present and did see Margery and Walter Denny within named seal as their act and deed, deliver the within instrument of writing and deponant's name thereunto subscribed as witness is of his own proper handwriting and that he saw Abraham Voorheese at the same time subscribe his name thereto as a witness.

Sworn and subscribed before me the day and
 year above written as witness my hand } JOHN BURNS.
 and seal.

[Seal.] ALEX. LAUGHLIN.

Entered in the office the 7th day of August, 1794. Recorded
 and compared. WILLM. LYON, *Recdr.*

Jacob Bear died July 14, 1793, and the records of Cumberland County reveal the following pertaining to the settlement of the estate:

To the Honorable, the Judges of the Orphans' Court of the County of Cumberland:

The petition of Jacob Bear, eldest son of Jacob Bear, deceased, late of Westpennsborough township, Cumberland County, sheweth

That your petitioner's father, the said Jacob Bear, died intestate, seized in his demesne as of fee of and in a plantation and tract of land situate in Westpennsborough township, in the county of Cumberland aforesaid, joining lands of James Graham and Sebastian Bower. That the said Jacob Bear, deceased, left a widow, Catherine Bear, and four children, to wit: Jacob, your petitioner, Rebecca, Ephraim and David. That your petitioner is willing and desirous that the said land be divided amongst the widow and children of the said deceased, if the same can be done

without prejudice to or spoiling the whole, but that if the same cannot be so divided that a just and conscionable appraisement and valuation be made of the said plantation and tract of land with the appertenances.

Your petitioner therefore prays the Court to award an inquest to divide the said plantation and tract of land amongst the widow and children of the said intestate, if the same can be so divided without injury to and spoiling the whole thereof, but if same cannot be so divided without injury to and spoiling the whole that then a just and conscionable appraisement be made thereof agreeably to the acts of Assembly in such case made and provided, and that the inquest make return of their proceedings to the next stated Orphans' Court.

And your petitioner will pray,

JACOB BEAR,

Carlisle, 22d October, 1800.

22nd October, 1800. Petition read and inquest awarded.

Then follows an instrument, signed by Samuel Laird, Esq., and William Lyon, Clerk of the Orphans' Court, commanding the Sheriff "that taking with you twelve good and lawful men of Bailiwick, you go to the said plantation and tract of land, situate as aforesaid whereof the said Jacob Bear died (intestate), seized and possessed and by their oaths and solemn affirmations, of the said plantation and tract of land make partition among the widow and children of the said Jacob Bear, deceased, if the same can be done without injury to and spoiling the whole, but if it cannot be so divided that you then cause the said inquest to value and appraise the said plantation and tract of land with the appurtenances, paying due respect to its value, and that the said valuation so made you have distinctly before the Judges of the Orphans' Court in the borough of Carlisle at an Orphans' Court thereto to be held for said county the thirty-first day of March next, under your hand and seal and under the hands and seals of those by whose oaths and affirmations the said partition or valuation shall be made, and have you then there this writ."

Report of the Inquisition is given as follows:

Inquisition indented taken at the plantation and tract of land, late the property of Jacob Bear, deceased, situate in Westpennsborough township, in the County of Cumberland and State of Pennsylvania, the fourteenth day of March in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and one, before John Carothers, Esq., High Sheriff of Cumberland County, by the oaths of James McFarlane, Joseph Purie, Jeremiah McKibben, Jacob Mires, Atchison Laughlin, Jared Graham, Benjamin McKeehan, John Roads, Andrew Heikes, Thomas McIntire, Stephen Rhine and John Dunbar, twelve good and lawful men of the bailiwick of the same Sheriff, who upon their oaths respectively do say that they, together with the same Sheriff, went to the plantation and tract of land mentioned in the within writ whereof the said Jacob Bear died (intestate) seized and possessed and on inquiry do find that the said tract of land cannot be divided to and among the widow and children of the said Jacob Bear, deceased, without injury to and spoiling the whole, wherefore the jurors aforesaid, upon their oaths aforesaid, respectively do value and appraise the said tract of land, with the appurtenances, to the sum of eighteen hundred and sixty-two pounds, five shillings, lawful money of Pennsylvania.

In testimony whereof as well as the said Sheriff as the inquest aforesaid have hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year above written.

[Seal.] JAS. MCFARLANE.

[Seal.] JOSEPH PURIE.

[Seal.] JERE MCKIBBON.

[Seal.] JACOB MIRES.

[Seal.] ATCHISON LAUGHLIN.

[Seal.] JARED GRAHAM.

[Seal.] BENJAMIN MCKEEHAN.

[Seal.] JOHN ROTZ.

[Seal.] ANDREW HEIKES.

[Seal.] THOS. MCINTIRE.

[Seal.] STEPHEN RHINE.

[Seal.] JOHN DUNBAR.

[Seal.] JOHN CAROTHERS, *Sheriff*.

Came into Court John Carothers, Esq., High Sheriff of Cumberland County, and made return of a writ of partition or

valuation of the real estate of Jacob Baer, deceased, tested the thirty-first day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and to the Sheriff directed with an inquisition upon the said estate, made by the said Sheriff and twelve lawful and honest men of his bailiwick, under their hands and seals respectively the fourteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one, and to the said writ annexed by which inquisition it appeared to the Court that the said Sheriff and inquest had valued and appraised the real estate of the said Jacob Baer, deceased, viz: a certain plantation and tract of land in West Pennsborough Township, in the County of Cumberland aforesaid, joining lands of James Graham and Sebastian Bower to the sum of eighteen hundred and sixty-two pounds, five shillings in lawful money of Pennsylvania, which valuation the Court confirmed.

Whereupon Jacob Baer, oldest son of Jacob Baer, deceased, came into Court and acknowledged in open Court that in consideration of one hundred pounds he had relinquished his right to any more than one child's share of his father's estate, and prayed the Court to confirm the said estate to him and offered to his security, David Snider, of West Pennsborough Township, which security being considered by the Court sufficient, the following recognizance :

CATHARINE BAER	}	Jacob Baer held in six hundred and
vs.		seventeen pounds, fourteen and ten pence.
JACOB BAER.	}	David Snider held in six hundred and
		seventeen pounds, fourteen shillings and ten pence.

To be levied of their goods and chattels, lands and tenements, respectively, on this condition that if the said Jacob Baer do well and truly pay unto the said Catherine Baer, widow of the said Jacob Baer, deceased, the interest arising from the sum of six hundred and seventeen pounds, fourteen shillings and ten pence yearly, and every year during her natural life from and after the thirty-first day of March, A. D. 1802, then these recognizances to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

REBECCA BEAR	{	Jacob Bear held in five hundred and sixty-seven pounds, fourteen shillings and ten pence. Also in three hundred and eight pounds, seventeen shillings and five pence.
vs.		
JACOB BEAR.		

David Snider held in five hundred and sixty-seven pounds, fourteen shillings and ten pence. Also in three hundred and eighty pounds, seventeen shillings and five pence.

(A memorandum appears stating that "2nd December, 1801, Jacob Baer produced receipt from David Snider, guardian of Rebecca Baer, in full of her share.)

(The same recognizance appears for Ephraim and David, the other two children of Jacob Bear, with the memoranda that Jacob Baer produced receipts, 2nd December, 1801, from "Joseph Whitmore or Widmer," guardian of Ephraim, and from "Abraham Meyer," guardian of David, for their share.)

To be levied of their goods and chattels, lands and tenements respectively on this condition, that if the said Jacob Baer do well and truly pay unto the said Rebecca Bear, Ephraim Bear and David Baer respectively the sum of two hundred and eighty-three pounds, seventeen shillings and five pence on or before the thirty-first day of March, A. D. 1802, with interest from the first day of October, A. D. 1801, and also if he pay unto the said Rebecca, Ephraim and David respectively the sum of one hundred and fifty-four pounds, eight shillings and eight pence, half penny at the death of Catharine Baer, widow of said Jacob Baer, deceased, then these recognizances to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Whereupon it is considered and adjudged by the Court that the said Jacob Baer hold and possess the said plantation and tract of land with the appurtenances whereof the said Jacob Baer died, seized and possessed to him, his heirs and assigns forever under such condition as the said Jacob Baer, deceased, held and possessed the same at the time of his death and subject to the foregoing recognizances.

BY THE COURT.

Under date of April 17, 1804, the records show that Jacob Bear sold 110 acres of the original tract to Emanuel Neiswanger

for "two thousand, one hundred and fifty pounds." Catherine Bear giving the necessary release. The records also show a deed from Jacob Bear to Ephraim's Bear's guardian for 83 acres of the original tract. Other transfers were made in which the names of "David Snider, Ex.," and "George Nailor, Ex.," appear. As is shown elsewhere in this history, David Snider or Snyder, was a brother-in-law of Jacob Bear, Sr., while George Nailor became the father-in-law of David Bear.

A Brief of Title to the farm proper shows a patent deed dated July 7, 1786, from the Supreme Executor's Council to Margery and Walter Denny; deed dated October 13, 1786, from Margery and Walter Denny to Jacob Bear; the land taken by Jacob Bear, Jr., under partition proceedings in 1801; deed dated April 17, 1804, from Jacob Bear to Emanuel Neiswanger; dated April 1, 1829, from Emanuel Neiswanger to Jacob Martin; the land taken by Emanuel and Jacob Martin, eldest and second sons of Jacob Martin, under partition proceedings; deed dated March 31, 1860, from Emanuel Martin to Jacob Martin; deed dated March 20, 1867, from Jacob Martin to William Kerr; and from William Kerr the farm descended to David S. Kerr, its present owner.

KEY

242 ³RALPH FRANKLIN BEAR,⁵ (David Franklin,⁴ Ephraim,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

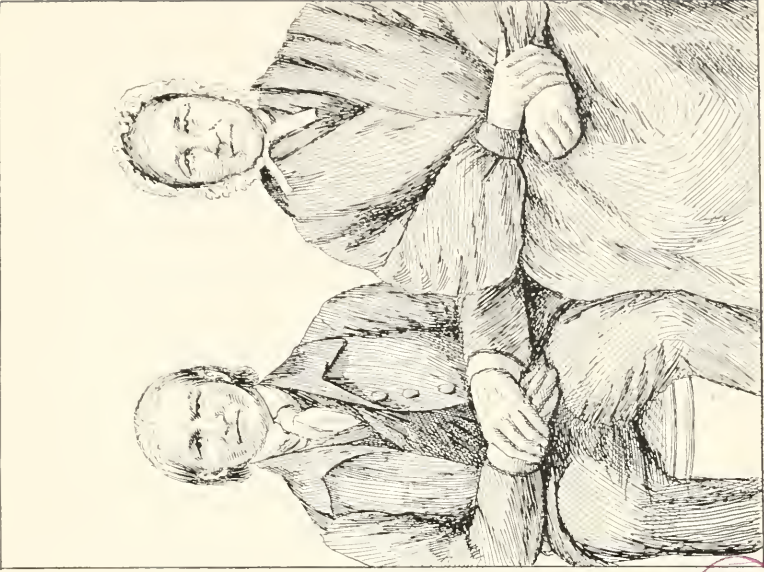
The first figures represent the person's place or position in this book. The small figure just preceding the name represents the person's order of birth. The small figure immediately succeeding the name represents the person's generation from Jacob Bear.

Illustration.—Ralph Franklin Bear is No. **242** in this genealogy; he is his father's third child and he is of the fifth generation. The names in brackets represent his lineage from Jacob Bear.



REBECCA (BEAR) BIRELY.

No. 4.



EPHRAIM BEAR and wife, MARY
(BOWERS) BEAR.

No. 5.





DAVID BEAR.
No. 6.

BOSTON
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ESTHER (NAILOR) BEAR, wife of
DAVID BEAR. No. 6.

GENEALOGY

JACOB BEAR.¹

Jacob Bear, according to a record preserved by Ephraim Bear, Jr., "was born in the year of our Lord, 1747, July 14th." This record does not state where. It also has this entry: "Catharine Bear was born in the year of our Lord A. D. 1752 in March." Catharine was Jacob's wife, and her name before her marriage was Snider or Snyder. David Bear, their son, in his Bible recorded the date of marriage of his father and mother, June 10, 1775. He also recorded that "Catherine Snyder" was born in Germany in March, 1752. Seven children were born to Jacob and Catharine (Snyder) Bear, and Ephraim Bear, Jr., in the old Bible that had been his father's, Ephraim Bear, Sr., had recorded the names and dates of birth as follows:

"Jacob Bear was born in the year of our Lord, A. D., 1779, Apr. 19th."

"Isaac Bear was born in the year of our Lord, A. D., 1780, Nov. 22."

"Rebecca Bear was born in the year of our Lord, A. D., 1782, Aug. 15th."

"Ephraim Bear was born in the year of our Lord, A. D., 1784, Feb. 7th."

"David Bear was born in the year of our Lord, A. D., 1785, Dec. 9th."

"Elizabeth Bear was born in the year of our Lord, A. D., 1787, Dec. 20th."

"Samuel Bear was born in the year of our Lord, A. D., 1792, June 8th."

It is very evident that Isaac, Elizabeth and Samuel died in early childhood, as in the partition settlement of the estate of Jacob Bear no reference is given to these three children. Jacob, the oldest son, never married; Rebecca married Henry Birely; Ephraim married Mary Bowers; and David married Esther Nailor.

The record referred to gives the date of Jacob Bear, Sr.'s death as July 14, 1793, and that of his wife June 8, 1817. It would therefore seem that Jacob died on the anniversary of the 46th year of his birth. Nothing is known of his personality. His children, Rebecca, Ephraim and David, all manifested a deep religious spirit, and it is very probable they derived the inspiration from their father before them. Bishop J. Dickson, of the United Brethren Church, writes that David Bear told him that Rev. William Otterbein, who was a very noted divine in the early days, one of the organizers and the first ordained bishop of the United Brethren in Christ Church, stopped with his father one time when he, David, was but a boy. It is therefore very likely that Jacob was a man of religious tendencies, and probably a member of the United Brethren Church, to which creed his children gave allegiance.

CHILDREN.

(All born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa.)

- 2 ¹Jacob Bear,² b. Apr. 19, 1779, unmarried, d. in 1837 or 1838.
- 3 ²Isaac Bear,² b. Nov. 22, 1780, died in childhood.
- 4 ³Rebecca Bear,² b. Aug. 15, 1782, m. Henry Birely.
- 5 ⁴Ephraim Bear,² b. Feb. 7, 1784, m. Mary Bowers.
- 6 ⁵David Bear,² b. Dec. 9, 1785, m. Esther Nailor.
- 7 ⁶Elizabeth Bear,² b. Dec. 20, 1787, died in childhood.
- 8 ⁷Samuel Bear,² b. June 8, 1792, died in childhood.

Second Generation

2 ¹JACOB BEAR,² (Jacob,¹)

Jacob Bear, the oldest son of Jacob and Catharine (Snyder) Bear, was born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., April 19, 1779. As is shown elsewhere, after the death of his father, he, as the oldest son, succeeded to the ownership of the 260 acres of land Jacob Bear, Sr., owned near Newville. But little is known of Jacob Bear, Jr., except that he never married,

and during the War of 1812 served as a teamster. His death occurred in 1837 or 1838, of lock-jaw, as a result of cutting his foot while chopping wood.

4 ³REBECCA BEAR,² (Jacob,¹)

Rebecca Bear, the third child of Jacob and Catharine (Snyder) Bear, was born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., Aug 15, 1782. Her marriage occurred May 15, 1806, to Henry Birely, and to their union were born four

CHILDREN.

- 9 ¹Jacob Byerly,³ b. Feb. 5, 1807, m.—first Catherine Bear; second, Catherine Elizabeth Hauer.
- 10 ²Catherine Byerly,³ b. May 23, 1808, m. David Shellabarger.
- 11 ³Henry Snider Byerly,³ b. in 1809, died in 1825.
- 12 ⁴Mary Ann Byerly,³ b. Oct 6, 1811, m. David Sterrett.

Rebecca Bear was the second wife of Henry Birely, he having been previously married. By his first marriage, Henry Birely had one son, Lewis Birely, of Hamilton, Canada.

Little is known of Henry Birely, but his wife, Rebecca, is remembered as a woman of a very kindly nature. Henry Birely died in 1813. Rebecca, the wife and mother, died at the home of her daughter, Catherine Shellabarger, June 12, 1851.

5 ⁴EPHRAIM BEAR,² (Jacob,¹)

Ephraim Bear, the fourth child of Jacob and Catharine (Snyder) Bear, was born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., Feb. 7, 1784. He married Mary Bowers, second daughter of Sebastian and Magdeline (Bear) Bowers, and four children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

(All born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa.)

- 13 ¹Leah Bear,³ b. Dec. 15, 1805, m.—first, Jacob Knisley; second, David Brandt.
- 14 ²Jacob Bear,³ b. Nov. 25, 1809, m.—first, Martha Bowman; second, Catherine Knisley.
- 15 ³Samuel Bear,³ b. March 3, 1812, m.—first, Rebecca Myers; second, Magdaline Ruby Swayer; third, Ann Catherine Christlieub.

- 16 ⁴Ephraim Bear,³ b. July 20, 1818, m.—first, Elizabeth Mountz; second, Susannah Hamsher.

Probably the most characteristic feature of Ephraim Bear, Sr., was his magnanimous and benevolent spirit. He is remembered by his grandchildren as a man rather short in stature and not heavily built. His hair was snowy white, quite thin on top of his head, and hung in beautiful white ringlets about his neck. He had a very expressive face which beamed with kindness. He had a smile for every one. Even in his old age he was very industrious and felt he must not be idle, and he would sit for hours making wooden garden rakes and similar articles. He was a devout Christian man and lived and died a member of the United Brethren Church. His home near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., was the scene of many a revival. The people would come for miles around to these meetings, which, when the weather would permit, would be held in Ephraim's barn, and when it became too cold they would conduct the services in his house. At these meetings these Christian people would make manifest a "heart-felt" religion. It is said it was the custom of Ephraim to always pray in German.

Ephraim Bear, Sr.'s occupation in life was that of a farmer, though he was skillful with tools. He and his wife lived in Cumberland county until some time after all their sons, Jacob, Samuel and Ephraim, had removed to Macon county, when they too came West. Mary, the wife and mother, died April 10, 1861. Ephraim made his home with his older son, Jacob, but his death occurred at the home of his son Samuel, of a paralytic stroke, Sept. 27, 1865. Both were interred in Boiling Springs cemetery, near Bearsdale, Ill.

- 6 ⁵DAVID BEAR,² (Jacob,¹)

David Bear, the fifth child of Jacob and Catharine (Snyder) Bear, was born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., Dec. 9, 1785. He was married near Newville, Pa., Oct. 26, 1806, by Rev. William Otterbein, to Esther Nailor, who was born in York county, Pa., Jan. 31, 1788, and was the daughter of George Nailor. Three sons and four daughters were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

(All born near Springfield, Cumberland county, Pa.)

- 17 ¹Elizabeth Bear,³ b. Sept. 9, 1807, m. David Brandt.
18 ²Catherine Bear,³ b. April 13, 1809, m. Jacob Byerly.

- 19 ³Mary Ann Bear,³ b. May 17, 1811, m. Christian Thuma.
- 20 ⁴Joshua Bear,³ b. Nov. 20, 1813, m.—first, Elizabeth Clay; second, Abigail (Brown) Megarah.
- 21 ⁵Daniel Bear,³ b. Jan. 21, 1816, m. Sarah Rhoads,
- 22 ⁶Andrew Bear,³ b. Feb. 5, 1818, m. Elizabeth Keifer.
- 23 ⁷Rebecca Martha Bear,³ b. July 27, 1820, m. George Walter Hoover.

David Bear and his brother Ephraim were unlike in many respects. David is said to have been a man very resolute and fixed in his opinions and convictions, and determined in spirit. His features were strong and his voice powerful. He was more reticent in disposition than Ephraim, not so easily approached, yet he was charitable in his nature and warm in his friendships. He was a constant reader of the Bible, and was a true Christian man, particularly so in the latter period of his life. In his religious views he had the same set convictions characteristic of the man, and was unwavering and uncompromising in his belief as to what was right and what was wrong. He was baptized in October, 1803, when 18 years of age, by Rev. William Otterbein, who was the first bishop of the United Brethren in Christ church, and of which church David remained a member until his death.

Like his brother Ephraim, David followed agricultural pursuits during his residence in Cumberland county, Pa., near Newville, in which community he was born, grew to manhood, married, and where he reared his own family. He was also very handy with tools, and was of a very industrious turn of mind. Even after he had retired from active life, he would employ the time weaving baskets, and constructing various small articles of practical use. Neatness was a part of all he undertook. The records made in his Bible show him to have been an excellent penman and a good scholar. The entries in this Bible are drawn or printed in a very artistic manner, indicating patient and painstaking care in their preparation. Favorite passages are marked throughout the pages of this Bible, and on one page is written the following in German:

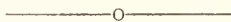
*"I will keep the faith in Christ—
Christ's ship cannot founder;
If the sea be yet so wild,
Yet should mask and sail break,
God will not his own forsake."*

(Jan. 31, 1851)

Esther (Nailor) Bear, or "Aunt Hetty," as she was affectionately called, was amiable and kind, and was never known to show anger. On her death-bed she shook hands with her children and asked them to meet her in Heaven, and judging by the pure lives which they lived, surely this Christian mother's wish was gratified. The following tribute was paid to her memory by Rev. J. G. Shoaff through a newspaper at the time of her death:

"Esther, wife of David Bear, died near Springfield, Cumberland county, Pa., Aug. 13, 1867, aged 79 years, 6 mos. and 13 days. Mother Bear was a native of York county, in this State. She embraced religion in youth about 63 years ago, and held fast the beginning of her confidence firm unto the end. For many months she was unable to attend church, being confined to her room by sickness and infirmity; but during that time she was cheerful and happy, rejoicing in God and her Savior. In her last moments too, she expressed great confidence and peace, exulting in her near prospect of Heavenly joy. Mother Bear was a life long member of the United Brethren Church."

After the death of his wife, David Bear straightened up his business affairs in Pa., and on Oct. 23, 1867, came to Pulaski, Ohio, to live with his son Daniel. Here he lived until the time of his death, May. 22, 1873. He was buried in Shiffler cemetery, near Pulaski, Ohio.



Third Generation

9 ¹JACOB BYERLY,³ (Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Jacob Byerly was born at Chambersburg, Pa., Feb. 5, 1807, and was the eldest child of Henry and Rebecca (Bear) Birely. In his early life he was a school teacher, and it was then that he adopted the spelling of the name Byerly for Birely, and following his example all the members of the family have spelled the name in the same manner. In 1842, Jacob Byerly took up the daguerreotype, which at that time was a new thing. He continued in that business until 1868, in which year he sold his gallery at Frederick, Md., to his son, John Davis Byerly, for \$2,000. The latter continued the business until 1899, when he in turn gave it up to his son, Charles, and Charles Byerly is to-day conducting the gallery established by the grandfather in 1842.

Jacob Byerly was twice married. His first marriage was on March 29, 1831, to Catherine Bear, his cousin, who was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Apr. 13, 1809, and was the daughter of David and Esther (Nailor) Bear. To this union three children were born. Catherine died May 22, 1841. Jacob Byerly again married on Jan. 23, 1849, his second marriage being to Catherine Elizabeth Hauer, who was born in 1813, and was the daughter of Daniel and Margaret (Mantz) Hauer. This marriage was solemnized by the Rev. Daniel Zacharias, D. D., at the German Reformed Church, Frederick, Md. Three children were born to this union. Jacob Byerly died at Frederick, Md., March 31, 1883, and his second wife, Apr. 2, 1885. They were members of the M. E. Church.

CHILDREN.

(By Catherine Bear)

- 24 ¹Ann Amelia Byerly,⁴ b. June 20, 1834, d. Nov. 9, 1835.
 25 ²Elizabeth Byerly,⁴ b. May 6, 1837, d. Oct. 9, 1835.
 26 ³John Davis Byerly,⁴ b. Feb. 17, 1839, m. Mary Markel.

Ann Amelia and Elizabeth buried near Newville, Pa.

(By Catherine Elizabeth Hauer.)

- 27 ⁴Grace Byerly,⁴ b. Oct. 17, 1853, d. July 1, 1890.
 28 ⁵Harriet,⁴ b. Sept. 16, 1859, m. James Winslow Sweet.
 29 ⁶Matilda Flemming Byerly,⁴ b. Sept. 16, 1856, d. in infancy.

Grace and Matilda Flemming both died at Frederick, Md., and buried there.

10 ²CATHERINE BYERLY,³ (Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,²)

Catherine Byerly, the second child of Henry and Rebecca (Bear) Birely, was born May 23, 1808. She was married Dec. 25, 1830, to David Shellabarger, who was born near Newville, Pa., April 6, 1808, and was the third child of Isaac and Christina (Kaufman) Shellabarger. Ten children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

(All born near Newville, Pa.)

- 30 ¹Ann Amelia Shellabarger,⁴ b. Sept 9, 1831, m. Samuel Diller.
- 31 ²Rebecca Jane Shellabarger,⁴ b. Nov. 16, 1833, m. Samuel Diller.
- 32 ³Infant daughter,⁴ b. ——. Died in infancy.
- 33 ⁴Samuel Shellabarger,⁴ b. ——. Died in infancy.
- 34 ⁵David Sterrett Shellabarger,⁴ b. July 11, 1837, m. Ann Elizabeth Krone.
- 35 ⁶Joseph Lindsey Shellabarger,⁴ b. Sept. 23, 1839, m. Mary Ann Mitchell.
- 36 ⁷John Byerly Shellabarger,⁴ b. Dec. 13, 1841, m. Anna E. Mills.
- 37 ⁸Mary Agnes Shellabarger,⁴ b. Jan. 23, 1844, m. George Franklin Hargis.
- 38 ⁹Katharine Shellabarger,⁴ b. June 13, 1846, m. John Black.
- 39 ¹⁰Florence Shellabarger,⁴ b. ——, m. Albert Henkle.

The Shellabarger family is of Swiss origin and was founded in America by Martin Shellenberger, who came to this country in 1770. The name was pronounced Shellabarger by the English speaking people, and consequently when Martin learned to write English, he gave the spelling now adhered to.

David and Catherine (Byerly) Shellabarger owned a farm in Cumberland county, Pa., about 8 miles from Carlisle, and here they reared their family. Eventually they removed to Macon county, Illinois. David Shellabarger died at Decatur, Illinois, Aug. 14, 1884, and his wife Catherine died at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Albert Henkle, at Salina, Kansas, March 30, 1889. Both were buried in Greenwood cemetery, Decatur, Illinois. Their home was a Christian home and their children were brought up under religious training.

12 ⁴MARY ANN BYERLY,³ (Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary Ann Byerly, the youngest child of Henry and Rebecca (Bear) Birely, was born Oct. 6, 1811. Her marriage occurred Feb. 10, 1835, to David Sterrett, who was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Oct. 16, 1809. David Sterrett was the son of John Sterrett, born Apr. 20, 1772.



DAVID SHELLABARGER.



CATHERINE (BYERLY) SHELLABARGER.

No. 10.





DAVID STERRETT.



MARY ANN (BYERLY) STERRETT.

No. 12.



CHILDREN.

(All born in Cumberland county, Pa.)

- 40 ¹Rebecca Agnes Sterrett,⁴ b. Nov. 15, 1835, d. March 6, 1844.
- 41 ²Thomas Chambers Sterrett,⁴ b. Sept. 29, 1837, m. Anna Eliza Kaufman.
- 42 ³John Melancthon Sterrett,⁴ b. Nov. 19, 1839, m. Lucy Virginia Walter.
- 43 ⁴Brice Innis Sterrett,⁴ b. Nov. 29, 1841, d. Mar. 8, 1844.
- 44 ⁵Brice Innis Sterrett,⁴ b. Aug. 9, 1844, m. Clarissa Cline.
- 45 ⁶Robert Wilson Sterrett,⁴ b. Sept. 20, 1847, d. Aug. 9, 1886.
- 46 ⁷Rebecca Jane Sterrett,⁴ b. Oct. 16, 1849, m. George Brinkly Wade.
- 47 ⁸Mary Laura Sterrett,⁴ b. Aug. 9, 1856, d. March 14, 1870.

John Sterrett, the father of David Sterrett, was born Apr. 20, 1772, and he was the son of David and Rachel (Innis) Sterrett, who were married, so an old record says, "in the year of our Lord God, 1762, in the fifth day of May." It is thus from Rachel Innis that Innis has been handed down as a family name so many generations in the Sterrett family.

David Sterrett during his residence in Pennsylvania was a farmer, and lived in Cumberland county of that State. Later he removed to Carlisle, the county-seat. About 1859, the family came to Jacksonville, Ill., but remained but a year or two, when they again returned to Carlisle. Later, they once again came to Illinois and this time located at Decatur. Here they lived for a few years and eventually removed again to Taylorville, where Mr. and Mrs. Sterrett both died. Mr. Sterrett's death occurred Oct. 31, 1878, and his wife a year later, Dec. 15, 1879. Both were buried at Taylorville.

The local paper at the time of Mrs. Sterrett's death published the following:

"Died—At her residence in this city, of heart disease, on Monday afternoon, Dec. 15, 1879, Mrs. David Sterrett, aged 68 years.

"Mrs. Sterrett was in an eminent degree a domestic woman. She always loved her home, and the pleasures and duties that cluster around the fireside, and in the last years of her life had no higher earthly ambition than to preserve the home influ-

ence intact to her children. She was always, during her long life, self-sacrificing and entirely unselfish, greatly given to hospitality, and desirous of contributing to the happiness of others at all times. She was very charitable within her limited means, and took delight in giving a cup of water in her Master's name. She had fixed and settled religious views regarding the great questions of immortality, death and a future existence, even in her girlhood, and after her marriage united with the Presbyterian Church of Carlisle, Pa., still holding her membership at the time of her death.

"As a neighbor she was kind and obliging. As a mother she filled that position to the fullest extent and meaning of the term, always delighting in her children, and training them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Of her children, three died in her early life and have gone to the spirit land, there to await her coming, and welcome her to the enjoyments of that bright realm; while five survive her to deeply mourn her loss.

"Although from the nature of her disease she at times must have suffered acute pain, so great was her faith in her Redeemer that she was enabled to endure all her sickness with true Christian fortitude and resignation, and to say with the Psalmist: 'Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me, thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.'

"Her mortal remains were laid away tenderly and sadly by her children, friends and neighbors, in Oak Hill Cemetery,—by the side of her husband who died only a little over a year ago—on Tuesday afternoon, at 3 o'clock."

13 ¹LEAH BEAR,³ (Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Leah, the oldest child of Ephraim and Mary (Bowers) Bear, was born near Newville, Pa., on Dec. 15, 1805. To her is given the distinction of having lived the longest of any of the descendants of Jacob Bear, and consequently of any whose names go to make up this history. She died at Orrstown, Pa., March 27, 1896, aged 90 years, 3 months and 12 days.

Leah Bear was twice married. Her first marriage was to Jacob Knisley, who was born on June 20, 1799, and who died at Orrstown, Pa., Sept 3, 1846. Five children were born to their union. After she had been a widow for twenty years, Leah (Bear) Knisley on Jan. 25, 1866, married David Brandt, who had previously married Elizabeth Bear, Leah's cousin, and whose

descendants appear elsewhere in this book. David Brandt was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Aug. 15, 1802, and was the son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Gardner) Brandt. His death occurred at Big Spring, Pa., Nov. 21, 1884.

CHILDREN.

(All born at Orrstown, Pa.)

- 48 ¹Samuel Knisley,⁴ b. March 8, 1826, m.—first, Martha Strawbridge, and second, Mrs. Laura (Bricker) Mountz.
- 49 ²Mary Ann Knisley,⁴ b. Aug. 1, 1829, m. Daniel Alexander Lawson Laverty.
- 50 ³Catherine Knisley,⁴ b. Nov. 1, 1831, m. John Hamsher.
- 51 ⁴Jacob Knisley,⁴ b. March 10, 1834, unmarried, d. May 15, 1863.
- 52 ⁵Martha Jane Knisley,⁴ b. Feb 17, 1837, died in infancy.

Leah Bear Knisley-Brandt was in many ways a remarkable woman. She possessed a keen memory and had a happy faculty of recalling the happenings of early life. She had strong convictions on religious questions and expressed them freely.

She and Jacob Knisley were among the number converted at a revival meeting held in Shippensburg, Pa., by Rev. James Mackey, who was associated with Rev. John Winebrenner in the early forties in establishing churches of God in Central Pennsylvania. Her husband was one of the leading spirits in the building of the Bethel of the church of God at Orrstown, Pa., and he was the first person buried in the adjoining graveyard, at which place she lies beside her first husband. Samuel and Jacob Knisley are also buried here.

She had a particular fondness for the friends in the West, and during her life paid several visits to them, the last visit being in 1880.

Her home was always known as the preachers' stopping place and her hospitality was shared by many of the early preachers of the churches of God. She was kind to the worthy poor and many weary travelers found food and shelter under her roof, she being specially prepared to entertain them.

She lived with David Brandt for eighteen years, at his home at Big Spring, Pa. After his death she lived in Orrstown until she died at the ripe old age of ninety.

The last chapter of Proverbs, 10-31st, is peculiarly ap-

pliable to her. All of the womanly virtues described therein had their counterpart in Leah Bear, and truly "her children rise up and call her blessed."

14 ²JACOB BEAR,³ (Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Jacob Bear, the second child of Ephraim and Mary (Bowers) Bear, was born near Newville, Pa., Nov. 25, 1809, and died at Bearsdale, Ill., Oct. 5, 1891. He was twice married, his first marriage being on April 12, 1831, to Martha Bowman, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Diller) Bowman. Martha Bowman was born near Newville, Pa., July 26, 1809, and died at Newville, Pa., Aug. 13, 1844. Her mother, Elizabeth Diller, is of the same Diller family as Samuel Diller who married Amelia Ann and Rebecca Jane Shellabarger, consequently there is a double relationship between these families. Samuel Bowman was born June 23, 1776, and his wife, Elizabeth, Apr. 24, 1786. They were married Jan. 10, 1804.

Jacob Bear's second marriage occurred at Newville, Pa., Jan. 10, 1845, to Catherine Knisley, who was born in York county, Pa., July 2, 1820. She was the daughter of John and Mary (Noaker) Knisley. This John Knisley was a brother of the Jacob Knisley who married Leah Bear, and thus uncle and niece married brother and sister, and there is a double relationship existing between the children of Jacob and Leah (Bear) Knisley and Jacob and Catherine (Knisley) Bear. Catherine Knisley was left without a mother at the age of 6 years, and Ephraim and Mary (Bowers) Bear took her into their home and raised her as their own child. By her good disposition she won the hearts of all the family, Jacob being no exception, and it is a very natural thing that she became his wife after his first bereavement. After her marriage to Jacob Bear she was known as "Aunt Cousin Katy" to the children of Jacob Knisley, and they always so addressed her on account of the double relationship. "Aunt Cass," as she was most familiarly known, lived to the ripe age of 83 years, 5 months and 4 days, her death occurring Dec. 6, 1903, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hulda Rankin, near White Heath, Ill. Services were conducted by Rev. Ishler at the home of Mrs. Rankin, but the regular funeral service was held at Boiling

Springs Church, near Bearsdale, on Monday, Dec. 7, 1903, conducted by Rev. I. S. Richmond. "Aunt Cass" united with the church at the age of 18 years and remained a faithful member to the time of her death. The success of this book is due largely to information she was able to give just a short time before her death. She had an excellent memory.

CHILDREN.

(By first wife, all born near Newville, Pa.)

- 53 ¹Samuel Bear,⁴ b. July 9, 1837, d. near Newville, Feb. 3, 1838.
 54 ²Elizabeth Ann Bear,⁴ b. July 21, 1840, m. Samuel Troutman.
 55 ³William Wesley Bear,⁴ b. Jan. 12, 1843, d. Dec. 16, 1847, near Newville.
 56 ⁴Martha Ellen Bear,⁴ b. July 6, 1844, m. David Leshner Powders.

Samuel and William Wesley both buried near Newville.

(By second wife)

- 57 ⁵Ephraim Jerome Bear,⁴ b. Dec. 20, 1846, d. Sept. 30, 1853.
 58 ⁶Mary Catherine Bear,⁴ b. June 16, 1849, d. Oct. 14, 1853.
 59 ⁷John Melanchton Bear,⁴ b. March 9, 1852, d. Feb. 10, 1853.
 60 ⁸Albert Sandow Bear,⁴ b. Feb. 8, 1854, m. Darliska Josephine Coulter.
 61 ⁹Hulda Bear,⁴ b. Nov. 22, 1856, m. James Ezra Rankin.
 62 ¹⁰Josiah Colder Bear,⁴ b. March 2, 1858, m. Mary Agnes Coulter.
 63 ¹¹Rebecca Jane Bear,⁴ b. March 4, 1862, m. Albert Lucian Brightbill.

The first three were born near Newville, Pa., and the last four near Decatur, Ill. The three children died near Decatur, and buried in Boiling Springs cemetery.

Jacob Bear removed from Pennsylvania to Illinois in 1852. In company with his younger brother, Ephraim, and Isaac Shelbarger, and their families, he with his family drove overland

to Decatur where they landed on June 3d. Prior to removing to Illinois, he had followed agricultural pursuits. In his early days too, he was a teamster, and with Isaac Shellabarger, would transport merchandise by wagon from Baltimore to Newville. Arriving in Macon county, Ill., Jacob and his family took up their residence temporarily with Joseph Rife, in the Boiling Springs neighborhood north-west of Decatur, until such time as they could get settled. Here among strangers and in a new country it was a most trying time for them, for within six months their three oldest children died of scarlet fever, but with much fortitude and a resigned spirit they bore these hardships. From the home of Mr. Rife they removed to what was known as the "Mound Farm," three miles north of Decatur. Here they lived one year, and there their son Albert Sandow was born. They then removed to a piece of land 5 miles north-west of Decatur, and one mile east of what is now Bearsdale. Here on the raw prairie they began building a home, breaking more of the rich, black soil each year until they had in cultivation 120 acres of as good land as there is in Central Illinois. Here they lived for about 20 years, when Jacob sold his farm to his brother Ephraim, and removed to Friends Creek township, 20 miles north-east of Decatur, where he continued to farm and raise stock, having a fine stock farm with an abundance of running spring water. He later removed to Piatt county, two and a half miles east of Cisco. He then lived about two years near Monticello, Ill., and then returned to Macon county where he lived a retired life for several years or until the time of his death.

In politics, like his brothers Samuel and Ephraim, he was a stalwart Republican, and always took a deep interest in political issues. He held many offices of trust in local affairs. Was justice of the peace for many years, and served also as tax collector, school trustee, and other minor positions. His first presidential vote was cast for William Henry Harrison, and his last presidential vote for Benjamin Harrison 48 years later. In 1861 when the dissolution of the Union was threatened by the secession of the South, he offered his services to the government but was too old to be accepted. It was "Uncle Dick" Oglesby, later governor of Illinois, who said: "Some one must stay at home to take care of the widow and orphans; I will just appoint you to take care of that part of the war." In this it is said that Jacob Bear did his part well.

Jacob Bear was converted early in life. In his youth he was faithful in his duties to God and the church, and was very careful in his outward conduct that he might thus honor his Master, and in the purity of his life was revealed the complete

work of grace. In his early youth he began laying the foundation for the useful and noble Christian character and life he afterwards lived. He was a charter member of the "Church of God" at Boiling Springs, and to this church he was always a faithful adherent both in doctrine and financial support. It is not known how soon he began to think of entering the ministry, but from circumstances gathered it was evidently early in his Christian life. He was always a great Bible student, and had a good education, and in fact taught school early in the '50s after coming to Illinois. He many times preached to good acceptance. Although he did not always take a charge or a regular circuit, he was always ready to do what he could in the cause of the Master. Many times he had regular appointments at out of the way places and often held revivals. In 1868, he and his brother Ephraim held a meeting at Boiling Springs Church at which scores were converted and the church built up. He had a license to preach from the Eldership from the first of the organization until the time of his death, and officiated at many weddings and funerals. He was ever interested in the work and welfare of young ministers, and often gave of his means to these young men to buy books and clothing. He was a man of great force of character, and was radical in his opinions, and yet was as teachable as a child. He loved his Bible, and loved to teach it to the young, yet he would listen attentively to explanations of portions of the Scripture given by much younger people than himself, and when convinced would not demur, but simply accept the truth. A clear, strong moral sense of the right, and the paramount obligation of adhering to the right, and to do the right irrespective of results, were inborn traits of his character. Everybody loved "Uncle Jake," as he was familiarly called, for he was generous to a fault. It is not supposed he was without a fault. Doubtless he had the weaknesses to which the flesh is heir, but the trend of his life was right, his motives pure, and his position clearly defined. He favored no compromise with evil, and believed the right would prevail. In a biographical sketch in the "Church Advocate" by Rev. Allen given of Elder Bear after his death it was said "he was a diamond in the rough," and it was truly said.

From the earliest organization of a Sunday-school at Boiling Springs he was its Superintendent until he removed to another locality. He was a warm supporter of the Sunday-school, and always said it was the nursery of the church.

Jacob Bear's death occurred at Bearsdale Oct. 5, 1891, after a severe stroke of paralysis from which he never regained consciousness. He had often said he did not want to live to be

a burden to any one, so just as his life's work was done he fell asleep never to wake on earth.

In the 1892 "Year Book" of the Illinois Eldership was the following mention: "During the year past our ranks have been invaded by death, Elder Jacob Bear having been one from our ministerial roll who was called to his eternal reward. Elder Bear died after a long and useful life in the ministry. He was faithful to his opportunities and has given us an example of diligence and faithfulness worthy of imitation."

Dr. Chas. Manchester, President of Findlay (Ohio) College, said of him: "It was my privilege to become acquainted with Brother Bear in 1888-9 during my pastorate at Decatur, Ill. I preached in the country school house near his home, and although he was getting old he came regularly and was a very close listener. He came also to the city to my meetings, and we had several good heart to heart talks about the Kingdom of Christ. He loved the Church of God and her young ministers; he was anxious to see them loyal and enthusiastic in the gospel message. The burden of his conversation was the cause of the Master. Some one has said 'I am a part of all I have met.' I believe that this good influence of Elder Bear has become, in a small measure at least, a part of me. I am glad that I knew him. I wish I could have known more of him. His life before men was large, but who can measure the influence of a life? God does not accept man's measurements. I know that his influence still lingers with those that knew him and they cherish his memory as one who knew God and sought to please him."

15 ³SAMUEL BEAR,³ (Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Samuel Bear, third child of Ephraim and Mary (Bowers) Bear, was born near Newville, Pa., March 12, 1812, and died at Bearsdale, Ill., of paralysis, Feb. 20, 1880. He was buried in Boiling Springs cemetery.

Samuel's first marriage was to Rebecca Myers, daughter of Jacob and Lydia Myers. Rebecca was born in Cumberland county, Pa., July 29, 1823, and she died near Newville, Pa., on Dec. 5, 1851, and was buried in the old Bear burial ground on the original Bear farm. Four children were born to this union.

Samuel Bear again married on Jan. 21, 1853, his second wife being Magdaline Ruby Swayer, daughter of Jacob and Julia Ann (Ruby) Swayer. The officiating clergyman was Rev. Joshua Evans, minister of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

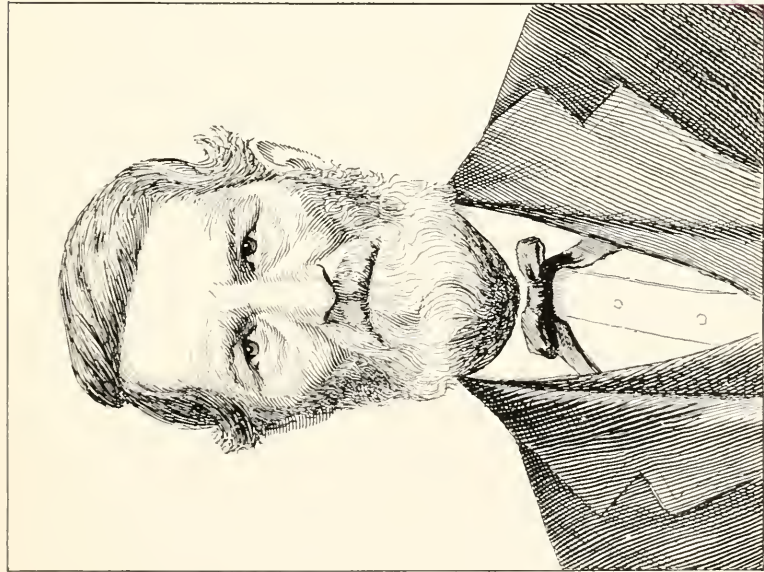


JACOB BYERLY, at 60.
No. 9.



I.F.A.H. (BEAR) KNISLEY-BRANDT.
No. 13.

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JACOB BEAR.
No. 14.



CATHERINE (KNISLEY) BEAR, wife of
JACOB BEAR.
No. 14.



Magdaline Ruby (Swayer) Bear was born June 25, 1818, and died near Newville, Pa., Dec. 8, 1859. Two children were born to this union.

On Feb. 18, 1863, near Newville, Pa., Samuel Bear married the third time. This wife was Ann Catherine Christlieb, daughter of Jacob and Julia (Morrett) Christlieb. She was born near Newville, Pa., Dec. 9, 1829, and is still living, the only survivor of the third generation of this history. She resides with her son, Brice Jacob Bear, on the old homestead at Bearsdale. Four children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

(By first wife, all born near Newville, Pa.)

- 64 ¹John M. Bear,⁴ b. Sept. 2, 1842, unmarried, d. Sept. 8, 1864.
 65 ²Mary Jane Bear,⁴ b. Apr. 17, 1844, m. George Washington Shirey.
 66 ³Alfred Wesley Bear,⁴ b. Apr. 3, 1849, m.—first, Laura Wentworth; second, Sarah Malinda Major.
 67 ⁴William Line Bear,⁴ b. Dec. 2, 1851, m. Flora Agnes Braden.

(By second wife, both born near Newville, Pa.)

- 68 ⁵Joshua Evans Bear,⁴ b. July 17, 1854, d. near Newville, Nov. 6, 1854, interred near Newville.
 69 ⁶Samuel Ephraim Bear,⁴ b. Feb. 13, 1856, m. Minerva Jane Cox.

(By third wife, all born at what is now known as Bearsdale, Ill.)

- 70 ⁷Emma Clarissa Bear,⁴ b. March 29, 1865, m. Edward Franklin Reisinger.
 71 ⁸Adella Lavina Bear,⁴ b. Feb. 22, 1868, d. Apr. 30, 1868.
 72 ⁹Minnie Rebecca Bear,⁴ b. Sept. 26, 1870, d. Oct. 3, 1873.
 73 ¹⁰Brice Jacob Bear,⁴ b. Nov. 28, 1872, m. Edith Good. Adella Lavina and Minnie Rebecca both interred in Boiling Springs cemetery.

Samuel Bear's chief inclination was for tools. When a boy he served an apprenticeship and learned the cabinet maker's trade. In this line of work he was very proficient. He con-

structed his own household furniture, and at the old homestead there are yet many pieces of his handiwork. In that community in those early days a coffin was never made until after an order was received. The undertaker would then construct it according to measure. The subject of this notice would frequently be compelled to remain at his shop all night long to fill an order of this kind, and then after the completion of his task his bench would be his bed and a bunch of shavings his pillow while he caught a few minutes' rest. In due time Mr. Bear invested his savings accumulated during some years at this occupation in a farm of 60 acres lying east of Newville, and here with his wife and small children he lived for some time.

In 1847, he yielded to a desire to see the western country, and with a Mr. Gring he made a trip by stage to Pike county, Ill., near Barry, where lived a brother of Mr. Bear's wife. After visiting here for a time they came on to Macon county, near Decatur, where his companion decided to locate. Mr. Bear returned to his Pennsylvania home, but was so enthusiastic in his praises of this western country, that a few years later, in 1852, his brothers Jacob and Ephraim removed to Macon county, Ill. It was Samuel's intention to accompany them out, but the previous winter he had the misfortune to lose his wife, and so deemed it inopportune to make the change. Instead of going West he decided to go into the hardware business at Newville. In Dec., 1859, his second wife died, whom he had married in 1853, and Mr. Bear then determined to join his brothers in Illinois. Accordingly, in the Spring of 1860, about March, Mr. Bear with his daughter and three sons, the older son, John M., having preceded them about a year, left his native State and came to Decatur, Ill. Now, however, it was possible to come by rail, instead of a long overland trip, a much shorter time was occupied in coming by steam. He first settled on a farm in Harristown township, where he lived for three years. In 1863, he paid a visit to his old home in Pennsylvania, when he brought with him to Illinois the wife who now survives him. In this year also he removed to the farm in Hickory Point township where his widow and youngest son still reside. This farm, of which the village of Bearsdale is a part, was purchased by him in 1863, and was from that time his home. Bearsdale was named by his wife, "Aunt Ann," as she is lovingly called by her friends and neighbors, in honor of the Bears, of whom, at this time, there were the three brothers, whose farms were located within a radius of one mile.

Samuel Bear was a Lutheran, and his pew in the Pennsylvania church where he worshiped was the fourth from the front in the center section. Although deprived of worshiping with his

own people after coming West, he was still faithful to attend church service. He was a quiet, unassuming man, but loved and cherished his family and was ever careful for their welfare. In 1862, he was called upon to give his oldest son, John M., to his country's service. This he did without complaint and with apparent cheerfulness, believing it to be a duty. He never shirked duty. Mr. Bear lived an active life until about four years before his death, when he was stricken with paralysis. During his long sickness he manifested much patience, and was kindly cared for by his wife and children. His dying statement was—"I am just waiting until the time comes as a person at a railroad station; when the train comes, I will go."

16 ¹EPHRAIM BEAR,³ (Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Ephraim Bear, the fourth child of Ephraim and Mary (Bowers) Bear, was born near Newville, Pa., July 20, 1818, and died at Decatur, Illinois, Dec. 21, 1893. He was twice married. His first marriage was on Dec. 10, 1844, to Elizabeth Mountz, who was born March 15, 1823, and died March 2, 1848. She was buried in the little private cemetery on the old Bear homestead near Newville. One child was born to this union. Ephraim was again married on September 24, 1849, at Orrstown, Pa., Rev. E. H. Thomas, officiating, to Susannah Hamsher, daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Kline) Hamsher. Susannah Hamsher was born near Orrstown, Pa., June 3, 1828, and died in Decatur, Illinois, Feb. 13, 1882. Nine children were born to this union. Ephraim and Susannah (Hamsher) Bear were buried in Boiling Springs cemetery, near Bearsdale, Ill.

CHILDREN.

(By first wife.)

- 74 ¹Joseph Hartman Bear,⁴ b. Aug. 18, 1845, d. March 3, 1847. Born and died near Newville, Pa.

(By second wife.)

- 75 ²Mary Elizabeth Bear,⁴ b. Nov. 5, 1850, m. John Edwin Braden.
 76 ³David Franklin Bear,⁴ b. June 23, 1852, m.—first, Martha Ellen Metlin; second, Agnes Housman.
 77 ⁴John Newton Bear,⁴ b. May 27, 1854, m. Mary Lewis.

- 78 ⁵Charles Cain Bear,⁴ b. Jan. 24, 1856, m. Emma Wood Green.
- 79 ⁶Elmer Knisley Bear,⁴ b. March 15, 1858, d. May 10, 1859.
- 80 ⁷Martha Ellen Bear,⁴ b. Nov. 6, 1861, m.—first, Henry Blaine; second, Orville Childs Peacock.
- 81 ⁸Ulysses Grant Bear,⁴ b. Aug. 27, 1863, d. April 10, 1864.
- 82 ⁹Leah Lou Bear,⁴ b. Nov. 26, 1867; unmarried.
- 83 ¹⁰Olive May Bear,⁴ b. March 6, 1870; unmarried.

Mary Elizabeth was born near Orrstown, Pa.; all others near Decatur, Illinois. Elmer Knisley and Ulysses Grant were buried in Boiling Springs cemetery.

Ephraim Bear, of this sketch, lived on a farm in Cumberland county, Pa., near the town of Newville, until thirty years of age. He then removed to Franklin county, where he engaged in the mercantile business until 1852. His health failing, he removed to Decatur, Illinois, where he landed June 3rd of the same year. He and his family drove overland in the same company as his brother Jacob. The members of this company could have purchased land in Decatur, where the Illinois Central R. R. depot now stands for the small sum of \$1.25 an acre, and the whole block on which the First Methodist Episcopal church of Decatur stood, and which was only recently razed, for \$300. This land, however, at that early time was very unpromising, being marshy and, in many places, covered with water; and the Bears, being of a rural turn of mind, chose land farther out. Ephraim settled in Harristown township, where he secured 120 acres of land for which he paid \$7 per acre, and at once began its development. This is the farm to which his brother Samuel came on first landing in Illinois. Ephraim remained in Harristown township about seven years, after which he removed to Hickory Point township, near where the village of Bearsdale now stands. Here he purchased and improved a farm, and lived on it until 1878, when he removed to Decatur. He still owned this farm at the time of his death. On removing to Decatur, he engaged in the grocery business for four years, after which he lived a retired life.

Mr. Bear and his wife encountered many of the ills and discouragements common to pioneer life. A great deal of malaria in Illinois at this time made it a sickly place, but although many times sick, and with crops sometimes destroyed by storms, yet there was no complaining, but a cheerful and determined effort to make for themselves a home.

Ephraim, like his brother Jacob, was one of the founders and charter members of the church of God at Boiling Springs. He was always faithful in attendance at all church services, and at any service which tended to develop the moral and spiritual sentiment of the place in which he lived. He was an elder for many years in the Boiling Springs church and later in the Decatur church. He was of a kind and gentle disposition, of refined taste, and possessed of a quiet sense of humor. He was a great lover of nature and held sweet communion with her; and yet, withal, he was firm in his conviction of right, never swerving from the straight path when his mind was once made up. His religious nature predominated. He was very reverent of God's word and of his house, and was greatly disturbed when any one spoke lightly of either. He and his companion made their home the home of God's ministers, and therefore it was known as "The Preachers' Home." After the death of his second wife, who was a warm-hearted woman, and the ruling spirit of the home life, he retired more within his home, and although lovingly cared for by his children, was many times lonely—"homesick," he called it. His last sickness, which extended over a period of one year, was a time of development to all who came in contact with him. His patience was so great, and his faith so strong, it helped all to wish for just such a life, that their end might be like his. It was said by one who stood by in the last moments, "It must be easy to go like that." His last words were, "It is all right: good by."

17 ¹ELIZABETH BEAR,³ (David,² Jacob,¹)

Elizabeth Bear, oldest child of David and Esther (Nailor) Bear, was born near Newville, Pa., Sept. 9, 1807. She married David Brandt, son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Gardner) Brandt, June 11, 1833, and eight children were born to their union. Her death occurred July 19, 1865. The Rev. Z. A. Colestock wrote the following testimonial of her to some publication:

"Sister Elizabeth, wife of David Brandt, died at her residence at Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., July 19, 1865, in the 58th year of her age. Sister Brandt was a Christian from her youth. Her house was truly a preachers' home. Our itinerant brethren will not soon forget her unaffected kindness and generous hospitality. She was greatly afflicted for many years, but endured patiently 'as seeing him who is invisible.' Her end was peace."

David Brandt was married three times, and two of his marriages were to Bears. His first marriage was to Barbara Bubb (born April 9, 1809, and died June 14, 1832). They had two children, Samuel and an infant daughter. This Samuel (born May 20, 1830, and died in April, 1882), married Mary Ann Fetterhoff, and to their union were born four children, Aaron, Clinton Harvey, Benjamin Rush and Alta Jenerva, all of whom are now dead but Aaron. This Aaron, as appears elsewhere in this history, married Elverna Maud Hoch, granddaughter of David Brandt and his wife Elizabeth, thus all of David's marriages had some connection with this genealogy of the Bear family, as his third marriage was to Leah Bear-Knisley, as shown elsewhere in this book. David Brandt was born in Cumberland county, Pa., August 15, 1802, and his death occurred at Big Spring, Pa., Nov. 21, 1884, at which place he is buried. He was a farmer, religious, and much esteemed by all who knew him.

CHILDREN OF DAVID AND ELIZABETH (BEAR) BRANDT.

(All born near Big Spring, Pa.)

- 84 ¹Mary Ann Brandt,⁴ b. May 7, 1834, m. William Hoch.
 85 ²William Brandt,⁴ b. Nov. 24, 1835, d. Feb. 12, 1839.
 86 ³David Brandt,⁴ b. Feb. 17, 1838, d. Feb. 26, 1839.
 87 ⁴Aquila Brandt,⁴ b. Mch. 12, 1840, m. Lavina Hocker.
 88 ⁵Enos Brandt,⁴ b. Dec. 18, 1841, d. July 18, 1845.
 89 ⁶Elizabeth Brandt,⁴ b. May 24, 1844, d. Dec. 2, 1859.
 90 ⁷David Enos Brandt,⁴ b. May 17, 1846, m. Sadie Rupp Shopp.
 91 ⁸John Dickson Brandt,⁴ b. Aug. 27, 1849, m. Ella Hamsher.

William, David, Enos and Elizabeth all died at Big Spring and are buried at the same place.

18 ²CATHERINE BEAR,³ (David,² Jacob,¹)

Catherine Bear, the second child of David and Esther (Nailor) Bear, was born near Newville, Pa., April 13, 1809, and died May 22, 1841. She married her cousin, Jacob Byerly, March 29, 1831, and three children were born to their union. As shown

elsewhere in this history, Jacob was the son of Henry and Rebecca (Bear) Byerly.

CHILDREN.

- 24 ¹Ann Amelia Byerly,⁴ b. June 20, 1834, d. Nov. 9, 1835.
 25 ²Elizabeth,⁴ b. May 6, 1837, d. Oct. 9, 1838.
 26 ³John Davis Byerly,⁴ b. Feb. 17, 1839, m. Mary Markell.

19 ³MARY ANN BEAR,³ (David,² Jacob,¹)

Mary Ann Bear, third child of David and Esther (Nailor) Bear, was born near Newville, Pa., May 17, 1811, and died near Portland, Mich., May 16, 1895. She is buried in Danby cemetery, near Portland. On Oct. 22, 1835, she married Christian Thuma, son of Jacob and Eva (Wachs) Thuma, and who was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Oct. 17, 1813, and died near Portland, Mich., Jan. 27, 1878. He, too, is buried in Danby cemetery. Both were devout members of the United Brethren Church. They had nine children.

CHILDREN.

(All born in Richland county, Ohio.)

- 92 ¹William Andrew Thuma,⁴ b. Dec. 27, 1836, m. Margaret Ashcroft.
 93 ²Rebecca Hadessah Thuma,⁴ b. March 18, 1838, m. Lafayette Marcus McCrumb.
 94 ³Elizabeth Catherine Thuma,⁴ b. March 18, 1838, m. Isaac James Sheets.
 95 ⁴Sarah Ann Thuma,⁴ b. Dec. 21, 1840, unmarried; d. Sept. 22, 1864.
 96 ⁵David Thuma,⁴ b. Mch. 16, 1842, m. Hannah Marie Kelley.
 97 ⁶Joshua Thuma,⁴ b. Nov. 11, 1843, unmarried; d. June 26, 1862.
 98 ⁷Nancy Jane Thuma,⁴ b. March 13, 1844, d. May 6, 1845.
 99 ⁸Abigail Angeline Thuma,⁴ b. Jan. 12, 1846, m. James Byron Rummer.
 100 ⁹Daniel Otterbein Thuma,⁴ b. June 11, 1848, m. Mariette Kelley.

20 ¹JOSHUA BEAR,³ (David,² Jacob,¹)

Joshua Bear, the fourth child of David and Esther (Nailor) Bear, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Nov. 20, 1813. He was twice married, his first marriage being to Elizabeth Clay, who died but a few weeks after the birth of their baby daughter. His second marriage occurred at Unity, Ohio, to Mrs. Abigal Megarah, nee Brown, who was born near Syracuse, N. Y., July 17, 1819, and was the daughter of Henry and Lydia (Smith) Brown. Three daughters were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

(*By first wife.*)

- 101 ¹Sophia Ann Bear,⁴ b. near Johnsville, O., Aug. 19, 1839, m. David Hippensteel.

(*By second wife; all born at Pioneer, Ohio.*)

- 102 ²Lydia Rebecca Bear,⁴ b. July 5, 1843, m. John Mitchell Scoville.
 103 ³Mary Jane Bear,⁴ b. Jan. 14, 1845, m. Daniel Weaver.
 104 ⁴Hadessa Bear,⁴ b. Aug. 24, 1846, m. John Alexander Barnhart.

Joshua Bear was a minister of the United Brethren Church. He came to Ohio at a very early date, and in 1842 located at Pioneer, in Williams county. Here he took up the work of a missionary, preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ in this new country. The Indians from the reservation farther west in those days would come into this locality to fish and hunt, and Mrs. Bear used to relate to her children, who were all very small when their father, Joshua, died, how the Indians would hover around their cabin and listen to Joshua sing and pray, and early in the morning they would wait at the door with venison for "white man and papoose."

Joshua Bear died Sept. 26, 1846, aged 32 years, 10 months and 6 days. At the time of his death he owned about 100 acres of land, and the old cabin which he erected thereon was torn down only about ten years ago. The town of Pioneer now covers a part of what was his old homestead. He was a devout Christian man and an earnest exponent of the word of God, and although his career was short, he did his duty and did it well.

Abigal, before her marriage to Joshua Bear, was the



Upper row.—ELIZABETH ANN (BEAR) TROUTMAN, No. 54, REBECCA JANE (BEAR) BRIGHTBILL, No. 63, HULDA (BEAR) RANKIN, No. 61.

Bottom row.—JOSIAH COULDER BEAR, No. 62, CATHERINE (KNISLEY) BEAR, JACOB BEAR (Photo.), No. 14, ALBERT SANDOW BEAR, No. 60.



SAMUEL BEAR and second wife, MAGDALINE RUBY (SWAYER) BEAR, No. 15.
Taken in the Fifties.

widow of George Megarah, by whom she had two sons, George and John. Both were in the Union army during the war. John was killed at the battle of Crab Apple Orchard. George served through the war and died at Pioneer about ten years ago. Abigail, the mother, died April 25, 1881, at Pioneer, Ohio, where she was buried.

21 ⁵DANIEL BEAR,³ (David,² Jacob,¹)

Daniel Bear, the fifth child of David and Esther (Nailor) Bear, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Jan. 21, 1816. He was married March 24, 1836, by Rev. D. P. Rosenmiller, to Sarah Rhoads, who was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Aug. 29, 1816, and was the daughter of Samuel and Mariah (Mowers) Rhoads. Ten children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 105 ¹William Harrison Bear,⁴ b. Dec. 25, 1836, d. Oct. 17, 1838.
- 106 ²John Zelinger Bear,⁴ b. May 23, 1838, d. Feb. 27, 1848.
- 107 ³Andrew Hirus Bear,⁴ b. June 3, 1840, m. Mary Ann Lilly.
- 108 ⁴Samuel Rhoads Bear,⁴ b. April 20, 1842, m. Mary Louise Wyrick.
- 109 ⁵Catherine Ann Elizabeth Bear,⁴ b. Dec. 28, 1844, m. Jeremiah Clay.
- 110 ⁶Margaretta Bear,⁴ b. Jan. 6, 1847, m. James Lockhart.
- 111 ⁷Mary Hadessah Bear,⁴ b. March 30, 1849, m. William J. Carrol.
- 112 ⁸Rebecca Bear,⁴ b. Oct. 4, 1851, m. Frank Russel Lyda.
- 113 ⁹Harriett Ellen Bear,⁴ b. Sept. 7, 1855, unmarried.
- 114 ¹⁰Martha Agnes Bear,⁴ b. Feb. 25, 1858, m. Frank Newman.

All were born in Cumberland county, Pa., excepting the last three, who were born in Fulton county, Ohio.

Daniel Bear, prior to coming to Ohio, was a butcher as well as farmer. In the year 1848 or 1849 he emigrated to Ohio, first locating on a farm in Mill Creek township, Williams county, and later sold this farm and bought one in Gorman township.

upon which, in addition to his farming, he raised nursery stock. In 1871 he moved to Pulaski, O., where he had a general store and was postmaster during President Grant's administration, after which he purchased a grist mill at Pulaski. Both Daniel and his wife professed religion in early life and remained firm believers in the atoning grace of God to the last. Daniel Bear was quite a conversationalist, and therefore of a very companionable nature. It is said he was well posted on any subject of the times, and few people were more familiar with the Bible than he, as he was a very earnest student. Mr. and Mrs. Bear died but two days apart, both of paralysis, and were laid away in one grave, the funeral being conducted by Rev. Ayers, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The end of both came so peaceably that one did not know the other was ill. This was certainly a very fitting thing that this venerable couple, who were born in the same year and had lived together for more than fifty-eight years, should have no parting even in death. A local paper at the time published the following obituary:

"Daniel and Sarah Bear (whose maiden name was Rhoads) were born in Cumberland county, Pa., Jan. 21st, and Aug. 29th, 1816, and died Sept. 4th and 6th, 1894, aged respectively, 78 years, 8 months and 21 days, and 78 years and 8 days. They were united in marriage in March, 1836, and emigrated to Fulton county in the late Fall of 1849, where they continued to live until the year 1871, when they removed to Pulaski. Ten children were born to them, seven of whom are now living. They united with the church in early life. Coming to this part of Ohio when the country was new, they endured the hardships, toil and labor incident to pioneer life. They continued faithful in the discharge of their religious duties always, and when the summons came, they were also ready, the husband preceding the wife to the better world only two days. A kind husband and father and loving mother have gone to their reward. They were buried in Shiffler cemetery, Saturday, Sept. 8, 1894."

22 ^eANDREW BEAR,³ (David,² Jacob,¹)

Andrew Bear, the sixth child of David and Esther (Nailor) Bear, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Feb. 5, 1818, and died June 6, 1854, at Spring Green, Wis. His wife was Elizabeth Keifer, daughter of Philip and Eva (Radle) Keifer. Her father was German and her mother French. She was born June 16, 1819, near the American side of the Atlantic ocean during the passage of the family to this country, and was given the name of

Elizabeth Cornelia Morioue Goont, Morioue Goont being the name of the captain of the ship, Cornelia the name of his wife, and Elizabeth the name of the ship. She died at Corona, Cal., Sept. 12, 1903, and was buried at Spring Green, Wis. She was married to a Mr. Simpson after the death of Andrew Bear, but whom she also survived. Six children were born to Andrew and Elizabeth (Keifer) Bear.

CHILDREN.

- 115 ¹Angeline Bear,⁴ b. Aug. 4, 1839, m. Silas Coe Davis.
 116 ²Esther Ann Bear,⁴ b. Oct. 4, 1840, m. Henry Thomas Grinnell.
 117 ³Margaret Bear,⁴ b. Feb. 10, 1842, m. William McMullin.
 118 ⁴Henry Clay Baer,⁴ b. Dec. 10, 1843, m. Elizabeth Shambaugh.
 119 ⁵Daniel Webster Baer,⁴ b. April 9, 1847, m. Celinda Daniels.
 120 ⁶George Gilbert Nickey Baer,⁴ b. Jan. 28, 1852, m. Kittie Zintz.

All were born at Lexington, Ohio, but the last two. Daniel Webster Baer was born in Marion county, Ohio, and the youngest son near Madison, Wis.

Like his brother Joshua, Andrew Bear died early in life, and there are but few now living who can remember him. It is said, however, that he married at Lexington, Ohio, where he lived for several years, and came to Wisconsin in 1848. He entered a farm at Spring Green in June of that year, where he lived until he died, June 6, 1854. He was one of the first settlers in Sauk county, Wis., and taught the first school in that county. He is said to have been a very influential man in church matters and a leader in school work. He united with the United Brethren Church at an early age, of which church he remained a consistent member up to the time of his death.

Andrew Bear's sons all spell their name Baer. They changed the spelling to avoid confusion with other families of the same name.

23 ¹REBECCA MARTHA BEAR,³ (David,² Jacob,¹)

Rebecca Martha Bear, the youngest of David and Esther (Nailor) Bear's children, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., July 27, 1820, and died near West Unity, Ohio, Dec. 1st, 1878.

She was married at Springfield, Pa., April 8, 1844, to George Walter Hoover, who was born near Lebanon, Pa., July 29, 1823, and died Feb. 16, 1892, at West Unity, Ohio. He is buried in Franklin cemetery, in Fulton county, Ohio. Six children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

- 121 ¹Esther Annie Hoover,⁴ b. Jan. 16, 1845, m. Amos Weaver.
 122 ²Andrew Joshua Hoover,⁴ b. Oct. 1, 1846, m. Alice Ann Ronk.
 123 ³Rebecca Agnes Hoover,⁴ b. Dec. 4, 1848, m. James Hamilton Shipman.
 124 ⁴John Wesley Hoover,⁴ b. Nov. 14, 1852, m. Selena Camp.
 125 ⁵David Milton Hoover,⁴ b. July 16, 1857, m. Electa Estella Strong.
 126 ⁶Charles Theodore Hoover,⁴ b. Dec. 27, 1859, d. Jan. 31, 1860, and buried in Franklin cemetery, Fulton county, Ohio.

The first three were born at Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., and the last three near West Unity, Ohio.

Rev. J. W. Lilly, in writing of Rebecca Martha (Bear) Hoover's death, said as follows:

"Rebecca Martha Hoover, wife of George W. Hoover, died near West Unity, Ohio, Dec. 1st, 1878, aged 58 years, 8 months and 13 days. About twenty-seven years ago, with her companion, she removed from Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., to Williams county, Ohio, where she resided until her death. She embraced religion in her youth, and for eight years previous to her coming to Ohio, she was a member of the United Brethren Church. She then joined the M. E. Church, of which she remained a devoted member until her death. For about two years she was severely afflicted; but she bore it with Christian resignation. She adorned her profession by a godly walk, and her Savior, whom she loved and served in health, did not forsake her in her protracted illness. Truly another mother in Israel has gone to her reward, and again has come to pass the prediction of the prophet: 'At even time it shall be light.' May the blessings of heaven rest upon the companion and children left behind, and may they meet mother and wife on the shore of life and light."

George Walter Hoover's meeting, engagement and marriage to Rebecca Martha Bear, is just another story of romance seen every day. When a young man, George Walter Hoover came from Lancaster county, Pa., with a miller, Mr. Ruth. They located near Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., and established a mill. Near the mill was the home of David Bear, father of Rebecca Martha. One morning, in the Fall of the year, when the corn had ripened, George was sent by his employer to a farm house some distance from the mill for a corn sheller. On returning with his sheller the wagon upset in front of Rebecca's home and precipitated the sheller onto the road. Rebecca went out to assist the stranger to reload his sheller and repair the broken wagon. Acquaintance ripened into love and love resulted in marriage. In 1852, after the birth of their three older children, Mr. and Mrs. Hoover removed to Mill Creek township, Williams county, Ohio, and cleared a farm. Mr. Hoover erected a log house, consisting of two living rooms, a kitchen and two bed rooms. Here this Christian father and mother reared their family and participated in all the events in their community tending toward the moral elevation of same.

George Walter Hoover enlisted in the Union army, Feb. 24, 1865, in company D, of the 195th Ohio Vol. Inf., and served until Dec. 18, 1865. His regiment was ordered to Harper's Ferry, where they did guard duty for a time and then went into camp at Winchester, Va., where they were at the time of Lee's surrender. The regiment was then ordered to Alexander, Va., for provost and guard duty. Prior to coming to Ohio, and while a young man, Mr. Hoover served seven years in the Springfield Light Infantry, a military organization of Cumberland county, and received an honorable discharge in 1849.

After the death of the wife and mother, Dec. 1, 1878, George Walter Hoover removed to West Unity, Williams county, Ohio, and every Thursday evening, rain or shine, found him in the second seat in front of the wood stove in the Methodist Episcopal church. His voice would be lifted up in prayer, and his testimony given each Thursday evening, always ending in "Pray for me, my brothers and sisters, that I may prove faithful and meet you all in heaven."

Fourth Generation

- 26 ³JOHN DAVIS BYERLY,⁴ (Jacob Byerly,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

John Davis Byerly, the third child of Jacob and Catherine (Bear) Byerly, and the only one to reach maturity, was born at Newville, Pa., Feb. 17, 1839. He was married at Frederick, Md., Oct. 26, 1869, by Rev. Dr. George Diehl, of the Lutheran Church, to Mary Markell, who was born at Frederick, Md., May 2, 1849, and is the daughter of George and Sophia (Markell) Markell. Mr. Byerly succeeded his father in the photograph business at Frederick in 1868, paying his father \$2,000 for the gallery. He continued the business successfully until 1899, when he in turn sold to his son Charles and retired from business. Mr. Byerly was immersed by Rev. Hyatt, of the Christian Church, in 1858, and in 1871 he joined the German Reformed Church. He and his wife still reside at Frederick, Md.

CHILDREN.

(All born at Frederick, Md.)

- 127 ¹George Markell Byerly,⁵ b. July 14, 1870, d. July 16, 1870.
 128 ²Mary Catherine Byerly,⁵ b. Nov. 2, 1871, m. Thomas Augustus Chapline.
 129 ³John Davis Byerly, Jr.,⁵ b. Aug. 25, 1872, d. Nov. 29, 1891.
 130 ⁴Charles Byerly,⁵ b. Jan. 24, 1874, m. Regina Eisemhauer.

George Markell and John Davis, Jr., both buried in Mt. Olivet cemetery.

- 27 ⁴GRACE BYERLY,⁴ (Jacob Byerly,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Grace Byerly, eldest daughter of Jacob Byerly by his marriage to Catherine Elizabeth Hauer, was born at Frederick, Md., Oct. 17, 1853. She was an artist of considerable talent, and was

a member of the Evangelical Reformed Church. She never married and died July 1, 1890, at Frederick, and interment was at the same place.

28 ⁵HARRIET BYERLY,⁴ (Jacob Byerly,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear.¹)

Harriet Byerly, and her twin sister, Matilda Flemming, were the youngest children of Jacob and Catherine Elizabeth Hauer, and were born at Frederick, Md., Sept. 16, 1856. Matilda Flemming died in infancy. Harriet Byerly was married Apr. 16, 1900, at Frederick, Md., to James Winslow Sweet, son of James Winslow and Emily (Matchet) Sweet, the Rev. E. R. Eschbach, of the Evangelical Reformed Church, officiating. They reside in New York city. Mrs. Sweet is a member of the Evangelical Reformed Church, of Frederick, and also a member of the Alumni of Frederick Female Seminary.

30 ¹ANN AMELIA SHELLABARGER,⁴ (Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Ann Amelia Shellabarger, oldest child of David and Catherine (Byerly) Shellabarger, was born near Newville, Pa., Sept. 9, 1831, and she died Oct. 26, 1857, and was buried in "Meneast graveyard" on the Shellabarger farm. She was married March 14, 1854, to Samuel Diller, son of John and Elizabeth (Conaway) Diller, and who was born near Newville, Pa., April 3, 1827. Two children were born to their union, and in 1860 Samuel Diller married her sister, Rebecca Jane Shellabarger, as shown elsewhere.

CHILDREN.

(Both born in Cumberland county, Pa.)

131 ¹John Diller,⁵ b. Oct. 6, 1855, m. Maggie May Oren.

132 ²Samuel Shellabarger Diller,⁵ b. Oct. 16, 1857, m. Dale Cole.

Samuel Diller died at Decatur, Ill., Jan. 16, 1901, and was buried in Greenwood cemetery. "Portrait and Biographical Record of Macon county, Ill., published in 1893, eight years prior to his death, gave the following full sketch of his life and ancestry:

"Samuel Diller is accounted one of Decatur's most prominent and substantial citizens and business men. He is identified with many of the leading enterprises and industries of the city, is connected with the Leader Mfg. Co., and is President of the Decatur Brick & Tile Co. He also owns \$10,000 worth of stock in the Salina Flouring Mills, of Salina, Kans., and is largely interested in lands and cattle of Texas. The Diller family was founded in America by Abraham, Francis and Peter Diller, brothers, who were natives of Berne, Switzerland, and emigrated to this country in 1754, locating in Lancaster county, Pa. Peter, a son of Abraham, and the grandfather of this notice, became a resident of Cumberland county, Pa., in 1788, and purchased land from a man by the name of McFarland, who had previously bought it from William Penn. Upon this land was an old fort, formerly used by the whites as a place of safety from the hostile Indians, and this was afterward made use of as a dwelling. Here Peter Diller engaged in farming during his life. After his death, his son John, the father of our subject, succeeded to the estate and occupied the same farm until his death, in 1871, the homestead remaining in the Diller family until 1882. John Diller married Elizabeth Conaway, a native of Pennsylvania, but of Scotch-Irish descent. They had a family of three children who grew to maturity, viz.: Martha, who is deceased; John, a resident of Cumberland county, Pa., and Samuel, of this sketch.

"In the Keystone State, on the 3rd of April, 1827, occurred the birth of our subject. He was reared to manhood upon a farm and acquired an education in the public schools of Pennsylvania. After attaining to mature years, the subject of this sketch was married, in 1854, to Ann Amelia Shellabarger, a sister of D. S. Shellabarger, whose sketch appears elsewhere in this work. Her married life was short, as she died in Oct. 1857, leaving two children, John and Samuel S. The former is Superintendent of a tile and brick factory. He married Miss Maggie Oren, and a daughter, Ida, graces their union. Samuel S. is a ranchman and makes his home in Shackelford county, Texas. Our subject was a second time married. In 1860 he wedded Miss Rebecca Jane Shellabarger, and they have a family of three children, the eldest of whom, Anna L., is the wife of Joseph M. Stuart, who is engaged as shipping clerk in the Shellabarger mill of Decatur. They have two daughters, Edna and Grace. David is engaged in partnership with his elder brother Samuel, in cattle dealing in Texas, and is doing a good business. He married Miss Mattie Miller, a daughter of Supervisor John H. Miller, of Wheatland township, Macon county. Howard, the youngest of the family, is at home.



SAMUEL BEAR.

No. 15.



ANN CATHERINE (CHRISTLIEUB) BEAR,
third wife of SAMUEL BEAR.

No. 15.



EPHRAIM BEAR, JR.
No. 16.



SUSANNAH (HAMSHER) BEAR, wife of
EPHRAIM BEAR, JR.
No. 16.



"Mr. Diller remained in the State of his nativity and carried on agricultural pursuits until 54 years of age, when he determined to seek a new home in Illinois. Accordingly, he came to Decatur, and purchased a fourth interest in the Shellabarger mill, with which he was connected for four years, when he sold out to Shellabarger & Bowers. He then invested considerable in a cattle company in Texas, and also bought a third interest in the Decatur Brick & Tile Works, which he still owns. About twice each year he goes to Texas to visit his sons and look after his large landed and cattle interests. He owns 800 head of cattle, and his sons own as many more. In 1885, Mr. Diller also purchased a large interest in a flouring mill at Salina, Kansas, and has found this a good paying investment. He has been President of the Decatur Brick & Tile Co. for the last seven years, and under his careful management the business has prospered well, now amounting to upwards of \$30,000 annually. He is a director and stockholder of the Leader Mfg. Co. They make brick and tile machinery, the works of the concern being located in the western part of the city.

"Mr. Diller is a man of keen judgment and good foresight; conservative, in that he is not venturesome, and progressive in taking up any new improvement or venture which his judgment approves. In politics he is a staunch Republican, having affiliated with that party since 1856, when its first nominee ran for the presidency. His wife is a member of Grace M. E. Church. They have a beautiful home at No. 631 W. Prairie street, which Mr. Diller erected at a cost of \$8,000. There he expects to spend his remaining days, surrounded by all the comforts and luxuries of life that are furnished him by his handsome competence, the fruits of his former toil."

31 ²REBECCA JANE SHELLABARGER,⁴ (Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Rebecca Jane Shellabarger, the second child of David and Catherine (Byerly) Shellabarger, was born near Newville, Pa., Nov. 16, 1833. She married Samuel Diller, Feb. 2, 1860, near Newville, Pa. To their union were born three

CHILDREN.

(All born near Newville, Pa.)

133 ¹Anna Lillian Diller,⁵ b. Mch. 18, 1861, m. Joseph Mervin Stuart.

- 134 ²David Diller,⁵ b. Apr. 30, 1862, m. Martha Young Miller.
 135 ³Howard Diller,⁵ b. Oct. 7, 1865, m. Mina Brintlinger.

Rebecca Jane (Shellabarger) Diller united with the Lutheran church near Blosoverville, Pa., in 1877, at 44 years of age. After moving to Decatur, Ill., in April, 1881, she transferred her membership to Grace M. E. church, Decatur, Ill., in 1882. She died Oct. 15, 1897, and was buried in Greenwood cemetery.

- 34 ⁵DAVID STERRETT SHELLABARGER,⁴ (Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

David Sterrett Shellabarger, fifth child of David and Catherine (Byerly) Shellabarger, was born near Newville, Pa., July 11, 1837. He was married Jan. 7, 1862, at Decatur, Ill., by Rev. Jesse H. Moore, M. E. minister, to Ann Elizabeth Krone, who was born at Decatur, Ill., Jan. 8, 1843, and was the daughter of David Martin and Ruth (Worley) Krone. Eight children were born to them.

CHILDREN.

(*All born at Decatur, Ill.*)

- 136 ¹Adele Shellabarger,⁵ b. Apr. 12, 1863, m. Edwin Brown Hillman.
 137 ²Frank Shellabarger,⁵ b. Sept. 2, 1864, d. Feb. 14, 1866, interred in Greenwood cemetery.
 138 ³William Lincoln Shellabarger,⁵ b. Jan. 11, 1866, m. Irene Robinson Thatcher.
 139 ⁴Lucian Carpenter Shellabarger,⁵ b. Jan. 31, 1868, m. Mabel Douglass Lord.
 140 ⁵Fred David Shellabarger,⁵ b. Jan. 22, 1870, m. Florence J. Pitts.
 141 ⁶Marie Shellabarger,⁵ b. Jan. 24, 1872, m. Andrew S. Crowder.
 142 ⁷Grace Shellabarger,⁵ b. Aug. 3, 1873, m. James MacDougall Allen.
 143 ⁸Corinne Shellabarger,⁵ b. Jan. 12, 1875.

Probably no man in Central Illinois is more widely known in commercial affairs than D. S. Shellabarger, and certainly none in Macon county. The following, taken from "Past and Present of the City of Decatur and Macon County," published in 1903,

probably gives as complete sketch of his life, up to that time, as could be written:

"The view-point of the world concerning business has materially changed in the past century. At one time the man of prominence would have nothing to do with trade relations and derived his income from landed estates. To-day the most distinguished men of all nations are they who have controlled the veins and arteries of traffic, and each community points with pride to its industrial and commercial leaders, realizing that to them is largely due the prosperity and development of every locality. For 45 years Decatur has numbered David S. Shellabarger among its prominent and progressive citizens. He may well be termed one of the founders of the city, for he has been the promoter of one of its leading enterprises. His connection with any undertaking insures a prosperous outcome of the same, for it is in his nature to carry forward to successful completion whatever he is associated with. He has earned for himself a reputation as a careful man of business, and in his dealings is known for his prompt and honorable methods.

"A native of Cumberland county, Pa., Mr. Shellabarger was born July 11, 1837, in a locality which has been the home of his ancestors through several generations, and in his own life-record he has followed the industrial trend of the family. His parents, David and Catherine (Byerly) Shellabarger, were also natives of Cumberland county, and in their family of ten children, David S. was the fifth in order of birth. The family home was on the bank of Canadoguinette Creek, about 8 miles from Carlisle, the principal town of the Cumberland Valley region, noted for its beauty and fertility. There on the home farm David S. Shellabarger spent the days of his boyhood and youth, assisting in the labor of field and meadow, while in the district schools he mastered the branches of English learning usually taught in such institution. Reading, experience and observation, however, have largely broadened his knowledge since he left the school room, and he is to-day a man of broad and practical general information. He worked upon the home farm until his 19th year, when he resolved to seek business opportunities in the West, and in the Spring of '56 he located in Decatur, where he soon became connected with the lumber trade. After two years, however, he abandoned the lumber business in order to devote his energies to milling, purchasing a third interest in a small mill, which stood on the present site of the Decatur Milling Company's mill, and which was afterwards destroyed by fire. Although he had no practical experience in his new work, he came of a family of millers, and he possessed considerable mechanical ingenuity. His

grandfather owned a mill adjoining the farm upon which David Shellabarger was reared, and other members of the family had followed the same pursuit. For five years after becoming connected with milling, business was carried on under the name of Henkle, Shellabarger & Co., and in 1863 our subject disposed of his interest in that enterprise and became half owner of a mill, of which he afterward became sole proprietor, his partners being I. Shellabarger and B. Dillehunt, the firm style of I. Shellabarger & Co. being assumed. In 1869 the firm of D. S. Shellabarger & Co. was formed and under the enterprising and liberal management instituted by our subject and his business associates, their enterprise grew to large proportions. Several times the original plant was enlarged, and in 1879 a new mill was built, while the old mill was also retained as a feature of the business. The milling interests of our subject became one of the leading enterprises of Decatur, and the business was the largest of the kind in Central Illinois. Mr. Shellabarger also owned an interest in a mill in Topeka, Kansas, and another in Wichita, which were among the best mills in the Sunflower State. With all the practical details of the business he made himself thoroughly familiar and was thus qualified to supervise the operative department of the enterprise as well as the business features of the office. In May, 1903, he disposed of his milling interests to the American Hominy Company, of which he was formerly a director.

"In 1885, a company was incorporated as the Shellabarger Mill & Elevator Co., with a capital stock of \$150,000, with D. S. Shellabarger, as president; W. L. Shellabarger, secretary, F. D. Shellabarger, treasurer, and L. S. Shellabarger, Supt. Our subject, however, has not confined his attention or limited his energies alone to one line. He was co-operant factor in the establishment of the street car system of Decatur, which superseded the old horse-car system, but sold his interest in the same in July, 1903. He is the vice-president of the National Bank of Decatur; in the Spring of 1903 organized the Decatur Elevator Co., capitalized at \$50,000, of which he is president, and which owns elevators along the lines of the Wabash and Illinois Central railroads. He is also president of the Manufacturers' & Consumers' Coal Co., with mines in Decatur, capitalized at \$100,000. He has aided materially in advancing many interests of the city which have resulted to its benefit and upbuilding, outside of his individual business affairs.

"In January, 1862, occurred the marriage of Mr. Shellabarger and Miss Annie E. Krone, a native of this city, and they have eight children, four sons and four daughters; a son who died

in infancy; Adele, the wife of E. B. Hillman, a resident of Peoria, Ill.; William L., sec'y of the Shellabarger Mill & Elevator Co.; Lucian C., who is supt. of the mills; Fred D., who is treasurer of the company; Marie, the wife of Andrew S. Crowder, a real estate dealer in Spokane, Wash.; Grace, the wife of J. F. Allen, of Colorado Springs, Colo.; and Corinne, at home, the latter a graduate of Mt. Vernon Seminary.

"From the organization of the Republican party down to the present, Mr. Shellabarger has been an advocate of its principles, and when age gave to him the right of franchise he cast his first ballot for Abraham Lincoln, in 1860. He believes it the duty of a true citizen to keep well informed on the issues of the day and to fill capably such positions to which his fellow townsmen shall call him, and in 1869, 1870, and 1871, and again in 1880, he served as a member of the city council of Decatur. In 1872 he was elected mayor and his administration was practical, progressive and resultant. For two terms he represented Decatur township on the board of supervisors, and for twelve years was a member and president of the school board. For many years he has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and of Stapp's Chapel, now Grace Church, of which he was one of the founders in 1867. His life has been one of continuous activity in which has been accorded due recognition of labor; and to-day he is numbered among the substantial citizens of his county. His interests are thoroughly identified with those of Decatur, and at all times he is ready to lend his aid and co-operation to any movement calculated to benefit this section of the country or advance its development."

In 1904, Mr. Shellabarger was elected president of the National Bank of Decatur. In that year also, although he did not receive the nomination, his name was placed before the Republican convention as Mason County's candidate for Congress.

35 *JOSEPH LINDSEY SHELLABARGER,⁴ (Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Joseph Lindsey Shellabarger, sixth child of David and Catherine (Byerly) Shellabarger, was born near Newville, Pa., Sept. 23, 1839. He was married Oct. 15, 1867, at Decatur, Ill., by Rev. Enoch W. Moore, D. D., of the M. E. Church, to Mary Ann Mitchell, who was born near Belleville, Ill., March 17, 1847, and the daughter of William Henry (1798-1888) and Elizabeth (Moore) Mitchell (born 1808, and still living at date of this report, 1904, making her home with Mr. and Mrs. Shellabarger).

CHILDREN.

- 144 ¹Clara Shellabarger,⁵ b. Aug. 6, 1868, m. William Macferran.
 145 ²Joseph Mitchell Shellabarger,⁵ b. Sept. 22, 1871, m. Belle Van Henson Davis.
 146 ³Mary Josephine Shellabarger,⁵ b. May 29, 1877.
 147 ⁴Frank Louis Shellabarger,⁵ b. Aug. 18, 1878, m. Ruby Margaret Jones.

Clara born at Decatur, Ill., and the other three at Topeka, Kans.

Joseph Lindsey Shellabarger lives at Topeka, Kans., and is Sec'y and Mgr. of the Shawnee Milling Co. at that place. He is a member of First M. E. Church of Topeka since 1871, and has been a director of the Free Public Library of Topeka for many years. He was educated at Princeton University, N. J., graduating class of 1858. Served in the Union army from Aug., 1862, to July, 1865, as a member of Co. A, 116th Illinois infantry, brigaded in the second division of the 15th Army Corps (Sherman's). He participated in the campaigns at Vicksburg, Chattanooga, Lookout Mountain, Atlanta, the "March to the Sea," etc., and was mustered out at Washington, D. C., at the end of the war, as First Lt. Mr. Shellabarger then engaged in mercantile business at Decatur, Ill., until 1871, when he removed to Topeka, Kans., where he has been engaged in the milling business continuously to the present time. As a citizen of Topeka he has been identified with its progress and improvement from year to year.

NOTE.—Joseph Lindsey Shellabarger died at his home in Topeka, Sept. 22, 1905).

- 36 ¹JOHN BYERLY SHELLABARGER,⁴ (Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear.¹)

John Byerly Shellabarger, seventh child of David and Catherine (Byerly) Shellabarger, was born near Newville, Pa., Dec. 13, 1841. He was united in marriage Dec. 29, 1868, at Decatur, Ill., by Rev. L. C. Carpenter, minister of the M. E. Church, to Anna E. Mills, who was born Aug. 4, 1850, at Newark, N. J., and is the daughter of Joseph and Eliza (Lansing) Mills. Lansing, Mich., was named for Mrs. Shellabarger's grandfather Lansing.

CHILDREN.

(All born at Decatur, Ill.)

- 148 ¹Edna Kaytharin Shellabarger,⁵ b. Nov. 4, 1870, d. March 3, 1877.
 149 ²Joseph Mills Shellabarger,⁵ b. Feb. 10, 1873, d. Feb. 26, 1877.
 150 ³Joseph Edgar Shellabarger,⁵ b. Apr. 2, 1878.
 151 ⁴Irene Elizabeth Shellabarger,⁵ b. Feb. 7, 1881, m. Frank Dora Dole.
 152 ⁵Edith Kaytharin Shellabarger,⁵ b. Jan. 23, 1885, m. Gus Winfield.

The two older children who died in childhood are both buried in Greenwood Cemetery at Decatur.

John Byerly Shellabarger came to Decatur, Ill., after the war, where he still resides. Like his brothers, David S. and Joseph L., he has for many years been identified with the flour milling business. At one time he was interested with his brother, David S., in the Shellabarger mill, at Decatur, as well as in the Salina Mill & Elevator Co., at Salina, Kans., but is no longer a stockholder in either enterprise. He is a member of the I. O. M. A. and M. W. of A., and also of the Grace M. E. church at Decatur.

37 ⁵MARY AGNES SHELLABARGER,⁴ (Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary Agnes Shellabarger, eighth child of David and Catherine (Byerly) Shellabarger, was born near Newville, Pa., Jan. 23, 1844. She was married Jan. 14, 1867, at Decatur, Ill., to George Franklin Hargis, Rev. L. C. Carpenter, minister of the M. E. Church, officiating. Her husband was born near Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 7, 1842, and is the son of Thomas Waples and Sarah Ann (Blake) Hargis. To their union were born four

CHILDREN.

- 153 ¹Zora Amelia Hargis,⁵ b. Oct. 17, 1869, m. Walter Graeser Eisenmater.
 154 ²Laura Emma Hargis,⁵ b. June 22, 1871, d. at Wichita, Kans., Aug. 22, 1877.
 155 ³Lula Anna Hargis,⁵ b. June 22, 1871, m. Benjamin Longenecker Bear.
 156 ⁴George Franklin Hargis,⁵ b. Jan. 13, 1882.

All born at Decatur, Ill., but George Franklin, who was born at Wellington, Kans.

Mr. and Mrs. Hargis made their home in the West for many years, where Mr. Hargis was engaged in business, but for four or five years past they have resided at Decatur, Ill. Mr. Hargis now travels for the American Hominy Co., of that city. He is very prominent in the Gideons, a religious organization of traveling men, and at the time of this notice is President of the organization in the State of Illinois. For a time he was Superintendent of the Sunday-school at Grace M. E. Church, of which church he and his wife are both active members, Mrs. Hargis being one of the charter members.

38 ^oCATHERINE SHELLABARGER,⁴ (Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear.¹)

Catherine Shellabarger, ninth child of David and Catherine (Byerly) Shellabarger, was born near Newville, Pa., June 13, 1846. She was married Nov. 1, 1877, at Decatur, Ill., by Rev. McBerney, M. E. minister, to John Black, who was born at Lee, Mass., March 4, 1829, and was the son of William Malcolm (born June 28, 1785) and Persis (Fuller) (born March 11, 1800) Black. John Black died at Springfield, Ill., Sept. 7, 1888, and was buried in Oakridge cemetery.

CHILDREN.

(All born at Springfield, Ill.)

- 157** ¹Katharine Julia Black,⁵ b. Sept. 2, 1879, m. James Henry Watson.
158 ²John Shellabarger Black,⁵ b. Oct. 17, 1881.
159 ³Clarence Fuller Black,⁵ b. Jan. 28, 1883.
160 ⁴Frances Glover Black,⁵ b. July 27, 1885, d. Jan. 28, 1887, buried in Oakridge cemetery.

Prominent among the citizens of Springfield, Ill., who in the height of their usefulness were stricken down by the hand of death was John Black, as the following from the Sangamon "Monitor" of Sept. 8, 1888, indicates:

"Died—at the family residence on South Sixth St., between Capitol Ave. and Jackson St., Sept. 7, 1888, John Black, in the 59th year of his age. Funeral Sunday, p. m., at 2.30, from the family residence.

"The deceased has been confined to his home for months with a complication of diseases, the greatest of which was heart



DAVID BRANDT.



ELIZABETH (BEAR) BRANDT.

No. 17.





SARAH (RHOADS) BEAR, wife of
DANIEL BEAR.

No. 21.



DANIEL BEAR.

No. 21.

failure. He was well known in this city and highly respected wherever known. He was a man of positive convictions upon all subjects with which he had familiarized himself, and gave expression to them whenever he felt called upon to do so, fearlessly and freely. A great reader, particularly of the current topics of the times, he was an intelligent and interesting conversationalist upon almost every general topic, and when not familiar with a subject of interest he lost no opportunity of becoming so. He possessed many splendid traits of manly character, and his friendships were of a very warm nature. Although somewhat reserved in making acquaintances he was of a kindly nature whenever his sympathies were enlisted. While he never did anything for mere show or parade he was liberal and generous as many can attest. Mr. Black was a native of Lee, Mass., where he was born March 4, 1829. Our subject comes on his paternal side of good old Revolutionary stock. His grandfather, James Black, a Scotchman, landed in New York City from Glasgow just before the declaration of war in 1775. He enlisted in the cause of the colonists and served with distinction. He was made a captain in the Revolutionary War and his commission signed by George Washington is now in possession of our subject, as is also a book which was among the first ever adopting a system of double entry, and which was used by James Black in Scotland, said book bearing the date of 1765. On the maternal side, our subject traces his ancestry back to Dr. Fuller, one of the passengers on the first trip made by the "Mayflower" in 1620. John Black, an uncle of our subject was American Consul and Consul General to Mexico for the long period of nearly forty years. He went from New York to the city of Mexico to put in machinery in mines, and was then appointed to the Consulship by Jackson and kept there until Lincoln's time, when he resigned and returned to this country. The parents of our subject were William M. and Persis (Fuller) Black. Mr. Black was a thorough New Englander in tastes and inclinations, industrious habits and thrift, by reason of which, coupled with close calculation in all enterprises in which he embarked, and by the exercise of a splendid business judgment, he had gathered around him a very handsome property. He came to Illinois in 1858, directed his energies to building and erected a number of houses in different parts of the city which he would hold until purchasers were found. He and the late Gason L. Henkle became partners in the manufacture of wrapping paper, and erected the mills at Riverton of which he became the sole owner. Mr. Black was married in Decatur, Nov. 1, 1877, to Miss Kate Shellabarger of that city. He was a devoted husband and an indulgent father who idolized wife and children and was

never happier than when sharing his own joys with them or providing some new source of enjoyment for wife and children. The "Monitor" offers its tribute of respect to the memory of an honest man, a kind-hearted, enterprising citizen, a loving husband, and an affectionate father, whose pride was his wife and offspring, a friend whose friendship once gained was as lasting as life and true as steel. Mr. and Mrs. Black became the parents of four children, Katharine, John, Clarence and Julia. Mrs. Black is the daughter of David and Catherine (Byerly) Shellabarger, natives of Pennsylvania. The family came to Illinois from the Keystone State and located in Decatur in 1862. Mr. and Mrs. Shellabarger were married Dec. 25, 1830, and lived to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of wedded life, surrounded by children and many friends. Mr. Shellabarger rounded out a long and honorable career Aug. 15, 1883, at a ripe old age. He was recognized as one of the substantial thorough-going enterprising citizens of Decatur, while he was a resident of that place. The very name Shellabarger furnishes an entree to the best circles of society, and many bearing it have attained to prominence. Mrs. Black's chief care is for her children, as she is a tender, devoted mother. An active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, she is prominent in various good works. She is possessed of the most sterling qualities of genuine womanhood, and is held in high esteem by all who have the pleasure of her acquaintance."

Mrs. Black still resides, she and her sons, at 412 Sixth Street, Springfield, Ill.

39 ¹⁰FLORENCE SHELLABARGER,⁴ (Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Florence Shellabarger, the youngest child of David and Catherine (Byerly) Shellabarger, married Albert Henkle, who is in the grocery business at Salina, Kansas, where they have resided for twenty years or more. They have no children. A more complete record could not be obtained.

41 ²THOMAS CHAMBERS STERRETT,⁴ (Mary Ann Sterrett,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Thomas Chambers Sterrett, second child of David and Mary Ann (Byerly) Sterrett, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Sept. 29, 1837. Sept. 29, 1859, he married Anna Eliza Kaufman, who was born in Cumberland county, Pa., March 31, 1835.

Her death occurred quite suddenly of heart failure June 22, 1897, while at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Schwettmann, at Lincoln, Mo. They were the parents of seven

CHILDREN.

(All born near Decatur, Illinois)

- 161 ¹Brice Patterson Sterrett,⁵ b. Dec. 16, 1860, m. Laura Jane Rockwell.
 162 ²Rebecca Jane Sterrett,⁵ b. Feb. 9, 1862, m. Frederick William Schwettmann.
 163 ³Jessie Chambers Sterrett,⁵ b. Dec. 9, 1863, d. March 11, 1865.
 164 ⁴Frank Kaufman Sterrett,⁵ b. Apr. 24, 1865, m. Roberta Graham.
 165 ⁵Anna Catherine Sterrett,⁵ b. June 16, 1866, d. Apr. 11, 1867.
 166 ⁶Minnie May Sterrett,⁵ b. Sept. 8, 1870, m. Hunter Bell Stiles.
 167 ⁷Innis Thomas Sterrett,⁵ b. Apr. 1, 1875, m. Clyde Doris Windsor.

Jessie Chambers and Anna Catherine are both buried near Decatur.

Thomas Chambers Sterrett is the only one of David and Mary Ann (Byerly) Sterrett's children living at the time of this notice. He left home as a boy to make his own way, and his life has been spent in the cattle business on the plains. As he himself expresses it, he has been a pioneer in three States, Illinois, Kansas and Texas. In his life he has made and lost two comfortable fortunes, but being a man of great energy and perseverance, is making another start in the world. He is married the second time and lives in Kansas.

42 ³JOHN MELANCHTON STERRETT,⁴ (Mary Ann Sterrett,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

John Melanchton Sterrett, third child of David and Mary Ann (Byerly) Sterrett, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Nov. 19, 1839. He was married at Taylorville, Ill., by Rev. D. L. McBride, Baptist minister, on Feb. 15, 1882, to Lucy Virginia Walter, who was born at Linden, Va., Nov. 9, 1858, and is the daughter of William B. and Lucy Ann (Haines) Walter. Mr.

Sterrett died in Sangamon county, Illinois, June 11, 1901, and was buried at Decatur.

CHILDREN.

- 168 ¹Mary Ann Sterrett,⁵ b. Nov. 26, 1882, m.—first, William Abner Brintlinger, second, James Dexter Hunter.
 169 ²Rebecca Jane Sterrett,⁵ b. Jan. 17, 1888, d. at Linden, Va., July 6, 1892.
 170 ³John Melanchton Sterrett,⁵ b. Jan. 28, 1892.

44 ⁵BRICE INNIS STERRETT,⁴ (Mary Ann Sterrett,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Brice Innis Sterrett, the fifth child of David and Mary Ann (Byerly) Sterret, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., the 9th day of August, 1844. He married Clarissa Cline, at Lewisberry, York county, Pa., Oct. 21, 1879, the Rev. H. N. Minnigh, pastor of the M. E. Church, officiating. Clarissa Cline was born at Lewisberry, Pa., Nov. 18, 1841, and is the daughter of Andrew and Margaret (Foster) Cline. To their union was born one

CHILD.

- 171 ¹Mary Cline Sterrett⁵ b. at Decatur, Ill., Aug. 6, 1880.

The following taken from "Past and Present of the City of Decatur and Macon County," published in 1903, gives a very complete sketch of his life and personality:

"On the roll of those who have conferred distinction upon the legal fraternity of Decatur appears the name of Brice I. Sterrett, who was recognized as one of the leading members of the bar of Macon county. He came to this city in 1867 and here died on the 24th of Feb., 1901. Pennsylvania was the State of his nativity, his birth having occurred in Cumberland county, on the 9th of August, 1844. His parents, David and Mary Ann (Byerly) Sterrett, were also natives of that State, living on a farm in Cumberland county and later moving to Carlisle. About 1859, they came to Jacksonville, Illinois, but in a year or two returned to Carlisle, Pa. Later, however, he once more went to the West and this time settled in Decatur, where he lived retired for a few years. He next removed to Taylorville, where both he and his wife resided until they were called to the home beyond, Mr. Sterrett passing away on the 31st of October, 1878, while his wife died Dec. 15, 1879.

"When a small boy, Brice I. Sterrett became a student in the schools of Carlisle, Cumberland county, Pa., where he pursued his studies from 1850 until 1857. He then entered the preparatory department of the Illinois College at Jacksonville, Ill., continuing his studies there in the year 1860-1861. He next entered Dickinson College, at Carlisle, Pa., where he graduated with the class of 1867, winning the degree of Bachelor of Arts on the completion of a law course. With broad general knowledge he took up the study of law, spending a short time in that way in Carlisle, Pa. He then came to the West and located in Decatur, where he became a law student in the office and under the direction of Judge Charles Emerson. In order to supply the funds necessary for the continuance of his legal studies, he engaged in teaching in the common schools of Macon county for two terms. He was admitted to the bar of Illinois before the supreme court of the State in 1868, and then began his law practice in Decatur, where he soon won recognition as a young man of marked ability, of earnest purpose, and of thorough preparation in the law. He prepared all his cases with great precision and after extended research was well qualified to uphold his cause and position. He was also pension agent in Decatur for many years. Eventually on account of ill health he was obliged to give up general law practice after which he devoted his attention to lighter work, such as collecting and other kindred branches usually performed by the members of the legal fraternity. He thus lived a more retired life until his death.

"On the 21st of Oct., 1879, Mr. Sterrett was united in marriage with Miss Clarissa Cline, a native of Lewisberry, York county, Pa., and a daughter of Andrew and Margaret (Foster) Cline, who were likewise natives of York county where they always lived. The father was a farmer and mill man and there he and his wife remained until the tide of life ebbed away. There came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sterrett but one child, Mary C. Sterrett, who now resides with her mother and is a teacher in the public schools of Monticello, Illinois.

"Mr. Sterrett held no offices in the city, nor had he sought public notoriety of any character beyond his profession. He was very successful in his law practice here and became a well-to-do citizen, the public recognizing his genuine worth and capability. He was a man of strong mind, of marked individuality, of resolute will, and of honorable purpose. He gave his political support to the Democracy in early life and later became a staunch Republican. For a long period he held membership in the Presbyterian Church of this city and in that faith passed from this life. Mrs. Sterrett and daughter are members of the Presbyterian

Church. Mrs. Sterrett has a residence at 717 West Prairie Avenue where she and her daughter reside and she also owns other property in the city which was built upon and improved by her husband. His interest centered in his family and it was a matter of great satisfaction to him that he could leave his wife and daughter in comfortable financial circumstances. He also left to them the priceless inheritance of an untarnished name and of a memory that is honored by all who knew him."

45 °ROBERT WILSON STERRETT,⁴ (Mary Ann Sterrett,³
Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Robert Wilson Sterrett, sixth child of David and Mary Ann (Byerly) Sterrett, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Sept 20, 1847. He graduated from Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pa., in 1869. Practiced law in Philadelphia, and also taught a Greek class. He was a fine scholar in languages, being proficient in Greek, Latin, German, French and Spanish, but his health failed and his mind was clouded in the last ten years of his life. He was never married. He had no active membership in any church, but was Presbyterian in tendency. His death occurred at Jacksonville, Ill., Aug. 9, 1886, and was buried at Taylorville, Ill.

46 °REBECCA JANE STERRETT,⁴ (Mary Ann Sterrett,³
Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Rebecca Jane Sterrett, seventh child of David and Mary Ann (Byerly) Sterrett, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Oct. 16, 1849. She was married on June 8, 1881, near Lamar, Mo., to George Binkley Wade, who was born June 13, 1846, at Canal Dover, O. He is the son of John Richard and Isabella (Binkley) Wade, and is also a nephew of Ex-Senator Wade, of Ohio. To their union was born one

CHILD.

172 °Charles Frederick Wade,⁵ b. near Jasper, Mo., Dec. 11, 1882.

Charles Frederick Wade died April 12, 1899, and was buried in Mitchell cemetery, near Jasper. The funeral is said to have been one of the largest ever occurring in that vicinity, and was conducted by Rev. Mann, of the Jasper Presbyterian Church.

The public schools adjourned and the pall-bearers were taken from his school fellows.

Mrs. Wade was a dramatic reader before her marriage. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church of Carthage, Mo., at the time of her death, which occurred Aug. 16, 1884. The following obituary was written by her brother, Brice I. Sterrett, and published at the time:

"Died—At the residence of Mr. F. Swihart, in the north-east part of Jasper county, Missouri, on Saturday night, Aug. 16, 1884. Mrs. Rebecca J. Wade, wife of George B. Wade, in the 35th year of her age.

"Mrs. Wade, whose maiden name was Sterrett, was born in Carlisle, Pa., Oct. 16, 1849, and united with the First Presbyterian Church of that city when about 16 years of age. Her parents removed to Decatur about 15 years ago and from thence to Taylorville, where her father died in 1878, and her mother in 1879. Mrs. Wade was married June 8, 1881, at the residence of her brother, Mr. Thomas Sterrett, in Barton county, Mo., since which time she has lived with her husband at the residence of Mr. Swihart. She united with the Presbyterian Church of Carthage, Mo., about three years ago to which she was devotedly attached. Her husband united not long after. She leaves four brothers, a husband and a child and many friends to mourn her loss.

"This brief sketch gives only the meager outlines of a rarely beautiful life and character, in every relation she sustained, as daughter, sister, wife, mother and friend. Her decided Christian character was prominent in all. Her religion was of that decided cheerful type that manifested itself in everything she did. Her nature and disposition were peculiarly amiable and affectionate, and had a winning power over all who knew her. Her life was to all a constant witness to the beauty and reality of the religion of Jesus. Her Christian experience was like the crystal spring, ever sending its streams of refreshing water into her own life and that of others. The closing scenes of her life displayed to an unusual degree the depth of her religious nature and were more like hours of triumph than of dissolution and pain. Although her sickness lasted but a week, she realized from the first that the time of her departure was near, and all the intervals that her strength would allow she spent in making known her plans and hopes for the child and husband to whom she was tenderly attached, and in speaking words of counsel and cheer to those around her, and sending kind messages to the absent. She seemed literally to have reached Beulah land. She felt herself at the threshold of her heavenly home, and thus divine glory illuminated

her soul. Her prayers for loved ones were as if she were talking in the very presence of eternal realities."

Mr. Wade has been postmaster at Jasper, Mo., for several years.

48 ¹SAMUEL KNISLEY,⁴ (Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

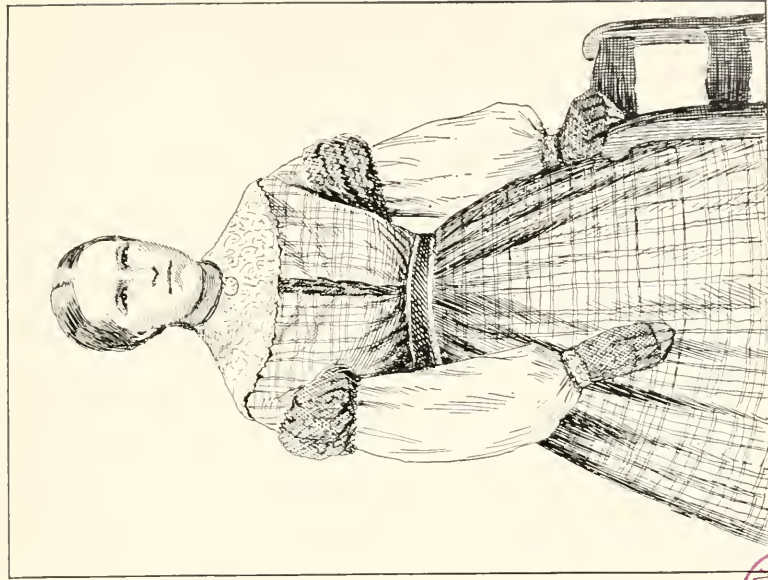
Samuel Knisley, the eldest child of Jacob and Leah (Bear) Knisley, was born near Newville, Pa., March 8, 1826, and his death occurred July 20, 1902. He was twice married, but the father of no children. His first marriage was to Martha Strawbridge, daughter of John and Mary Strawbridge, and she died about the year 1878. His second marriage was to Mrs. Laura (Bricker) Mountz, who died in Jan., 1896. Samuel Knisley was a devout member of the Church of God, and was identified with that Church in many important official relations, being Treasurer of the East Pennsylvania Eldership for many years, and for ten different years was delegate to the General Eldership. He was also a member of the Masons, Odd Fellows and Sons of America. The following, taken from a Shippensburg (Pa.) paper, tells something of his life and how highly he was regarded in the community and section of the State in which he lived:

"Among the first news that reached us on Monday morning last was the fact that Samuel Knisley, one of Orrstown's oldest, most highly esteemed and reputable citizens, had died during the early morning hours of the day and of the week. He had many warm, personal friends in this place, as he had throughout the entire county, where he was so well and favorably known, having filled different public positions, and being prominent in church, Sabbath-school and all other good works.

"The deceased was born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., March 8, 1826. He was the eldest of five children, two sons and three daughters. His only brother was wounded in the battle of Chancellorsville and died in a hospital at Washington. His only surviving sister, Mrs. Laverty, resides in Harrisburg. His ancestors came from Switzerland, his grandparents residing in York county, but he and his father are both said to have been born in Cumberland county. Almost the last 50 years of his life were spent in Orrstown, where he has seen the entire community pass away. Only one person is said to reside in the town who was there when Mr. Knisley moved to that place.

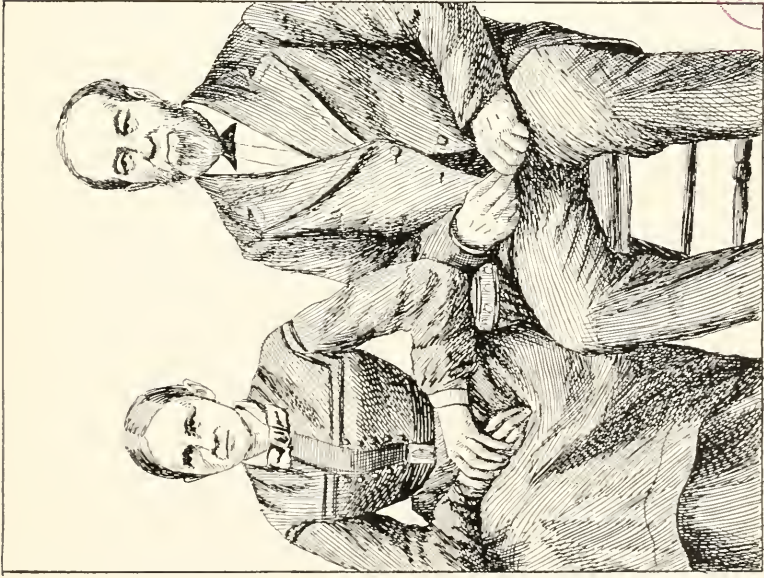


CHRISTIAN THUMA and wife, MARY ANN
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REBECCA MARTHA (BEAR) HOOVER.

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REBECCA MARTHA (BEAR) HOOVER.

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"When two years old, Mr. Knisley, with his parents, moved to Franklin county, on a farm two miles west of Shippensburg, and from there to a farm near Orrstown. When a young man the deceased came to Shippensburg to learn the tailoring trade. In speaking of it within the past year, to one with whom he stood close in spiritual things, he said he was converted at a camp-meeting held in his father's grove and was afterward one of a number of young men who formed a young men's prayer meeting, which met in the homes every Thursday evening. It was here he first met and saw Elder Price. He well recalled the early teachings of such men as Winebrenner, McFadden, Maxwell, Thomas, Mooney, Keller, Harn, Mackey and other younger and later day ministers. In 1855, forty-seven years ago, he engaged in merchandising in Orrstown. Here he has remained ever since, and he is the last survivor of the numerous persons associated with him in business during these years.

"In 1879, Mr. Knisley was elected Treasurer of the East Pennsylvania Eldership, which office he still held at the time of his decease. For ten different years, since 1854, he has been a delegate to the General Eldership, the last being in 1902. In connection with Elder Laverty, in 1851, he was largely instrumental in establishing and starting the Shippensburg Academy, for the preparing of young men for college. This was the school which Judge Stewart, and Mr. Snodgrass, of Harrisburg, spoke of in their recent able Fourth of July addresses in this place. He has served as postmaster at Orrstown for a number of terms. In 1871, he was elected treasurer of Franklin county, serving during the years 1872 and 1873, being elected on the Republican ticket; his own district, which was largely Democratic, gave him a majority of 30, something unusual. In all these various positions he came up to the full measure of the honest, upright, conscientious citizen which he always was.

"Mr. Knisley was twice married; his first wife was Miss Martha Strawbridge; afterward to Mrs. Laura H. Mountz, nee Bricker. He leaves no issue by either marriage.

"The same gentleman above spoken of, as standing in close relation with him, in speaking of him, says: 'His home has always been a preachers' home. We are not sure that the brother always entertained angels, but it has been and was his delight to entertain those who came with the glad tidings of salvation.'

"His funeral, which was largely attended, took place on Thursday at ten o'clock, interment being made in the Church of God graveyard at Orrstown, where his loved ones who have gone before, are buried. As was anticipated, the funeral was largely attended from all sections. The services were in charge of Rev.

C. I. Brown, pastor of the Church of God, Shippensburg, who was a personal friend and stood in close relation to the deceased. He was assisted by Rev. C. H. Forney, of Harrisburg, a life-long friend, indeed he was such to the entire ministry of the Church. The services were attended by the Masonic fraternity and the Patriotic Sons of America, both of which organizations he was an honored and most worthy member."

49 ²MARY ANN KNISLEY,⁴ (Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary Ann Knisley, the second child of Jacob and Leah (Bear) Knisley, was born in Franklin county, Pa., near Shippensburg, Aug. 1, 1829, and she now resides at Harrisburg, Pa., and is the oldest living branch of this genealogical tree. Her mother, before her, lived to be past 90, longer than the age attained by any other descendant of Jacob Bear, the founder of this family in America. She is an earnest, devout Christian woman and a member of the Church of God. Her marriage occurred at Shippensburg, Pa., on March 2, 1848, Rev. J. C. Owens, pastor of Church of God, officiating, to Rev. Daniel Alexander Lawson Laverty, who was born at Mechanicsburg, Pa., May 20, 1824, and was the son of Patrick and Ann Barbara (Deado) Laverty, from Armagh county, Ireland. To their union were born ten

CHILDREN.

- 173 ¹Charles Albert Knisley Laverty,⁵ b. at Shippensburg, Pa., Mch. 11, 1850, m. Mary Frances Hess.
- 174 ²John Jacob Laverty,⁵ b. at Shippensburg, Pa., Nov. 28, 1851, d. Oct. 6, 1852, at Shippensburg, int. Shippensburg.
- 175 ³Alice Linda Laverty,⁵ b. near Orrstown, Pa., Aug. 2, 1853.
- 176 ⁴Horace Almer Laverty,⁵ b. at Shippensburg, Pa., Dec. 26, 1855, d. July 17, 1857, at Shippensburg, int. Shippensburg.
- 177 ⁵William Arthur Laverty,⁵ b. at Shippensburg, Pa., Mch. 7, 1858, m. Sue Belle Swartz.
- 178 ⁶Ida May Laverty,⁵ b. at Shippensburg, Pa., Mch. 16, 1860, m. Prof. Thomas Albert Dutton.
- 179 ⁷Ella Katharine Laverty,⁵ b. at Middletown, Pa., Mch. 22, 1862.

- 180 *Myra Alberta Laverty,⁵ at Harrisburg, Pa., April 17, 1865, m. Edward Andrew Eckert.
- 181 ⁹Anna Leah Laverty,⁵ b. at Philadelphia, Pa., June 30, 1867.
- 182 ¹⁰Ralph Laverty,⁵ b. at Mechanicsburg, Pa., July 31, 1869, m. Effie C. Elliott.

Rev. Laverty died Dec. 23, 1883, while pastor of the Church of God at Mechanicsburg, Pa., and was buried in St. John's Cemetery at Shiremanstown, Cumberland county, Pa.

Of the peerless character and able ministry of this man of God, the "Year Book of the Church of God" spoke thus:

"Daniel Alexander Lawson Laverty, the second son of Patrick and Ann Barbara Laverty, was born near Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county, Pa., on the 20th day of May, 1824, and died on the 23rd of Dec. 1883, aged 59 years, 7 months and 3 days.

"In January, 1841, at a meeting of the Union Church in Mechanicsburg, held by Elders J. Winebrenner, E. West and H. Wingert, he was savingly converted to God in the seventeenth year of his age.

"With about thirty others, he was baptized on Sabbath, January, 1841, in the Trindle spring, near Mechanicsburg, by Elder West. In the afternoon of the day of his baptism his mother departed this life.

"From April, 1842, until the year 1851, his time was principally occupied in teaching school.

"In the Fall of 1846, at the East Pennsylvania Eldership, which was held at Mechanicsburg, he was licensed to preach the gospel.

"From this time until 1861 he preached (in connection with teaching) at Fayetteville and Chambersburg.

"From this time on he devoted his entire time to the ministry, filling most of the principal appointments in the East Pennsylvania Eldership of the Church of God, such as Middletown, Harrisburg, Philadelphia, Mt. Joy, Lancaster and Mechanicsburg.

"He was a man of high social qualities, which made him many friends. He was second to none of his ministerial brethren as a pastor. Here lay his strength. He was one of our most active Sunday-school workers.

"His funeral took place at Mechanicsburg on the 27th of December, and was largely attended by many of the friends of his former charges, as well as a large number of his ministerial brethren.

"Elder Laverty was an indefatigable worker, and an earnest expounder of the word of God. His social qualities were

such that his name became proverbial as a hand-shaker. His earnest, warm grasp of the hand at once convinced you of the state of his heart towards you. He was the children's friend; he had as many little folks to love him as older ones. In Sunday-school he was at home. His voice among the little folks commanded silence and attention. The Sunday-school at Mechanicsburg, Pa., in recognition of his services, held, on January 6, 1884, a memorial service to his precious memory. At Harrisburg, Mount Joy, Newville, and other places, memorial services were held. The East Pennsylvania Eldership, at its sessions held at Lancaster, Pa., expressed the highest eulogy on the worth and labors of Elder Laverty.

"The Church Advocate, editorially, describes the true man in a few words: 'A minister prominent in our councils and in the active service of the Church. He was a useful man, affable, warm-hearted, zealous, keenly alive to the interests of the cause, devoted to the Church, industrious in every department of his calling. . . .as a pastor he had no superior.'"

50 ³CATHERINE KNISLEY,⁴ (Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Catherine Knisley, third child of Jacob and Leah (Bear) Knisley, was born near Shippensburg, Pa., Nov. 1, 1831. She married John Hamsher, son of Peter and Elizabeth (Kline) Hamsher, and brother of Susan Hamsher, who married her uncle, Ephraim Bear. Thus uncle and niece married brother and sister, and there is a double relationship between their children.

CHILDREN.

(All born at Decatur, Ill.)

- 183 ¹Ella Hamsher,⁵ b. Aug. 15, 1858, m. John Dickson Brandt.
 184 ²Laura Hamsher,⁵ b. April 26, 1860, d. Feb. 9, 1861, interred at Boiling Springs Cemetery, near Bearsdale, Ill.
 185 ³Minnie Katharine Hamsher,⁵ b. Nov. 11, 1861.

John Hamsher was born near Orrstown, Pa., in about 1834. He came to Decatur, Ill., in 1853 or 1854, and in 1855 went back to Pennsylvania where he was married to Catherine Knisley. They then returned to Decatur where they lived continuously up to the time of the death of both. When the Church of God was organized at Decatur, Bethel Church, they were

charter members. Catherine's death occurred Sept. 4, 1862, and she was buried in Boiling Springs Cemetery, near Bearsdale. John Hamsher remarried and his death occurred in 1881. He, too, was buried in Boilings Springs Cemetery, by the side of his wife, Catherine. During his residence in Decatur he was in the harness business, and from 1878 up to the time of his death was in partnership with Charles Cain Bear, whose notice appears elsewhere in this work, and who is still in the harness business at Decatur.

51 ⁴JACOB KNISLEY,⁴ (Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Jacob Knisley, fourth child of Jacob and Leah (Bear) Knisley, was born at Orrstown, Pa., March 10, 1834. He is one of the four in this genealogical record who gave their lives to the Union cause in the war of 1861-65, the others being John M. Bear, Andrew Hiram Bear and Andrew Joshua Thuma. These four died during their enlistment.

Jacob Knisley studied dentistry, had just fitted up an office in Middletown, Pa., and was doing nicely when the war broke out. He left his office intact and it was never his privilege to return to it again. He entered the army service Aug. 12, 1862, as first sergeant, and was promoted to second lieutenant March 7, 1863. He was wounded at Chancellorville May 3, 1863, and died at Washington from the effects of his wounds May 15, 1863. He was buried at Orrstown, Pa. Jacob Knisley was never married. For a time he lived at Decatur, Ill., and owned land near there. In fact, his Uncle Samuel Bear bought a piece of land from him.

54 ²ELIZABETH ANN BEAR,⁴ (Jacob,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Elizabeth Ann Bear, second child of Jacob and Martha (Bowman) Bear, was born near Newville, Pa., July 21, 1840. On Jan. 10, 1867, she was united in marriage with Samuel Troutman, who was born near Kewanna, Ind., March 1, 1843, and is the son of Peter and Mary (Bruce) Troutman. The ceremony was performed by Joseph Kaufman, J. P. Mr. and Mrs. Troutman are the parents of three

CHILDREN.

(All born at Bearsdale, Ill.)

- 186 ¹Ellen Troutman,⁵ b. Oct. 11, 1867, d. Oct. 30, 1867,
int. at Sharon cemetery.
- 187 ²Marietta Troutman,⁵ b. Oct. 2, 1868, m. Andrew
Jackson Conover.
- 188 ³Frank Samuel Troutman,⁵ b. Jan. 26, 1873, m. Liz-
zie Barner.

Mr. Troutman owns a splendid farm near Bearsdale, as well as other land nearer Decatur. He engaged in farming for many years and also in the grain business. He built an elevator at Bearsdale, which he disposed of several years ago. In Nov., 1893, he retired from the farm and bought a comfortable home in Decatur where he and his companion now live, enjoying the benefits derived from their frugality and careful management. Mr. Troutman, however, being of a very ambitious and industrious nature, continues to spend much of his time on his farms, looking after their improvement. He was a Union soldier and served through the war with the 116th Ill. Vol. Inf. Mrs. Troutman is of a very amiable disposition and much respected by all who have formed her acquaintance. They are both members of the First Methodist Episcopal Church at Decatur.

56 ⁴MARTHA ELLEN BEAR,⁴ (Jacob,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Martha Ellen Bear, the fourth child of Jacob and Martha (Bowman) Bear, was born near Newville, Pa., on the 6th of July, 1844. Her mother died when she was very small indeed, and she made her home with her aunt, Leah (Bear) Knisley, even after her father had removed to Decatur, Ill. She was married Oct. 26, 1865, at Harrisburg, Pa., by Rev. Daniel Alexander Lawson Laverty, her uncle by marriage, to David Leshner Powders, who was born at Orrstown, Pa., Apr. 23, 1841, and was the son of John and Mary (Leshner) Powders. Six children blessed their union.

CHILDREN.

- 189 ¹Jacob Percy Powders,⁵ b. Aug. 14, 1866, d. Aug. 14,
1866.
- 190 ²Norna Mary Powders,⁵ b. May. 22, 1868, d. Jan.
22, 1898.

- 191 ³John Arthur Powders,⁵ b. Aug. 8, 1871, m. Alda Peyton Leedy.
 192 ⁴Edmund Newton Powders,⁵ b. Sept. 26, 1873, d. Oct. 3, 1873.
 193 ⁵Alva Clarence Powders,⁵ b. Feb. 2, 1876.
 194 ⁶Charles Warren Powders,⁵ b. July 4, 1886, d. Nov. 21, 1886.

All born at Orrstown, excepting Alva Clarence, who was born Ida Grove, Iowa. The deceased children all died at Orrstown, Pa., and interred at that place.

David Leshor Powders during his life time was a school teacher. He also conducted a dry goods store at Orrstown, where he was also postmaster for four years. He was an Union soldier, first enlisting as a private in company D, 126th Reg. Pa. Vol. Inf., and served his time and was mustered out. He then helped to recruit a company and enlisted again as first lieutenant of company F, 207th Reg. Pa. Vol. Inf. He was in many engagements, and during his service contracted colds at different times which eventually developed asthma, from which he was a great sufferer up to the time of his death, which occurred at Orrstown, Pa., Feb. 14, 1889. He was a good Christian man and much esteemed by all who knew him. Interment was made at Orrstown.

Mrs. Powders makes her home in New York City, where her sons, John Arthur and Alva Clarence, are in business. She is a woman of charming personality, a good conversationalist, and much loved by all her friends.

60 ⁸ALBERT SANDOW BEAR,⁴ (Jacob,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Albert Sandow Bear, eighth child of Jacob Bear, and fourth by the latter's marriage to Catherine Knisley, was born in Macon county, Ill., on the 8th day of Feb., 1854. He was married Sept. 21, 1876, Rev. Washington Crandal, United Brethren minister, officiating, to Darliska Josephine Coulter, who was born Oct. 9, 1858, in Macon county, Ill., and was the daughter of William Kerr and Rebecca Jane (Hill) Coulter. Four children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

(All born in Macon county, Ill.)

- 195 ¹Bertha May Bear,⁵ b. Aug. 16, 1877.
 196 ²Louis Winfield Bear,⁵ b. Apr. 3, 1881, m. Georgia Eugenia Drohn.

197 ³George Emrie Bear,⁵ b. Apr. 4, 1885.

198 ⁴Carl Maniel Bear,⁵ b. Dec. 17, 1888.

Bertha May, the eldest child, died at the family residence, 858 South Maffit street, Decatur, Ill., Jan. 2, 1898, in the bloom of her youth. She was laid away in Boiling Springs Cemetery, near Bearsdale, six cousins acting as pall-bearers.

Darliska Josephine, the wife and mother, died April 14, 1904, while at the home of her mother, Mrs. Rebecca Coulter, at Argenta, Ill. Rev. F. B. Jones, of the Christian Temple, officiated at her funeral, which was conducted under the auspices of the Royal Neighbors, of which organization she was a member.

Albert Sandow Bear is a carpenter by occupation, and has resided at Decatur for many years. He is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America.

61 ⁹HULDA BEAR,⁴ (Jacob,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Hulda Bear, ninth child of Jacob Bear, and fifth by his marriage to Catherine Knisley, was born near Decatur, Ill., Nov. 22, 1856. On Oct. 22, 1874, she was united in marriage, Rev. Levi Fields, United Brethren minister, officiating, with James Ezra Rankin, who was born in Guernsey county, Ohio, Aug. 1, 1851, and is the son of William and Lucinda Minerva (Bowman) Rankin. They have six

CHILDREN.

199 ¹Lovetta Grace Rankin,⁵ b. Sept. 17, 1876, m. Joseph Sayers Patton.

200 ²William Jacob Royal Rankin,⁵ b. May 17, 1880, m. Bertha Mae Lockwood.

201 ³Nellie Rebecca Rankin,⁵ b. Sept. 1, 1882, m. Brent Lee Barker, M. D.

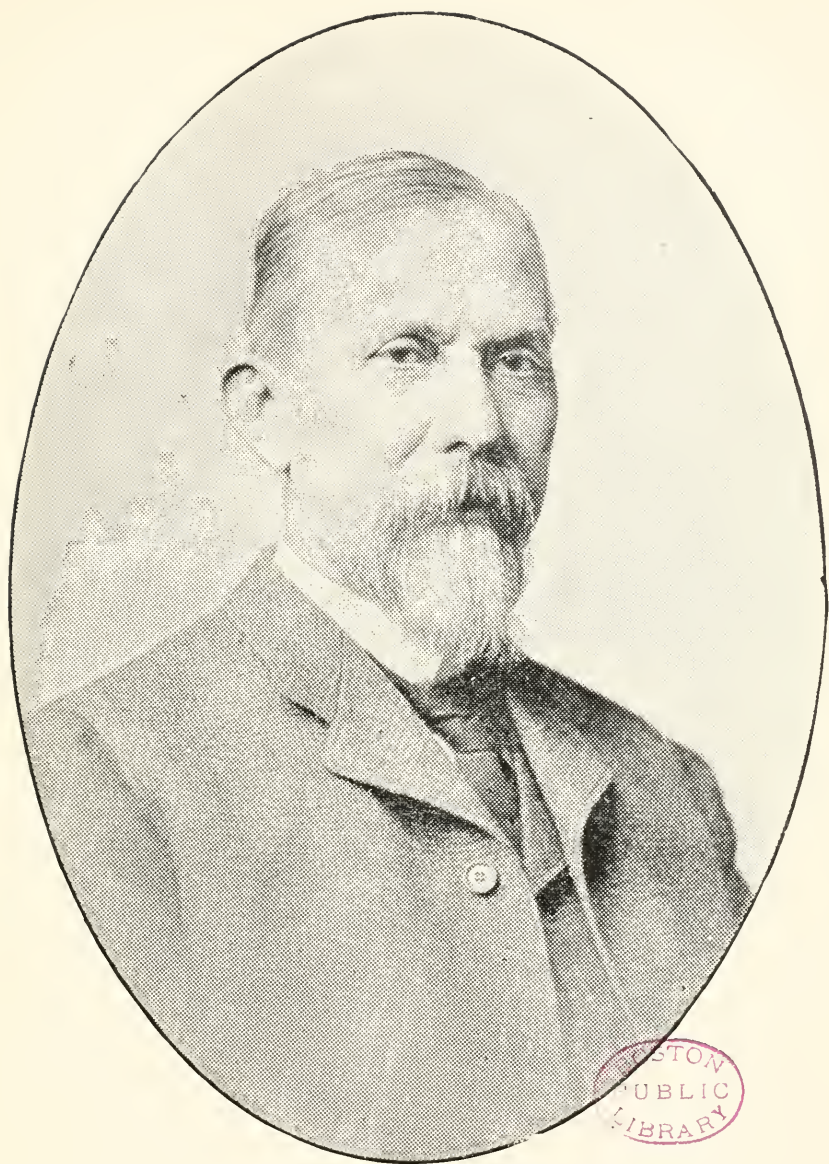
202 ⁴Chester Arthur Rankin,⁵ b. April 5, 1886.

203 ⁵Florence Ethel Rankin,⁵ b. May 18, 1891.

204 ⁶Noble Elsworth Rankin,⁵ b. May 2, 1894.

The first three children were born near Cisco, Ill., and the last three near White Heath, Ill.

Mr. Rankin is one of the most prosperous farmers in Piatt county, Ill., owning a section or more of land. Mrs. Rankin has taken a very great interest in the success of this history, and the assistance and encouragement she has given during its preparation has been of inestimable value. The enthusiasm she has mani-



DAVID STERRETT SHELLABARGER.

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JOHN DAVIS BYERLY, at 66.

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JOSEPH LINDSEY SHELLABARGER.

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fested in this undertaking is but characteristic of her nature, being a woman of ambition and perseverance. Her frugality and great energy no doubt has aided her husband largely to reach the position of affluence they will be able to enjoy in their declining years. They are members of the Church of God at Lodge Station.

62 ¹⁰JOSIAH COULDER BEAR,⁴ (Jacob,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Josiah Coulder Bear, tenth child of Jacob Bear, and sixth by his marriage to Catherine Knisley, was born near Decatur, Ill., the second day of March, 1858. He was married at Monticello, Ill., March 15, 1883, Rev. M. P. Ormsby, pastor of Presbyterian Church, officiating, to Mary Agnes Coulter, who was born near Argenta, Ill., the 17th day of April, 1858, and is the daughter of William Kerr and Rebecca (Hill) Coulter. She is also a sister of Darliska Josephine Coulter, who married Albert Sandow Bear, the two brothers having married sisters. Four children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 205** ¹Orpha Blanch Bear,⁵ b. near Winfield, Kans., Sept. 25, 1884.
206 ²Dessie Pearl Bear,⁵ b. near Decatur, Ill., March 12, 1887.
207 ³Marion C. Bear,⁵ b. at Decatur, Ill., Dec. 30, 1888.
208 ⁴William Ralph Bear,⁵ b. at Decatur, Ill., Oct. 14, 1891, d. Apr. 17, 1892, buried in Greenwood Cemetery, Decatur, Ill.

Josiah Coulder Bear, with his brother-in-law, Albert Lucian Brightbill, was a carpenter and contractor at Decatur, Ill., for several years, but is now in the grocery business. He is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America. Their daughter, Orpha Blanch, graduated from Decatur High School in the class of 1903. She is at present taking a stenographic course in Brown's Business College at Decatur.

63 ¹¹REBECCA JANE BEAR,⁴ (Jacob,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Rebecca Jane Bear, eleventh and youngest child of Jacob Bear, and seventh by his marriage to Catherine Knisley, was born near Decatur, Ill., March 4, 1862. On Feb. 23, 1882, at Monticello, Ill., Rev. M. P. Ormsby, Presbyterian minister officiating,

she was married to Albert Lucian Brightbill, who was born near Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 17, 1857, and is the son of John Henry Fisher and Mary Ann (Stout) Brightbill. They are the parents of three

CHILDREN.

- 209 ¹Mabel Catherine Brightbill,⁵ b. at Monticello, Ill., July 7, 1886.
 210 ²Annie Rebecca Brightbill,⁵ b. at Monticello, Ill., Dec. 29, 1888, d. June 17, 1895.
 211 ³Ethel Florence Brightbill,⁵ b. at Decatur, Ill., Nov. 19, 1891, d. Aug. 9, 1892.

Annie Rebecca and Ethel Florence both buried in Boiling Springs Cemetery, near Bearsdale, Ill.

Mrs. Brightbill is an active worker in Bethel Church of God at Decatur, of which church she is a consistent member. She is of the same energetic nature characteristic of the family. Mr. Brightbill and Josiah Coulter Bear were carpenters and contractors in Decatur for some time, but for several years Mr. Brightbill has been in the grocery business.

Their daughter, Mabel Catherine, graduated from the Decatur High School in the class of 1903. She attended the James Milliken University at Decatur one term, also Brown's Business College of that city.

64 ¹JOHN M. BEAR,⁴ (Samuel,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

John M. (no middle name) Bear, the eldest child of Samuel and Rebecca (Myers) Bear, was born near Newville, Pa., Sept. 2, 1842, and was never married. He came to Macon county, Ill., where his uncles, Jacob and Ephraim Bear, had previously located, and was there a little in advance of his father. At the outbreak of the Civil War he answered the call and enlisted in company B of the 116th Ill. Vol. Inf. and was a sergeant. His regiment was sent down South, among the swamps and marshes, where the climate was very bad, and he became sick, was sent home on a furlough and died at his father's house, in what is now Bearsdale, Ill., Sept. 8, 1864. He is one of the four who form this history that sacrificed their lives for the Union. He was a sergeant of his company at time of his death. He was buried in Boiling Springs Cemetery, near Bearsdale.

65 ²MARY JANE BEAR,⁴ (Samuel,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Mary Jane Bear, the second child of Samuel and Rebecca (Myers) Bear, was born near Newville, Pa., April 17, 1844. She married George Washington Shirey, son of Samuel and Barbara (Shade) Shirey, and to their union eight children were born.

CHILDREN.

- 212** ¹George Anna Shirey,⁵ b. near Decatur, Ill., July 26, 1862, m. Orange Jolinson Behen.
- 213** ²Almeda Shirey,⁵ b. near Decatur, Ill., July 7, 1864, m. Oliver Otis Dawson.
- 214** ³Samuel Shirey,⁵ b. near Decatur, Ill., Dec. 14, 1866, m. Louisa Follmer.
- 215** ⁴Frank Shirey,⁵ b. near Decatur, Ill., Aug. 17, 1870, d. Mch. 8, 1872, buried near Decatur.
- 216** ⁵Leonora Minnie Shirey,⁵ b. near Boody, Ill., June 8, 1871, m. William Jackson H. White.
- 217** ⁶Charley E. Shirey,⁵ b. Oct. 1, 1873, m. Lydia Kaziah Springer.
- 218** ⁷Homer C. Shirey,⁵ b. near Lovington, Ill., July 17, 1876, m. Elizabeth Cooper Chapman.
- 219** ⁸Alta Gertrude Shirey,⁵ b. near Lovington, Ill., Jan. 1, 1879, m. William Elihu Barnard.

George Washington Shirey enlisted in the 116th Ill. Vol. Inf. in 1861, but did not serve long, being discharged on account of poor health. He was a successful farmer for a good many years, owning a splendid farm near Lovington, Ill. Prior to buying this farm, he removed for a short time to Kansas. Mary Jane, the wife and mother, died near Lovington, Ill., March 28, 1891, and is buried in the cemetery lying south of Lovington. She is remembered for her cheerful, patient disposition. She was never known to speak ill of any one. Mr. Shirey married a second time, retired from the farm, and has been living for several years at Sullivan, Ill.

66 ³ALFRED WESLEY BEAR,⁴ (Samuel,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Alfred Wesley Bear, the third child of Samuel and Rebecca (Myers) Bear, was born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., April 3, 1849. He came to Macon county, Ill., with his father, brothers and sister, when a small boy and grew to manhood in that county, in the vicinity of what is now known as Bearsdale. He was twice married. His first marriage occurred

near Warrensburg, Ill., Dec. 29, 1874, Rev. Thomas J. N. Simmons, Methodist Episcopal minister, officiating, to Laura Wentworth, who was born at Chillicothe, Ohio, July 31, 1851, and was the fourth daughter of Benning and Catherine (Stahl) Wentworth. She was ninth in descent from Elder William Wentworth, the founder of that family in America, in 1630. Laura (Wentworth) Bear died near Bearsdale, Ill., Aug. 25, 1884, and was buried in Boiling Springs Cemetery. Mr. Bear's second marriage occurred at Farmers' City, Ill., Dec. 16, 1886, Rev. W. F. Gillmore, Methodist Episcopal minister, officiating, to Sarah Malinda Major, who was born near Warrensburg, Ill., Sept. 24, 1868, and is the youngest child of Joseph and Sarah Jane (Beall) Major. Her father was also one of the early pioneers of Macon county.

CHILDREN.

(By Laura Wentworth, both born near Bearsdale, Ill.)

- 220 ¹Walter Scott Bear,⁵ b. Aug. 5, 1876, m. Jessie Mae Lowe.
 221 ²Benning Wentworth Bear,⁵ b. March 7, 1883, d. Apr. 3, 1883, buried in Boiling Springs Cemetery.

(By Sarah Malinda Major.)

- 222 ³Edna Roberta Bear,⁵ b. at Lovington, Ill., Sept. 26, 1888.
 223 ⁴Hazel Juanita Bear,⁵ b. at Bloomfield, Mo., Jan. 2, 1891.
 224 ⁵Adah Mearl Bear,⁵ b. at Bloomfield, Mo., April 4, 1894.
 225 ⁶Cecil Alfred Clarence Bear,⁵ b. at Decatur, Ill., Feb. 16, 1899.

Alfred Wesley Bear's particular inclination and faculty is for tools and machinery. Anything of a mechanical nature is a delight to him, and his greatest pleasure is in solving its mechanism. He is a practical engineer, carpenter, and miller, being as proficient in one as in the others. Though a man of large frame, he is of quick, restless temperament, and his hands are never idle. His mind being so wrapt up in mechanics, he has not the characteristics that stamp the successful tradesman or man of business affairs.

He was a farmer in his early life, but when the farm did not require his time and personal attention he would do car-

penter work, and for more than 20 years he toured that portion of Macon county in which he lived with a threshing machine outfit, in the days when the threshing seasons were long, and when threshers, shellers, and such harvesting machinery were not as plentifully distributed as now. For a number of years his brother William was associated with him as a partner in this work. In 1887, the subject of this sketch embarked in the flour milling business at Lovington, Ill., forming a partnership with Mr. Alfred D. Rebok, under the firm style of Rebok & Bear. Mr. Rebok managed the business and Mr. Bear the mechanical part. They opened up a mill at Lovington and remained at that place for two years, when, in response to inducements made them, they removed their plant to Bloomfield, Stoddard county, Mo., where they increased the capacity of their mill very considerably. Here Mr. Bear remained until 1897. In that year he quit the milling business and removed his family back to Macon county, Ill., and is now living at Decatur. He is a man of simple tastes, and in his social life somewhat inclined to dry humor. He united with the Methodist Episcopal Church when a young man, and is also a member of the A. F. and A. M.

67 ⁴WILLIAM LINE BEAR,⁴ (Samuel,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

William Line Bear, the fourth child of Samuel and Rebecca (Myers) Bear, was born near Newville, Pa., Dec. 2, 1851. He was married Dec. 30, 1874, by Rev. N. S. Haynes, pastor of the Christian Church of Decatur, Ill., to Flora Agnes Braden, who was born Aug. 26, 1853, near Decatur, Ill., and is the daughter of John Young and Laura Alzina (Hunting) Braden. They have five

CHILDREN.

- 226 ¹Otto Braden Bear,⁵ b. near Maroa, Ill., Feb. 11, 1877, m. Maud May Keller.
 227 ²William Lenard Bear,⁵ b. near Bearsdale, Ill., Feb. 27, 1879, m. Bessie Ella Diss.
 228 ³Myrtle Alzina Bear,⁵ b. near Bearsdale, Ill., June 29, 1881, m. William Earle Dillinger.
 229 ⁴Laura Irene Bear,⁵ b. near Decatur, Ill., Sept. 23, 1885.
 230 ⁵George Owen Bear,⁵ b. near Decatur, Ill., Oct. 17, 1887.

William Line Bear, aside from his connection with his brother Alfred in the threshing business many years ago, has

given his time exclusively to farming, and now lives one mile south of Bearsdale. He came to Macon county with his father, brothers and sister when a small boy, and was reared to manhood on the old homestead. His early life was spent in much the same manner as other young men of the times and that community. He is of an exceptionally quiet disposition, unassuming and unostentatious. His wife comes from a very prominent family. Her father, John Young Braden, was one of the earliest settlers of Macon county and conspicuous in its public affairs for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Braden lived to celebrate their golden wedding. William Line Bear united with the Church of God at Boiling Springs in 1894. He is also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America.

69 ⁶SAMUEL, EPHRAIM BEAR,⁴ (Samuel,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Samuel Ephraim Bear, the sixth child of Samuel Bear, and second by his marriage to Magdaline Ruby Swayer, was born near Newville, Pa., Feb. 13, 1856. He was married near Harristown, Ill., Sept. 11, 1879, by Rev. Murphy, Methodist minister, to Minerva Jane Cox, who was born near Decatur, Ill., Dec. 11, 1857, and is the daughter of Samuel and Elisa Jane (Bradshaw) Cox. Four children were born to them.

CHILDREN.

(All born at Bearsdale, Ill.)

- 231 ¹Ernest Ruby Bear,⁵ b. Dec. 24, 1881, m. Belma Mary Davis.
 232 ²Bessie Ann Bear,⁵ b. July 1, 1884, d. at Welch, Ind. Ty., Aug. 29, 1903.
 233 ³Arthur Linn Bear,⁵ b. Feb. 20, 1886.
 234 ⁴Sylvan Paul Bear,⁵ b. March 3, 1891.

Bessie Ann, the only daughter, died just as she was budding into young womanhood, and her death was a severe shock to her parents, brothers and host of friends. After attending Decatur (Ill.) High School for some years, she had attended school at Urbana, Ill., and had but recently returned home, after the completion of her education, when she was stricken down. Thus, just as she was prepared to fill her sphere in life, and to be the greatest joy and comfort to her loving friends, the angel of death called her. She was buried in Boiling Springs Cemetery, near Bearsdale, Ill.

Samuel Ephraim Bear was very small when his father removed from Cumberland county, Pa., to Macon county, Ill., and his early life was spent in the vicinity of what is now known as Bearsdale, Ill. After his marriage he settled on a farm, which he still owns, near Bearsdale, and gave same his undivided attention until 1886. In that year he commenced buying and shipping grain and stock at Bearsdale, and in 1891 he built elevator and store buildings at this place. In 1893 he removed his family from the farm to a residence he built at Bearsdale, and continued in the grain business and mercantile trade until 1902. In that year he sold out and removed his family to Urbana, Ill., to be more convenient to the University of Illinois, where his older children were finishing their education. About this time he became interested in the business opportunities offering in Oklahoma and Indian Territory, and on June 16, 1903, he removed his family to Welch, Ind Ty., where he now resides. At Welch he is identified with various enterprises, being President of the Cherokee Real Estate and Mining Co.; President of a telephone company; has also a grain elevator; and is interested in every movement calculated to the development and upbuilding of this new country. He is a man of quick conception, keen observation, and his careful management and good judgment has earned for himself a handsome competence. Samuel Ephraim Bear united with the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1880, his wife in 1873, but in 1886 they transferred their membership to the Church of God.

70 ¹EMMA CLARISSA BEAR,⁴ (Samuel,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Emma Clarissa Bear, the seventh child of Samuel Bear, and first by his marriage to Ann Catherine Christlieub, was born at Bearsdale, Ill., March 29, 1865. On March 3, 1895, she was united in marriage, Rev. J. G. Jeffers, pastor of Sharon M. E. Church, officiating, with Edward Franklin Reisinger, who was born near York, Pa., June 1, 1866, and is the son of Henry and Mary (Shenberger) Reisinger. They have two

CHILDREN.

- 235 ¹Ada Irene Reisinger,⁵ b. near Warrensburg, Ill.,
July 8, 1896.
236 ²Fleta Alverda Reisinger,⁵ b. near Bearsdale, Ill.,
July 14, 1899.

Edward Franklin Reisinger is a farmer near Bearsdale and doing well. He is also connected with the Bearsdale Grain and

Coal Co. Emma Clarissa, his wife, united with the Sharon Methodist Episcopal Church, Jan. 19, 1881, being baptized and received into full membership by Rev. E. B. Randle. She has also been an active member of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at Boiling Springs Church of God, and has also taken an active interest in the Good Templars' Lodge. Mrs. Reisinger has rendered special service in the preparation of this history.

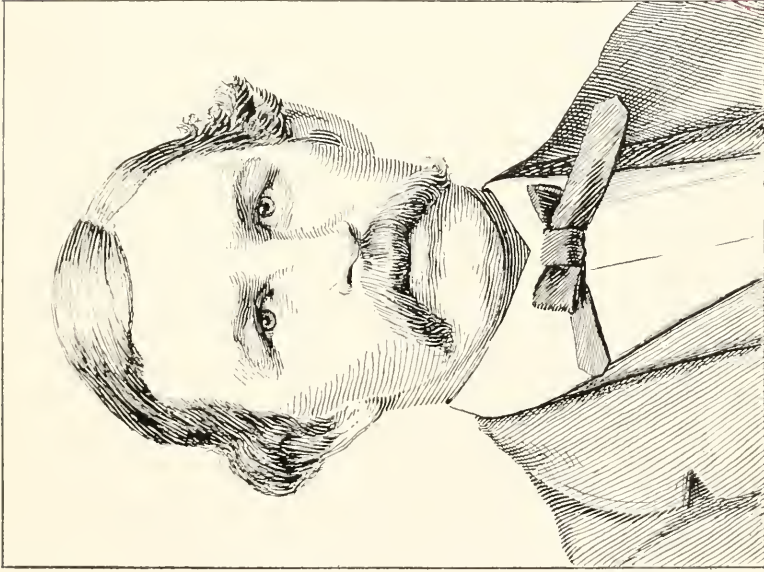
73 ¹⁰BRICE JACOB BEAR,⁴ (Samuel,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Brice Jacob Bear, tenth and youngest child of Samuel Bear, and fourth by his marriage to Ann Catherine Christlieb, was born at Bearsdale, Ill., Nov. 28, 1872. To him is the distinction of being the youngest of those who form the fourth generation of this genealogical record. His marriage occurred at Decatur, Ill., Rev. M. S. Newcomer, pastor of Bethel Church of God, officiating, on Jan. 31, 1900, to Edith Good, who was born near Oreana, Ill., and is the daughter of David and Ann (Hirsch) Good. She is a granddaughter of John Good, who died but a few years ago, and was one of the oldest and wealthiest pioneers of Macon county, and who left a large posterity.

CHILD.

237 ¹Opal Marie Bear,⁵ b. at Bearsdale, Ill., Feb. 1, 1901.

Brice Jacob Bear lives on, and conducts, the old homestead where he was born, and which was purchased by his father for \$14 per acre in 1863. He was but five years of age when his father died, but at 12 he had become familiar with agriculture in all its details and since that time has managed the place himself. By his industry, good management, and frugal habits, he has been able to buy and pay for other land, so that the original tract has been materially increased. He attended the public schools, where he mastered the common branches, and this education was supplemented in the Winters of 1893 and 1894 by a commercial course at the Decatur Business University and Brown's Business College. The responsibilities of the farm coming to him when he was so young, he early in life learned to use discretion and exercise caution, and as a result he is to-day recognized as a safe, conservative young man, who is sure to succeed. Although he has never formally united with any church, yet he has always been actively engaged in church work. He served as Corre-



JOHN MELANCTON STERRETT.
No. 42.



REBECCA JANE (STERRETT) WADE.
No. 46.





BRICE INNIS STERRETT.

No. 44.



sponding Secretary of the Boiling Springs Church of God Christian Endeavor Society for ten years, and was Secretary of the Sunday-school of that church for six years. He was elected Secretary and Treasurer of the Hickory Township Sunday-school Union in July, 1899, which position he still holds. In 1902 he was elected Secretary and Treasurer of the Boiling Springs Cemetery Association. In 1903, the Bearsdale Grain & Elevator Co. was incorporated, of which he became Secretary, and in which business he is largely interested.

75 ²MARY ELIZABETH BEAR,⁴ (Ephraim,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Mary Elizabeth Bear, the second child of Ephraim Bear, and first by his marriage to Susanna Hamsher, was born near Orrstown, Pa., Nov. 5., 1850. Her parents removed to Macon county, Ill., when she was very small. She was married at Boiling Springs Church, near what is now Bearsdale, Oct 21, 1875, Rev. I. E. Boyer, pastor of the Church of God, officiating. to John Edwin Braden, who was born near Decatur, Ill., Sept. 26, 1842, and is the son of John Young and Laura Alzina (Hunting) Braden. John Edwin Braden is a brother of Flora Agnes Braden who married William Line Bear, so there is a double relationship between the children of these two families.

CHILDREN.

238 ¹Bering Erle Braden,⁵ b. at Harristown, Ill., Oct 13, 1876, m. Ora Hall.

239 ²Carl Eddison Braden,⁵ b. at Niantic, Ill., May 20, 1883, m. Estella Alice Reynolds.

Mary Elizabeth (Bear) Braden is a woman of strong personality, being a potent factor in all that she undertakes, particularly in church and Sunday-school work. She has been a teacher nearly all her life, both in the public schools and also a teacher of music. She is a member of the Church of God, having united with the church when about 12 years of age, and has always been a leader. She as well as her husband were, prior to removing to Louisiana in 1902, prime factors in Boiling Springs Church, near Bearsdale, Ill., which church her father helped to found, and both have served as Sunday-school Superintendent. Mrs. Braden served in that capacity 12 years. She is also an active member of

the W. C. T. U., and of the Ladies' Literary Club of Lake Arthur. She served for 18 months as President of the latter organization.

Mr. Braden, like his estimable wife, has also been a teacher in the public schools. His principal occupation, however, has been farming. In 1902 he became interested in the rice lands of Louisiana, and removed his family to Lake Arthur, that State, where they now reside and are doing well.

Mr. Braden was a Union soldier during the Civil War. He enlisted Sept. 6, 1862, as a private in the 116th Ill. inf., and took part in the great battles of Arkansas Post, Chickasaw Bayou, Hanes Bluff, Grand Gulf, Raymond, Champion Hill, Black River, and the siege of Vicksburg. He was in the battle of Missionary Ridge, then the continuous fighting of the Atlanta campaign, having his clothes cut by a bullet in the assault of Kennisaw Mountain. He was with Sherman on his "March to the Sea," taking part in the assault of Ft. McAlister. He was in the Carolina campaign and at the burning of Columbia. He was on duty at Raleigh, North Carolina, when Lee surrendered his broken army to Grant, and with easy marches went north to Washington and took part in the "Grand Review" at the close of the war. With his regiment, he was mustered out at Washington, and came home by way of Harper's Ferry on the Potomac, down the Ohio to Indiana, thence across the prairie by rail home. To-day he is proud of the fact that he was a member of the 116th Ill. regiment, and that with all its marching and fighting he was always with his regiment, never rode in the ambulance or had to go to the hospital.

76 ³DAVID FRANKLIN BEAR,⁴ (Ephraim,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

David Franklin Bear, the third child of Ephraim Bear, and second by his marriage to Susanna Hamsher, was born near Decatur, Ill., June 23, 1852. He was twice married. His first marriage Rev. I. E. Boyer of the Church of God officiating, on Apr. 6, 1876, was to Martha Ellen Metlen, who was born Feb. 18, 1855, near Decatur, Ill., and was the daughter of Alexander T. and Malinda J. (Hanks) Metlen. She died near Bearsdale, Ill., April 14, 1882, and was buried in Boiling Springs cemetery. Mr. Bear's second marriage occurred Nov. 6, 1884, near Decatur, Rev. Bryant of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, officiating, to Agnes Housman, who was born in Ohio, Sept. 22,

1855, and is the daughter of George Washington and Hannah (Leach) Housman.

CHILDREN.

(*By Martha Ellen Metlen, born near Bearsdale, Ill.*)

- 240 ¹Etta Myrtle Bear,⁵ b. Sept. 20, 1877, m. Walter Ralph Braden.
 241 ²Jesse John David Bear,⁵ b. Aug. 15, 1880, d. Feb. 12, 1890, buried in Boiling Springs cemetery.

(*By Agnes Housman, born near Bearsdale, Ill.*)

- 242 ³Ralph Franklin Bear,⁵ b. April 30, 1887, m. Ruby May Hughes.

David Franklin Bear has devoted his time exclusively to farming, in which he has been very successful. He has pretty country residence and as well improved farm, near Warrensburg, Ill., as there is in that community. He, however, has recently removed to Warrensburg and has retired from the farm, to enjoy the comforts derived from his industry and judicious management. He is a man of irreproachable character, of a quiet temperament, and held in high esteem by all who know him. He was formerly a member of the Church of God at Boiling Springs, but united with the Methodist Episcopal Church at Warrensburg in 1897.

77 ⁴JOHN NEWTON BEAR,⁴ (Ephraim,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

John Newton Bear, fourth child of Ephraim Bear, and third by his marriage to Susanna Hamsher, was born near Decatur, Ill., May 27, 1854. He was married near Decatur, March 15, 1883, Rev. M. S. Newcomer, pastor of the Church of God, officiating, to Mary Lewis, who was born near Birmingham, England, Sept. 26, 1857, and is the daughter of Charles and Emma Jane (Betts) Lewis. They have three children.

CHILDREN.

(*All born near Bearsdale, Ill.*)

- 243 ¹Lewis Edward Bear,⁵ b. June 25, 1884, m. Edna Elizabeth Brett.
 244 ²Ella Jessie Bear,⁵ b. Dec. 11, 1886.
 245 ³Charles Irving Bear,⁵ b. July 24, 1894.

John Newton Bear, like his brother David Franklin Bear, has always been a farmer. He owns a splendid farm northeast of Bearsdale, Ill., and is counted one of the most substantial farmers of Hickory Point township. He united with the Church of God at Boiling Springs, near Bearsdale, in 1885, and has always been identified with the work. He is at present Superintendent of the Sunday-school at Boiling Springs. His daughter, Ella Jessie, is attending the James Millikin University at Decatur.

78 ⁵CHARLES CAIN BEAR,⁴ (Ephraim,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Charles Cain Bear, fifth child of Ephraim Bear, and fourth by his marriage to Susanna Hamsher, was born near Decatur, Ill., Jan. 24, 1856. He was married at Decatur, Ill., Sept. 13, 1883, by Rev. Henry Barton, M. E. minister, to Emma Wood Green, who was born at Independence, Mo., Oct. 23, 1862, and is the daughter of William Stephens and Missouri (Chandler) Green. Two children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

(Both born at Decatur, Ill.)

246 ¹Linnetta Missouri Bear,⁵ b. July 4, 1884.

247 ²Geraldean Aldora Bear,⁵ b. March 31, 1895.

Charles Cain Bear resides at Decatur, Ill., where he has been in the harness business for many years. He is a member of the Christian Church, having united in 1890. He is also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and the Fraternal Tribunes. Like his brothers, he is of a quiet, unassuming disposition, and enjoys the confidence and respect of all with whom he comes in contact. Their daughter, Linnetta Missouri, graduated from the Decatur High School in the class of 1902.

80 ⁷MARTHA ELLEN BEAR,⁴ (Ephraim,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Martha Ellen Bear, seventh child of Ephraim Bear, and sixth by marriage to Susanna Hamsher, was born near Decatur, Ill., Nov. 6, 1861. She was twice married. Her first marriage occurred at Decatur, Ill., Oct. 18, 1883, Rev. M. S. Newcomer, pastor of the Church of God, officiating, to Henry Blaine, who was born in Indiana, March 30, 1855, and was the son of John R.

and Mary Blaine. Mr. Blaine was a machinist. His death occurred at Decatur Oct. 13, 1889, and interment was made in Greenwood cemetery. Martha Ellen (Bear) Blaine was again married Aug. 22, 1895, at Decatur, Rev. C. F. Rogers, minister of the Church of God, officiating, to Orville Childs Peacock, who was born Aug. 18, 1856, and is the son of Robert and Jane (Read-head) Peacock. Mr. Peacock is a railroad man.

Mrs. Peacock has been a member of the Church of God since 1882. She is also a member of the fraternal organization known as the Court of Honor. She was able to supply the compiler of this genealogical record with interesting data in the way of dates of birth, etc., of the early members of the Bear family, having in her possession the old family record kept by her grandfather Ephraim, and to this record has been added much other information which her father had recorded during his lifetime. Without this information this history could not have been as complete as it is. Most of Mrs. Peacock's life has been spent in Decatur, though the nature of her husband's business has necessitated a change of residence in late years. She now resides at 810 North Seventh St., Quincy, Ill.

82 ⁹LEAH LOU BEAR,⁴ (Ephraim,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Leah Lou Bear, the ninth child of Ephraim Bear, and eighth by his marriage to Susanna Hamsher, was born near Decatur, Ill., Nov. 26, 1867. She is a graduate of Decatur High School and also of Knox College at Galesburg, Ill., and has devoted her life to the study and teaching of music. She taught music at Decatur for some years but is now special teacher of music in the public schools at Battle Creek, Mich. She united with the Congregational Church at Decatur in 1894.

83 ¹⁰OLIVE MAY BEAR,⁴ (Ephraim,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Olive May Bear, the tenth child of Ephraim Bear, and ninth by his marriage to Susanna Hamsher, was born near Decatur, Ill., March 6, 1870. She is a graduate of Decatur High School and of Knox College at Galesburg, Ill. She, like her sister Leah Lou, is a teacher, but while the former is a teacher of music, Olive May has always taught in the public schools. For several terms past she has been teacher of English at the Decatur High

School, and prior to that time was principal of different ward schools in that city. She is a member of the Congregational Church at Decatur, and like her sister, Leah Lou, a woman of culture and refinement.

Miss Olive May Bear is the proud custodian of a valuable old heirloom that has been handed down in the Bear family from Jacob Bear, the founder of the family in America. This heirloom is an old clock that was his property. It is of the kind that sets on the floor, and though it is probably not less than 150 years old, is still an excellent time-piece. At Jacob's death the clock had passed to his son Ephraim. Ephraim in turn bestowed it upon his youngest son, Ephraim, Jr., and Miss Bear came in possession of it as the youngest child of Ephraim, Jr. She is justly proud of her heritage.

84 ¹MARY ANN BRANDT,⁴ (Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary Ann Brandt, the oldest child of David and Elizabeth (Bear) Brandt, was born near Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., May 7, 1834. At the home of her parents, at Big Spring, on Nov. 2, 1854, Rev. Alexander Owen, pastor of the United Brethren Church, officiating, she was united in marriage with William Hoch, who was born near Shippensburg, Pa., Oct. 2, 1831, and was the son of Joseph and Jane (Green) Hoch. Nine children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

(All born near Shippensburg, Pa.)

- 248** ¹Lizzie Jane Hoch,⁵ b. Aug. 12, 1855, m. Samuel Harry Gibble.
249 ²Emma Clarisa Hoch,⁵ b. June 4, 1857, m. George Washington Coffey.
250 ³Aquilla Brandt Hoch,⁵ b. Oct. 27, 1859, m. Anna Maria Felix.
251 ⁴Abbie Esther Hoch,⁵ b. Apr. 11, 1862, m. Joseph Chalmer Kohr.
252 ⁵Eva Virginia Hoch,⁵ b. Jan. 11, 1864, m. Alfred William Bitner.
253 ⁶Elverna Maud Hoch,⁵ b. July 20, 1867, m. Aaron Fetterhoff Brandt.

- 254 ⁷Milton Wright Hoch,⁵ b. Oct. 26, 1869, m. Annie Elizabeth Snively.
 255 ⁸Carrie May Hoch,⁵ b. June 21, 1872, m. Samuel Harry Gibble.
 256 ⁹Anna Mary Hoch,⁵ b. Jan. 17, 1877.

William Hoch was a farmer, a member of the United Brethren Church, and a good Christian man. His death occurred rather suddenly April 28, 1892, and he was laid to rest in Spring Hill cemetery, near Shippensburg.

Mary Ann Hoch, the wife, has lived a busy life and reared a large family of children. Despite the fact that she is now past three score and ten, however, she is still quite hearty, and for one of such advanced age her memory is remarkable. The compiler of this work feels under many obligations to her for the assistance rendered him. In company with her youngest daughter, Anna Mary, she resides at their old homestead. She is a faithful member of the United Brethren Church and a true Christian woman.

- 87 ⁴AQUILA BRANDT,⁴ (Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Aquila Brandt, the fourth child of David and Elizabeth (Bear) Brandt, was born near Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., March 12, 1840. He was married at Dauphin, Pa., Dec. 1, 1868, Rev. H. D. Kutz, Evangelical Lutheran minister, officiating, to Lavina Hocker, who was born in Cumberland county, Pa., and is the daughter of John and Elizabeth (Henry) Hocker. Five children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

(All born at Big Spring)

- 257 ¹Edgar Hocker Brandt,⁵ b. Oct. 3, 1869.
 258 ²Lizzie Elda Brandt,⁵ b. Aug. 28, 1871, d. Apr. 11, 1885.
 259 ³Herman Aquila Brandt,⁵ b. Oct. 9, 1875.
 260 ⁴Carrie May Brandt,⁵ b. Jan. 15, 1878, d. Aug. 15, 1878.
 261 ⁵John Brandt,⁵ b. Feb. 14, 1883, d. May 11, 1883.

The deceased children all buried in Prospect Hill cemetery, near Newville, Pa.

Aquila Brandt resides at Steelton, Pa., and is with the Pennsylvania Steel Co., in the switch and signal department of the

frog shops. For 20 years of his life he was a farmer. Though a man of settled religious convictions he is not identified with any church.

89 ⁶ELIZABETH BRANDT,⁴ (Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Elizabeth Brandt, the sixth child of David and Elizabeth (Bear) Brandt, was born near Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., May 24, 1844. Her life, however, was short. J. Phillip Bishop wrote the following obituary at the time of her death:

"Elizabeth, daughter of David and Elizabeth Brandt, departed this life, Dec. 2, 1859, aged 15 years, 6 mos. and 8 days. The subject of this notice was converted to God about two years previous to her death, in which time she lived very consistently. She was faithful in the discharge of her duties, both to her God and to her parents. Obedience to proper authority was her pleasure. She was loved by all who knew her, because of her innocence and kindness. By her death the Sabbath-school has lost an attentive and interesting scholar. Her early piety and faithfulness presented her very promisingly for a bright future of usefulness; but her days were cut short by the ruthless hand of death. Her sun went down while yet it was day. In the midst of life we are in death. She died of typhoid fever. Her mortal remains were interred at Springfield, Cumberland county, Pa., near which place the family reside. The occasion was improved by religious service, including a discourse from I. Thess. iv. 13, 14."

90 ⁷DAVID ENOS BRANDT,⁴ (Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

David Enos Brandt, the seventh child of David and Elizabeth (Bear) Brandt, was born near Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., May 17, 1846. He was married at Shiremanstown, Pa., Dec. 9, 1869. Rev. Wilson Owen, United Brethren minister, officiating, to Sadie Rupp Shopp, who was born near Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 31, 1845, and is the daughter of Samuel and Annie (Rupp) Shopp. They have five

CHILDREN.

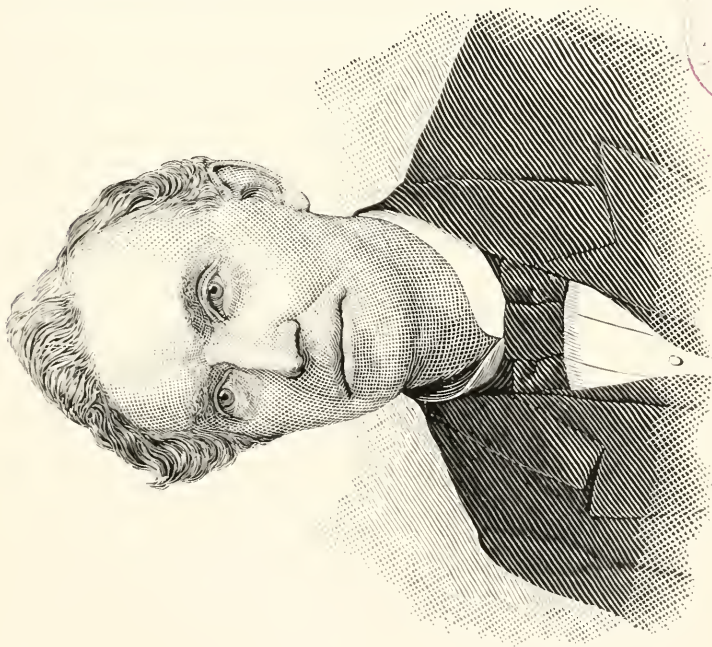
(All born near Big Spring, Pa.)

262 ¹Ira¹ Shopp Brandt,⁵ b. Sept. 24, 1870, m.—first, Clementine Glesner, and second, Myrtle Hollar.



SAMUEL KNISLEY.

No. 48.



REV. D. A. L. LAVERTY, husband of
MARY ANN KNISLEY.

No. 49.



MARY ANN (KNISLEY) LAVERTY.

No. 49.



- 263 ²Charles Elmer Brandt,⁵ b. Feb. 16, 1872.
 264 ³Bertha Anna Brandt,⁵ b. Sept. 19, 1874, m. Oscar
 Aaron Heim.
 265 ⁴Margaret Irene Brandt,⁵ b. Oct. 29, 1876.
 266 ⁵David Dickson Brandt,⁵ b. Sept. 22, 1878.

David Enos Brandt has been a farmer all his life, and by reason of his careful management and prudent economy has a sufficiency to insure him rest and comfort in his declining years. He is a man of very kindly nature, gentle in speech, companionable and accommodating. He lives on the old homestead where he was born, honored and respected by all who know him. He united with the United Brethren Church in 1857, with which church he has always remained a reverent and consistent member.

- 91 ⁸JOHN DICKSON BRANDT,⁴ (Elizabeth Brandt,⁴ David
 Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

John Dickson Brandt, the eighth and youngest child of David and Elizabeth (Bear) Brandt was born near Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., Aug. 27, 1849. At Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 31, 1879, occurred his marriage to Ella Hamsher, daughter of John and Catherine (Knisley) Hamsher, to whom he was distantly related, she also being one of the descendants in this genealogy. Number 183 is her chronological order, as described in this book, and she is of the fifth generation from Jacob Bear. She was born Aug. 15, 1858, and died at Big Spring, Pa., July 9, 1890. Interment was made in Prospect Hill cemetery, near Newville, Pa.

CHILDREN.

- 267 ¹Llwellyn David Brandt,⁵ b. Nov. 6, 1880.
 268 ²Rebecca Reynolds Brandt,⁵ b. May 23, 1883, d. Feb.
 9, 1886.
 269 ³Minnie Hamsher Brandt,⁵ b. July 13, 1884, d. Aug.
 15, 1886.
 270 ⁴William Benjamin Brandt,⁵ b. April 22, 1886.
 271 ⁵John Raymond Brandt,⁵ b. Dec. 5, 1887, d. Oct 7,
 1888.
 272 ⁶Joseph Arthur Brandt,⁵ b. March 20, 1889, d. Feb.
 2, 1890.

John Dickson Brandt was a lawyer. He graduated from law school and was admitted to the bar May 26, 1879. His wife died July 9, 1890, and he did not long survive her. He died of

consumption at the home of his sister, Mrs. William Hoch, on Apr. 14, 1892. Both were buried in Spring Hill cemetery, near Shippensburg, Pa.

92 ¹WILLIAM ANDREW THUMA,⁴ (Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

William Andrew Thuma, the oldest child of Christian and Mary Ann (Bear) Thuma, was born at Mansfield, Richland county, Ohio, Dec. 27, 1832. On Nov. 27, 1858, he was married by Rev. Deane, M. E. minister, to Margaret Taylor Ashcroft, who was born at Crestline, Crawford county, Ohio, Dec. 30, 1836, and was the daughter of John and Rosanna (Lowe) Ashcroft. Seven children were born to them.

CHILDREN.

- 273** ¹Rosanna Mary Thuma,⁵ b. at Albion, Ind., Aug. 11, 1859, d. Sept. 2, 1859.
- 274** ²Sarah Edith Thuma,⁵ b. at Albion, Ind., Sept. 29, 1861, m., first, Thomas Lambert, second, Marion Francis Swan.
- 275** ³Ida Jane Thuma,⁵ b. at Albion, Ind., March 22, 1864, m. Charles Henry Rippleman.
- 276** ⁴John James Thuma,⁵ b. near Portland, Mich, Jan. 9, 1866.
- 277** ⁵Rose Anna Thuma,⁵ b. at Manistee, Mich., March 9, 1872, m. Millard F. Ritter.
- 278** ⁶George Robert Thuma,⁵ b. at Wade, Jasper county, Ill., Nov. 13, 1874, d. Oct. 10, 1876.
- 279** ⁷Mary Mae Thuma,⁵ b. at Wade, Jasper county, Ill., Apr. 17, 1880, m. Edward May.

Rosanna Mary was buried at Albion, Ind., and George Robert at Wade, Ill.

Margaret Taylor (Ashcroft) Thuma, the wife and mother died near Portland, Mich., July 5, 1882, and interment was made in Danby Cemetery, near Portland.

William Andrew Thuma resides at Portland, Mich., where he has lived for several years. His occupation in life has principally been that of a farmer. After his marriage in 1858, he immediately settled on a farm near Albion, Mich., remaining there until the fall of 1864. He then removed to Portland, Mich., his relatives living there, and bought a farm three miles from that place, in Danby township. He lived there until Oct., 1867, when

he sold his farm and went to Manistee, Mich., securing a position as foreman in a lumbering camp. Here he remained until April, 1874, when he removed to Illinois to take charge of an 80-acre farm near Wade, in Jasper county, Ill., that was given them by Mrs. Thuma's father. Here they remained until 1881, when they again returned to Portland, Mich., thinking it would benefit Mrs. Thuma's health. They located on a farm again in Danby township, but the following summer Mrs. Thuma died.

93 ²REBECCA HADESSAH THUMA,⁴ (Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Rebecca Hadessah Thuma, twin sister of Elizabeth Catherine, was born near Lexington county, Ohio, March 18, 1838, and is the daughter of Christian and Mary Ann (Bear) Thuma. She was married at Eagle, Mich., Dec. 31, 1865, Rev. David Rider, minister of the United Brethren Church, officiating, to Lafayette Marcus McCrumb, who was born in Lorain county, Ohio, Dec. 19, 1837, and is the son of William and Mary (Steward) McCrumb. They have three

CHILDREN.

(All born at Portland, Mich.)

280 ¹Della Mary McCrumb,⁵ b. March 1, 1872.

281 ²Rolland Ralph McCrumb,⁵ b. July 3, 1873, m. Edith May Humphrey.

282 ³Clista Caroline McCrumb,⁵ b. July 11, 1877.

The McCrumb's are farmers living near Grand Ledge, Mich. Though not members, are interested in the Radical United Brethren Church.

94 ³CATHERINE ELIZABETH THUMA,⁴ (Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Catherine Elizabeth Thuma, twin sister of Rebecca Hadessah, was born near Lexington, Richland county, Ohio, March 18, 1838, and was the daughter of Christian and Mary Ann (Bear) Thuma. Her marriage occurred at Eagle, Mich., Aug. 15, 1862, Rev. Benjamin Macomer, Baptist minister, officiating, to Isaac James Sheets, who was born near Salem, Ohio, July 22, 1834, and is the son of James and Mary Ann (Elkins) Sheets. Eight children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

(Born near Lansing, Mich.)

- 283 ¹Edd Salathiel Sheets,⁵ b. March 20, 1866, m. Lottie Emeline Decker.
- 284 ²Joseph Sheets,⁵ b. Apr. 11, 1867, d. Oct. 23, 1867, interred near Lansing, in Delta Cemetery.
- 285 ³William Sheets,⁵ b. Aug. 1, 1869, m., first, Francis Cummings, second, Missouri Black.
- 286 ⁴Emma Mary Sheets,⁵ b. Oct. 23, 1871, m. Judson Darling Waldron.
- 287 ⁵Hattie Sheets,⁵ b. Sept. 22, 1874, m. Charles Henry Holbrook.
- 288 ⁶Albert Joshua Sheets,⁵ b. Sept 28, 1875, m. Maude Leonia Davis.
- 289 ⁷Edith Anna Sheets,⁵ b. Feb. 26, 1878.
- 290 ⁸Jennie Martha Sheets,⁵ b. Dec. 16, 1879, m. Otis Adley Palmiter.

Catherine Elizabeth (Thuma) Sheets died at their home near Portland, Mich., Dec. 3, 1904, of typhoid pneumonia, after only a week's sickness, although her health had been poor for some years. She was a good wife and mother, generous, of a very kind disposition, and a true Christian woman. She was a member of the United Brethren Church, having united May 10, 1902. They were farmers, and up to the time of Mrs. Sheet's death had lived near Portland, Mich., for many years. Since then, Mr. Sheets and his unmarried daughter, Edith Anna, reside at Belding, Mich.

Isaac James Sheets served nearly three years as a Union soldier during the Civil War. He enlisted Aug. 9, 1862, in company D, 14th Mich. inf., in the army of the Cumberland. After joining his regiment at Nashville, Tenn., they were put on dispatch service until the spring of 1864, when they joined the brigade near Chattanooga, Tenn. In the spring of 1864 they went into the campaign of Atlanta, and from there with Sherman on the "March to the Sea, then from Savannah across the Carolinas to Richmond and thence to Washington. Mr. Sheets was in twenty-one battles and skirmishes, including the battle of Atlanta; where the side of his face was burned by a flying bullet.

- 95 ⁴SARAH ANN THUMA,⁴ (Mary Ann Thuma,³ David¹ Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Sarah Ann Thuma, the fourth child of Christian and Mary Ann (Bear) Thuma, was born in Richland county, Ohio, Dec. 21;

1840, and died in her young womanhood, of typhoid fever, near Portland, Mich., Sept. 22, 1864. Interment was made in Danby Cemetery, near Portland. She was a school teacher, and unmarried.

96 ⁵DAVID THUMA,⁴ (Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

David Thuma, the fifth child of Christian and Mary Ann (Bear) Thuma, was born in Richland county, Ohio, March 16, 1842. He was married in Danby township, Ionia county, Mich., Aug. 22, 1862, by George Davenport, J. P., to Hannah Marie Kelley, who was born in Hancock county, Ohio, Sept. 30, 1847, and is the daughter of Moses Kelley and his wife, Hannah Marie (Cada) Kelley (born in Germany, 1817). Their union was blessed by six

CHILDREN.

- 291 ¹Henry Delbert Thuma,⁵ b. July 18, 1866, d. Dec. 4, 1885.
 292 ²Charles Frederick Thuma,⁵ b. April 10, 1868.
 293 ³Mary Elizabeth Thuma,⁵ b. March 6, 1871, m. Oscar William Kenfield.
 294 ⁴Alpha Davis Thuma,⁵ b. May 18, 1872, d. May 13, 1892.
 295 ⁵Martha Jeanettie Thuma,⁵ b. May 19, 1876, m. Henry Joseph Erhart.
 296 ⁶John Nelson Thuma,⁵ b. Oct. 7, 1878, d. Oct. 10, 1879.

Henry Delbert was born near Portland, Mich., Charles Frederick near Eagle, Mich., and the others near Carson City, Mich. The deceased children all interred in Burks Cemetery, Crystal township, Montcalm county, Mich.

David Thuma's occupation has been that of a farmer. He lived in Danby township, Ionia county, Mich., for a number of years, or up to the time of his marriage, Aug. 22, 1862. His brother, Joshua Thuma, had enlisted in the Union army in April, 1862, and after a brief service died June 26, 1862. When the sad news of Joshua's death reached the family in the Michigan home, David, who had arranged to work for his father that Summer, yielding to the noble and patriotic impulse which stirred the hearts of loyal men in those days, decided he must take his

brother's place. Accordingly, on Aug. 24, 1862, he bid his young bride of a few days good-bye and enlisted in the cause of the Union, being assigned to company D of the 14th Michigan Vol. Inf. He left Detroit Sept. 10, 1862, to join his regiment, which was then near Nashville, Tenn., and got as far as Louisville, Ky. The operations of Bragg and Morgan prevented his going any farther, and he was put on guard duty until the last of October, when he was taken sick with typhoid fever. After his convalescence some weeks later, he was once more sent on to join his regiment, but at Bowling Green, Ky., was again delayed by Morgan for some days, but eventually joined his regiment near Nashville. He remained with his regiment, undergoing the hardships and privations incident to the life, up to the time of the historic "March to the Sea" with Sherman. At "Buzzard's Roost," Ga., he was again taken seriously sick and was sent back to Nashville, but became worse and was sent to Louisville, Ky. Here, after two months, he became strong enough to be detailed as a nurse in the hospital, and remained there until near the end of his three years' enlistment. While doing hospital service he witnessed scenes of untold suffering on the part of the sick and wounded, which made a lasting impression upon his memory. He was finally discharged June 12, 1865.

After the war, David Thuma resumed farming. About the year 1870 he removed to a farm six miles from Carson City, Mich., and with his family lived there until 1894, when they removed to their present home in Carson City. He is badly crippled, being at times helpless, and has been compelled to use crutches for more than ten years, yet he bears his affliction with patient fortitude and Christian resignation. He and his wife united with the United Brethren Church Jan. 10, 1872. He came under conviction during his army life and experienced conversion Apr. 13, 1865. He is of a deeply religious nature and his profession is exemplified by a godly life.

97 ⁶JOSHUA THUMA,⁴ (Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Joshua Thuma, the sixth child of Christian and Mary Ann (Bear) Thuma, was born in Richland county, Ohio, Nov. 11, 1843. He is one of the four descendants named in this genealogy whose lives were given up in the cause of the Union during the Civil war. He enlisted in company D, 14th Mich. Vol. Inf. His service was very brief and dated from April 18, 1862, until June 26, 1862, just two months and eight days. He was in but one

battle, the battle of Corinth, and on the march from Corinth to Big Spring, Miss., he fell by the way. He died in a tent near Big Spring, Miss., of typhoid fever. Wrapt in a blanket, and pieces of hard tack boxes providing a casket, the mortal remains of the young hero were buried near the place where he died.

99 ⁸ABBIGAIL ANGELINE THUMA,⁴ (Mary Ann Thuma,⁸
David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Abbigail Angeline Thuma, the eighth child of Christian and Mary Ann (Bear) Thuma, was born in Richland county, Ohio, Jan. 12, 1846. She was united in marriage near Portland, Mich., Aug. 9, 1868, Rev. William Price, United Brethren minister, officiating, to James Byron Rummer, who was born in Tompkins county, N. Y., July 8, 1831, and was the son of Byron and Anna (Sherwood) Rummer. To their union were born nine

CHILDREN.

- 297 ¹Rose Anne Rummer,⁵ b. Apr. 9, 1870, d. July 3, 1870.
298 ²Dora Bessie Rummer,⁵ b. Oct. 2, 1871, m. John Graves.
299 ³Nora Dessie Rummer,⁵ b. Nov. 14, 1873, m. Fred. Lyon.
300 ⁴Mary Rosettie Rummer,⁵ b. Oct. 27, 1875, m. Thomas Taylor Brannon.
301 ⁵Abbigail Lourettie Rummer,⁵ b. Oct. 5, 1877, d. Jan. 14, 1900.
302 ⁶Watts Thuma Rummer,⁵ b. Aug. 2, 1880.
303 ⁷William Harrison Rummer,⁵ b. Apr. 24, 1883.
304 ⁸Lillian May Rummer,⁵ b. May 13, 1886, m. Delbert Aaron Squire.
305 ⁹Grover Rummer,⁵ b. Sept. 11, 1889, d. Sept. 11, 1889.

Rose Anne was born and died near Portland, Mich. Was buried in Danby Cemetery, near Portland. Dora Bessie was born at Carson City, Mich. The other children were born in Gratiot county, Mich. Abbigail Lourettie and Grover were buried in Carson City Cemetery.

James Byron Rummer owned a small farm two and three-fourths miles from Carson City, Mich., where they lived up to the

time of Mrs. Rummer's death, which occurred Feb. 8, 1891. After her death, the family lived three-fourths mile from Carson City. Abigail Angeline (Thuma) Rummer united with the Church of God in 1882 and remained a member up to the time of her death. She was a kind and loving mother, and especially good to the sick and poor. James Byron Rummer was a Union soldier, having enlisted in company E, of the 30th regiment of Mich. Vol. Inf. on Dec. 19, 1864. Was discharged at Detroit, Mich., June 13, 1865. His death occurred May 13, 1901. Mr. Rummer was buried in Carson City Cemetery and Mrs. Rummer in Danby Cemetery.

100 ⁹DANIEL OTTERBEIN THUMA,⁴ (Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Daniel Otterbein Thuma, the ninth and youngest child of Christian and Mary Ann (Bear) Thuma, was born near Lexington, Richland county, Ohio, June 11, 1848. He was married at Grand Ledge, Mich., July 16, 1871, by Rev. Pratt, Methodist Episcopal minister, to Mariette (Kelley) Thuma, who was born Sept. 21, 1856, and is a sister of Hannah Marie Kelley who married his brother David Thuma, and is a daughter of Moses and Hannah Marie (Cada) Kelley. Brothers married sisters. Six children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

(All born at Portland, Mich.)

- 306** ¹Bertie Thuma,⁵ b. Nov. 24, 1872, d. Dec. 25, 1872.
307 ²Sheridan Thuma,⁵ b. Aug. 24, 1875, d. Nov. 5, 1902.
308 ³Carrie Thuma,⁵ b. July 21, 1876, m. Bert Hazelton.
309 ⁴Ernest Thuma,⁵ b. March 14, 1886.
310 ⁵Ethel Thuma,⁵ b. Sept. 28, 1890.
311 ⁶Sadie Thuma,⁵ b. Feb. 13, 1894.

Daniel Otterbein Thuma has been a farmer. He lived on the old homestead until about fifteen years ago and since that time has resided at Portland, Mich.

101 ¹SOPHIA ANN BEAR,⁴ (Joshua,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Sophia Ann Bear, the oldest child of Joshua Bear, and his only child by Elizabeth Clay, was born near Johnsville, Ohio, Aug. 19, 1839. She was married near Springfield, Pa., Nov. 10, 1859, Rev. Jerry Bishop of the United Brethren Church, officiat-



SAMUEL TROUTMAN and wife, ELIZABETH ANN (BEAR)
TROUTMAN. No. 54.



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 No. 203; NELJIE REBECCA (RANKIN) BARKER, No. 201.

Bottom row—HULDA (BEAR) RANKIN, No. 61; NOBLE ELSWORTH RANKIN, No. 204;
 JAMES EZRA RANKIN.

ing, to David Hippensteel, who was born near Leesburg, Cumberland county, Pa., Oct. 7, 1838, and is the son of James and Mary Jane (Warren) Hippensteel. Nine children were born to them.

CHILDREN.

- 312** ¹James Bear Hippensteel,⁵ b. near Springfield, Pa., Aug. 1, 1860, m. Carolina Hipp.
313 ²Joseph Aquilla Brandt Hippensteel,⁵ b. near Springfield, Pa., Feb. 20, 1862, m. Mary Belle Wolfe.
314 ³Samuel Elder Hippensteel,⁵ b. near Oakville, Pa., Feb. 10, 1864, m. Maggie Jane McClain.
315 ⁴John William Hippensteel,⁵ b. near Shippensburg, Pa., Sept. 28, 1866, m. Jennie Sanderson.
316 ⁵Hugh Craig Hippensteel,⁵ b. near Shippensburg, Pa., Feb. 9, 1869, m. Frances Jane Harrell.
317 ⁶Mary Ann Elizabeth Hippensteel,⁵ b. near Urbana, Ind., Aug. 16, 1871, m. John Henry Kneily.

TRIPLETS.

- 318** ⁷Josephine Agnes Hippensteel,⁵ b. near Urbana, Ind., March 26, 1873.
319 ⁸Rachel Emma Hippensteel,⁵ b. near Urbana, Ind., March 26, 1873.
320 ⁹Thomas Washington Hippensteel,⁵ b. near Urbana, Ind., March 26, 1873.

The triplets all died in 1873, about July, within a month apart.

Sophia Ann Bear was but a few weeks old when her mother died. Her father's brother, Andrew Bear, was then living at Lexington, Ohio, and he took the little babe, but as she did not thrive and it seemed she would die unless some change was made, a Mr. Peter Thuma, brother of Christian Thuma who married her aunt, Mary Ann Bear, took her to his home in the country. The Thumas had no children and they took good care of their little charge. She remained in this home until after the death of Mrs. Thuma and Mr. Thuma's second marriage, or until she was about 15 years of age. At that time she came to live with her aunt Elizabeth (Bear) Brandt, near Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., with whom she lived up to the time of her marriage to Mr. Hippensteel. She died near Urbana, Wabash county, Indiana, Dec. 16, 1874, and was buried near Servia, that county.

David Hippensteel has always been a farmer. He also served one year in the union army during the Civil war. He

enlisted at Oakville, Pa., Aug. 28, 1864, in company F, 207th Pa. Vol. Inf., third brigade, third division of the ninth army corps. He was at the fall of Richmond and the battle of Petersburg. He was discharged at Alexandria, Va., May 31, 1865, and is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. He united with the United Brethren Church in 1857 and later joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. On Jan. 15, 1905, he united with the Evangelical Association. On Nov. 26, 1876, he was married again, to Maggie Ellen Bowers, by whom he has three daughters, Laura Alice, Florence May, and Pearl Belle. He has now retired from farming and lives at Urbana, Ind.

102 ²LYDIA REBECCA BEAR,⁴ (Joshua,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Lydia Rebecca Bear, the second daughter of Joshua Bear, and first by his marriage to Abigail Megarah, nee Brown, was born at Pioneer, Ohio, July 5, 1843. She was married near Pioneer, Ohio, Sept. 14, 1865, by John Orwiler, J. P., to John Mitchell Scoville, who was born in Rochester, Lorain county, Ohio, July 19, 1841, and is the son of Ira Bradford (born in Conn.) and Harriett (Dennison) Scoville (born in New York). Five children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 321** ¹Charlie Loren Scoville,⁵ b. Nov. 1, 1866, m. Pauline Blue.
322 ²George Sawyer Scoville,⁵ b. Aug. 25, 1868.
323 ³Arthur Burton Scoville,⁵ b. Feb. 14, 1871, d. in Oct., 1871.
324 ⁴Nellie Victoria Scoville,⁵ b. March 2, 1874, m. Dr. Lewis Clark Stewart.
325 ⁵Robert Leon Scoville,⁵ b. March 31, 1888.

All born near Pioneer, Ohio, excepting the youngest, who was born near Butler, Indiana.

The Scoville family reside at Montpelier, Ohio. Mr. Scoville was a soldier in the union army during the Civil War. He enlisted in August, 1861, in company H of the 38th Ohio Vol. Inf., and was mustered into service at Camp Trimbal, Defiance, Ohio, Sept. 1, 1861. His regiment was then sent to Kentucky and joined Gen. Geo. H. Thomas' command at Crab Orchard. He was in the battles of Mill Springs, Murfreesborough and Pittsburg Landing. He was in all the marches under Generals Buell and Rosecrans up to the time of the battles of Chickamauga, Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge. He then re-enlisted

for three years and served until the close of the war. He was granted a 30-day furlough in Dec., 1863, and then rejoined his regiment under Gen. Sherman and participated in the Atlanta campaign and the famous "March to the Sea." He was mustered out at Louisville, Ky., July 12, 1865. Mrs. Scoville has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for 35 years.

103 ³MARY JANE BEAR,⁴ (Joshua,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Mary Jane Bear, third daughter of Joshua Bear, and second by his marriage to Abigal Megarah, nee Brown, was born at Pioneer, Ohio, Jan. 14, 1845. She was married at Pioneer, Ohio, April 6, 1861, by Rev. J. Thomas, United Brethren minister, to Daniel Weaver, who was born at Pioneer, Williams county, Ohio, Nov. 18, 1838, and is the son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Skitler) Weaver. Ten children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

- 326** ¹Cecelia Willomien Weaver,⁵ b. at Pioneer, Ohio, May 29, 1862, d. Oct. 8, 1863, interred at Pioneer, Ohio.
- 327** ²George Mitchell Weaver,⁵ b. at Pioneer, Ohio, Sept. 7, 1865, m. Clara Jane Haney.
- 328** ³Sarah Abigal Weaver,⁵ b. at Pioneer, Ohio, Nov. 17, 1867, m. Thomas O'Brien.
- 329** ⁴Jessie Eolia Weaver,⁵ b. at Pioneer, Ohio, Jan. 29, 1870, m. Ernest E. Loop.
- 330** ⁵Cora Bell Weaver,⁵ b. in Kalkaska county, Mich., Feb. 27, 1872, m. William Grant Crego.
- 331** ⁶Rawson Joy Weaver,⁵ b. in Kalkaska county, Mich., Apr. 13, 1874.
- 332** ⁷Hattie Adell Weaver,⁵ b. in Kalkaska county, Mich., Dec. 1, 1876, m. Lemuel Emerson Green.
- 333** ⁸Maude Rosebelle Weaver,⁵ b. in Kalkaska county, Mich., Aug. 10, 1878, m. Charles Edwin Brandt.
- 334** ⁹Grace Estell Weaver,⁵ b. in Kalkaska county, Mich., March 10, 1880, m. William Van Winkle.
- 335** ¹⁰Glenn Aris Weaver,⁵ b. in Kalkaska county, Mich., May 13, 1885.

Daniel Weaver is a brother of Amos Weaver, who married Esther Anne Hoover (No. 121) shown elsewhere in this work. As Esther Anne Hoover and Jane Bear are cousins, there is a double relationship between the children of these two families.

Daniel Weaver is a farmer and the family reside near Fife Lake, Mich.

104 ⁴HADESSA BEAR,⁴ (Joshua,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Hadessa Bear, the fourth child of Joshua Bear, and third by his marriage to Abigail Megarah, nee Brown, was born at Pioneer, Ohio, Aug. 24, 1846. She was married at Amboy, Mich., Nov. 1, 1869, by Justice Goodwin, to John Alexander Barnhart, who was born Jan. 21, 1843, and is the son of Michael and Harriet (Rall) Barnhart. Eight children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 336** ¹Lillian Barnhart,⁵ b. Dec. 18, 1872, m. George Weidner Dohm.
337 ²Susie Barnhart,⁵ b. Nov. 27, 1874, m.
338 ³Archie Barnhart,⁵ b. Dec. 3, 1876, m.
339 ⁴Lee Barnhart,⁵ b. Apr. 4, 1878.
340 ⁵Clyde Barnhart,⁵ b. Nov. 4, 1881, d.
341 ⁶Lucy Barnhart,⁵ b. d.
342 ⁷Eddie Barnhart,⁵ b. d.
343 ⁸Mary Barnhart,⁵ b. March 10, 1888.

Lillian was born at Union City, Mich., Susie at Detroit, Mich., and the others at Pioneer, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnhart reside at 327 Lake Av., Battle Creek, Mich. Mrs. Barnhart is a member of the United Brethren Church. Mr. Barnhart during the Civil War served in the Union Army, in company H of the 38th Ohio Vol. Inf., and was with Sherman on the "March to the Sea." He was wounded at Gettysburg.

107 ³ANDREW HIRUM BEAR,⁴ (Daniel,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Andrew Hiram Bear, the third child of Daniel and Sarah (Rhoads) Bear, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., June 3, 1840. His marriage occurred at Morenci, Mich., Jan. 16, 1862, to Mary Ann Lilly, who was born in Racine county, Wis., Jan. 16, 1842, and was the daughter of John and Bertha (Cutler) Lilly. The officiating clergyman was Rev. John Wesley Lilly, of the United Brethren Church, and a brother of the bride. But one child was born to this union, born in Fulton county, Ohio.

CHILD.

- 344** ¹Lillie Alice Bear,⁵ b. Nov. 4, 1862, m. Douglas Cromwell Bigbee.

Andrew Hiram Bear is one of the four who gave up their lives in the defence of the union during the Civil War. His career as a soldier was short. Circumstances did not permit him to enlist until April, 1864, when he entered as a private in company K, 111th regiment of Ohio Vol. Inf., second division of the 23d army corps. Not having a very robust constitution the life was too hard for him, but he marched until he dropped by the way, and died in the hospital at Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 4, 1864. He was buried in the National Cemetery at Knoxville, Tenn., in the Eighth Circle and his grave is numbered 158. He was not only a brave and loyal soldier, but a Christian man, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. When he enlisted in his country's defence, he left at home a young and loving wife and a baby daughter, whom he was never destined to see again. Through the courtesy of this only daughter, who is now Mrs. Douglas Cromwell Bigbee, of Jackson, Mich., we quote from some of the letters written by Andrew Hiram Bear to his wife while he was at the front. In a letter dated May 17, 1864, he said:

"We were engaged with the rebels at Dalton, Georgia. Well, Mary, we have had a hard fight with the rebels for about ten days. They fought desperately on both sides but on the 16th day of May we ran them out of their holes and they skeedadled you better believe, and we after them, but our division has been stopped over night and we have not started yet this morning but expect to start again every moment. Well, dear Mary, I was in the hottest of the battle myself, and I thank God that I came out without a scratch while hundreds of poor boys fell all around us, and the shot and shells came like hail and fairly rattled. Samuel had his cap torn with a piece of shell. I do not like to dwell on the subject, so excuse me for the present. During the battle our men captured several pieces of artillery and a great many prisoners, and also one flag, some ammunition, and I don't know what all. The rebels were driven off so fast they left a great many of their dead and wounded on the field, but our men take as good care of them as our own. I hope you are enjoying yourself as well as you can and taking things as patiently as possible, but I must close, and if it is God's will that I should see you again I could tell you a great deal more that I can't write. I suppose my dear little girl can talk and prattle and get into all kinds of mischief by this time. Pray for me.

"Your devoted husband,

ANDREW H. BEAR."

In a letter of June 1, 1864, he wrote:

"DEAR WIFE:—Pray for me that I may do my duty to God and to my country. Dear ones at home, I think of you and pray for you, and when I wake in the morning my soul breathes a prayer to God in your behalf. When I go into battle I think of you, and I pray God if it is his will that we may meet again and be more faithful to him. I hope and pray that this wicked rebellion may soon cease. Our army at this place is about two hundred thousand, while the rebels, as near as we can learn, are a little over half that number, and if you will conceive a line of battle 10 miles long and three or four columns deep, extending east and west over hills and valleys, you will have some idea of our battle ground.

"Your devoted husband,
"A. H. BEAR."

Every letter he wrote breathes of his devotion to his loved ones, his country and his God.

Andrew Hiram Bear, before entering the army, was a farmer. It is said he also possessed considerable talent as an artist.

His widow after some years remarried again, and her death occurred Nov. 30, 1896, near Pioneer, Ohio, where she was also buried.

108 ⁴SAMUEL RHOADS BEAR,⁴ (Daniel,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Samuel Rhoads Bear, the fourth child of Daniel and Sarah (Rhoads) Bear, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., April 20, 1842. He was married at Morenci, Mich., May 3, 1866, Rev. John Crabbs, Presbyterian minister, officiating, to Mary Louisa Wyrick, who was born at Canton, Stark county, Ohio, Sept. 2, 1842, and is the daughter of Michael and Lydia (Harmon) Wyrick. They are the parents of six

CHILDREN.

- 345** ¹Cora Bell Bear,⁵ b. May 25, 1867, m. Lamont Viers.
346 ²Infant daughter,⁵ b. July 31, 1868, d. July 31, 1868
interred Primrose Cemetery, Williams county,
Ohio.
347 ³William Harmon Bair,⁵ b. Nov. 7, 1869, m. Evaline
Saunders.
348 ⁴Birt Leroy Bair,⁵ b. June 10, 1872, m. Fannie Lance.
349 ⁵Florence May Bear,⁵ b. Sept. 26, 1873, m. William
Allion.

350 ⁶George Samuel Bair,⁵ b. June 28, 1877.

The three eldest were born in Williams county, and the three youngest in Fulton county, Ohio.

Samuel Rhoads Bear, is a retired farmer living in Fayette, Ohio. He is also an old soldier, having enlisted Aug. 15, 1862, in the 111th Ohio Vol. Inf., second brigade, second division of the 23d army corps. He was in many battles and underwent many hardships, and was mustered out at the close of the war, June 27, 1865, at Cleveland, Ohio. After the war he engaged in farming and has been eminently successful. For many years he lived on his father's old homestead, but retired from farming about 12 years ago and since that time has been living quietly in a comfortable home which he has in Fayette. He is a man of simple tastes, and of a quiet, peaceable disposition. He was a brave soldier in time of war and is now a loyal citizen in time of peace.

Samuel Bear's sons spell their name Bair.

109 ⁵CATHERINE ANN ELIZABETH BEAR,⁴ (Daniel,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Catherine Ann Elizabeth Bear, the fifth child of Daniel and Sarah (Rhoads) Bear, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Dec. 28, 1844. She was united in marriage at Bryan, Ohio, June 24, 1869, Rev. P. A. Drown, Pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, officiating, with Jeremiah Clay, who was born in Richland county, Ohio, Feb. 13, 1845, and is the son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Gline) Clay. Six children blessed their union.

CHILDREN.

351 ¹Sydney Sherman Clay,⁵ b. Jan. 20, 1870, m. Allie Iona McCurdy.

352 ²Eva Bessy Clay,⁵ b. June 29, 1871, d. Jan. 10, 1878.

353 ³Martha Dora Clay,⁵ b. Dec. 11, 1872, m. Orlo Lincoln Kelley.

354 ⁴Sarah Elizabeth Clay,⁵ b. June 12, 1875, d. Jan. 12, 1878.

355 ⁵Charles Brainerd Clay,⁵ b. Aug. 18, 1880, m. Harriet Elnor Finch.

356 ⁶Infant daughter,⁵ b. Sept. 8, 1887, d. Sept. 8, 1887.

All children born in Fulton county, but the youngest, which was born at Pulaski, Williams county, Ohio. Deceased children all buried in Franklin Cemetery.

The first of this stock of Clays in America, and from whom Jeremiah of this notice is fifth in descent was a Hessian, who came across the water from Germany, having been hired out to King George III. to fight against the Colonists. He deserted, however, and joined the American forces, and at the close of the war sent for his family and settled in York county, Pa.

Jeremiah Clay came to Williams county, Ohio, with his parents in May, 1846, and practically all his life, with the exception of nine years in Goram township, Fulton county, Ohio, and two years in Michigan, has been spent in Williams county. On Feb. 15, 1864, he enlisted in company G, 68th Ohio Vol. Inf., and served until the end of the war, being mustered out July 10, 1865. After the war he returned home and for about three years worked at the carpenter's trade. Since that time, with the exception of six years that he was engaged in the mercantile business at Pulaski, Ohio, he has devoted his time to farming. He made himself familiar with agriculture in all its details and by reason of his thrift and energy has met with marked success. He has always taken a great interest in public affairs and is a strong adherent to the principles of the Republican party. In 1903, he was elected county commissioner for a term of three years. He is a member of Evans Post, No. 149, of the Grand Army of the Republic, and is also a member of the I. O. O. F..

Mrs. Clay united with the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1884, of which church her husband is also a member. She and her husband have always been very active in church work. They have brought their children up in the faith, and as a result of this early teaching, one son, Sydney Sherman Clay, is in the ministry.

On March 18, 1903, Mr. and Mrs. Clay removed to Bryan, Williams county, Ohio, where they now reside.

110 *MARGARETTA BEAR,⁴ (Daniel,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Margaretta Bear, the sixth child of Daniel and Sarah (Rhoads) Bear, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Jan. 6, 1847. She was married at Bryan, Ohio, October 7, 1875, by Rev. William Deal, Methodist Episcopal minister, to James Lockhart, who was born in Clinton county, Pa., Jan. 20, 1833, and is the son of John and Margaret (Hooper) Lockhart. They have three

CHILDREN.

357 ¹Daniel Ernest Lockhart,⁵ b. near Fairfield, Ill., July 28, 1876.

358 ²Bernice Mirch Lockhart,⁵ b. at Pulaski, Ohio, Nov. 9, 1879, m. John Rutherford Melton.



MARY JANE (BEAR) SHIREY.
No. 65.



CATHERINE ELIZABETH (THUMA)
SHEETS.
No. 94.





ALFRED WESLEY BEAR.

No. 66.



WILLIAM LINE BEAR.

No. 67.



- 359** ³Onor Dale Lockhart,⁵ b. at Pulaski, Ohio, Apr. 26, 1882.

Margaretta Bear attended the public schools until she was 20 years of age. She then went to the town of West Unity, Ohio, near where they lived and learned dress-making, and continued at that avocation for nine years, or until her marriage to Mr. Lockhart, Oct. 7, 1875. She and her husband then came to Decatur, Ill., where they remained until the following spring. They then removed to a farm near Fairfield, Ill. Here they remained one year and then returned to their old home county in Ohio, remaining in Ohio ten years. They then came to Lawrence, Kans., where they stayed for a year and a half, when they purchased a small farm at Tecumseh, Shawnee county, Kans. Here they lived for about sixteen years, when they traded for a farm of 160 acres near Silver Lake, Kans., and where they now reside. Mrs. Lockhart united with the Methodist Episcopal Church more than twenty years ago in Ohio, and now holds her membership at Silver Lake, Kans. She takes an active interest in church work, particularly the Ladies' Aid Society.

- 111** ⁷MARY HADASSAH BEAR,⁴ (Daniel,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Mary Hadassah Bear, the seventh child of Daniel and Sarah (Rhoads) Bear, was born at Kingston, Cumberland county, Pa., March 30, 1849. Her marriage took place at West Unity, Ohio, Dec. 10, 1870, Rev. John Poucher, Methodist Episcopal minister officiating, to William J. Carroll, who was born at Evansport, Ohio, July 16, 1844, and is the son of William and Sarah (Evans) Carroll. To this union were born seven

CHILDREN.

- 360** ¹Virginia Carroll,⁵ b. Nov. 27, 1871, died at Bryon, O., Sept. 30, 1885, interred at Bryan.
361 ²Infant daughter,⁵ b. May 20, 1873, d. at Pulaski, O., July 5, 1873, interred at Pulaski.
362 ³Earl Convers Carroll,⁵ b. Sept. 21, 1875, m. Elizabeth Jane Hartford.
363 ⁴Thomas William Carroll,⁵ b. July 17, 1877.
364 ⁵Lucile Carroll,⁵ b. May 10, 1879.
365 ⁶Nelle Carroll,⁵ b. June 1, 1884.
366 ⁷N. Waite Carroll,⁵ b. Jan. 3, 1886.

Above children all born at Pulaski, O., excepting the two youngest, who were born at Bryan, O.

The parents of Mary Hadessah Bear came to Ohio in June, 1849, when she was but a babe, and she was raised in Fulton county, Ohio. She and her husband, after their marriage, Dec. 10, 1870, resided at Pulaski, Ohio, for eleven years. In Feb., 1882, they removed to Bryan, Ohio, where they still reside. For 34 years Mr. Carroll was in business, but two or three years ago decided to retire, and he was succeeded in his grocery and china store by his sons, Earl and Waite. However, as he had always been a very busy man, he could not remain idle, and after two years reopened a grocery store in Bryan and is again in business. During the Civil War he served in the 10th Ohio Vol. Cavalry, and is now a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. He is also a member of the Royal Arcanum and Knights of Honor. Mrs. Carroll united with the Methodist Episcopal Church at Pulaski, Ohio, in March, 1871, and is still a member of that church, as is the entire family, holding their membership now at Bryan. Mrs. Carroll was formerly a member of the Women's Relief Corps and is at present a member of the Bay View Reading Club at Bryan. She is a woman of pleasing personality and a good wife and mother.

(N. B.—Where initials are used in above notice they do not designate middle names.)

112 ⁸REBECCA BEAR,⁴ (Daniel,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Rebecca Bear, the eighth child of Daniel and Sarah (Rhoads) Bear, was born in Fulton county, Ohio, Oct. 4, 1851. She was married July 19, 1890, by Elder J. N. Sloane, of the United Brethren Church, to Frank Russell Lyda, who is the son of Benjamin Russell and Mary Ann (Rozell) Lyda. Mr. Lyda is a farmer and they live near Poplar Bluff, Missouri. They have no children.

113 ⁹HARRIETT ELLEN BEAR,⁴ (Daniel,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Harriett Ellen Bear, the ninth child of Daniel and Sarah (Rhoads) Bear, was born in Fulton county, Ohio, Sept. 7, 1855. She never married, and now resides at Bryan, Ohio. She is a dressmaker.

114 ¹⁰MARTHA AGNES BEAR,⁴ (Daniel,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Martha Agnes Bear, the tenth and youngest child of Daniel and Sarah (Rhoads) Bear, was born in Fulton county, Ohio, Feb.

25, 1858. She was married at Pulaski, Ohio, May 8, 1886, by Rev. Jackson T. Pope, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of West Unity, to Frank Newman, who was born at West Unity, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1858, and is the son of Joseph and Veturia (Penock) Newman. Two children were born to them.

CHILDREN.

- 367 ¹Infant son,⁵ b. Nov. 26, 1887, d———
 368 ²Rolland B. (no middle name) Newman,⁵ b. May 31, 1889.

Mrs. Newman is a member of the Christian Church, having united Feb. 25, 1893, at Bryan, Ohio, where they reside. Mr. Newman is an electrician, being engaged in telephone line construction.

Mrs. Newman is in possession of a very valuable heirloom, which descended to her from her father, who had received it from his father, David Bear. It is an old clock, very similar to the one that was owned by David's father, Jacob, and now possessed by Miss Olive May Bear, of Decatur, Ill. The clock which Mrs. Newman has bears the date of 1805, and is therefore one-hundred years old. It is still an excellent time-piece. Mrs. Newman has been offered fancy prices for it by curio collectors, but naturally it is not for sale at any price.

115 ¹ANGELINE BEAR,⁴ (Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Angeline Bear, the eldest child of Andrew and Elizabeth (Keifer) Bear, was born at Lexington, Ohio, Aug. 4, 1839. Her marriage occurred at Spring Green, Wis., Aug. 14, 1856, Rev. George G. Nickey, Presiding Elder of the United Brethren Church, officiating, to Silas Coe Davis, who was born near Wayne, Ohio, Oct. 12, 1836, and is the son of Samuel and Eunice (Coe) Davis. Seven children were born to them.

CHILDREN.

- 369 ¹William Sylvester Davis,⁵ b. near Ithaca, Wis., Feb. 5, 1858, m. Sarah Edith Richards.
 370 ²John Henry Davis,⁵ b. near Olathe, Kans., Jan. 1, 1860, m. Mary Edna Grover.
 371 ³Francis Elroy Davis,⁵ b. at Spring Green, Wis., Feb. 17, 1864, d. near Ithaca, Wis., Sept. 10, 1877, interred near Ithaca.

- 372 ⁴Albert Clay Davis,⁵ b. near Ithaca, Wis., May 29, 1870, m. Angeline Blanche Anderson.
- 373 ⁵Jay Clayton Davis,⁵ b. near Ithaca, Wis., July 18, 1872, m. Matilda Pomrenkey.
- 374 ⁶Eunice Cornelia Davis,⁵ b. near Ithaca, Wis., July 1, 1874, m. Nathan Edward Cooper.
- 375 ⁷George Webster Davis,⁵ b. near Ithaca, Wis., Apr. 18, 1878, d. May 29, 1899, interred in White Rock Cemetery, near Pen Dennis, Kans.

Angeline Bear's father came to Wisconsin when she was a very small girl, and she grew to young womanhood near Spring Green, Sauk county, that State. After her marriage to Mr. Davis they lived first near Ithaca, Wis., but in 1859 they removed to Kansas, where they lived until the outbreak of the Civil War. They then returned to Wisconsin and Mr. Davis enlisted in the army, becoming a member of the Sixth Wisconsin Battery. He participated in the battle of Corinth, and while his detachment was in pursuit of Price, they halted one night in a corn field. The next morning Mr. Davis awoke to find himself in about six inches of water and unable to move. He was sent to the hospital at Memphis, Tenn., and after being there for a long time was sent home to die, but in about a year's time he recovered, although he had been very near death's door. There came another call for volunteers and Mr. Davis, with true loyal spirit, again enlisted and served to the end of the war. During the time of his service in the army his family lived at Spring Green, Wis., but on his return from his second enlistment they returned to Ithaca, Wis., and there resided for 19 years. They then sold their property and removed to White Rock township, Lane county, Kans. Here they took up a homestead and lived on same until they had proved their claim and received a deed from the Government. They then took up a tree claim and proved that up, and then every year or so would buy another quarter section of land until they eventually owned twelve quarters or three sections. They continued to devote their time and attention to agricultural pursuits for several years, but in recent years, however, as their children have all settled in homes of their own, and as they had more land than they could conveniently oversee and manage in their declining years, they have disposed of all but five quarters. This remaining land they have rented out, and they now have retired from the busy life they have led for so many years, and are living with their son William, near Wichita, Kans., enjoying the comforts afforded them by a substantial and well-earned income. Mr. and Mrs. Davis are both members of the Christian Church, Mr. Davis being also a member of the I. O. O. F.

116 ²ESTHER ANN BEAR,⁴ (Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Esther Ann Bear, the second child of Andrew and Elizabeth (Keifer) Bear, was born at Lexington, Ohio, Oct. 4, 1840. She was but a little girl when her parents removed to Sauk county, Wis. Her marriage occurred at Spring Green, Wis., Dec. 10, 1857, her kinsman, Rev. Simon S. Spyker, of the Congregational Church, officiating, to Henry Thomas Grinnell, who was born at Chautauqua, N. Y., Sept. 19, 1833, and was the son of Thomas and Ora (Carr) Grinnell. Six children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

- 376** ¹James William Grinnell,⁵ b. near Ithaca, Wis., Nov. 26, 1858, m. first, Sarah Cecelia Kenney, second, Margaret Elizabeth Crowley.
- 377** ²Mattie Elizabeth Grinnell,⁵ b. at Spring Green, Wis., Dec. 5, 1860.
- 378** ³George Henry Grinnell,⁵ b. at Grand Detour, Ill., Oct. 1, 1863, d. Jan. 9, 1865, at Spring Green, Wis., interred at Spring Green.
- 379** ⁴Lettie Jane Grinnell,⁵ b. at Grand Detour, Ill., Nov. 16, 1865, m. Malcolm Haswell Douglass.
- 380** ⁵Charles Andrew Grinnell,⁵ b. at Fair Haven, Ill., Oct. 18, 1872, m. Mary Warner.
- 381** ⁶Hattie Angeline Grinnell,⁵ b. at Fair Haven, Ill., Aug. 9, 1875, d. at Spring Green, Wis., Feb. 16, 1882, interred at Spring Green.

For three years after their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Grinnell lived on a farm, or up to the commencement of the Civil War. Mr. Grinnell then answered the call and enlisted in the 6th Wisconsin Battery, serving one year. He then enlisted in company F, of the 34th Ill. Vol. Inf., and participated in the famous "March to the Sea." At Kennesaw Mountain he was wounded, being shot through the ankle, and for which he was finally discharged in March, 1865. After his return from the army, and as soon as he was sufficiently recovered from his wound, he engaged in the livery business at Grand Detour, Ill., running, in connection, a stage to and from Dixon, Ill. In this business he remained for several years and then went back to farming. About a year before his death, which occurred May 21, 1879, he removed to Thompson, Ill., at which place he was buried. Mrs. Grinnell then returned to Spring Green, Wis., where she still lives, in company with her daughter, Mattie Elizabeth. They own a very comfortable home which is beautified by a flower garden and conserva-

tory. Mr. Grinnell, up to the time of his death, was a member of the Christian Church. His father was a "free will" Baptist minister and lived to the remarkable age of 93. Esther Ann (Bear) Grinnell is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, having united in 1880.

117 ³MARGARET BEAR,⁴ (Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Margaret Bear, the third daughter of Andrew and Elizabeth (Keifer) Bear, was born at Lexington, Ohio, Feb. 10, 1842. She was married in 1866 at Madison, Wis., to William McMullen, of DeKalb, Ill., and they have both been dead a good many years. They came to Spring Green, Wis., and entered land there and on this they lived up to the time of their death. The exact date of either has not been obtainable, but Mrs. McMullen's demise occurred in 1875. They had no children.

118 ⁴HENRY CLAY BAER,⁴ (Andrew Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Henry Clay Baer has always given his name the spelling as here shown. He is the fourth child of Andrew and Elizabeth (Keifer) Bear, and was born at Lexington, Ohio, Dec. 10, 1843. He was married at Sextonville, Richland county, Wis., Feb. 13, 1866, by Rev. William Hills, Methodist Episcopal minister, to Elizabeth Shambaugh, who was born near Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 9, 1845, and is the daughter of William and Rachel (Snyder) Shambaugh. They have six

CHILDREN.

- 382** ¹Leroy Clinton Baer,⁵ b. Aug. 11, 1868, m. Laura Estella Grover.
383 ²Helen Cornelia Baer,⁵ b. Apr. 21, 1870, m. John Joseph Burns.
384 ³Lillie Modena Baer,⁵ b. June 3, 1872, m. Charley Unbehaum.
385 ⁴Elroy Clifton Baer,⁵ b. Dec. 8, 1874, m. Elga Adeline Grover.
386 ⁵Edyth Mae Baer,⁵ b. Jan. 25, 1878, m. Emmet Edgar Breneman.
387 ⁶Daisy Violet Baer,⁵ b. March 4, 1882.

The three oldest children were born near Spring Green, Wis., and the three youngest near Richland Center, Wis.

Henry Clay Baer is a retired farmer and lives at Richland Center, Wis. He came to Sauk county, Wis., with his parents when very small and resided at Spring Green until 1874, when he bought a farm near Richland Center, Wis., which he gave his special attention and as a result has been eminently successful.

119 ⁶DANIEL WEBSTER BAER,⁴ (Andrew Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Daniel Webster Baer gives his name the spelling as here indicated. He is the fifth child of Andrew and Elizabeth (Keifer) Bear, and was born in Marion county, Ohio, April 9, 1847. On July 10, 1863, at Prairie du Sac, Wis., he was married, Rev. N. A. Hitchcock, Adventist minister, officiating, to Celinda Daniels, who was born in Washington county, N. Y., Sept. 26, 1849, and is the daughter of Andrew and Malinda (Wheeler) Daniels. To their union were born five

CHILDREN.

- 388** ¹Ulysses S. Baer,⁵ b. at Ithaca, Wis., Aug. 21, 1871.
389 ²Lilly May Baer,⁵ b. at Richland Center, Wis., Apr. 12, 1873, m. Joseph K. Powell.
390 ³Daisy Malinda Baer,⁵ b. at Balmoral, Wis., Sept. 18, 1875.
391 ⁴Melvin Baer,⁵ b. at Balmoral, Wis., Nov. 30, 1878, d. Nov. 30, 1878.
392 ⁵Edna Leola Baer,⁵ b. at Balmoral, Wis., June 21, 1886.

Daniel Webster Baer resides at Hartford, Wis., where he is in the retail hardware business. He is a member of the Congregational Church.

120 ⁶GEORGE GILBERT NICKEY BAER,⁴ (Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

George Gilbert Nickey Baer, the youngest child of Andrew and Elizabeth (Keifer) Bear, was born near Madison, Wis., Jan. 28, 1852. He was named for Rev. George Gilbert Nickey, his uncle by marriage, having married a sister of our subject's mother. George Gilbert Nickey Baer's marriage took place at Ithaca, Wis., June 4, 1875, Rev. Simon Spyker, Congregational minister, officiating, to Kittie Zintz, who was born near Madison, Wis., Nov.

21, 1856, and is the daughter of Conrad and Magdeline (Adams) Zintz. They have three

CHILDREN.

- 393** ¹Olive Corina Baer,⁵ b. at Ithaca, Wis., Aug. 26, 1878, m. Peter Daniel Fraser.
394 ²Delavan George Baer,⁵ b. at Ithaca, Wis., Jan. 30, 1883.
395 ³Beauford Stansmore Baer,⁵ b. at Plain, Wis., Aug. 19, 1889.

George Gilbert Nickey Baer lived in Wisconsin until 1890, when he removed to California and now lives at Corona, that State, where he is in the carriage manufacturing and repairing business. He lives in what is known as the orange belt and is enthusiastic in the praises of his adopted State. He is a member of the Congregational Church, also of the A. F. and A. M., I. O. O. F., Independent Order of Foresters, and Fraternal Aid Association.

- 121** ¹ESTHER ANNE HOOVER,⁴ (Rebecca Martha Hoover,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Esther Anne Hoover, the eldest child of George Walter and Rebecca Martha (Bear) Hoover, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Jan. 16, 1845. She was married at West Unity, Ohio, Aug. 23, 1866, by Rev. George W. Money, Methodist Episcopal minister, to Amos Weaver, who was born in Richland county, Ohio, April 7, 1843, and is the son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Skitler) Weaver. Amos Weaver is also a brother of Daniel Weaver, who married Jane Bear, mentioned elsewhere in this genealogy (number 103). Brothers married cousins, and hence there is a double relationship between the children of these two families. Eleven children were born to Amos and Esther Ann (Hoover) Weaver.

CHILDREN.

- 396** ¹Minnie Josephine Weaver,⁵ b. Aug. 13, 1867, d. Nov. 17, 1871.
397 ²Sarah Rebecca Weaver,⁵ b. Aug. 2, 1869, m. William Sylvester Smith.
398 ³Della May Weaver,⁵ b. in May, 1872, d. Aug. 27, 1877.



SAMUEL EPHRAIM BEAR and wife, MINERVA JANE (COX) BEAR. No. 69.



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JOHN EDWIN BRADEN and wife, MARY ELIZABETH (BEAR) BRADEN. No. 75.

- 399 ⁴George Wesley Weaver,⁵ b. in Dec., 1874, d. Aug. 15, 1877.
 400 ⁵William Burton Weaver,⁵ b. in Nov., 1875, d. in Sept., 1877.
 401 ⁶Lillie Alice Weaver,⁵ b. Apr. 5, 1878, m. Earl Vanorsdale.
 402 ⁷Jennie Belle Weaver,⁵ b. Dec. 28, 1879, d. in 1880.
 403 ⁸Grace Ellen Weaver,⁵ b. April 11, 1882.
 404 ⁹John Wilton Weaver,⁵ b. in Feb., 1884, d. in 1884.
 405 ¹⁰Claude Earl Weaver,⁵ b. Sept. 8, 1886.
 406 ¹¹Maude Ethel Weaver,⁵ b. Dec. 19, 1887.

Minnie Josephine was born near Pioneer, O., Sarah Rebecca near Fayette, and the others near West Unity, Ohio. The deceased children are all buried in Franklin Cemetery, Williams county, Ohio.

Esther Anne (Hoover) Weaver was a good wife and a kind mother, and although she was burdened with the care of a large family, yet she always manifested a very happy disposition. She was a consistent Christian woman and was reared in the Methodist Episcopal Church. She was baptized Sept. 1, 1845, by Rev. Martin Lohr. Her death occurred near West Unity Ohio, Feb. 6, 1891, and interment was made in Franklin Cemetery. Amos Weaver is again married and resides in West Unity, Ohio. He was a soldier in the Union army during the war, having enlisted Sept. 1, 1861, in company H, of the 38th Ohio Vol. Inf., serving his term of enlistment, and then re-enlisted in the same company and regiment until the close of the war. He was first a private, but later became a drummer. He is yet a drummer of exceptional ability. Since the war he has followed the avocation of a farmer.

- 122 ¹ANDREW JOSHUA HOOVER,⁴ (Rebecca Martha Hoover,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Andrew Joshua Hoover, the second child of George Walter and Rebecca Martha (Bear) Hoover, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Oct. 1, 1846. He was married at West Unity, Ohio, Oct. 20, 1872, by Rev. J. F. Mounts, Methodist Episcopal minister, to Alice Ann Ronk, who was born in Fairfax county, Virginia, Jan. 13, 1853. Alice Ann Ronk's father was James Ronk, Jr., of New York, who was born Mch. 23, 1822, and died Mch. 6, 1904. Her mother was Marcella (Money) Ronk, of George-

town, Virginia. Andrew Joshua and Alice Ann (Ronk) Hoover have three children.

CHILDREN.

(All born at West Unity, Ohio.)

- 407 ¹Claude Earl Hoover, M. D.,⁵ b. Jan. 1, 1875, m. Jessie Fremont Rolland.
 408 ²Arthur Guy Hoover,⁵ b. Jan. 15, 1878.
 409 ³Frank Money Hoover,⁵ b. Sept. 7, 1891.

Andrew Joshua Hoover for many years has been one of the leading and most substantial business men in West Unity, Ohio, where he resides. He is a hardware merchant, contractor and builder. He came to Ohio with his parents in 1852 when he was but a small boy. He received an education in the common schools where he lived, and was eventually apprenticed to Davis & Snedaker, tanners, at West Unity, Ohio, with whom he remained three years. He then made a trip to Kansas and Nebraska, where he remained a year, and returning to West Unity again entered the employ of Davis & Snedaker. Two years later he formed a partnership with W. H. Shepherd and they bought out Davis & Snedaker. They continued the business until 1874 when they sold to Grisite Bros. Mr. Hoover then purchased a stock of tin and tools and ever since has been in business alone, enlarging his stock and branching out until now he has one of the largest and most remunerative businesses in West Unity. In addition to his private business interests, he is also president of the West Unity Telephone Exchange Co. For years he has not been without some municipal or township office. He has been Clerk of Brady township continuously for more than ten years, and is Chairman of the School Board of Brady township and West Unity corporations. He is a member of the A. F. and A. M. and Knights of Pythias, and has also been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for many years. Was baptized into the church by Rev. Miller in 1848. He is recognized as a man of great business ability and has met with success fully commensurate to the exercise of care and attention he has given his business.

- 123 ³REBECCA AGNES HOOVER,⁴ (Rebecca Martha Hoover,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Rebecca Agnes Hoover, the third child of George Walter and Rebecca Martha (Bear) Hoover, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Dec. 4, 1848. She was married at Alvordton, Ohio,

March 28, 1876, by Henry Alvord, J. P., to James Hamilton Shipman, who was born in Northumberland county, Ohio, April 14, 1848, and is the son of Harmon and Elizabeth (Ely) Shipman. They have four

CHILDREN.

(All born near Fayette Ohio.)

- 410 ¹Charles Maynard Shipman,⁵ b. Jan. 9, 1877.
 411 ²George Hamilton Shipman,⁵ b. Feb. 9, 1880.
 412 ³Lyda Florence Shipman,⁵ b. Jan. 12, 1883, m.
 Charles Elmer Spengler.
 413 ⁴Harrison Irvin Shipman,⁵ b. Feb. 19, 1889.

Rebecca Agnes (Hoover) Shipman taught school before her marriage. She is of a very kind disposition, ever ready to bestow a favor. She is a good wife and fond of her home and family. She united with the United Brethren Church at the age of 17, of which Church she has always remained a consistent member. Mrs. Shipman is possessed of an exceptionally good memory and has been of material assistance in the preparation of this history. James Hamilton Shipman is a farmer and a member of the I. O. O. F. The family reside at Zone, near Fayette, Ohio.

- 124 ⁴JOHN WESLEY HOOVER,⁴ (Rebecca Martha Hoover,⁸
 David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

John Wesley Hoover, the fourth child of George Walter and Rebecca Martha (Bear) Hoover, was born near West Unity, Williams county, Ohio, Nov. 14, 1852. On June 26, 1879, at West Bedford, Ohio, he was united in marriage, Rev. A. L. S. Bateman, Methodist Episcopal minister, officiating, with Selena Camp, who was born near West Bedford, Ohio, April 14, 1858, and is the daughter of John and Mary (Roney) Camp. They have two

CHILDREN.

(Born at West Carlisle, Ohio.)

- 414 ¹Mary Ethel Hoover,⁵ b. May 5, 1884.
 415 ²Hazel Marie Hoover,⁵ b. Aug. 9, 1892.

John Wesley Hoover resides at West Carlisle, Ohio, and is a tinner by occupation. He has never identified himself with any church or fraternal organization, but was raised under Methodist influences.

- 125** ⁵DAVID MILTON HOOVER,⁴ (Rebecca Martha Hoover,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

David Milton Hoover, the fifth child of George Walter and Rebecca Martha (Bear) Hoover, was born near West Unity, Ohio, July 16, 1857. He was married at Montpelier, Ohio, Sept. 30, 1884, by Rev. John Poucher, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to Electa Estella Strong, who was born near Adrain, Mich., June 24, 1863, and is the daughter of Joseph L. and Irene M. Strong. They have but one

CHILD.

- 416** ¹Ralph J. (no middle name) Hoover,⁵ b. at Morenci, Mich., Sept. 1, 1885.

David Milton Hoover resides at Montpelier, Ohio, and is by occupation a plumber and tinner. He is a member of Montpelier Lodge, No. 547, A. F. and A. M., but like his brother, John Wesley Hoover, is not identified with any church.

Fifth Generation

- 128** ²MARY CATHERINE BYERLY,⁵ (John Davis Byerly,⁴ Jacob Byerly,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary Catherine Byerly, the second child of John Davis and Mary (Markell) Byerly, was born at Frederick, Md., Nov. 2, 1871. She was married at the family residence, 44 W. Patrick St., Frederick, Md., June 1, 1899, Rev. E. R. Eschbach, of the Evangelical Reformed Church, officiating, to Thomas Augustus Chapline, who was born at Shepherdstown, West Virginia, May 20, 1871, and is the son of Isaac Thomas and Laura (Schley) Chapline. They have one

CHILD.

- 417** ¹George Markell Chapline,⁶ b. at Frederick, Md., April 7, 1900.

Mr. and Mrs. Chapline reside at Frederick, Md. The latter has been a member of the Reformed Church since April, 1892.

- 130** ⁴CHARLES BYERLY,⁵ (John Davis Byerly,⁴ Jacob Byerly,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Charles Byerly, the fourth child of John Davis and Mary (Markell) Byerly, was born at Frederick, Md., Jan. 24, 1874. He was married at Frederick, Sept. 25, 1902, by Rev. Father William Kane, Catholic priest, to Regina Eisenhauer, who was born at Frederick, Md., June 4, 1875, and is the daughter of John and Margaret (Weaner) Byerly. They have one

CHILD.

- 418** ¹John Francis Byerly,⁵ b. at Frederick, Md., Feb. 21, 1904.

Charles Byerly is a photographer. He purchased his father's studio at Frederick, Md., in 1899, and is conducting the business established by his grandfather, Jacob Byerly, in 1842.

- 131** ¹JOHN DILLER,⁵ (Ann Amelia Diller,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

John Diller, elder son of Samuel and Ann Amelia (Shellabarger) Diller, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Oct. 6, 1855. He came to Decatur, Ill., from Pennsylvania in 1881, and was married at Decatur, April 15, 1885, Rev. N. S. Hanes, pastor of Christian Church, officiating, to Maggie May Oren, who was born at Decatur, Ill., May 25, 1862, and is the daughter of George and Mary Henrietta (Miller) Oren. They have one

CHILD.

- 419** ¹Ida Odessa Diller,⁶ b. at Decatur, Ill., Jan. 12, 1886.

John Diller resides at Decatur, Ill., where he has been in the brick manufacturing business for about 20 years. He is interested in the Decatur Brick Co., one of the leading industries of that city. He is a member of Central Church of Christ (Christian) at Decatur, and also of the Knights of Pythias.

Their daughter, Ida Odessa, graduated from the Decatur High School in the class of 1903, and is now in her Junior year at the James Milliken University at Decatur.

- 132 ²SAMUEL SHELLABARGER DILLER,⁵ (Anna Amelia Diller,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Samuel Shellabarger Diller, second son of Samuel and Ann Amelia (Shellabarger) Diller, was born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., Oct. 16, 1857. At Albany, Texas, Jan. 13, 1897, by Rev. E. P. Garvin, Methodist Episcopal minister, he was united in marriage with Dale Cole, who was born near Jacksonville, Texas, Oct. 17, 1870, and is the daughter of Francis Asberry and Louisa Elizabeth (Browles) Cole. They have three

CHILDREN.

(All born near Moran, Texas.)

- 420 ¹Samuel Diller,⁶ b. Aug. 31, 1898.
 421 ²Frank Diller,⁶ b. Feb. 16, 1900.
 422 ³Anna Diller,⁶ b. Jan. 29, 1903.

Samuel Diller is a successful cattleman and stock dealer at Moran, Texas.

- 133 ¹ANNA LILLIAN DILLER,⁵ (Rebecca Jane Diller,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Anna Lillian Diller, the eldest child of Samuel and Rebecca Jane (Shellabarger) Diller, was born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., March 18, 1861. She was married near Newville, Pa., Dec. 18, 1879, by Rev. Samuel Diehl, Lutheran minister, to Joseph Mervin Stuart, who was born near Carlisle, Cumberland county, Pa., Feb. 5, 1859, and is the son of James and Martha (McClellan) Stuart. Two children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

(Born at Decatur, Ill.)

- 423 ¹Martha Edna Stuart,⁶ b. April 14, 1882, m. George Adelbert Kenney.
 424 ²Grace Lillian Stuart,⁶ b. Aug. 1, 1885.

Anna Lillian (Diller) Stuart united with the Lutheran Church near Blosserville, Pa., in 1877, at 16 years of age. After coming to Decatur, Ill., in April, 1881, she transferred her membership in 1882 to the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church of Decatur. Joseph Mervin Stuart is Shipping Clerk for the Ameri-

can Hominy Co., at Decatur, Ill., which position he has held for several years.

- 134** ²DAVID DILLER,⁵ (Rebecca Jane Diller,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

David Diller, the second child of Samuel and Rebecca Jane (Shellabarger) Diller, was born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., April 30, 1862. He was married near Decatur, Ill., Dec. 14, 1892, Rev. W. L. Bankson, minister of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, officiating, to Martha Young Miller, who was born near Decatur, Ill., June 3, 1869, and is the daughter of John Henry and Lottie (Cox) Miller. They have five

CHILDREN.

(Born near Albany, Texas.)

- 425** ¹Gladys Diller,⁶ b. April 13, 1895, d. Nov. 26, 1896, interred in Albany Cemetery.
426 ²John Howard Diller,⁶ b. Sept. 30, 1897.
427 ³Nettie Diller,⁶ b. Aug. 19, 1899.
428 ⁴David Byron Diller,⁶ b. Aug. 4, 1901.
429 ⁵Edna Diller,⁶ b. Nov. 16, 1903.

David Diller is a farmer and stockman living near Albany, Texas.

- 135** ³HOWARD DILLER,⁵ (Rebecca Jane Diller,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Howard Diller, the third child of Samuel and Rebecca Jane (Shellabarger) Diller, was born near Newville, Cumberland county, Pa., Oct. 7, 1865. His marriage occurred at Albany, Texas, May 19, 1901, Rev. E. T. Caton, Methodist Episcopal minister, officiating, to Mina Brintlinger, daughter of Gideon and Fannie (Williams) Brintlinger. Howard Diller is a fruit grower and lives in Texas, his address being Jacksonville, Texas. No children.

- 136** ¹ADELE SHELLABARGER,⁵ (David Sterrett Shellabarger,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Adele Shellabarger, the oldest child of David Sterrett and Anna Elizabeth (Krone) Shellabarger, was born at Decatur, Ill.,

April 12, 1863. On Oct. 6, 1886, at Decatur, Ill., she was united in marriage by Rev. George Stevens, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, with Edwin Brown Hillman, who was born at Cum-
mington, Mass., Sept. 10, 1860, and is the son of Samuel and Katherine (Brown) Hillman. They have one

CHILD.

430 ¹Margaret Hillman,⁶ b. at Peoria, Ill., May 5, 1890.

Mr. Hillman is an electrician, and they reside at Warsaw, Illinois.

138 ³WILLIAM LINCOLN SHELLABARGER,⁵ (David Sterrett Shellabarger,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear.¹)

William Lincoln Shellabarger, the third child of David Sterrett and Anna Elizabeth (Krone) Shellabarger, was born at Decatur, Ill., Jan. 11, 1866. He was married at Decatur, Ill., Sept. 5, 1885, by Rev. C. W. Leffingwell, of the Episcopal Church, to Irene Robinson Thatcher, who was born at Decatur, Ill., Oct. 4, 1865, and is the daughter of Charles Penrose and Jane Neta (Robinson) Thatcher. They have three

CHILDREN.

(Born at Decatur, Illinois.)

431 ¹David Sterrett Shellabarger,⁶ b. Oct. 9, 1891.

432 ²Charles Thatcher Shellabarger,⁶ b. Feb. 23, 1893.

433 ³William Lincoln Shellabarger,⁶ b. March 26, 1895.

William Lincoln Shellabarger is recognized as a successful business man. He has been in the milling and grain business since 1882. He was Secretary and Manager of the Shellabarger Mill & Elevator Co. and continued as Manager after the mills of that concern were merged into the American Hominy Co. He is now Secretary and Manager of the Shellabarger Elevator Co., grain dealers, who have elevators at different points throughout Central Illinois. He was Secretary and Manager of the Decatur Traction & Electric Co., the electric street car system of Decatur, Ill., until 1903, having been connected with that company in that capacity from the time it was organized as a horse-car line. In addition to these industries, he is largely interested in many other business and public enterprises in Decatur, Ill., where he was born, and which has always been his home.



CHARLES CAIN BEAR.

No. 78.

BOSTON
PUBLIC
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DAVID FRANKLIN BEAR.

No. 76.



MARY ANN (BRANDT) HOCH.

No. 84.



LEAH LOU BEAR.

No. 82.

- 139 ⁴LUCIAN CARPENTER SHELLABARGER,⁵ (David Sterrett Shellabarger,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Lucian Carpenter Shellabarger, fourth child of David Sterrett and Anna Elizabeth (Krone) Shellabarger, was born at Decatur, Ill., Jan. 31, 1868. He was married at Orange, N. J., Jan. 14, 1895, Dr. Anthony Schuyler and Dr. Alexander Mann, of the Episcopal Church, officiating, to Mabel Douglass Lord, who was born May 14, 1873, and is the daughter of Samuel and Mary Adele (Orton) Lord. They have two

CHILDREN.

(Born at Decatur, Ill.)

- 434 ¹Mary Douglass Shellabarger,⁶ b. Dec. 19, 1895.
435 ²Catherine Shellabarger,⁶ b. March 9, 1902.

Lucian Carpenter Shellabarger is a cereal miller, and like his brother, William Lincoln Shellabarger, is one of Decatur's successful business men. He is also very popular in social and club circles.

- 140 ⁵FRED DAVID SHELLABARGER,⁵ (David Sterrett Shellabarger,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Fred David Shellabarger, the fifth child of David Sterrett and Anna Elizabeth (Krone) Shellabarger, was born at Decatur, Ill., Jan. 22, 1870. He was married at Decatur, Ill., July 6, 1892, by Rev. H. H. Oneal, Methodist Episcopal minister, to Florence J. Pitts, who was born at Cerro Gordo, Ill., May 28, 1870, and is the daughter of William Lindley and Julia (Curtiss) Pitts. They have one

CHILD.

- 436 ¹Julia Curtiss Shellabarger,⁶ b. at Salina, Kans., Oct. 22, 1899.

Fred David Shellabarger is also in the milling business, being Secretary and Treasurer of the Shellabarger Mill & Elevator Co., at Salina, Kans., where he resides. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church, having united in 1901.

- 141 ⁶MARIE SHELLABARGER,⁵ (David Sterrett Shellabarger,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Marie Shellabarger, the sixth child of David Sterrett and Anna Elizabeth (Krone) Shellabarger, was born at Decatur, Ill., Jan. 24, 1872. She married Andrew S. Crowder and they have one

CHILD.

- 437 ¹Ann Elizabeth Crowder,⁶ b. Nov. 24, 1895.

They reside at Spokane, Wash.

- 142 ⁷GRACE SHELLABARGER,⁵ (David Sterrett Shellabarger,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Grace Shellabarger, seventh child of David Sterrett and Anna Elizabeth (Krone) Shellabarger, was born at Decatur, Ill., Aug. 3, 1873. Her marriage occurred at Decatur, Ill., Nov. 15, 1899, Rev. W. H. Musgrove, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, officiating, to James MacDongall Allen, who was born at Wilmington, Illinois, Jan. 28, 1873, and is the son of Robert L. and Adelaide (MacDongall) Allen. They have one

CHILD.

- 438 ¹Corinne Allen,⁶ b. at Decatur, Ill., April 1, 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen reside at Decatur, Ill., where Mr. Allen has a position as bookkeeper at the National Bank of Decatur.

- 143 ⁸CORRINE SHELLABARGER,⁵ (David Sterrett Shellabarger,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Corrine Shellabarger, the youngest child of David Sterrett and Anna Elizabeth (Krone) Shellabarger, was born at Decatur, Ill., July 12, 1875. She resides with her parents in their magnificent home at Decatur, Ill. She is a lady of culture and refinement and a graduate of Mt. Vernon Seminary. She has traveled extensively, having recently visited the Holy Lands. Miss Shellabarger is a member of Grace Methodist Church at Decatur, in the work of which church she has always taken an active part, particularly the Sunday-school and young people's society.

- 144 ¹CLARA SHELLABARGER,⁵ (Joseph Lindsey Shellabarger,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Clara Shellabarger, the oldest child of Joseph Lindsey and Mary Ann (Mitchell) Shellabarger, was born at Decatur, Ill., Aug. 6, 1868. She was married at Topeka, Kansas, Dec. 18, 1889, by Bishop W. X. Ninde, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to William Macferran, who was born at Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 6, 1861, and is the son of Samuel and Mary Elizabeth (Walker) Macferran. Three children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

(Born at Topeka, Kans.)

- 439 ¹Robert Shellabarger Macferran,⁸ b. May 14, 1892, d. Feb. 16, 1899.
 440 ²William Walker Macferran,⁶ b. Aug. 11, 1893.
 441 ³Kenneth Shellabarger Macferran,⁶ b. July 15, 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. Macferran reside at Topeka, Kans. Clara (Shellabarger) Macferran was raised a Methodist, but removed by letter to the Presbyterian Church when married.

- 145 ²JOSEPH MITCHELL SHELLABARGER,⁵ (Joseph Lindsey Shellabarger,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Joseph Mitchell Shellabarger, the second child of Joseph Lindsey and Mary Ann (Mitchell) Shellabarger, was born at Topeka, Kans., Sept. 22, 1871. He was married at New York City, Oct. 5, 1897, by Rev. Henry Cobb, of the Dutch Reformed Church, to Belle Van Hensen Davis, who was born at Denver, Colo., Sept. 9, 1874, and is the daughter of Myron and Isabella (Charles) Davis. They have one

CHILD.

- 442 ¹Katharine Belle Shellabarger,⁶ b. at New York City, Feb. 28, 1901.

Joseph Mitchell Shellabarger is a graduate of Princeton University and of the New York Law School. He is a member of the law firm of Hardy & Shellabarger, of 141 Broadway, New York City. He has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal

Church since 15 years of age. He resides at 514 West Seventh St., Plainfield, New Jersey.

- 147 ⁴FRANK LOUIS SHELLABARGER,⁵ (Joseph Lindsey Shellabarger,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Frank Louis Shellabarger, the fourth child of Joseph Lindsey and Mary Ann (Mitchell) Shellabarger, was born at Topeka, Kans., Aug. 18, 1878. He was married at Guthrie, Okla., Feb. 8, 1904, Rev. A. B. Nicholas, Protestant Episcopal minister, officiating, to Ruby Margaret Jones, who was born at Iola, Kansas, Aug. 10, 1878, and is the daughter of Albert Gallatin and Martha (Hart) Jones. They reside at Denver, Colo., where Mr. Shellabarger is assistant telegraph editor of the Denver "Post." Mr. Shellabarger is a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Topeka, Kansas, and is also a member of the Phi Gamma Delta, Greek letter fraternity.

- 150 ³JOSEPH EDGAR SHELLABARGER,⁵ (John Byerly Shellabarger,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Joseph Edgar Shellebarger, the third child of John Byerly and Anna E. (Mills) Shellabarger, was born at Decatur, Ill., April 2, 1878. He is a young business man of Decatur, Ill., being secretary and treasurer of the Mills Lumber Co.

- 151 ⁴IRENE ELIZABEH SHELLABARGER,⁵ (John Byerly Shellabarger,⁴ Catharine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Irene Elizabeth Shellabarger, the fourth child of John Byerly and Anna E. (Mills) Shellabarger, was born at Decatur, Ill., Feb. 7, 1881. She was married at the residence of her grandfather, Joseph Mills, at Decatur, Ill., Jan. 24, 1900, Rev. H. W. Ruffner, rector St. John's Episcopal Church, officiating, to Frank Dora Dole, Jr., of Chicago, Ill., and a son of Frank Dole, Sr. Mrs. Dole's married life was short, however, as she died at Oklahoma City, Okla., Sept. 27, 1900. Interment was made in Greenwood Cemetery, at Decatur, Ill. Frank Dora Dole is a highly cultured

gentleman, a graduate of Amherst College. He is a nephew of Ex-President Dole of the Hawaiian Islands.

- 152 ⁶EDITH KAYTHARIN SHELLABARGER,⁵ (John Byerly Shellabarger,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Edith Kaytharin Shellabarger, the fifth child of John Byerly and Anna E. (Mills) Shellabarger was born at Decatur, Ill., Jan. 23, 1885. She was married at the family residence, 746 N. Main St., Decatur, Ill., Dec. 29, 1903, Rev. C. R. Birnbach, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, officiating, to Gus Winfield, of Chicago, where they now reside. Mr. Winfield is a traveling man.

- 153 ¹ZORA AMELIA HARGIS,⁵ (Mary Agnes Hargis,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Zora Amelia Hargis, oldest child of George Franklin and Mary Agnes (Shellabarger) Hargis, was born at Decatur, Ill., Oct. 17, 1869. She was married at National City, Calif., Nov. 14, 1895, Rev. John Verity, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, officiating, to Walter Graeser Eisenmayer, who was born at Summerfield, St. Clair county, Illinois, July 17, 1868, and is the son of Nicholas Phillip and Mary Ann (Graeser) Eisenmayer. They have two

CHILDREN.

(Born at Los Angeles, Calif.)

- 443 ¹Corinne Eisenmayer,⁶ b. Oct. 26, 1898.

- 444 ²Zora Agnes Eisenmayer,⁶ b. May 24, 1901.

Zora Amelia (Hargis) Eisenmayer is a member of the Congregational Church. They reside at Los Angeles, California.

- 155 ³LULU ANNA HARGIS,⁵ (Mary Agnes Hargis,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Lulu Anna Hargis, the third child of George Franklin and Mary Agnes (Shellabarger) Hargis, was born at Decatur, Ill., June 22, 1871. Her marriage occurred at Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 9, 1898, Rev. R. S. Cautine, of the Methodist Episcopal

Church, officiating, to Benjamin Longenecker Bear, who was born at Plainfield, Cumberland county, Pa., July 3, 1853, and is the son of John Wesley and Mary (Longenecker) Bear. They have one

CHILD.

- 445 ¹Benjamin Longenecker Bear, Jr.,⁶ b. at Phoenix Ariz., Nov. 15, 1901.

Although Benjamin Longenecker Bear is of a Cumberland county, Pa. family, from which county the stock of Bears of this history sprang, yet the two families do not seem to be connected. Mr. Bear is in the drug business. Was formerly at Phoenix, Arizona, but in Feb., 1905, he sold out and removed to Ocean Park, Calif., where they now reside. Lulu Anna (Hargis) Bear united with the Methodist Episcopal Church at Wellington, Kansas, in 1884.

- 157 ¹KATHARINE JULIA BLACK,⁵ (Catherine Black,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Katharine Julia Black, the oldest child of John and Catherine (Shellabarger) Black, was born at Springfield, Illinois, Sept. 2, 1879. She was married at New York City, June 12, 1900, by Rev. James Henry Houghton, Episcopal clergyman, to James Henry Watson, Jr., who was born at Holly Springs, Miss., July 5, 1874, and is the son of James Henry and Annah (Robinson) Watson.

- 161 ¹BRICE PATTERSON STERRETT,⁵ (Thomas Chambers Sterrett,⁴ Mary Ann Sterrett,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Brice Patterson Sterrett, the oldest child of Thomas Chambers and Anna Eliza (Kaufman) Sterrett, was born in Illini township, Macon county, Illinois, Dec. 16, 1860. He was married at Albany, Shackelford county, Texas, April 14, 1886, by Rev. John Wallace, Methodist Episcopal minister, to Laura Jane Rockwell, who was born near Greencastle, Indiana, March 16, 1861, and is the daughter of Henry Martin and Mary (Cantwell) Rockwell. They have four

CHILDREN.

- 446 ¹Belle Graham Sterrett,⁶ b. at Albany, Texas, Aug. 24, 1888.
- 447 ²Frederick Rockwell Sterrett,⁶ b. at Gainesville, Texas, Nov. 25, 1891.
- 448 ³Innis Brice Sterrett,⁶ b. at Lincoln, Mo., April 14, 1895.
- 449 ⁴James Uri Floyd Sterrett,⁶ b. at Lincoln, Mo., Jan. 26, 1897, d. at Lincoln, Mo., Jan. 8, 1899, interred Maple Grove Cemetery.

Brice Patterson Sterrett, with his brother Innis Thomas Sterrett, is in the general merchandise business at Stowell, Texas, but is by profession a pharmacist. At different times he has been a "cow-boy," a pharmacist, furniture dealer, undertaker, and now a general merchant. He has for many years been a Knight of the Maccabees and a member of the Fraternal Mystic Circle.

- 162 ²REBECCA JANE STERRETT,⁵ (Thomas Chambers Sterrett,⁴ Mary Ann Sterrett,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Rebecca Jane Sterrett, the second child of Thomas Chambers and Anna Eliza (Kaufman) Sterrett, was born near Decatur, Ill., Feb. 9, 1862. On Feb. 12, 1890, at Abilene, Texas, she was united in marriage by Rev. John Wallace, presiding elder of the Methodist Episcopal Church, with Frederick William Schwettmann, who was born at St. Louis, Mo., July 25, 1856, and is the son of William Herman Frederick Gottlieb and Wilhemina (Meyer) Schwettmann.

Mr. and Mrs. Schwettmann reside at Lincoln, Mo., and have no children. He was for 10 years a merchant, and then sold his business and invested in rice land and canal property in Texas.

- 164 ⁴FRANK KAUFMAN STERRETT,⁵ (Thomas Chambers Sterrett,⁴ Mary Ann Sterrett,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Frank Kaufman Sterrett, the fourth child of Thomas Chambers and Anna Eliza (Kaufman) Sterrett, was born near Decatur, Illinois, April 24, 1865. He was married at Albany, Texas, April 24, 1888, Rev. John A. Wallace, Methodist Episcopal minister, officiating, to Roberta Graham, who was born near

Louisville, Ky., Aug. 25, 1867, and is the daughter of Robert W. and Elizabeth (Mooreman) Graham. Five children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 450 ¹Mildred Sterrett,⁶ b. May 28, 1891, d. Feb. 2, 1899.
 451 ²Graenn Sterrett,⁶ b. Jan. 3, 1893.
 452 ³Marguerite Sterrett,⁶ b. June 22, 1896, d. April 14, 1897.
 453 ⁴Madge Sterrett,⁶ b. Dec. 10, 1897, d. June 25, 1898.
 454 ⁵Sam Sterrett,⁶ b. Oct. 26, 1899.

Children were all born at Abilene, Texas, excepting the second child, which was born at Baird, Texas. The deceased children were all interred at Abilene, Texas.

Frank Kaufman Sterrett is widely known in his section of the State of Texas. He has always been in the stock business. His home is at Albany, Texas, where he is in the drug business, and also owns a cotton gin. He has recently been appointed postmaster at Albany. Mr. Sterrett and his wife both are widely known as shooters. Mrs. Sterrett is regarded as one of the best lady shots in the world. Mr. Sterrett has twice been elected president of the Texas State Sportsman's Association.

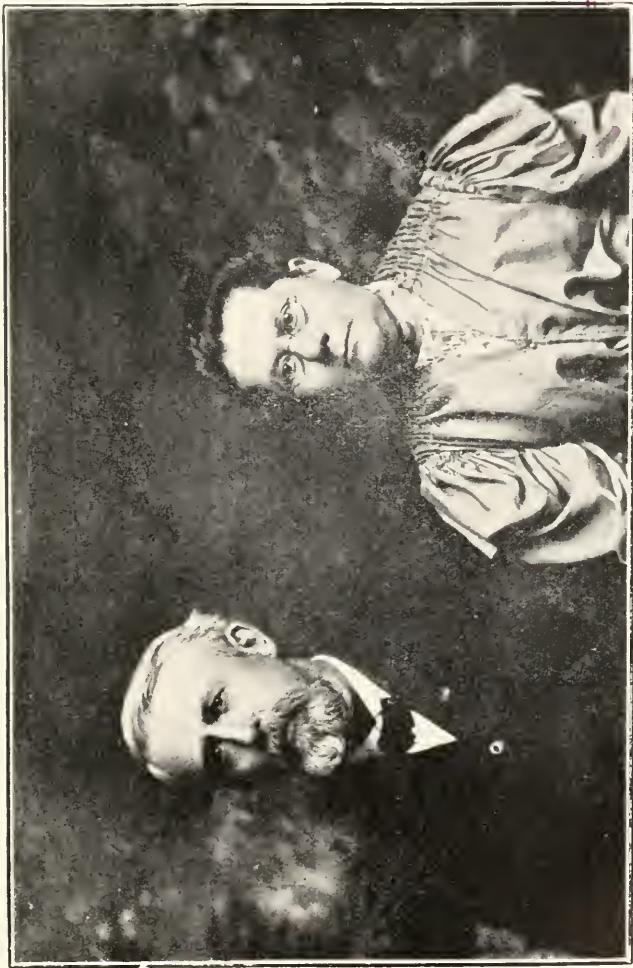
- 166 ⁶MINNIE MAY STERRETT,⁵ (Thomas Chambers Sterrett,⁴ Mary Ann Sterrett,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Minnie May Sterrett, the sixth child of Thomas Chambers and Anna Eliza (Kaufman) Sterrett, was born near Decatur, Illinois, Sept. 8, 1870. She was married at Abilene, Texas, Oct. 22, 1891, by Rev. C. R. Dudley, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, to Hunter Bell Stiles, who was born Oct. 16, 1861, and is the son of William and Margaret Lyford (Dickehut) Stiles. They have one

CHILD.

- 455 ¹Wendel Arthur Stiles,⁶ b. at Gainesville, Texas, Sept. 30, 1899.

Minnie May (Sterrett) Stiles is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Her husband, Hunter Bell Stiles, is a physician, and they reside at Waco, Texas.



JEREMIAH CLAY and wife, CATHERINE ANN ELIZABETH (BEAR) CLAY

No. 109.





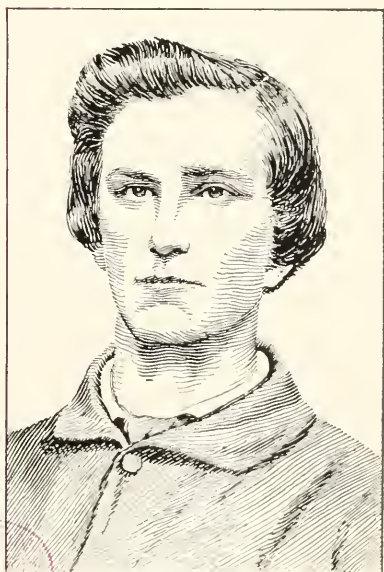
JACOB KNISLEY.
No. 51.



JOHN M. BEAR.
No. 64.



JOSIAH THUMA.
No. 97.



ANDREW HIRUM BEAR.
No. 107.

All killed or died in the Union Army during Civil War.

- 167 ¹INNIS THOMAS STERRETT,⁵ (Thomas Chambers Sterrett,⁴ Mary Ann Sterrett,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Innis Thomas Sterrett, the seventh child of Thomas Chambers and Anna Eliza (Kaufman) Sterrett, was born near Decatur, Illinois, April 1, 1875. He was married at Stowell, Texas, Feb. 5, 1902, by Rev. Olmsted, Presbyterian minister, to Clyde Doris Windsor, who was born near Sedalia, Missouri, May 16, 1876, and is the daughter of Lewis Hutson and Anna (Scott) Windsor.

Innis Thomas Sterrett is associated with his brother, Brice Patterson Sterrett, in the general merchandise business at Stowell, Texas.

- 168 ¹MARY ANN STERRETT,⁵ (John Melanchton Sterrett,⁴ Mary Ann Sterrett,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary Ann Sterrett, the oldest child of John Melanchton and Lucy Virginia (Walter) Sterrett, was born at Taylorville, Illinois, Nov. 26, 1882. She was twice married. Her first marriage was to William Abner Brintlinger, who was born April 8, 1879, and was the son of Daniel and Stella Margaret (Gasaway) Brintlinger. William Abner Brintlinger died Sept. 29, 1897, and was buried in Greenwood Cemetery, near Decatur, Ill. One child was born to this union.

CHILD.

- 456 ¹Abner William Brintlinger,⁶ b. March 19, 1898, at Decatur, Ill.

Abner William Brintlinger met with a shocking death at Oklahoma, March 21, 1905. He was on his way to school when he was struck by an automobile. He was an exceptionally bright child, and his untimely death was greatly deplored. Resolutions of respect were passed by the members of the First Presbyterian Sunday-school of which he had been a member.

Mary Ann (Sterrett) Brintlinger was married the second time at Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 25, 1901, by Judge James Gibson, to James Dexter Hunter, who was born near Assumption, Ill., Jan. 9, 1875, and is the son of John and Sarah Ann (Hagar) Hunter. One child was born to this union.

CHILD.

457 ²Wayne D. Hunter,⁶ b. Sept. 26, 1904, at Alva, Okla.

James Dexter Hunter is city clerk at Alva, Okla., where he is in the grain, lumber and coal business. He is a member of the A. F. & A. M., Knights of Pythias, Modern Woodmen, and the Hoo Hoo order of lumbermen. Mrs. Hunter is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, the Eastern Star and the Rathbone Sisters.

171 ¹MARY CLINE STERRETT,⁵ (Brice Innis Sterrett,⁴ Mary Ann Sterrett,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary Cline Sterrett, the only child of Brice Innis and Clarissa (Cline) Sterrett, was born at Decatur, Illinois, August 6, 1880. She resides with her mother in their comfortable home on West Prairie avenue, Decatur, Ill. She graduated from the Decatur High School in the class of 1897, and from the State Normal in 1899. She is now a teacher in the Decatur public schools. She is a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Decatur and a very estimable young lady.

173 ¹CHARLES ALBERT KNISLEY LAVERTY,⁵ (Mary Ann Laverty,⁴ Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Charles Albert Knisley Laverty, the oldest child of Daniel Alexander Lawson and Mary Ann (Knisley) Laverty, was born at Shippensburg, Cumberland county, Pa., March 11, 1850. He was married at Duncannon, Perry county, Pa., Nov. 7, 1881, his father, Rev. D. A. L. Laverty, minister of Church of God, officiating, to Mary Frances Hess, who was born at Safe Harbor, Lancaster county, Pa., Feb. 22, 1857, and is the daughter of Abram and Malinda Ann (Kolp) Hess. But one child was born to their union.

CHILD.

458 ¹Fannie Hess Laverty,⁶ b. at Harrisburg, Pa., March 3, 1888, died March 4, 1888.

Charles Albert Knisley Laverty died May 15, 1902. The following was published in *The Church Advocate*, at the time of his death:

Charles K. Laverty was the eldest of ten children of the

departed Elder D. A. L. Laverty, one of the most prominent and successful ministers of the East Pennsylvania Eldership in his day.

The subject of this notice was born in Shippensburg, Pa., March 11, 1850. Early in life, when his father was pastor of the church in Philadelphia, Charlie was converted and baptized. In 1875, while Elder Carlton Price was pastor of the Fourth Street Church of God, Harrisburg, Pa., Brother Laverty became identified with the church. During all his subsequent years he was an honored, devoted, faithful member, and for some years an officer in the church, until he was called to join the church triumphant.

In early youth he was thrown upon his own resources. He began his profession career in his uncle Theodore Laverty's drug store, in Middletown, Pa. Later he applied himself assiduously to his work under the direction of Dr. Miller, of Harrisburg, Pa. He continued his close application to study and work until he reached the desired goal, a first class pharmacist.

[In 1896, he purchased a drug store in Duncannon, Pa., which he successfully conducted, subsequently moving to Harrisburg, where for several years previous to his death he laid the foundations of a prosperous drug trade.]

On November 7, 1881, Brother Laverty publicly plighted his troth with Mary Frances Hess, his father performing the sacred rite. This proved to be one of the wisest steps of his life, as all their subsequent days were radiant with peace, harmony and the love that never faileth.

Charlie was a good boy, and a good man. His likeness to his Master, his deep sincerity and simplicity of heart, his frankness and generosity of nature, his tenderness and solicitation for others, his spirit of meekness and unselfishness made him a man singularly attractive and lovable to all with whom he came in contact.

"What wonder he left us for heaven?

The dear Lord had need of him there;

His soul had attained its full stature,

Pure, noble and wondrously fair;

And Jesus took him."

His devoted companion, aged mother, five sisters, two brothers and a host of friends are left to mourn his departure. May they all lean on the strong arm of him who is an unfailling source of help in every time of need, and whose grace is sufficient for all things, in all circumstances.

"In realms of light and endless day;

With sorrow's tears all wiped away;

From care set free, all heart-aches gone—
We'll meet again our loved, our own."

Funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. P. H. Hershey, assisted by Father Price, Dr. Stein and Dr. C. H. Forney.

- 175** ³ALICE LINDA LAVERTY,⁵ (Mary Ann Laverty,⁴ Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Alice Linda Laverty, the third child of Daniel Alexander Lawson and Mary Ann (Knisley) Laverty, was born near Orrs-town, Pa., Aug. 2, 1853. She is unmarried and resides at Harrisburg, Pa.

- 177** ⁵WILLIAM ARTHUR LAVERTY,⁵ (Mary Ann Laverty,⁴ Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

William Arthur Laverty, the fifth child of Daniel Alexander Lawson and Mary Ann (Knisley) Laverty, was born at Shippensburg, Cumberland county, Pa., March 7, 1858. He was married at Mechanicsburg, Pa., Oct. 10, 1889, Rev. Geo. Sigler, D. D., of the Church of God, officiating, to Sue Belle Swartz, who was born at Mechanicsburg, Pa., Sept. 23, 1864, and is the daughter of Jacob and Mary Ann (Wolf) Swartz. They have four

CHILDREN.

- 459** ¹Lawson Swartz Laverty,⁶ b. at 413 Briggs St., Harrisburg, Pa., July 4, 1891.
460 ²Howard Jacob Laverty,⁶ b. at 404 Foster St., Harrisburg, Pa., March 27, 1893.
461 ³Mary Ann Laverty,⁶ b. at 122 Locust St., Harrisburg, Pa., Nov. 25, 1895.
462 ⁴Ruth Laverty,⁶ b. at 122 Locust St., Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 28, 1897.

Sue Swartz graduated from the Mechanicsburg, Pa., High School, and was before marriage a very busy music teacher at home and in Harrisburg. She enjoyed quite a local reputation as an accomplished pianist and organist. Her musical education was acquired of local professors and finished at the Boston Conservatory of Music under Julius Eichberg. At one time she was pianist of the Thursday Club, a popular musical organization which flourished in Harrisburg in the eighties. She has at times given successful public concerts and song recitals under her per-

sonal direction, and still clings to her first love, and has much of her time engaged outside of her family cares with an interesting music class.

William Arthur Laverty has for several years been general manager of the Central Printing & Publishing House of the Churches of God, publishers of all the periodicals and general supplies of that denomination, with offices at 329 Market St., Harrisburg, Pa. As is shown elsewhere in this work, his father was an able and well known minister of the Church of God, and William Arthur, the son, devotes his time also to the work of that church, although in a different capacity.

At the age of seventeen years, William Arthur Laverty apprenticed himself to learn the printer's art with Jacob Hoffer, publisher of the *Mount Joy (Pa.) Herald*, his father at the time serving as pastor of the Church of God at Mount Joy. The father being appointed to the Lancaster, Pa., church in 1876, William finished his trade with the Inquirer Publishing Co.

In the Spring of 1880, with his grandmother, Leah (Bear) Brandt, he visited friends and relatives in and around Decatur. He also visited friends in Ida Grove, Ia., during the Summer months, returning to Decatur to become foreman of the *Decatur Review*, then edited by S. S. Jack. He worked on the *Review* until the following Spring, when in a response to an offer from Lancaster, Pa., he returned there to take charge of a music store for S. J. Owens.

He remained with Mr. Owens for about a year, and then engaged himself with a tobacco firm as their Chicago Agent. This business not being congenial to his tastes, he re-engaged with Mr. Owens in Lancaster, taking charge of a flourishing grocery business. The property in which this business was located being subsequently sold, he again engaged in the music business, selling pianos and organs for several years.

In January, 1889, he was elected Superintendent of the Publishing House and Book Room of the Church of God, and as the business was enlarged from time to time, and a printing plant added, his office was known as General Manager of the Printing and Publishing House of the Churches of God.

While he was manager of all the Sunday-school publications, in 1896 he was elected to the editorship of the *Sunday-School Gem*, the official Sunday-school organ of the churches of God, which position he yet holds. At this writing he has been with the publishing house over seventeen years.

He has always taken an active part in church and Sunday-school affairs, holding various offices. He has been organist in church and Sunday-school, with little interruption since 1876.

- 178** ⁶IDA MARY LAVERTY,⁵ (Mary Ann Laverty,⁴ Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Ida Mary Laverty, the sixth child of Daniel Alexander Lawson and Mary Ann (Knisley) Laverty, was born at Shippensburg, Pa., March 16, 1860. On June 14, 1902, at Harrisburg, Pa., she was united in marriage by Rev. J. Emery Weeks, pastor of Methodist Episcopal Church of Hanover, Pa., with Thomas Albert Dutton, who was born at Manchester, England, Feb. 26, 1859, and is the son of James and Mary (Johnson) Dutton.

Prof. Thomas Albert Dutton is a teacher of music, is a pianist, organist and vocalist. He studied under several prominent teachers at his home in Manchester, England, and completed his studies at the Royal Academy of Music, London. He came to this country in 1883, and since that time has held several positions as organist, namely: St. Joseph's R. C. Church, Beverly, N. J.; First Lutheran Church, Carlisle, Pa.; Pine Street Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg, Pa.; the Methodist Episcopal Church, of Middletown, Pa., where he was organist for twelve years, resigning to accept a similar position at Epworth M. E. Church at Harrisburg, Pa. in 1904, which position he now holds.

Mrs. Dutton was formerly a member of Fourth Street Church of God at Harrisburg, Pa., but since her marriage has united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which church her husband is a member. They reside at Harrisburg, Pa.

- 179** ⁷ELLA KATHARINE LAVERTY,⁵ (Mary Ann Laverty,⁴ Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Ella Katharine Laverty, the seventh child of Daniel Alexander Lawson and Mary Ann (Knisley) Laverty, was born at Middletown, Pa., March 22, 1862. She is unmarried and resides at Harrisburg, Pa.

- 180** ⁸MYRA ALBERTA LAVERTY,⁵ (Mary Ann Laverty,⁴ Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Myra Alberta Laverty, the eighth child of Daniel Alexander Lawson and Mary Ann (Knisley) Laverty, was born at Harrisburg, Pa., April 17, 1865. She was married at Lancaster, Pa., by Rev. Geo. W. Seilhamer, of the Church of God, to Edward Andrew Eckert, who was born near Providence, Lancaster county, Pa., Sept. 19, 1861, and is the son of Rev. John Varns and Elmira (Zook) Eckert. Rev. John Varns Eckert was a minister of the

Lutheran Church, was born Apr. 24, 1824, and died Aug. 30, 1896. Five children were born to Edward Andrew and Myra Alberta (Laverty) Eckert.

CHILDREN.

- 463** ¹Guy Laverty Eckert,⁶ b. at Lancaster, Pa., June 6, 1885.
464 ²Grace Alberta Eckert,⁶ b. at Lancaster, Pa., July 8, 1887.
465 ³Daniel Laverty Eckert,⁶ b. at Lancaster, Pa., May 20, 1889.
466 ⁴Charles Edward Eckert,⁶ b. at Lancaster, Pa., May 8, 1891.
467 ⁵Harold Elwood Eckert,⁶ b. at Harrisburg, Pa., March 22, 1896.

Myra Alberta (Laverty) Eckert is an experienced nurse. She is identified with the Fourth Street Church of God, Harrisburg, Pa., in which city they reside.

- 181** ⁹ANNA LEAH LAVERTY,⁵ (Mary Ann Laverty,⁴ Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Anna Leah Laverty, the eighth child of Daniel Alexander Lawson and Mary Ann (Knisley) Laverty, was born at Philadelphia, Pa., June 30, 1867. She is a saleslady in the silk department of a large establishment at Harrisburg, Pa., in which city she resides. She is a member of Fourth Street Church of God of Harrisburg, and is unmarried.

- 182** ¹⁰RALPH LAVERTY,⁵ (Mary Ann Laverty,⁴ Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Ralph Laverty, the tenth and youngest child of Daniel Alexander Lawson and Mary Ann (Knisley) Laverty, was born at Mechanicsburg, Cumberland county, Pa., July 31, 1869. He was married March 27, 1902, at Harrisburg, Pa., Rev. Carlton Price, of the Church of God, officiating, to Effie C. Elliott, who was born near Lancaster, Pa., May 26, 1870, and is the daughter of Benjamin F. and Katharine (Kline) Elliott. They have one

CHILD.

- 467a** ¹Carlton Elliott Laverty,⁹ b. April 29, 1905.

Ralph Laverty is, by occupation, a printer and resides in Harrisburg, Pa.

- 183** ¹ELLA HAMSHER,⁵ (Catherine Hamsher,⁴ Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Ella Hamsher, the oldest child of John and Catherine (Knisley) Hamsher, was born at Decatur, Ill., Aug. 15, 1858. Her descendants are shown elsewhere in this book, as her husband, John Dickson Brandt is a member of the fourth generation of this genealogy (No. 91), being a son of David and Elizabeth (Bear) Brandt. They were married at Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 31, 1879, and six children were born to their union. The children are therefore members of both the fifth and six generations.

CHILDREN.

- 267** ¹Llwellyn David Brandt,⁶ b. Nov. 6, 1880.
268 ²Rebecca Reynolds Brandt,⁶ b. May 23, 1893, d. Feb. 9, 1886.
269 ³Minnie Hamsher Brandt,⁶ b. July 13, 1884, d. Aug. 15, 1886.
270 ⁴William Benjamin Brandt,⁶ b. Apr. 22, 1886.
271 ⁵John Raymond Brandt,⁶ b. Dec. 4, 1887, d. Oct. 7, 1888.
272 ⁶Joseph Arthur Brandt,⁶ b. March 20, 1889, d. Feb. 2, 1890.

Ella (Hamsher) Brandt died July 9, 1890, and her husband, John Dickson Brandt on Apr. 14, 1892. Both were buried in Spring Hill Cemetery near Shippensburg, Pa.

- 185** ³MINNIE HAMSHER,⁵ (Catherine Hamsher,⁴ Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Minnie Hamsher, the third child of John and Catherine (Knisley) Hamsher, was born at Decatur, Ill., Nov. 11, 1861. She was not a year old when her mother died and she was then taken by her grandmother, Leah (Bear) Knisley, of Orrstown, Pa. She continued to live with her grandmother and her uncle, Samuel Knisley, until the death of the former in 1895 and the latter in 1902, and is still living at the old homestead at Orrstown, Pa.



MARGARETTA (BEAR) LOCKHART.

No. 110.



ANGELINE (BEAR) DAVIS.

No. 115.





Upper row.—CHARLES MAYNARD SHIPMAN, No. 410, GEORGE HAMILTON SHIPMAN,
No. 411, HARRISON IRWIN SHIPMAN, No. 413.

Bottom row.—JAMES HAMILTON SHIPMAN, REBECCA AGNES (HOOVER) SHIP-
MAN, No. 123.

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- 187 ²MARIETTA TROUTMAN,⁵ (Elizabeth Ann Troutman,⁴ Jacob Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Marietta Troutman, the second child of Samuel and Elizabeth Ann (Bear) Troutman, was born near Bearsdale, Macon county, Illinois, October 2, 1868. She was married at Decatur, Illinois, June 28, 1893, by Rev. T. A. Parker, pastor First Methodist Episcopal Church, Decatur, to Andrew Jackson Conover, who was born near Harristown, Illinois, Dec. 22, 1864, and is the son of Albert Taylor and Adelia (Gouge) Conover. Two children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

- 468 ¹Frank Troutman Conover,⁶ b. at Decatur, Ill., Apr. 22, 1894, d. at Decatur, July 11, 1894, interred in Boiling Springs Cemetery, near Bearsdale.
469 ²Albert Taylor Conover,⁶ b. at Bearsdale, Ill., Oct. 21, 1897.

Mr. Conover has been postmaster at Bearsdale, Ill., for several years, where he also has a general store and is in the grain business.

- 188 ³FRANK SAMUEL TROUTMAN,⁵ (Elizabeth Ann Troutman,⁴ Jacob Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Frank Samuel Troutman, the third child of Samuel and Elizabeth Ann (Bear) Troutman, was born near Bearsdale, Ill., Jan. 26, 1873. He was married at Belle Plaine, Kansas, Jan. 24, 1900, by Rev. J. Barrow, to Lizzie Barner, who was born near Belle Plaine, Kans., June 8, 1876, and is the daughter of Michael and Martha Ann (Mohn) Barner. They have two

CHILDREN.

- 470 ¹Martha Evelyn Troutman,⁶ b. near Decatur, Ill., Nov. 18, 1901.
471 ²Franklin Bruce Troutman,⁶ b. at Bearsdale, Ill., Feb. 2, 1904.

Frank Samuel Troutman is a successful farmer, and lives at the old homestead near Bearsdale. He united with the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1887. He is of a quiet, unassuming disposition, and bears a reputation that is unblemished.

- 190** ²NORNA MARY POWDERS,⁵ (Martha Ellen Powders,⁴ Jacob Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Norna Mary Powders, the second child of David Leshner and Martha Ellen (Bear) Powders, was born at Orrstown, Pa., May 22, 1868. Her death occurred at Orrstown, where she had always lived, Jan. 22, 1898. Prior to her death she had taught school for eight terms, five successive terms in the school where she was last teaching. She was a true Christian young woman, held in high esteem by the people of her community, and her death at the time when life seemed the most promising was much deplored.

- 191** ³JOHN ARTHUR POWDERS,⁵ (Martha Ellen Powders,⁴ Jacob Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

John Arthur Powders, the third child of David Leshner and Martha Ellen (Bear) Powders, was born at Orrstown, Pa., Aug. 8, 1871. He was married at Harrisburg, Pa., Apr. 27, 1898, by Rev. A. R. Lambert, pastor of Ridge Av. Methodist Episcopal Church, to Alda Peyton Leedy, who was born at Harrisburg, Pa., Nov. 24, 1873, and is the daughter of John Wesley and Clara Peoria (May) Leedy.

John Arthur Powders has for several years been in the drug business in New York City.

- 193** ⁵ALVA CLARENCE POWDERS,⁵ (Martha Ellen Powders,⁴ Jacob Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Alva Clarence Powders, the fifth child of David Leshner and Martha Ellen (Bear) Powders, was born at Orrstown, Pa., Feb. 2, 1876. Like his brother, John Arthur, he is in the drug business in New York City.

- 196** ²LOUIS WINFIELD BEAR,⁵ (Albert Sandow,⁴ Jacob,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Louis Winfield Bear, the second child of Albert Sandow and Darliska Josephine (Coulter) Bear, was born in Macon county, Illinois, April 3, 1881. He was united in marriage at Decatur, Ill., Nov. 24, 1903, by Rev. Finley, to Georgia Eugenia

Drohn, who was born at Decatur, Ill., May 6, 1884, and is the daughter of John and Louie (Shephard) Drohn.

Louis Winfield Bear resides at Decatur, Ill., where he has a position as foreman of painters in the Wabash car shops.

199 ¹LOVETTA GRACE RANKIN,⁵ (Hulda Rankin,⁴ Jacob Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Lovetta Grace Rankin, the oldest child of James Ezra and Hulda (Bear) Rankin, was born near Cisco, Ill., Sept. 17, 1876. She was married near White Heath, Ill., April 8, 1897, Rev. Rodgers, of the Church of God, and Rev. Shaffer, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, officiating, to Joseph Sayers Patton, who was born near Covington, Ind., April 10, 1874, and is the son of Sayers Mathias and Alice Euphemia (Paugh) Patton. Four children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

472 ¹Pearle Patton,⁶ b. near Ivesdale, Ill., Feb. 24, 1898, d. Aug. 28, 1898, interred near Monticello, Ill.

473 ²Lulu May Patton,⁶ b. near Ivesdale, Ill., Aug. 24, 1899.

474 ³James Sayers Earle Patton,⁶ b. near Thomaston, Ind., Jan. 7, 1903.

475 ⁴Harold Joseph Patton,⁶ b. near Monticello, Ill., Jan. 30, 1906.

Mr. and Mrs. Patton reside on a farm near Monticello, Ill.

200 ²WILLIAM JACOB ROYAL RANKIN,⁵ (Hulda Rankin,⁴ Jacob Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

William Jacob Royal Rankin, the second child of James Ezra and Hulda (Bear) Rankin, was born near Cisco, Ill., May 17, 1880. He was married at Urbana, Illinois, Feb. 22, 1903, by Rev. Hunt, of the Presbyterian Church, to Bertha Mae Lockwood, who was born near Sidney, Ill., April 7, 1882, and is the daughter of David and Ellen (Woodard) Lockwood. They have one

CHILD.

476 ¹Lucile Ethel Rankin,⁶ b. May 6, 1905.

William Jacob Royal Rankin is a farmer and lives near White Heath, Ill. He is a member of the United Brethren

Church since Feb. 29, 1903, and is also a member of the Court of Honor. He spent two years in the agricultural college of the University of Illinois, and at the time of this notice has the distinction of being the only one in Piatt county, Illinois, holding a certificate as corn judge granted by the Illinois Corn Growers' Association.

201 ³NELLIE REBECCA RANKIN,⁵ (Hulda Rankin,⁴ Jacob Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Nellie Rebecca Rankin, the third child of James Ezra and Hulda (Bear) Rankin, was born near Cisco, Ill., Sept. 1, 1882. She was married in the United Brethren Church at White Heath, Ill., by the pastor, Rev. O. O. Inman, on June 17, 1903, to Brent Leigh Barker, M. D., who was born near Somerset, Ky., Dec. 15, 1871, and is the son of William Mason and Malinda (Sievers) Barker. Mr. and Mrs. Barker immediately after their marriage did the very commendable act of uniting with the church.

CHILD.

477 ¹Lois M. Barker,⁶ b. Aug. 20, 1905.

Dr. Barker acquired his elementary education in the public schools of Somerset, Ky., and later engaged in teaching for two years. He was then a student at National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, where he took a general course, and on leaving that institution taught school again for three years. While thus employed he took up the study of medicine, and in 1893 entered Louisville Medical School, from which he graduated March 25, 1897, with the degree of M. D. He was presented with a gold medal by the institution which he won in a competitive examination, and was also honored in the same way by the Pulaski county Oratorical Association. In 1898 he came to White, Heath, Ill., where he still resides. Although still a young man he is regarded as one of the leading practitioners in the county, as he has been remarkably successful in his chosen profession.

212 ¹GEORGE ANNA SHIREY,⁵ (Mary Jane Shirey,⁴ Samuel Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

George Anna Shirey, the oldest child of George Washington and Mary Jane (Bear) Shirey, was born near Decatur, Ill.,

July 26, 1862. She was married by Squire McCravey at Lovington, Ill., to Orange Johnson Behen, who was born in Franklin county, Ohio, July 29, 1855, and is the son of Stephen and Harriett (Caylor) Behen. Eleven children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

- 478 ¹Wilbor Marion Behen,⁶ b. May 24, 1881, m. Lydia Loretta Dixon.
 479 ²Harry Cecil Behen,⁶ b. July 14, 1883, m. Grace Gertrude Rhodes.
 480 ³Mary Harriett Behen,⁶ b. Feb. 11, 1885, m. Arthur Forrest Hoffman.
 481 ⁴Jesse Stephen Behen,⁶ b. Dec. 31, 1887, m. Effie Edith Dugan.
 482 ⁵George Clark Behen,⁶ b. March 7, 1890.
 483 ⁶Charles Byner Behen,⁶ b. Apr. 21, 1893.
 484 ⁷Infant,⁶ b. Apr. 22, 1896, d. Apr. 22, 1896, interred in Lovington Cemetery.
 485 ⁸Ernest Luther Behen,⁶ b. May 6, 1898.
 486 ⁹Clayton Cleo Behen,⁶ b. March 16, 1901.
 487 ¹⁰Helen Bernece Behen,⁶ b. July 19, 1903.
 488 ¹¹Hazel Irma Behen,⁶ b. Jan. 3, 1905.

All children born near Lovington, Ill., excepting Harry Cecil, Mary Harriett and Jesse Stephen, who were born near Ottawa, Kansas.

Orange Johnson Behen is a farmer. They lived near Ottawa, Kansas, for several years and then returned to Lovington, Ill., and now reside on a farm near that place. He is a member of the A. F. & A. M., I. O. O. F., and Modern Woodmen orders. George Anna (Shirey) Behen united with the Christian Church in 1881.

- 213 ²ALMEDA SHIREY,⁵ (Mary Jane Shirey,⁴ Samuel Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Almeda Shirey, the second child of George Washington and Mary Jane (Bear) Shirey, was born near Decatur, Illinois, July 7, 1864. She was married at Lovington, Ill., by Rev. W. R. Howard, minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to Oliver Otis Dawson, who was born near Decatur, Ill., March 4, 1865, and is the son of Thomas Wingate and Percilla (Weckly) Dawson. Five children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

(All born at or near Lovington, Ill.)

- 489 ¹Lillie Agnes Dawson,⁶ b. Sept. 21, 1886.
 490 ²Opal Nora Dawson,⁶ b. Jan. 22, 1889.
 491 ³Beulah Iris Dawson,⁶ b. July 7, 1890.
 492 ⁴Homer Austin Dawson,⁶ b. March 26, 1892, d. Nov. 11, 1896, interred in Lovington, or Hellar, Cemetery, near Lovington.
 493 ⁵Willis Otis Dawson,⁶ b. Apr. 9, 1897.

Oliver Otis Dawson is a farmer, and since their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Dawson have always lived in or near Lovington, Moultrie county, Illinois. Almeda (Shirey) Dawson united with the Christian Church in 1895. Their daughters are musical and are members of the Ladies' Band, a very popular musical organization of Lovington.

- 214 ³SAMUEL SHIREY,⁵ (Mary Jane Shirey,⁴ Samuel Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Samuel Shirey, the third child of George Washington and Mary Jane (Bear) Shirey, was born near Decatur, Illinois, Dec. 14, 1866. He was married near Lovington, Ill., Nov. 26, 1889, by Rev. M. C. Lacey, minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to Louisa Follmer, who was born near Dillsburg, Ind., Jan. 10, 1868, and is the daughter of Lewis and Mary () Follmer. They have five

CHILDREN.

- 494 ¹Floyd Otis Shirey,⁶ b. near Lovington, Ill., May 29, 1891.
 495 ²Ralph Oral Shirey,⁶ b. near Williamsburg, Ill., Sept. 3, 1892.
 496 ³Freda Irene Shirey,⁶ b. near Lovington, Ill., Aug. 2, 1897.
 497 ⁴Claud Homer Shirey,⁶ b. near Lake City, Ill., Feb. 22, 1900.
 498 ⁵Russell Jenning Shirey,⁶ b. near Allenville, Ill., Sept. 2, 1902.

Samuel Shirey owns his own farm near Allenville, Ill., and is doing well. He is of a quiet, unobtrusive disposition, industrious, and a good manager.

- 216** ⁵LEONORA MINNIE SHIREY,⁵ (Mary Jane Shirey,⁴ Samuel Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Leonora Minnie Shirey, the fifth child of George Washington and Mary Jane (Bear) Shirey, was born near Boody, Macon county, Illinois, June 8, 1871. She was married near Lovington, Ill., Jan. 15, 1890, by Rev. B. F. Thrasher, minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to William Jackson H. White, who was born near Mt. Auburn, Ill., Sept. 1, 1863, and is the son of William and Martha Ann (Myers) White. They have two

CHILDREN.

- 499** ¹Charley White,⁶ b. at Williamsburg, Ill., March 18, 1891.
500 ²Fleeta Beatrice White,⁶ b. near Conlogue, Ill., March 3, 1895.

William Jackson H. White, or J. H. White as he usually signs his name, is a farmer and stock raiser, and resides near Williamsburg, Ill. He is a member of the A. F. & A. M. and Modern Woodmen orders.

- 217** ⁶CHARLEY E. SHIREY,⁵ (Mary Jane Shirey,⁴ Samuel Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Charley E. Shirey (no middle name), the sixth child of George Washington and Mary Jane (Bear) Shirey, was born Oct. 1, 1873. His marriage occurred at Decatur, Ill., Feb. 14, 1894, William E. Nelson, County Judge, officiating, to Lydia Kaziah Springer, who was born near Richmondale, Ohio, Dec. 10, 1874, and is the daughter of Titus Tilden and Nannie Jane (Sinclair) Springer. They have two

CHILDREN.

(Born near Lake City, Moultrie county, Ill.)

- 501** ¹Jessie Springer Shirey,⁶ b. June 27, 1895.
502 ²Bryce Lee Shirey,⁶ b. Oct. 25, 1897.

Charley E. Shirey is a farmer and stock raiser and resides near Decatur, Illinois. Like his brother Samuel he has always devoted himself closely to his farm work, and as a result has met with merited success. In disposition, he is good-natured and straightforward.

- 218** ⁷HOMER C. SHIREY,⁵ (Mary Jane Shirey,⁴ Samuel Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Homer C. Shirey (no middle name), the seventh child of George Washington and Mary Jane (Bear) Shirey, was born in Lovington township, Moultrie county, Illinois, July 17, 1876. He was married at Sullivan, Illinois, May 23, 1900, by Rev. Geo. W. Turner, Presbyterian minister, to Elizabeth Cooper Chapman, who was born at Sullivan, Illinois, Oct. 13, 1875, and is the daughter of George Parsons and Sarah Ann (Fruit) Chapman.

Homer C. Shirey resides at Sullivan where he has been in the grocery business for several years. He is a graduate of the Sullivan High School, and is a member of the A. F. & A. M. and Knights of Pythias orders. He and his wife are also members of the Eastern Star. He has a personality which easily wins him friends. As an indication of the esteem in which he is held by the citizens of Sullivan he was elected city treasurer in 1905.

- 219** ⁸ALTA GERTRUDE SHIREY,⁵ (Mary Jane Shirey,⁴ Samuel Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Alta Gertrude Shirey, the eighth child of George Washington and Mary Jane (Bear) Shirey, was born near Lovington, Illinois, Jan. 1, 1879. She was married at Chicago, Illinois, March 12, 1902, by Rev. Nordyke, Christian minister, to William Elihu Barnard, who was born near Statesville, North Carolina, Oct. 28, 1873, and is the son of William Leander and Drucilla (Johnson) Barnard. They have one

CHILD.

- 503** ¹Lester Nocill Barnard,⁶ b. at Chicago, Ill., April 8, 1905.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnard reside at 1139 N. Lawndale Ave., Chicago, Illinois, where he has a position as shipping clerk. Mr. Barnard was an eye-witness of the burning of the Iriquois Theater in Chicago, Dec. 30, 1903, when 670 people lost their lives.

- 220** ¹WALTER SCOTT BEAR,⁵ (Alfred Wesley,⁴ Samuel,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Walter Scott Bear, the eldest son of Alfred Wesley and Laura (Wentworth) Bear, was born near Bearsdale, Illinois, Au-



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gust 5, 1876. He was married at Decatur, Illinois, Dec. 16, 1901, by Rev. J. W. Cranc, Methodist Episcopal minister, to Jessie Mae Lowe, who was born May 31, 1880, at Decatur, Illinois, and is the daughter of Isaac McKendree and Mary Jane (Harris) Lowe, both of whom are deceased. Her father served in the Union army during the Civil War, being a member of company C, 23d Ohio Vol. Inf., the same regiment of which the late President McKinley was a member and its major at the time it was mustered out of service. Walter Scott and Jessie Mae (Lowe) Bear have two

CHILDREN.

- 504 ¹Laura Jeannette Bear,⁶ b. at 2824 Russell Av., St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 21, 1902.
 505 ²Wyman Kendrick Bear,⁶ b. at 7473 Elm Av., Maplewood, Mo., March 13, 1906.

Walter Scott Bear first became a printer when about 16 years of age, at Bloomfield, Missouri. After having been at this employment for several months he took a full commercial course in bookkeeping and stenography at the Decatur (Illinois) Business University, and on returning to Bloomfield was with J. M. Cooper & Co., general merchants, for two years. He then purchased the Bloomfield Cosmos, the only Republican newspaper in Stoddard county. This paper he published for some time and in addition was deputy postmaster at Bloomfield. In December, 1897, he disposed of his newspaper and returned to Decatur, Illinois, where he accepted a position with the F. B. Tait Mfg. Co., farming implement dealers and manufacturers. Here he remained until Sept., 1900, when he came to St. Louis, where for more than five years he has held a responsible position with the Lesser-Goldman Cotton Co., buyers and exporters of cotton.

Walter Scott Bear united with the Methodist Episcopal Church at Bloomfield, Missouri, in April, 1894. His wife also has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church since that year, having united at Decatur, Ill. They are charter members of the First Methodist Episcopal Church at Maplewood, a suburb of St. Louis, where they reside. Mr. Bear has also been Sunday School superintendent of this Church for several years, as well as secretary of the board of trustees. Being of a patriotic nature, he is a member of the Sons of Veterans and Sons of the American Revolution. He is also a member of the Knights of Pythias.

- 226** ¹OTTO BRADEN BEAR,⁵ (William Line,⁴ Samuel,³ Ephraim² Jacob,¹)

Otto Braden Bear, the oldest child of William Line and Flora Agnes (Braden) Bear, was born near Maroa, Macon county, Illinois, Jan. 11, 1877. He was married in the Christian Church at Springfield, Illinois, Aug. 29, 1903, by the pastor, Rev. Chas. Clayton, to Maud May Keller, who was born at Jacksonville, Illinois, Jan. 10, 1882, and is the daughter of Daniel Jordan and Florence (Dadisman) Keller.

Otto Braden Bear for some time prior to his marriage traveled for a grocery house, but now resides at Jacksonville, Ill., where he is in charge of a branch store of the Grand Union Tea Co.

- 227** ²WILLIAM LENARD BEAR,⁵ (William Line,⁴ Samuel,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

William Lenard Bear, the second child of William Line and Flora Agnes (Braden) Bear, was born near Bearsdale, Macon county, Illinois, Feb. 27, 1879. He was married at Decatur, Illinois, Feb. 6, 1901, by Rev. J. A. Beltz, minister of the Church of God, to Bessie Ella Diss, who was born near Alma, Illinois, May 1, 1880. Three children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

- 506** ¹Laura Flora Bear,⁶ b. at Webster City, Iowa, March 28, 1903.
- 507** ²Fay LaGeene Bear,⁶ b. near Bearsdale, Ill., March 7, 1904, d. May 3, 1904, interred at Boiling Springs Cemetery.
- 508** ³Bruce Lenard Bear,⁶ b. near Bearsdale, Ill., Aug. 4, 1905, d. Aug. 12, 1905, interred at Boiling Springs Cemetery.

William Lenard Bear is a farmer. Soon after his marriage he removed to Webster City, Iowa, where they lived for a short time and then returned to Macon county, Ill., and now reside on a farm near Bearsdale. He is a young man of steady and industrious habits.

- 228** ³MYRTLE ALZINA BEAR,⁵ (William Line,⁴ Samuel,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Myrtle Alzina Bear, the third child of William Line and Flora Agnes (Braden) Bear, was born near Bearsdale, Macon county, Illinois, June 29, 1881. She was married near Bearsdale, Macon county, Illinois, Feb. 10, 1904, by Rev. R. S. Richmond, Church of God minister, to William Erle Dillinger, who was born in Macon county, Illinois, July 14, 1881, and is the son of Aaron J. and Mary Louise (Spencer) Dillinger. They had one

CHILD.

- 509** ¹Floyd Wilson Dillinger,⁶ b. Dec. 17, 1904, d. Feb. 24, 1905, interred in Boiling Springs Cemetery.

Myrtle Alzina (Bear) Dillinger is a member of the Church of God at Boiling Springs, near Bearsdale. William Erle Dillinger is a farmer and they reside near Emery, Illinois.

- 231** ¹ERNEST RUBY BEAR,⁵ (Samuel Ephraim,⁴ Samuel,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Ernest Ruby Bear, the oldest child of Samuel Ephraim and Minerva Jane (Cox) Bear, was born near Bearsdale, Macon county, Illinois, Dec. 24, 1881. He was married at Urbana, Illinois, by Rev. Findley, Presbyterian minister, on July 14, 1905, to Belma Mary Davis, who was born at Mt. Zion, Illinois, Oct. 18, 1881, and is the daughter of Joseph Edgar and Martha Allen (Bell) Davis.

Ernest Ruby Bear is by profession a civil engineer. He graduated from the Decatur, Illinois, High School in the class of '99, and then attended the Illinois State University at Champaign, from which he graduated in the class of '03. He then accepted a position in Chicago where he remained for some time but is now associated with his father in business at Welch, Ind. Ty., the style of the firm being S. E. Bear & Son, dealers in grain and mill products. He is of a quiet, reserved disposition, and has been a diligent student. He is a member of the Tau Beta Pi fraternity.

- 238 ³ARTHUR LINN BEAR,⁵ (Samuel Ephraim,⁴ Samuel,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Arthur Linn Bear, the third son of Samuel Ephraim and Minerva Jane (Cox) Bear, was born near Bearsdale, Macon county, Illinois, Feb. 20, 1886.

He graduated from the Decatur, Illinois, High School in the class of '02, and is now in his Junior year at the Illinois State University at Champaign.

- 238 ¹BERING ERLE BRADEN,⁵ (Mary Elizabeth Braden,⁴ Ephraim Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Bering Erle Braden, the oldest child of John Edwin and Mary Elizabeth (Bear) Braden, was born at Harristown, Illinois, Oct. 13, 1876. His marriage occurred at Jennings, La., Dec. 15, 1903, Rev. George Van Pelt, of the Christian Church, officiating, to Ora Hall, who was born at Letts, Iowa, Aug. 24, 1881, and is the daughter of Dr. Edward Isaac and Sarah (Estle) Hall.

Bering Erle Braden graduated from the Decatur, Illinois, High School in the class of '95. He then attended the State Normal during the term of 1897, and part of the term of 1898. The latter half of the term of 1898 he attended the State University at Champaign, Illinois. He then taught school several terms, and in August, 1901, came to Louisiana, and since then has been engaged in rice farming near Lake Arthur that State. He united with Boiling Springs Church of God, near Bearsdale, Illinois, in 1884.

CHILD.

- 510 ¹Lois Adele Braden,⁶ b. near Lake Arthur, La., Sept. 20, 1905.

- 239 ²CARLE EDDISON BRADEN,⁵ (Mary Elizabeth Braden,⁴ Ephraim Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Carle Eddison Braden, the second child of John Edwin and Mary Elizabeth (Bear) Braden, was born at Niantic, Illinois, May 20, 1883. On Sept. 4, 1904, at Lake Arthur, La., he was united in marriage with Estella Alice Reynolds, who was born at Waterloo,

Nebr., April 28, 1885, and is the daughter of Stephen Henry and Lydia Anna (Sult) Reynolds.

Carle Eddison Braden graduated from the Decatur, Illinois, High School in the class of 1900. He then read law in the office of Outten & Roby, Decatur, during part of the year of 1901. He came to Louisiana early in the year 1902, and attended the Tuland University during part of the year 1903. He is now engaged in rice farming near Lake Arthur, La.

240 ¹ETTA MYRTLE BEAR,⁵ (David Franklin,⁴ Ephraim,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Etta Myrtle Bear, the oldest child of David Franklin and Martha Ellen (Metlen) Bear, was born near Bearsdale, Macon county, Illinois, Sept. 20, 1877. She was married at her father's home near Warrensburg, Illinois, March 21, 1900, by Rev. Miller, Congregational minister, to Walter Ralph Braden, son of Samuel Glass and Margerett Annie (Armstrong) Braden.

Etta Myrtle Bear prior to her marriage attended the State Normal of Illinois for some time and then taught school for several terms in Macon county. Almost immediately after her marriage her health began to fail and July 26, 1900, death claimed her. Rev. Miller, the minister who officiated at her mairriage, conducted the funeral service and she was buried in Boiling Springs Cemetery. Six cousins acted as pall-bearers. Etta Myrtle (Bear) Braden, was of a bright, sunny disposition, loved by all her acquaintances.

(Walter Ralph Braden is of a different stock of Bradens than the family of that name whose connection with the Bear family has already been mentioned.)

242 ³RALPH FRANKLIN BEAR,⁵ (David Franklin,⁴ Ephraim,³ Ephraim,² Jacob,¹)

Ralph Franklin Bear, the third child of David Franklin Bear, and first by his marriage to Agnes Housman, was born near Bearsdale, Macon county, Illinois, April 30, 1887. He was married at Decatur, Illinois, May 10, 1905, by Rev. William J. Davidson, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Decatur,

to Ruby May Hughes, who was born May 19, 1886, and is the daughter of William and Rowena (Davis) Hughes.

Ralph Franklin Bear resides at Decatur, Ill., where he is the proprietor of a cigar, candy and news store.

243 ¹LEWIS EDWARD BEAR,⁵ (John Newton,⁴ Ephraim,³ Ephraim,³ Jacob,¹)

Lewis Edward Bear, the oldest child of John Newton and Mary (Lewis) Bear, was born near Bearsdale, Ill., June 25, 1884. He was married Dec. 28, 1905, by Rev. Davidson, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Decatur, to Edna Elizabeth Brett, who was born near Decatur, Ill., Oct. 19, 1884, and is the daughter of David Elliot and Addie (Rife) Brett. Lewis Edward Bear is a farmer and resides near Bearsdale, Ill.

248 ¹LIZZIE JANE HOCH,⁵ (Mary Ann Hoch,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Lizzie Jane Hoch, the oldest child of William and Mary Ann (Brandt) Hoch, was born near Shippensburg, Pa., Aug. 12, 1855. She was married at the family homestead by Rev. Ayers, United Brethren minister, to Samuel Harry Gible, who was born in Penn township, Cumberland county, Pa., Jan. 11, 1859, and is the son of Solomon and Catherine Gible.

Lizzie Jane (Hoch) Gible died Apr. 21, 1892, and was interred in Spring Hill Cemetery, near Shippensburg. The following is taken from a local paper at the time of her death:

"On Thursday morning, Apr. 21st, Mrs. Samuel H. Gible was suddenly called away, having but slightly complained the day before and passing the night previous to her death comfortably. There being no apprehension felt on the part of her husband and friends of any serious illness, her death was all the more surprising. Mrs. Gible was a most estimable woman, and, with her husband, lived on their farm about four miles east of Shippensburg. She was a daughter of William Hoch who died suddenly about 5 years ago. She was an acceptable member of Messiah U. B. Church. The funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. A. R. Ayres, and her body was laid to rest in Spring Hill Cemetery."

- 249** ²EMMA CLARISA HOCH,⁵ (Mary Ann Hoch,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Emma Clarisa Hoch, the second child of William and Mary Ann (Brandt) Hoch, was born three miles east of Shippensburg, Pa., June 4, 1857. Her marriage occurred Nov. 14, 1889, Rev. Houseman, of the United Brethren Church, officiating, to George Washington Coffey, who was born at Dry Run, Franklin county, Pa., and is the son of James and Margaret Belle (Steel) Coffey. They have one

CHILD.

- 511** ¹Mary Belle Coffey,⁶ b. at Dry Run, Pa., July 29, 1891.

George Washington Coffey formerly owned a farm in Path Valley but sold and bought a home in Shippensburg, Pa., where they now live. They are members of the United Brethren Church.

- 250** ³AQUILLA BRANDT HOCH,⁵ (Mary Ann Hoch,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Aquilla Brandt Hoch, the third child of William and Mary Ann (Brandt) Hoch, was born near Shippensburg, Cumberland county, Pa., Oct. 27, 1859. He was married at Newville, Pa., Nov. 14, 1882, by Rev. C. I. B. Brane, pastor of the United Brethren Church, to Ann Maria Felix, who was born in Cumberland County, Pa., July 5, 1860, and is the daughter of Robert and Leah (O'Donnel) Felix. Seven children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 512** ¹Margaret Mae Hoch,⁶ b. near Shippensburg, Pa., Oct. 12, 1883.
513 ²Robert Witherspoon Hoch,⁶ b. near Shippensburg, Pa., Sept. 26, 1884.
514 ³William Oren Hoch,⁶ b. near Shippensburg, Pa., Oct. 10, 1885, d. near Newville, Pa., Nov. 4, 1885, interred near Newville.
515 ⁴Lula Maud Hoch,⁶ b. near Shippensburg, Pa., Dec. 2, 1886.
516 ⁵Wilbur Aquilla Hoch,⁶ b. near Newville, Pa., July 27, 1888.

- 517** ⁶Herman Felix Hoch,⁶ b. near Newville, Pa., May 3, 1893.
518 ⁷Mary Myrtle Hoch,⁶ b. near Newville, Pa., June 1, 1897.

Aquilla Brandt Hoch is a farmer residing near Carlisle, Pa. He united with the United Brethren Church at Big Spring, Pa., in 1893, and in May, 1903, transferred his membership to the Grace United Brethren Church at Greason.

- 251** ⁴ABBIE ESTHER HOCH,⁵ (Mary Ann Hoch,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Abbie Esther Hoch, the fourth child of William and Mary Ann (Brandt) Hoch, was born in Southampton township, Cumberland county, Pa., April 11, 1862. She was united in marriage at the home of her parents near Shippensburg, Pa., Nov. 11, 1886, by Rev. A. R. Ayers, of the United Brethren Church, with Joseph Chalmer Kohr, who was born at Mowersville, Franklin county, Pa., March 28, 1863, and is the son of Michael and Nancy (Mower) Kohr. They have one

CHILD.

- 519** ¹Velva Pearl Kohr,⁶ b. near Mowersville, Pa., Jan. 17, 1888.

The Kohr family live upon their own farm near Loudon, Franklin county, Pa. They are members of the Liberal Branch of the United Brethren Church.

- 252** ⁵EVA VIRGINIA HOCH,⁵ (Mary Ann Hoch,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Eva Virginia Hoch, the fifth child of William and Mary Ann (Brandt) Hoch, was born in Southampton township, Cumberland county, Pa., Jan. 10, 1864. She was married at the family home near Shippensburg, Pa., March 28, 1893, to Alfred William Bitner, son of William and Catherine (Washingier) Bitner. They have one

CHILD.

- 520** ¹Herbert Floyd Bitner,⁶ b. May 6, 1900, in Newton township, Cumberland county, Pa.



MRS. FRANK KAUFMAN STERRETT.



FRANK KAUFMAN STERRETT.

No. 164





MARY CLINE STERRETT.
No. 171.



BELLE GRAHAM STERRETT.
No. 446.

Mr. Bitner formerly taught school but is now a farmer, having purchased a farm of his own. Mr. and Mrs. Bitner are both members of the United Brethren Church at Oakville, Pa.

- 253** ^oELVERNA MAUD HOCH,⁵ (Mary Ann Hoch,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Elverna Maud Hoch, the sixth child of William and Mary Ann (Brandt) Hoch, was born near Shippensburg, Cumberland county, Pa., July 20, 1867. She was married at the family home Feb. 23, 1897, by Rev. A. R. Ayers, United Brethren minister, to Aaron Fetterhoff Brandt, who was born near Altenwald, Franklin county, Pa., Apr. 8, 1856, and is the son of Samuel and Mary Ann (Fetterhoff) Brandt. His father, Samuel Brandt, and his wife's mother, Mary Ann (Brandt) Hoch, were half-brother and sister. They have one

CHILD.

- 521** ¹Helen Irene Brandt,^o b. at Duffield, Franklin county, Pa., Feb. 9, 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. Brandt are members of the United Brethren Church. They are farmers and live near Chambersburg, Pa.

- 254** ¹MILTON WRIGHT HOCH,⁵ (Mary Ann Hoch,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Milton Wright Hoch, the seventh child of William and Mary Ann (Brandt) Hoch, was born near Shippensburg, Cumberland county, Pa., Oct. 26, 1869. He was married at Chambersburg, Pa., Dec. 4, 1900, by Rev. W. H. Washinger, United Brethren minister, to Annie Elizabeth Snively, who was born near New Franklin, Pa., Nov. 23, 1869, and is the daughter of John Keefer and Mary Jane Snively. They have one

CHILD.

- 522** ¹John Keefer Hoch,^o b. near Mason-Dixon, Pa., Apr. 29, 1903.

Milton Wright Hoch is a farmer and resides near Mason-Dixon, Pa.

- 255** ⁸CARRIE MAY HOCH,⁵ (Mary Ann Hoch,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Carrie May Hoch, the eighth child of William and Mary Ann (Brandt) Hoch, was born near Shippensburg, in Southampton township, Cumberland county, Pa., June 21, 1872. She was married at Gettysburg, Pa., May 30, 1899, by Rev. J. E. Kleffman, of the United Brethren Church, to Samuel Harry Gibble, the widowed husband of her deceased sister, Lizzie Jane Hoch.

Samuel Harry Gibble is a prosperous farmer and they live near Shippensburg, Pa. They are members of the United Brethren Church.

- 256** ⁹ANNA MARY HOCH,⁵ (Mary Ann Hoch,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Anna Mary Hoch, the youngest child of William and Mary Ann (Brandt) Hoch, was born near Shippensburg, Southampton township, Cumberland county, Pa., Jan. 17, 1877. She is unmarried and resides with her mother on the old homestead east of Shippensburg, Pa. She united with the United Brethren Church in 1892.

- 257** ¹EDGAR HOCKER BRANDT,⁵ (Aquila Brandt,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Edgar Hocker Brandt, the oldest child of Aquila and Lavina (Hocker) Brandt, was born Oct. 3, 1869. A complete record could not be obtained, but it is said he is married and has three children, two girls and a son.

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- 262** ¹IRA SHOPP BRANDT,⁵ (David Enos Brandt,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Ira Shopp Brandt, the oldest child of David Enos and Sadie Rupp (Shopp) Brandt, was born near Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., Sept. 24, 1870. He was twice married. His first marriage took place near Scotland, Pa., May 4, 1894, Rev.

J. W. Kiracofe, United Brethren minister, officiating, to Clementine Glesner, who was born near Chambersburg, Pa., August 7, 1872, and was the daughter of Peter and Lydia (Staver) Glesner. Four children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

526 ¹Anna Marie Brandt,⁶ b. near Scotland, Pa., Oct. 17, 1894, deceased.

527 ²Paul Lorenz Brandt,⁶ b. at Shippensburg, Pa., Dec. 10, 1895.

528 ³Vesta Ruth Brandt,⁶ b. Feb. 23, 1897.

529 ⁴Helen Nadine Brandt,⁶ b. March 28, 1899, deceased.

Both deceased children buried at Shippensburg.

Clementine (Glesner) Brandt died near Chambersburg, Pa., March 10, 1901, and was buried at Shippensburg.

Ira Shopp Brandt's second marriage occurred Apr. 3, 1902, at Shippensburg, Pa., to Myrtle Hollar, daughter of Samuel and Anna Barbara Hollar.

CHILD.

530 ⁵Thelma Hollar Brandt,⁶ b. at Shippensburg, Pa., Sept. 20, 1904.

Ira Shopp Brandt lives at Shippensburg, Pa., and is a clothing presser by occupation. He united with the United Brethren Church in 1890 and is also a member of the I. O. R. M. and United American Mechanics.

263 ²CHARLES ELMER BRANDT,⁵ (David Enos Brandt,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Charles Elmer Brandt, the second child of David Enos and Sadie Rupp (Shopp) Brandt, was born near Big Spring, Pa. He is unmarried, and for many years has been a railway mail clerk. He has had the benefits of a good education and is a fine English scholar.

264 ³BERTHA ANNA BRANDT,⁵ (David Enos Brandt,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Bertha Anna Brandt, the third child of David Enos and Sadie Rupp (Shopp) Brandt, was born near Big Spring, Pa., Sept. 19, 1874. She was married at Newville, Pa., Oct. 8, 1901,

by Rev. Austin A. Kelley, Lutheran minister, to Oscar Aaron Heim, who was born at Pine Grove, Schuylkill county, Pa., April 16, 1870, and is the son of George Lutz and Lucy Ann (Berkeiser) Heim. They have two

CHILDREN.

- 531 ¹Gladys Brandt Heim,⁶ b. at Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 4, 1903.
 532 ²Viola Rue Heim,⁶ b. at Harrisburg, Pa., Aug. 8, 1905.

Mr. and Mrs. Heim reside at Harrisburg, Pa., and are both members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Heim is a railway mail clerk on the Pennsylvania Railroad, between New York City and Pittsburg, Pa. He is a graduate of the Keystone State Normal School at Kutztown, Pa., and also attended the Zanerian Art College at Columbus, Ohio, for some time. Prior to going into the railway mail service he taught school for six years.

- 265 ⁴MARGARET IRENE BRANDT,⁵ (David Enos Brandt,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Margaret Irene Brandt, the fourth child of David Enos and Sadie Rupp (Shopp) Brandt, was born near Big Spring, Pa., Oct. 29, 1876. She is unmarried and resides with her father and mother on the old homestead near Big Spring. She is a member of the United Brethren Church.

- 266 ⁵DAVID DICKSON BRANDT,⁵ (David Enos Brandt,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

David Dickson Brandt, the youngest child of David Enos and Sadie Rupp (Shopp) Brandt, was born near Big Spring, Pa., Sept. 22, 1878. David Dickson Brandt graduated from Lebanon Valley College in 1904, and is now a student at Union Biblical Seminary. It is his intention to devote his life to the ministry in the United Brethren Church, for which calling he is diligently preparing himself.

- 267 ¹LLEWELYN DAVID BRANDT,⁵ (John Dickson Brandt,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)
 (Ella Brandt,⁵ Catherine Hamsher,⁴ Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Llewelyn David Brandt, the oldest child of John Dickson

and Ella (Hamsher) Brandt, was born at Newville, Pa., Nov. 6, 1880. He is doubly connected with the Bear family as indicated above.

For five years, Llewelyn David Brandt was in the United States Navy. For two years of that time he was on the "Brooklyn" and cruised through the eastern waters around China and Japan, covering in that period 68,000 miles. He is now a brakeman on the Penna. R. R. He is a member of the Brotherhood of R. R. Trainmen, and also of Orrstown Lodge, No. 262, F. & A. M.

270 ⁴WILLIAM BENJAMIN BRANDT,⁵ (John Dickson Brandt,⁴ Elizabeth Brandt,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹) (Ella Brandt,⁵ Catherine Hamsher,⁴ Leah Knisley,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

William Benjamin Brandt, the fourth child of John Dickson and Ella (Hamsher) Brandt, was born near Big Spring, Cumberland county, Pa., Apr. 22, 1886. Like his brother Llewelyn David, he is doubly connected with the Bear family, being members of both fifth and sixth generations.

William Benjamin Brandt resides in Philadelphia, Pa., where he has a position as stenographer and office clerk. He graduated from Girard College, Philadelphia, May 1, 1903.

274 ²SARAH EDITH THUMA,⁵ (William Andrew Thuma,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Sarah Edith Thuma, the second child of William Andrew and Margaret Taylor (Ashcroft) Thuma, was born at Albion, Ind., Sept. 29, 1861. She was married at Manistee, Mich., Aug. 8, 1874, to Thomas Lambert, who was born near Albany, New York, July 7, 1849, and was the son of John and Mary Anna (Parsons) Lambert. Seven children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

533 ¹Emily Lambert,⁶ b. Oct. 14, 1876, d. Nov. 14, 1876. interred at Bear Lake, Mich.

534 ²Grace Ida Lambert,⁶ b. July 4, 1878, m. Oscar Edmond Harris.

- 535** ³Bessie Eva Lambert,⁶ b. Feb. 14, 1881, m. Robert Norwood Culver.
- 536** ⁴Richard Lambert,⁶ b. Dec. 4, 1883.
- 537** ⁵Harold Lambert,⁶ b. May 30, 1887.
- 538** ⁶Nettie Alice Lambert,⁶ b. Apr. 27, 1891, d. Jan. 16, 1892, interred at Hill City, So. Dakota.
- 539** ⁷William Andrew Lambert,⁶ b. March 8, 1893.

Thomas Lambert was a Seventh Day Adventist and a carpenter by occupation.

Sarah Edith (Thuma) Lambert was again married at Coleman, Mich., May 23, 1904, by Rev. Layman Childs, pastor of the Church of God, to Marion Francis Swan, who was born Jan. 3, 1855, and is the son of Isaac and Artissa Priscilla (Foster) Swan. Mr. and Mrs. Swan live on a farm near Coleman, Mich., and are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

- 275** ³IDA JANE THUMA,⁵ (William Andrew Thuma,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Ida Jane Thuma, the third child of William Andrew and Margaret Taylor (Ashcroft) Thuma, was born at Albion, Ind., March 23, 1864. She was married at Eaton Rapids, Mich., March 31, 1884, by Elder Stevenson, Congregational minister, to Charles H. Rippleman, who was born near Kalamazoo, Mich., May 26, 1858, and is the son of Benjamin and Mary Catherine (Nichols) Rippleman. His mother was a daughter of Mike and Mary (Bear) Nichols. Mary (Bear) Nichols was born in Germany. Charles H. and Ida Jane (Thuma) Rippleman have three

CHILDREN.

- 540** ¹Frank Benjamin Rippleman,⁶ b. March 27, 1885, near Eaton Rapids, Mich.
- 541** ²Ira Jay Rippleman,⁶ b. Nov. 6, 1889, near Eaton Rapids, Mich.
- 542** ³Ethel Cena Rippleman,⁶ b. Jan. 10, 1892, near Marshall, Mich.

The Rippleman home is at N. E. corner of Detroit and Columbus Sts., Jackson, Mich. Mrs. Rippleman has been a member of the Evangelical Church since she was about 20 years of age. She is also a member of the W. C. T. U.

- 276** ⁴JOHN JAMES THUMA,⁵ (William Andrew Thuma,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

John James Thuma, the fourth child of William Andrew and Margaret Taylor (Ashcroft) Thuma, was born near Portland, Mich., Jan. 9, 1866. He is a bachelor, and lives at Portland, Mich. By occupation, he is a farmer.

- 277** ⁵ROSE ANNA THUMA,⁵ (William Andrew Thuma,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Rose Anna Thuma, the fifth child of William Andrew and Margaret Taylor (Ashcroft) Thuma, was born at Manistee, Mich., March 9, 1872. She married Millard F. Ritter and they have one

CHILD.

- 543** ¹Myrtle Ritter,⁶ b. Feb. 23, 1896.

Mr. and Mrs. Ritter live on a farm near Pioneer, Williams county, Ohio.

- 279** ⁷MARY MAY THUMA,⁵ (William Andrew Thuma,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary May Thuma, the youngest child of William Andrew and Margaret Taylor (Ashcroft) Thuma, was born at Wade, Jasper county, Ill., Apr. 17, 1879. She was married at Portland, Mich., Nov. 5, 1901, by Perry N. Moore, J. P., to Edward May, who was born at Alden, Erie county, New York, June 19, 1872, and is the son of Reinhard and Eva (Stabelle) May.

Edward May was formerly foreman in the wood finishing department of a morris chair factory at Portland, Mich., but now owns a farm of 50 acres near Portland and is now farming. He is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America. Mary May (Thuma) May is of a very pleasing disposition, hospitable and ever ready to bestow a favor.

- 281** ²ROLLAND RALPH McCRUMB,⁵ (Rebecca Hadessah McCrumb,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Rolland Ralph McCrumb, the second child of Lafayette Marcus and Rebecca Hadessah (Thuma) McCrumb, was born

at Portland, Mich., July 3, 1873. He was married by Henry Jones, J. P., to Edith May Humphrey, who was born in Washington county, Mich., June 15, 1877, and is the daughter of John Richard and Ellen (Wallington) Humphrey. Five children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

- 544 ¹Renold Ace Vanc McCrumb,⁶ b. in Roxand township, Ionia Co., Mich., Jan. 26, 1897.
 545 ²Sarah Margerite McCrumb,⁶ b. in Danby township, Ionia Co., Mich., July 19, 1898.
 546 ³John Henry McCrumb,⁶ b. in Danby township, Ionia Co., Mich., Oct. 26, 1901.
 547 ⁴Infant,⁶ b. in Danby township, Ionia Co., Mich., Apr. 13, 1903, d. Apr. 13, 1903, interred in Danby Cemetery.
 548 ⁵Nellie Agatha McCrumb,⁶ b. in Danby township, Ionia Co., Mich., Apr. 10, 1904.

Rolland Ralph McCrumb is a farmer and resides near Mulliken, Mich.

- 283 ¹EDD SALATHIEL SHEETS,⁵ (Catherine Elizabeth Sheets,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Edd Salathiel Sheets, the oldest child of Isaac James and Catherine Elizabeth (Thuma) Sheets, was born near Lansing, Mich., March 20, 1866. At Millbrook, Mich., July 3, 1890, he was united in marriage by Elder John Bower, minister of the First Day Adventist Church, with Lottie Emeline Decker, who was born at Millbrook, Mecosta county, Mich., April 25, 1872, and is the daughter of Peter Stanley and Caroline (Aldrich) Decker. They have three

CHILDREN.

(All born at Millbrook, Mich.)

- 549 ¹Edah Schallis Sheets,⁶ b. Aug. 10, 1891.
 550 ²Virgil Vere Sheets,⁶ b. July 1, 1893.
 551 ³George Kearney Sheets,⁶ b. Aug. 24, 1898.

Edd Salathiel Sheets is a farmer and resides near Blanchard, Mich. He and his wife united with the First Day Adventist Church in 1892. He is also a member of the Ancient Order of Gleaners, the Grange, and Independent Order of Odd Fellows.



WILLIAM LINCOLN SHELLABARGER.
No. 138.



WALTER SCOTT BEAR.
No. 220.





RALPH FRANKLIN BEAR.
No. 242.



WILLIAM ARTHUR LAVERTY.
No. 177.



- 285 ³WILLIAM SHEETS,⁵ (Catherine Elizabeth Sheets,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

William Sheets, the third child of Isaac James and Catherine Elizabeth (Thuma) Sheets, was born near Lansing, Mich., Aug. 1, 1869. He was twice married. His first marriage occurred at Big Rapids, Mich., Sept., 3, 1890, John Pierdon, Justice of the Peace, officiating, to Frances Cummings, who was born in Canada, June 8, 1869, and was the daughter of William and Mary (Powning) Cummings. Her death occurred at Blanchard, Mich., May 23, 1895, and was interred in Decker Cemetery. Two children were born to this union.

William Sheets was again married April 4, 1897, by Rev. William Edrington, to Missouri Black, who was born at Poplar Bluff, Missouri, May 23, 1880, and is the daughter of Robert and Margrett (Groves) Black. To this union three children were born.

CHILDREN.

(*By first wife*)

- 552 ¹Ordis Ray Sheets,⁶ b. Sept. 19, 1891, at Portland, Mich.
 553 ²Harrison Cecil Sheets,⁶ b. May 14, 1895, at Blanchard, Mich.

(*By second wife*)

- 554 ³Francis Sheets,⁶ b. Apr. 30, 1899, at Portland, Mich.
 555 ⁴Mable Emily Sheets,⁶ b. March 21, 1901, at Portland, Mich.
 556 ³Orphie Josephine Sheets,⁶ b. Jan. 27, 1903, at Portland, Mich.

William Sheets is a farmer living near Blanchard, Mich. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. and the Gleaners.

- 286 ⁴EMMA MARY SHEETS,⁵ (Catherine Elizabeth Sheets,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Emma Mary Sheets, the fourth child of Isaac James and Catherine Elizabeth Sheets, was born near Lansing, Mich., Oct. 23, 1871. She was united in marriage at Waconsta, Mich., May 30, 1886, by Rev. J. B. Ashby, Congregational minister, with Judson Darling Waldron, who was born at Oneida, New York,

May 1, 1867, and is the son of Isaac Geer and Mary Jane (Follett) Waldron. They have six

CHILDREN.

- 557 ¹Alvin Geer Waldron,⁶ b. at Portland, Mich., May 23, 1887.
 558 ²Isaac Edwin Waldron,⁶ b. at Portland, Mich., May 14, 1890.
 559 ³Inez Catherine Waldron,⁶ b. at Portland, Mich., July 20, 1893.
 560 ⁴Winifred May Waldron,⁶ b. at Portland, Mich., Sept. 12, 1895.
 561 ⁵Myrtle Belle Waldron,⁶ b. at Eagle, Mich., Aug. 24, 1897.
 562 ⁶Russel Darling Waldron,⁶ b. at Lyons, Mich., March 25, 1900.

The Waldrons are farmers and their address is Ionia, Mich. Mr. Waldron is a Mason, a Maccabee, and also member of the Eastern Star. Mrs. Waldron is a Lady Maccabee and member of the Eastern Star.

- 287 ⁵HATTIE SHEETS,⁵ (Catherine Elizabeth Sheets,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear.¹)

Hattie Sheets, the fifth child of Isaac James and Catherine Elizabeth Sheets, was born near Lansing, Mich., Sept. 22, 1874. She was married at Ionia, Mich., Nov. 14, 1890, by Justice Curry, to Charles Henry Holbrook, who was born at Portland, Mich., Oct. 14, 1870, and is the son of Charles and Emma (Smith) Holbrook. Four children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

(All born near Portland, Mich.)

- 563 ¹Alice Edith Holbrook,⁶ b. Feb. 13, 1892.
 564 ²Albert William Holbrook,⁶ b. Nov. 1, 1895.
 565 ³Dale Henry Holbrook,⁶ b. Nov. 2, 1899.
 566 ⁴Chester Dewitt Holbrook,⁶ b. Feb. 18, 1903.

The Holbrooks are farmers and reside near Portland, Mich. Mr. Holbrook is a member of the Modern Woodmen, and Mrs. Holbrook of the Royal Neighbors.

- 288 ⁶ALBERT JOSHUA SHEETS,⁵ (Catherine Elizabeth Sheets,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Albert Joshua Sheets, the sixth child of Isaac James and

Catherine Elizabeth Sheets, was born near Lansing, Mich., Sept. 28, 1875. He was married at Portland, Mich., July 2, 1897, by Rev. Isaac Terborg, Congregational minister, to Maude Leonia Davis, who was born at Hubbardstown, Mich., Aug. 28, 1878, and is the daughter of Samuel Stuart and Celestia (Rowlingson) Davis. They have three

CHILDREN.

(All born at Blanchard, Mich.)

- 567 ¹Harry Albert Sheets,⁶ b. Oct. 9, 1898.
 568 ²Ada Catherine Sheets,⁶ b. Aug. 21, 1901.
 569 ³Edna Inez Sheets,⁶ b. Feb. 21, 1903.

Albert Joshua Sheets is a farmer and lives near Blanchard, Mich. He has been a member of the Restitution Church since Jan. 1896, and is also a member of the Ancient Order of Gleaners and of the Grange.

- 289 ¹EDITH ANNA SHEETS,⁵ (Catherine Elizabeth Sheets,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Edith Anna Sheets, the seventh child of Isaac James and Catherine Elizabeth Sheets was born near Lansing, Mich., Feb. 26, 1878. She is unmarried and resides at Belding, Mich., where she follows the occupation of a dress-maker. She has held a school-teacher's certificate but has never taught. She is a member of the Maccabees, and also of the W. C. T. U. Although not identified with any church, has given her moral support to the Methodist Episcopal.

- 290 ¹JENNIE MARTHA SHEETS,⁵ (Catherine Elizabeth Sheets,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Jennie Martha Sheets, the youngest child of Isaac James and Catherine Elizabeth Sheets, was born near Lansing, Mich., Dec. 16, 1879. She was married at Ionia, Mich., Aug. 15, 1898, by Frederick S. Kutchinson, Justice of the Peace, to Otis Adley Palmiter, who was born near Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 4, 1874, and is the son of Ira and Eliza (Morrill) Palmiter. They have one

CHILD.

- 570** ¹Dula Iowa Palmiter,⁶ b. at Portland, Mich., May. 31, 1899.

Jennie Martha (Sheets) Palmiter is a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church since Oct. 2, 1897. Otis Adler Palmiter is a painter and paper hanger, and they reside at Portland, Mich.

- 292** ²CHARLES FREDERICK THUMA,⁵ (David Thuma,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Charles Frederick Thuma, the second child of David and Hannah Marie (Kelley) Thuma, was born near Eagle, Mich., Apr. 10, 1868. He is unmarried and by occupation a telegraph operator. Is also a book-keeper. He is exemplary in his habits and consequently held in high esteem by all his acquaintance. He is possessed also of considerable musical talent. At present he is located at Harvard, Mich., where he is operator.

- 293** ³MARY ELIZABETH THUMA,⁵ (David Thuma,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary Elizabeth Thuma, the third child of David and Hannah Marie (Kelley) Thuma, was born near Carson City, Mich., March 6, 1871. She was united in marriage in Crystal township, Montcalm county, Mich., Sept. 17, 1887, by Henry Clark, Justice of the Peace, with Oscar William Kenfield, who was born in Washtenaw county, Mich., June 16, 1867, and is the son of Lewis Edgar and Rosina Almira (Buck) Kenfield. Three children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 571** ¹Willis Earl Kenfield,⁶ b. in Montcalm county, Mich., Sept. 30, 1888.
- 572** ²Infant daughter,⁶ b. near Carson City, Mich., Aug. 6, 1893, d. Aug. 6, 1893, interred in Burk Cemetery.
- 573** ³Charles Glennard Kenfield,⁶ b. near Ionia, Mich., Aug. 10, 1895.

Mary Elizabeth (Thuma) Kenfield died Sept. 4, 1898, at St. Johns, Mich., and was buried in Burk Cemetery. Although

never identified with any church she experienced religion at a very early age and died a triumphant death.

Oscar William Kenfield married a second time, his second wife being Miss Bertha Bellows, by whom he has one daughter, Estella May, born Aug. 1, 1899.

295 ⁵MARTHA JEANETTIE THUMA,⁵ (David Thuma,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Martha Jeanettie Thuma, the fifth child of David and Hannah Marie (Kelley) Thuma, was born near Carson City, Mich., May 19, 1876. She was married at Owosso, Mich., Dec. 27, 1904, by Rev. A. B. Leonard, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, to Henry Joseph Erhart, who was born near Media, Ohio, Feb. 23, 1863, and is the son of Joseph and Geneva (Musser) Erhart.

Mr. Erhart is a clerk at Carson City, Mich., and is a member of the Catholic Church and of the Knights of Pythias. Mrs. Erhart is a member of the Daughters of Rebecca.

298 ²DORA BESSIE RUMMER,⁵ (Abbigail Angeline Rummer,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Dora Bessie Rummer, the second child of James Byron and Abbigail Angeline (Thuma) Rummer, was born in Carson City, Mich., Oct. 2, 1871. She was married near Carson City, Mich., March 20, 1897, by Rev. E. W. Miller, Congregational minister, to John Graves, who was born in Niagara county, New York, Nov. 2, 1864, and is the son of William G. and Jane () Graves. Four children were born to their union.

CHILDREN.

574 ¹Harold Graves,⁶ b. July 10, 1898, d. Nov. 18, 1898, interred in Partlon Cemetery, Eaton county, Mich.

575 ²Gladys Graves,⁶ b. Aug. 13, 1899.

576 ³Beulah Graves,⁶ b. Sept. 19, 1901.

577 ⁴Bernice Graves,⁶ b. March 18, 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. Graves reside on a farm near Grand Ledge, Mich. Mrs. Graves united with the Congregational Church at the age of 21 years, and her chief ambition is to raise her children aright.

- 299 ³NORA DESSIE RUMMER,⁵ (Abigail Angeline Rummer,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Nora Dessie Rummer, the third child of James Byron and Abigail Angeline (Thuma) Rummer, was born in Gratiot county, Mich., Nov. 14, 1873. Her marriage occurred Oct. 20, 1897, at Carson City, Mich., Rev. E. Miller, Congregational minister, officiating, to Fred Lyon, who was born May 19, 1870, and is the son of Aaron and Roxey (Blood) Lyon. They have five

CHILDREN.

- 578 ¹Lana A. Lyon,⁶ b. Jan. 16, 1899, d. Feb. 16, 1900, interred at Carson City, Mich.
 579 ²Leeman Fred Lyon,⁶ b. Jan. 12, 1901.
 580 ³Velmer Ray Lyon,⁶ b. Sept. 16, 1902.
 581 ⁴Thelma Mae Lyon,⁶ b. Sept. 16, 1902, d. Sept. 28, 1902, interred at St. Louis, Mich.
 582 ⁵Elma Louise Lyon,⁶ b. May 17, 1904.

The first two children were born at Carson City, Mich., and the last three at St. Louis, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyon reside near Ithaca, Mich., and are farmers.

- 300 ⁴MARY ROSETTIE RUMMER,⁵ (Abigail Angeline Rummer,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary Rosettie Rummer, the fourth child of James Byron and Abigail Angeline (Thuma) Rummer, was born in Gratiot county, Mich., Oct. 27, 1875. She was united in marriage near Carson City, Mich., Oct. 30, 1895, by Rev. George Stone, Dunkard minister, with Thomas Taylor Brannon, who was born in Richland county, Ohio, Aug. 28, 1869, and is the son of Joseph and Margaret (Taylor) Brannon. They have two

CHILDREN.

- 583 ¹William Byron Brannon,⁶ b. near Ithaca, Mich., Jan. 24, 1899.
 584 ²Ireta Louise Brannon,⁶ b. near Carson City, Mich., Aug. 27, 1903.

Mr. Brannon is a prosperous farmer, and they live near Carson City, Mich. Mrs. Brannon united with the Congregational

Church June 25, 1893. She is of a very kind and generous disposition.

- 304** ⁸LILLIAN MAY RUMMER,⁵ (Abigail Angeline Rummer,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Lillian May Rummer, the eighth child of James Byron and Abigail Angeline (Thuma) Rummer, was born in Gratiot county, Mich., May 13, 1886. She was married at Carson City, Mich., Dec. 24, 1902, by Rev. Spencer Walker, Church of God minister, to Delbert Aaron Squire, who was born in Gratiot county, Mich., Oct. 30, 1877, and is the son of Frank Eugene and Mary (Myers) Squire. They have one

CHILD.

- 585** ¹Rhea Louise Squire,⁶ b. near Ithaca, Mich., Sept. 10, 1904.

Mr. and Mrs. Squire own their own farm of 60 acres 8 miles from Ithaca, Mich., where they reside.

- 306** ³CARRIE THUMA,⁵ (Daniel Otterbein Thuma,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Carrie Thuma, the third child of Daniel Otterbein and Marietta (Kelley) Thuma, was born at Portland, Mich., July 21, 1876. She married Bert Hazleton and they have two

CHILDREN.

(Born at Portland, Mich.)

- 586** ¹Orpha Hazleton,⁶ b. Jan. 30, 1894.

- 587** ²Clyde Hazleton,⁶ b. April 21, 1895.

They are farmers and live near Portland, Mich.

- 312** ¹JAMES BEAR HIPPENSTEEL,⁵ (Sophia Ann Hippensteel,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

James Bear Hippensteel, the oldest child of David and Sophia Ann (Bear) Hippensteel, was born in Cumberland county, Pa., Aug. 1, 1860. His marriage occurred at Wabash, Ind., March 27, 1884, Rev. Brown of the Methodist Episcopal Church, officiating, to Carolina Hipp, who was born at Sandusky, Ohio, July 6, 1860, and is the daughter of Christian and Dorothy (Guysler) Hipp. They have two

CHILDREN.

*(Born at Wabash, Ind.)*588 ¹Herman Sheridan Hippensteel,⁶ b. Feb. 17, 1885.589 ²Eliza Marie Hippensteel,⁶ b. May 3, 1886.

James Bear Hippensteel is a farmer and resides near Wabash, Ind. He is a member of the United Brethren Church at South Wabash.

313 ²JOSEPH AQUILLA BRANDT HIPPENSTEEL,⁵
(Sophia Ann Hippensteel,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,²
Jacob Bear,¹)

Joseph Aquilla Brandt Hippensteel, the second child of David and Sophia Ann (Bear) Hippensteel, was born near Springfield, Cumberland county, Pa., Feb. 20, 1862. He was married at Lagro, Indiana, Dec. 15, 1887, by Rev. Allman, Methodist Episcopal minister, to Mary Belle Wolfe, who was born Dec. 17, 1864, and is the daughter of Joshua and Elizabeth (Russell) Wolfe. They have one

CHILD.

590 ¹Fern Hippensteel,⁶ b. at Lagro, Ind., March 25, 1890.

Joseph Aquilla Brandt Hippensteel is a machine hand and lives at Wabash, Ind. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias.

314 ³SAMUEL ELDER HIPPENSTEEL,⁵ (Sophia Ann Hippensteel,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Samuel Elder Hippensteel, the third child of David and Sophia Ann (Bear) Hippensteel, was born near Oakville, Cumberland county, Pa., Feb. 10, 1864. He was married near Lagro, Ind., Feb. 17, 1887, by Rev. Allman, Methodist minister, to Maggie Jane McClain, who was born Feb. 15, 1868, and is the daughter of Joseph Harrison and Mary Catherine (Bowers) McClain. They have five

CHILDREN.

591 ¹Mabel Mae Hippensteel,⁶ b. near Wabash, Ind., Dec. 26, 1887, d. Dec. 29, 1887, interred at Hopewell, Ind.



BESSIE ANN BEAR.
No. 232.



MARY BARNHART.
No. 343.





DR. CLAUDE EARL HOOVER.

No. 407.



- 592 ²Lloyd George Hippensteel,^o b. near Wabash, Ind.,
March 15, 1889.
- 593 ³Orville LeMoine Hippensteel,^o b. near Wabash, Ind.,
July 22, 1891.
- 594 ⁴Ernest Hugh Hippensteel,^o b. near Wabash, Ind.,
March 14, 1895.
- 595 ⁵Herbert LaSalle Hippensteel,^o b. near Rich Valley,
Ind., Sept 2, 1902.

Samuel Elder Hippensteel is a railroad man and resides at Wabash, Ind. He was formerly identified with the United Brethren Church, but now a member of Wesleyan Methodist Church at Wabash.

- 315 ⁴JOHN WILLIAM HIPPENSTEEL,⁵ (Sophia Ann Hippensteel,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

John William Hippensteel, the fourth child of David and Sophia Ann (Bear) Hippensteel, was born near Shippensburg, Pa., Sept. 28, 1866. His marriage occurred at Leesburg, Ind., Rev. Peter Winebrenner, minister of the Christian Church, officiating, to Jennie Sanderson, who was born at Leesburg, Ind., Sept. 12, 1866, and is the daughter of John A. and Sarah Jane (Long) Sanderson. Three children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 596 ¹Everette Earle Hippensteel,^o b. at Leesburg, Ind.,
March 3, 1892.
- 597 ²William Boyde Hippensteel,^o b. near Wabash, Ind.,
Dec. 15, 1894.
- 598 ³Glennis Mae Hippensteel,^o b. at Leesburg, Ind., June
24, 1899.

John William Hippensteel is a farmer and they reside near Dowagiac, Mich. He united with the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1884,, and is also a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His wife united with the Christian Church in 1889, and their sons with the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1904.

- 316 ⁵HUGH CRAIG HIPPENSTEEL,⁵ (Sophia Ann Hippensteel,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Hugh Craig Hippensteel, the fifth child of David and Sophia Ann (Bear) Hippensteel, was born near Shippensburg, Pa., Feb. 9, 1869. He was married near Urbana, Ind., Dec. 31,

1891, by Rev. Samuel Snyder, United Brethren minister, to Frances Jane Harrell, who was born in Wabash county, Ind., March 28, 1874, and was the daughter of Daniel and Sarah Ellen (Shipley) Harrell. One child was born to this union.

CHILD.

599 ¹Ethel Marie Hippensteel,⁶ b. at Wabash, Ind., Nov. 28, 1892.

Frances Jane (Harrell) Hippensteel, the wife and mother, died in Wabash county, Ind., Dec. 4, 1893, and was buried in Hopewell Cemetery, near Wabash.

Hugh Craig Hippensteel was again married June 16, 1901, at Wabash, Ind., by Rev. John W. Brown, of Wesleyan Methodist Church, to Tillie Clark, who was born in Wabash county, Ind., Feb. 4, 1875, and is the daughter of Hiram and Amandie (Elliott) Clark.

Hugh Craig Hippensteel is a farmer and they live at Spiker, Wabash county, Ind. For 12 years he was a member of the United Brethren Church, but in the spring of 1903, united with the Wesleyan Methodist Church.

317 ⁶MARY ANN ELIZABETH HIPPENSTEEL,⁵ (Sophia Ann Hippensteel,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary Ann Elizabeth Hippensteel, the sixth child of David and Sophia Ann (Bear) Hippensteel, was born near Urbana, Indiana, Aug. 16, 1871. She married John Henry Kneiley and to their union was born one

CHILD.

600 ¹Loren LeRoy Kneiley,⁶ b. Dec. 30, 1892.

Mary Ann Elizabeth (Hippensteel) Kneiley died Jan. 29, 1900, and was buried at Roann, Ind. The husband and son reside near Roann.

321 ¹CHARLIE LOREN SCOVILLE,⁵ (Lydia Rebecca Scoville,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Charlie Loren Scoville, the oldest child of John Mitchell and Lydia Rebecca (Bear) Scoville, was born near Pioneer, Ohio, Nov. 1, 1866. He was married in 1895 to Pauline Blue at Bryan, Ohio, and now resides at Kankakee, Illinois. He is a conductor

on the Indiana, Illinois and Iowa Ry., and is a member of the Knights of Pythias. They have no children.

322 ²GEORGE SAWYER SCOVILLE,⁵ (Lydia Rebecca Scoville,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

George Sawyer Scoville, the second child of John Mitchell and Lydia Rebecca (Bear) Scoville, was born near Pioneer, Ohio, Aug. 25, 1868. At the age of 17 he commenced working for the Wabash Ry. in whose employ he remained six years. At the opening of the Spanish-American War he enlisted in the 32d Mich. Vol. Inf. and served throughout the war. Soon after his return home, however, enlisted in the regular army, becoming a member of the 46th Regiment U. S. A., and served two years in the Philippine Islands. He is unmarried and now lives in Nebraska, where he follows the occupation of a farmer.

324 ⁴NELLIE VICTORIA SCOVILLE,⁵ (Lydia Rebecca Scoville,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Nellie Victoria Scoville, the fourth child of John Mitchell and Lydia Rebecca (Bear) Scoville, was born near Pioneer, Ohio, March 2, 1874. She was married at Indianapolis, Ind., Apr. 22, 1902, by Rev. Sheppard, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to Dr. Lewis Clark Stewart, who was born in Marion county, West Virginia, Apr. 3, 1859, and is the son of James David and Althea Stewart. They reside at Springport, Ind., where Dr. Stewart is a practicing physician. Mrs. Stewart is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. They have no children.

325 ⁵ROBERT LEON SCOVILLE,⁵ (Lydia Rebecca Scoville,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Robert Leon Scoville, the youngest child of John Mitchell and Lydia Rebecca (Bear) Scoville, was born near Butler, Ind., March 31, 1888. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and is at present attending school at Oberlin, Ohio.

327 ²GEORGE MITCHELL WEAVER,⁵ (Mary Jane Weaver,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

George Mitchell Weaver, the second child of Daniel and

Mary Jane (Bear) Weaver, was born at Pioneer, Ohio, Sept. 7, 1865. He was married at Grand Rapids, Mich., Sept. 26, 1894, by Rev. Thomas Smith, Presbyterian minister, to Clara Jane Haney, who was born at Waland, Mich., Nov. 22, 1872, and is the daughter of George and Jane (Williams) Haney. Five children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 601 ¹Harold Chauncey Weaver,⁶ b. at Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 27, 1896.
 602 ²Elza Charles Weaver,⁶ b. at Grand Rapids, Mich., March 18, 1898.
 603 ³Russell Alger Weaver,⁶ b. at Grand Rapids, Mich., Apr. 8, 1900.
 604 ⁴Florence Weaver,⁶ b. at Grand Rapids, Mich., Apr. 26, 1903, d. Aug. 4, 1903, interred at Fife Lake, Mich.
 605 ⁵Willis Edward Weaver,⁶ b. at Fife Lake, Mich., June 11, 1904.

George Mitchell Weaver is a farmer residing near Fife Lake, Mich., since 1903. For 15 years prior to that time he was a street contractor in Grand Rapids, Mich. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and has passed through all the chairs of that order. He united with same in 1887. He is a man temperate in his habits, firm in his convictions, and frank in his dealings with men.

- 328 ³SARAH ABIGAL WEAVER,⁵ (Mary Jane Weaver,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Sarah Abigal Weaver, the third child of Daniel and Mary Jane (Bear) Weaver, was born at Pioneer, Ohio, Nov. 11, 1867. She married Thomas O'Brien, who was born in the State of New York, Jan. 15, 1862, and is the son of Dennis and Margaret (Brady) O'Brien. Ten children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 606 ¹Zillah O'Brien,⁶ b. at Fife Lake, Mich., July 12, 1886.
 607 ²Harry O'Brien,⁶ b. at Fife Lake, Mich., Apr. 26, 1888.
 608 ³Jennie O'Brien,⁶ b. at Fife Lake, Mich., Sept. 26, 1890, d. at Grand Rapids, Mich., June 7, 1892, interred at Grand Rapids, Mich.

- 609 ⁴Leo O'Brien,⁶ b. at Grand Rapids, Mich., July 16, 1892.
- 610 ⁵Ella O'Brien,⁹ b. at Grand Rapids, Mich., June 26, 1894.
- 611 ⁶Bertha O'Brien,⁶ b. at Grand Rapids, Mich., June 20, 1896.
- 612 ⁷Florence O'Brien,⁹ b. at Grand Rapids, Mich., Jan. 10, 1898, d. Apr. 6, 1898, interred at Grand Rapids, Mich.
- 613 ⁸Bernard O'Brien,⁶ b. at Grand Rapids, Mich., Sept. 16, 1899.
- 614 ⁹Robert O'Brien,⁶ b. at Grand Rapids, Mich., Oct. 6, 1901.
- 615 ¹⁰Daniel O'Brien,⁶ b. at Grand Rapids, Mich., July 28, 1905.

Mr. O'Brien is a sidewalk contractor at Grand Rapids, Mich., where they reside.

- 329 ⁴JESSIE EOLIA WEAVER,⁵ (Mary Jane Weaver,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Jessie Eolia Weaver, the fourth child of Daniel and Mary Jane (Bear) Weaver, was born at Pioneer, Ohio, Jan. 29, 1870. Feb. 26, 1888, at South Boardman, Mich., she was united in marriage by Rev. T. M. Huddle, United Brethren minister, with Ernest E. Loop, who was born at Sparta, Mich., Feb. 29, 1864, and is the son of William and Lois (Mills) Loop. They have no children. Mr. and Mrs. Loop reside at Trenary, Mich.

- 330 ⁵CORA BELL WEAVER,⁵ (Mary Jane Weaver,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Cora Bell Weaver, the fifth child of Daniel and Mary Jane (Bear) Weaver, was born at Kalkaska county, Mich., Feb. 27, 1872. She was married at Fife Lake, Mich., by — Tracy, J. P., to William Grant Crego, who was born at Adrian, Mich., March 26, 1869, and is the son of Julius and Caroline (Chandler) Crego. They have eight

CHILDREN.

(All born at Fife Lake, Mich.)

- 616 ¹Floyd Laverun Crego,⁶ b. Jan. 8, 1890.
- 617 ²Gertrude Crego,⁶ b. Aug. 22, 1891.

- 618 ³Ralph Crego,⁶ b. Sept. 21, 1893.
 619 ⁴Fannie Crego,⁶ b. June 2, 1895.
 620 ⁵Herbert Crego,⁶ b. Apr. 24, 1897.
 621 ⁶George Crego,⁶ b. May 4, 1898.
 622 ⁷Charley Crego,⁶ b. May 11, 1900.
 623 ⁸Grace Crego,⁶ b. Jan. 15, 1902.

The Crego family reside at Fife Lake., and Mr. Crego is a farmer by occupation. He is also a first class butcher, having learned the trade from his father who had a certificate for being the best string butcher in Adrian, Mich., at one time.

- 332 ⁷HATTIE ADELL WEAVER,⁵ (Mary Jane Weaver,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Hattie Adell Weaver, the seventh child of Daniel and Mary Jane (Bear) Weaver, was born in Kalkaska county, Mich., Dec. 1, 1876. She was married at Traverse City, Mich., Jan. 9, 1901, by G. M. Brown, J. P., to Lemuel Emerson Green, who was born at South Olive, Ohio, Sept. 8, 1872, and is the son of Horace and Sallie (Hutchins) Green. Mr. and Mrs. Green reside at Dick, Mich.

- 333 ⁸MAUD ROSEBELLE WEAVER,⁵ (Mary Jane Weaver,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Maud Rosebelle Weaver, the eighth child of Daniel and Mary Jane (Bear) Weaver, was born in Kalkaska county, Mich., Aug. 10, 1878. She was married at Fife Lake, Mich., July 2, 1896, by Rev. Levi Aler, pastor of the M. E. Church at Fife Lake, to Charles Edwin Brandt, who was born at Columbus Grove, Putnam county, Ohio, April 3, 1872, and is the son of John and Elizabeth (Stauffer) Brandt. They have one

CHILD.

- 624 ¹Emmett Allen Brandt,⁶ b. at Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 16, 1901.

Charles Edwin Brandt is a prominent business man of Grand Rapids, Mich., where he is a contractor and builder of tar and cement sidewalks, driveways, cellar bottoms, etc. Mrs. Brandt is a member of the Third Presbyterian Church of Grand Rapids since September, 1904.

- 334** °GRACE ESTELL WEAVER,⁵ (Mary Jane Weaver,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Grace Estell Weaver, the ninth child of Daniel and Mary Jane (Bear) Weaver, was born near Fife Lake, Mich., March 10, 1880. She was married at Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 18, 1902, by Rev. Thomas Cox, Methodist Episcopal minister, to William Van Winkle, who was born at Grand Rapids, Mich., July 7, 1875, and is the son of Gerritt and Gertrude (Van Ness) Van Winkle.

William Van Winkle is an electrical and steam engineer, and they reside in Grand Rapids, Mich.

- 336** °LILLIAN BARNHART,⁵ (Hadessa Barnhart,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Lillian Barnhart, the oldest child of John Alexander and Hadessa (Bear) Barnhart, was born at Union City, Mich., Dec. 18, 1872. She was married at Marshall, Mich., Sept. 29, 1894, by George B. Canney, J. P., to George Weidner Dohm, who was born near Pioneer, Williams county, Ohio, Aug. 27, 1871, and is the son of Jacob Frederick and Elizabeth (Weidner) Dohm.

Mr. and Mrs. Dohm reside at Battle Creek, Mich., where Mr. Dohm is in the feed business. They have no children.

- 337** °SUSIE BARNHART,⁵ (Hadessa Barnhart,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Susie Barnhart, the second child of John Alexander and Hadessa (Bear) Barnhart, was born at Detroit, Mich., Nov. 27, 1874. She married a Mr. Pierce and they reside at Battle Creek, Mich.

CHILD.

- 625** °Doris Pierce,⁶ b. —.

- 338** °ARCHIE BARNHART,⁵ (Hadessa Barnhart,⁴ Joshua Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Archie Barnhart, the third child of John Alexander and Hadessa (Bear) Barnhart, was born at Pioneer, Ohio, Dec. 3, 1876. He is married and resides at Detroit, Mich. He has no children.

- 344** ¹LILLIE ALICE BEAR,⁵ (Andrew Hiram,⁴ Daniel,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Lillie Alice Bear, only daughter of Andrew Hiram and Mary Ann (Lilly) Bear, was born in Fulton county, Ohio, Nov. 4, 1862. She was married near Pioneer, Ohio, Feb. 20, 1881, to Douglas Cromwell Bigbee, who was born in Fulton county, Ohio, June 18, 1860, and is the son of George Washington and Catherine Elizabeth (Skiles) Bigbee. The officiating clergyman was Rev. John Wesley Lilly, United Brethren minister, who was the bride's uncle and guardian. Two children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 626** ¹Mary Faye Bigbee,⁶ b. at Pioneer, Ohio, Apr. 5, 1882.
627 ²Harriet Ferne Bigbee,⁶ b. at Alvordton, Ohio, Dec. 17, 1888.

Lillie Alice Bear before her marriage was a school teacher. She is a truly domestic woman, fond of her home and family. Her husband, Douglas Cromwell Bigbee, is overseer in the shipping department of a wholesale grocery house at Jackson, Mich., the city in which they live. At the tender age of five years he was left an orphan in the world, with neither father or mother, brother or sister. Consequently he is now an indulgent father and gets the full enjoyment out of his home life. He is a member of the A. F. and A. M. and Independent Order of Foresters. Mrs. Bigbee has for several years been a member of the Presbyterian Church.

- 345** ¹CORA BELLE BEAR,⁵ (Samuel Rhoads,⁴ Daniel,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Cora Belle Bear, the oldest child of Samuel Rhoads and Mary Louisa (Wyrick) Bear, was born in Mill Creek township, Williams county, Ohio, May 25, 1867. She was married at West Unity, Ohio, Dec. 25, 1888, by Rev. J. P. Stockton, Presbyterian minister, to Lamont Sherman Viers, who was born in Tuscola county, Mich., Nov. 8, 1864, and is the son of Neimah and Melissa (Alwood) Viers.

Mr. and Mrs. Viers live on a farm near Fayette, Ohio. Mr. Viers is a member of the Ancient Order of Gleaners. They have no children.

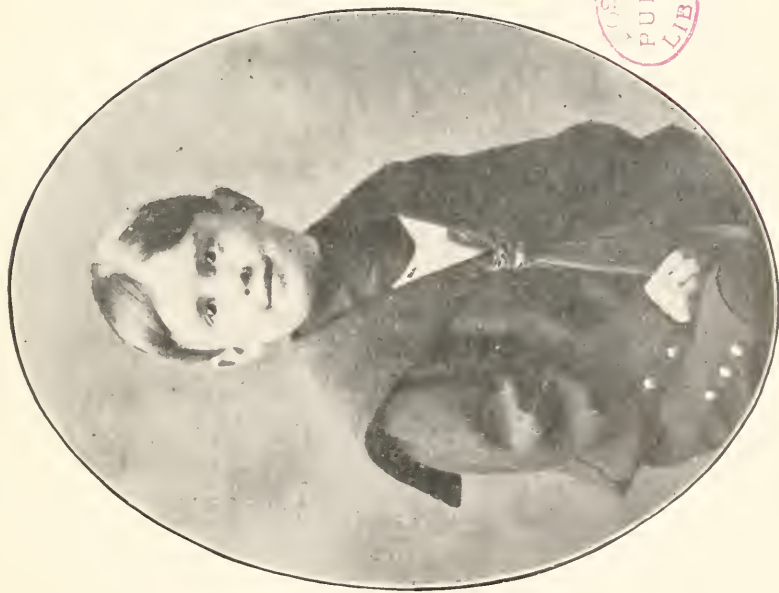


DORIS PIERCE.
No. 625.



WENDEL ARTHUR STILES.
No. 455.





ABNER WILLIAM BRINTLINGER.

No. 456.



WAYNE D. HUNTER.

No. 457.



- 347** ³WILLIAM HARMON BAIR,⁵ (Samuel Rhoads Bear,⁴ Daniel Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

William Harmon Bair, the third child of Samuel Rhoads and Mary Louisa (Wyrick) Bear, was born in Williams county, Ohio, Nov. 7, 1869. He was married near Alvordton, Ohio, Nov. 17, 1895, by Rev. David Rittenhouse, Dunkard minister, to Evaline Saunders, who was born near Alvordton, Williams county, Ohio, May 7, 1871, and is the daughter of James and Anna (Page) Saunders. They have one

CHILD.

- 628** ¹Malcolm Guy Bair,⁶ b. near Fayette, Ohio, Oct. 10, 1903.

William Harmon Bair is a farmer living near Fayette, Ohio. He is a member of the Ancient Order of Gleaners.

- 348** ⁴BIRT LEROY BAIR,⁵ (Samuel Rhoads Bear,⁴ Daniel Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Birt Leroy Bair, the fourth child of Samuel Rhoads and Mary Louisa (Wyrick) Bear, was born in Fulton county, Ohio, June 10, 1872. He was married at Gahanna, Franklin county, Ohio, Oct. 10, 1905, by Rev. David S. Porter, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to Fannie Lance, who was born near North Creek, Putnam county, Ohio, June 19, 1873, and is the daughter of David and Martha (Moore) Lance. Birt Leroy Bair is a carpenter and resides at Fayette, Ohio.

- 349** ⁵FLORENCE MAY BEAR,⁵ (Samuel Rhoads,⁴ Daniel,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Florence May Bear, the fifth child of Samuel Rhoads and Mary Louisa (Wyrick) Bear, was born in Graham township, Fulton county, Ohio, Sept. 26, 1873. She was married in Franklin township, Fulton county, Ohio, Dec. 5, 1894, by Rev. W. J. Gerlach, Presbyterian minister, to Daniel Williams Allion, who was born in Gorham township, Fulton county, Ohio, Apr. 5, 1869, and is the son of Christian and Elizabeth (Marzolf) Allion. They have two

CHILDREN.

(Born in Gorham township, Fulton county, Mich.)

629 ¹Carmon Dale Allion,⁶ b. Dec. 12, 1895.

630 ²Ferne Allion,⁶ b. May 9, 1903.

They are farmers and reside near Fayette, Ohio.

351 ¹SYDNEY SHERMAN CLAY,⁵ (Catherine Ann Elizabeth Clay,⁴ Daniel Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Sydney Sherman Clay, the oldest child of Jeremiah and Catherine Ann Elizabeth (Bear) Clay, was born in Fulton county, Ohio, Jan. 20, 1870. He was married at Butler, Indiana, May 9, 1895, to Allie Iona McCurdy. The officiating clergyman was the bride's brother, Rev. James Newton McCurdy, a Methodist Episcopal minister of the Kansas conference. Allie Iona (McCurdy) Clay was born near Butler, Indiana, Aug. 25, 1870, and is the daughter of David and Jemima (Casebeer) McCurdy. Her grandfather on the maternal side is still living at the time of this notice and is of the ripe old age of 101 years. Until he was 90 years of age he was yet able to do at least half a man's work and read without glasses.

Sydney Sherman and Allie Iona (McCurdy) Clay have one

CHILD.

631 ¹Lois Clara Clay,⁶ b. at Pulaski, Ohio, Jan. 17, 1899.

Sydney Sherman Clay is a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church. Was admitted on trial in the Central Ohio Annual Conference in 1895. Prior to entering the ministry he taught school for several terms. May 24, 1905, he graduated with honors from the Garrett Biblical Institute of Evanston, Illinois, and has the degrees of S. T. B. and A. B. He is ably fitted for his chosen work, being able to read the Bible in five languages, Hebrew, Greek, Latin, German and English. He is a man of very pleasing personality, is a gifted speaker, and exceptionally well adapted to his high calling as a minister of God. He resides at Lima, Ohio.

353 ³MARTHA DORA CLAY,⁵ (Catherine Ann Elizabeth Clay,⁴ Daniel Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Martha Dora Clay, the third child of Jeremiah and Catherine Ann Elizabeth (Bear) Clay, was born in Fulton county,

Ohio, Dec. 11, 1872. She was united in marriage near Pulaski, Ohio, Dec. 24, 1895, Rev. William E. Hill, Methodist Episcopal minister, officiating, with Orlo Lincoln Kelley, who was born near Pulaski, Ohio, Sept. 9, 1866, and is the son of Jacob and Elvira Jane (Shorthill) Kelley. They have two

CHILDREN.

632 ¹Charles Holland Kelley,⁶ b. at Pulaski, Ohio, Jan. 11, 1899.

633 ²Leota Elizabeth Kelley,⁶ b. at Bryan, Ohio, Jan. 10, 1902.

Orlo Lincoln Kelley was a farmer and contractor until 1896, when he served one year as Deputy Sheriff of Williams county, Ohio. In 1899 he went into the insurance business, fire and life, at which he has been very successful. He is associated with his brother in the business, the firm being Kelley Bros., and in addition to their insurance agency they have recently embarked in the concrete manufacturing business at Bryan, Ohio, where they live.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelley are both very active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Bryan. Mr. Kelley has served in various capacities on the official board, and active in every department of the church work. He united with the church in 1886, and Mrs. Kelley in 1884.

355 ⁵CHARLES BRAINARD CLAY,⁵ (Catherine Ann Elizabeth Clay,⁴ Daniel Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Charles Brainard Clay, the fifth child of Jeremiah and Catherine Ann Elizabeth (Bear) Clay, was born in Fulton county, Ohio, Aug. 18, 1880. He was married near Pulaski, Ohio, Dec. 18, 1902, the officiating clergyman being his brother, Rev. Sydney Sherman Clay, to Harriet Elnor Finch, who was born near Pulaski, Ohio, Aug. 30, 1883, and is the daughter of Erwin Boyd and Lydia (Brannan) Finch.

Charles Brainard Clay is a farmer, living on his father's farm near Pulaski, Ohio. He has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church since 1895.

358 ²BERNICE MIRCH LOCKHART,⁵ (Margaretta Lockhart,⁴ Daniel Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Bernice Mirch Lockhart, the second child of James and Margaretta (Bear) Lockhart, was born at Pulaski, Ohio, Nov.

9, 1879. She was married at Topeka, Kansas, Dec. 14, 1898, by Lewis Doiman, Probate Judge, to John Rutherford Melton, who was born Aug. 14, 1876, and is the son of Thomas Jefferson and Elizabeth (McDonald) Melton. They have three

CHILDREN.

- 634** ¹James LaVerne Melton,⁶ b. at Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 3, 1900.
635 ²Florence Esther Melton,⁶ b. near Osborne, Kans., Dec. 13, 1901, d. Oct. 31, 1905.
636 ³Raymond Theodore Melton,⁶ b. near Tecumseh, Kans., March 19, 1904.

The Melton family did live on a farm near Tecumseh, Kans., but are now at Tehachapi, Cal. Mrs. Melton has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church since 13 years of age.

- 362** ³EARL CONVERS CARROLL,⁵ (Mary Hadassah Carroll,⁴ Daniel Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Earl Convers Carroll, the third child of William J. and Mary Hadassah (Bear) Carroll, was born at Pulaski, Ohio, Sept. 21, 1875. March 3, 1902, he was united in marriage with Elizabeth Jane Hartford, daughter of James and Minnie (Nickles) Hartford. They have one

CHILD.

- 637** ¹Virginia Carroll,⁶ b. at Bryan, Ohio, Jan. 18, 1905.

Earl Convers Carroll succeeded his father in the grocery and china store business at Bryan, Ohio, in 1904. He has a well-established trade and is doing well. During the Spanish-American War he served one year as a Red Cross nurse and was sent to Cuba. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and by reason of his courteous treatment, honorable dealing, and temperate habits, has the confidence of the community, and recognized as a safe and progressive young business man.

- 363** ⁴THOMAS WILLIAM CARROLL,⁵ (Mary Hadassah Carroll,⁴ Daniel Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Thomas William Carroll, the fourth child of William J. and Mary Hadassah (Bear) Carroll, was born at Pulaski, Ohio, July 17, 1877. He is unmarried and resides at Turtle Creek, a suburb of Pittsburg, Pa., having been cashier of the Turtle Creek

National Bank since 1904. Prior to that time he had held a similar position with a bank at Bryan, Ohio. He served one year during the Spanish-American War as a Red Cross nurse.

369 ¹WILLIAM SYLVESTER DAVIS,⁵ (Angeline Davis,⁴ Andrew Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

William Sylvester Davis, the oldest child of Silas Coe and Angeline (Bear) Davis, was born near Ithaca, Wis., Feb. 5, 1858. He was married at Paola, Kansas, Sept. 17, 1884, by Probate Judge Roberts, to Sarah Edith Richards, who was born near Newton, Illinois, Sept. 7, 1858, and is the daughter of Alfred Edwin and Mary Jane (Moore) Richards. They have six

CHILDREN.

- 638** ¹Jessie May Davis,⁶ b. near Lane, Kans., Aug. 7, 1886.
639 ²Elgin Ulrich Davis,⁶ b. near Dighton, Kans., Oct. 1, 1888.
640 ³Edith Irene Davis,⁶ b. near Dighton, Kans., Aug. 31, 1890.
641 ⁴Mary Angeline Davis,⁶ b. near Dighton, Kans., Sept. 23, 1892.
642 ⁵Bernice Cornelia Davis,⁶ b. near Dighton, Kans., June 7, 1895.
643 ⁶Florence Della Davis,⁶ b. near Dighton, Kans., Jan. 7, 1898.

William Sylvester Davis owns a farm of 158 acres near Wichita, Kansas, on which he lives. He united with the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1903. He is also a member of the Modern Woodmen of America.

370 ²JOHN HENRY DAVIS,⁵ (Angeline Davis,⁴ Andrew Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

John Henry Davis, the second child of Silas Coe and Angeline (Bear) Davis, was born near Okathe, Kans., Jan. 1, 1860. He was married at Ithaca, Wis., Nov. 13, 1883, by Rev. Simon Spyker, Congregational minister, to Mary Edna Grover, who was born at Withaca, Wis., June 15, 1862, and is the daughter of Amasa and Arvilla (Armstrong) Grover. Four children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 644 ¹Alice Naomi Davis,⁶ b. at Ithaca, Wis., Aug. 31, 1884.
 645 ²Ray Virgil Davis,⁶ b. at Boaz, Wis., May 31, 1886.
 646 ³Ada Vira Davis,⁶ b. at Ithaca, Wis., Sept. 23, 1888.
 647 ⁴Gifford Gerald Davis,⁶ b. at Neptune, Wis., May 17, 1890.

John Henry Davis resides at Ithaca, Wis., and is by occupation a carpenter and stone-mason. He is also postmaster at Ithaca.

- 372 ⁴ALBERT CLAY DAVIS,⁵ (Angeline Davis,⁴ Andrew Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Albert Clay Davis, the fourth child of Silas Coe and Angeline (Bear) Davis, was born near Ithaca, Wis., May 29, 1870. He was united in marriage Aug. 12, 1896, at White Rock, Kans., Rev. Walter V. Whinery, Methodist Episcopal minister, officiating, with Angeline Blanche Anderson, who was born near Oskaloosa, Iowa, June 12, 1876, and is the daughter of Eli and Cassandra (Emmons) Anderson. They have four

CHILDREN.

(All born near Pen Dennis, Kans.)

- 648 ¹Silas Wayne Davis,⁶ b. June 2, 1897.
 649 ²Harold Eli Davis,⁶ b. Sept. 5, 1899.
 650 ³Gaylon William Davis,⁶ b. Aug. 22, 1902.
 651 ⁴Bula Blanche Davis,⁶ b. May 14, 1905.

Albert Clay Davis is a farmer and stock raiser near Pen Dennis, Kans. He does farming on a large scale and employs modern conveniences. On the 960-acre farm which he has he uses a steam plow which turns 10 furrows at a time.

- 373 ⁵JAY CLAYTON DAVIS,⁵ (Angeline Davis,⁴ Andrew Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Jay Clayton Davis, the fifth child of Silas Coe and Angeline (Bear) Davis, was born near Ithaca, Wis., July 18, 1872. He was married Sept. 27, 1889, at Dighton, Kans., by Rev. E. E. Harvey, Christian minister, to Matilda Pomrenkey, who was born in the State of Wisconsin, June 4, 1879, and is the daughter of Julius and

Augusta (Hendrick) Pomrenkey. Two children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

(Born near Pen Dennis, Kans.)

652 ¹Hazel Angeline Davis,⁶ b. Sept. 7, 1900.

653 ²Edith Helen Davis,⁶ b. March 25, 1903.

Jay Clayton Davis is a farmer and recently purchased a farm in the oil region, near Coffeyville, Kans., where they live.

374 ⁶EUNICE CORNELIA DAVIS,⁵ (Angeline Davis,⁴ Andrew Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Eunice Cornelia Davis, the sixth child of Silas Coe and Angeline (Bear) Davis, was born near Ithaca, Wis., July 1, 1874. She was married at Pen Dennis Kans., March 7, 1894, by Rev. E. E. Harvey, Christian minister, to Nathan Edward Cooper, who was born near Bagnel, Mo., June 18, 1862, and is the son of Joel and Sarah Ann (Coroll) Cooper. They have two

CHILDREN.

654 ¹Earl Edward Cooper,⁶ b. at Scottsville, Kans., Jan. 17, 1896.

655 ²Lorna Angeline Cooper,⁶ b. near Pen Dennis, Kans., Oct. 18, 1899.

Nathan Edward Cooper is a telegraph operator for the Missouri Pacific Railway at Andale, Kansas, where they reside. Eunice Cornelia (Davis) Cooper taught school before her marriage, and since her marriage has been a teacher of music. She is a member of the Christian Church.

376 ¹JAMES WILLIAM GRINNELL,⁵ (Esther Ann Grinnell,⁴ Andrew Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

James William Grinnell, the oldest child of Henry Thomas and Esther Ann (Bear) Grinnell, was born near Ithaca, Wis., Nov. 26, 1858. He was twice married. He was first married in Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 24, 1881, by Herbert Day, Justice of the Peace, to Sarah Cecelia Kenney, who was born at Fun du lac, Wis., June 24, 1858, and was the daughter of John and Johanna Cecelia Kenney. One child was born to this union.

CHILD.

- 656** ¹Warren Grinnell,⁶ b. at Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 29, 1882, d. at Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 9, 1889. interred at Lakewood cemetery.

Sarah Cecelia (Kenney) Grinnell died at Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 13, 1882, and interred at Lakewood cemetery, Minneapolis.

James William Grinnell's second marriage took place at Hudson, Wis., July 26, 1888, by Rev. Trisider, Methodist Episcopal minister, to Margrett Elizabeth Crowley, who was born at Hurrigan, Wis., Oct. 1, 1858, and is the daughter of Jeremiah and Margrett (Crowley) Crowley. No children were born to this union.

James William Grinnell's principal occupation has been that of a barber, but is at present in the confectionery business at Corona, Cal., where he resides. He is a member of the A. F. & A. M. and A. O. U. W., and he and his wife are both members of the Eastern Star. Mrs. Grinnell is also a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

- 377** ²MATTIE ELIZABETH GRINNELL,⁵ (Esther Ann Grinnell,⁴ Andrew Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mattie Elizabeth Grinnell, the second child of Henry Thomas and Esther Ann (Bear) Grinnell, was born at Spring Green, Wis., Dec. 5, 1860. She is a dressmaker by occupation, is unmarried, and resides with her mother at Spring Green, Wis. She has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church since 17 years of age.

- 379** ⁴LETTIE JANE GRINNELL,⁵ (Esther Ann Grinnell,⁴ Andrew Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Lettie Jane Grinnell, the fourth child of Henry Thomas and Esther Ann (Bear) Grinnell, was born at Grand Detour, Ill., Nov. 16, 1865. Her marriage took place at Spring Green, Wis., Feb. 24, 1886, Rev. A. D. Dexter, Methodist Episcopal minister, officiating, to Malcolm Haswell Douglas, who was born at Plain, Wis., Jan. 14, 1863, and is the son of Richard Haswell and Elizabeth Louise (Fearman) Douglas. They have two children.

CHILDREN.

- 657 ¹Wilks Hargrave Douglas,⁶ b. at Lodi, Wis., June 7, 1887.
 658 ²Marion Hazel Douglas,⁶ b. at Plain, Wis., Sept. 26, 1888.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas reside at Abbotsford, Wis., where Mr. Douglas is postmaster.

- 380 ⁵CHARLES ANDREW GRINNELL,⁵ (Esther Ann Grinnell,⁴ Andrew Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Charles Andrew Grinnell, the fifth child of Henry Thomas and Esther Ann (Bear) Grinnell, was born at Fair Haven, Illinois, Oct. 18, 1872. He was married at Perham, Minn., Sept. 19, 1895, by John Steiken, Justice of the Peace, to Mary Warner, who was born near Perham, Minn., Sept. 18, 1877, and is the daughter of Jacob and Sophia (DeLange) Warner. They have three

CHILDREN.

(All born at Luce, Minn.)

- 659 ¹Esther Marie Grinnell,⁶ b. Feb. 4, 1897.
 660 ²Sophia Christina Grinnell,⁶ b. Nov. 19, 1898.
 661 ³Mattie Elizabeth Grinnell,⁶ b. Oct. 6, 1900.

Charles Andrew Grinnell resides at Luce, Minn. In 1891 he engaged in the railroad business as telegraph operator on the Wisconsin Central Ry., remaining with that company until Feb. 1893. Since then he has been employed by the Northern Pacific Railway Company as station agent and operator. He is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and Order of Railway Telegraphers.

- 382 ¹LEROY CLINTON BAER,⁵ (Henry Clay,⁴ Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Leroy Clinton Baer, the oldest child of Henry Clay and Elizabeth (Shambaugh) Baer, was born near Spring Green, Wis., Aug. 11, 1868. He was married at Loyd, Wis., May 20, 1893, by Rev. Henry Erwin, United Brethren minister, to Laura Estella Grover, who was born near Loyd, Wis., Oct. 28, 1871, and is the daughter of George and Mary (Wright) Grover. They have one

CHILD.

- 662 ¹Henry Earl Baer,⁶ b. near Richland Center, Wis., Dec. 8, 1895.

Leroy Clinton Baer is a farmer near Cumberland, Wis. He is a member of the United Brethren Church.

- 383 ²HELEN CORNELIA BAER,⁵ (Henry Clay,⁴ Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Helen Cornelia Baer, the second child of Henry Clay and Elizabeth (Shambaugh) Baer, was born near Spring Green, Wis., Apr. 21, 1870. Her marriage occurred at Richland Center, Wis., Nov. 9, 1899, Rev. David Wertzell, Christian minister, officiating, to John Joseph Burns, who was born at Dublin, Ireland, Nov. 14, 1863. Two children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 663 ¹Kenneth Leroy Burns,⁶ b. at Pleasant Prairie, Wis., May 22, 1902.
- 664 ²Bernice Margarete Burns,⁶ b. at Kenosha, Wis., May 9, 1905.

John Joseph Burns came to America in 1874, and for a number of years was in the lumber business. He is now a machinist in automobile works at Kenosha, Wis. During the Spanish-American War he served in the 2d Louisiana vol. Mrs. Burns is a member of the Christian Church.

- 384 ³LILLIE MODENA BAER,⁵ (Henry Clay,⁴ Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Lillie Modena Baer, the third child of Henry Clay and Elizabeth (Shambaugh) Baer, was born near Spring Green, Wis., June 3, 1872. She was married near Richland Center, Wis., Jan. 30, 1897, by Rev. W. H. Perry, United Brethren minister, to Charley Unbehaum, who was born near Richland Center, Wis., May 30, 1867, and is the son of Henry and Katherine (Walker) Unbehaum. They have three

CHILDREN.

(All born near Richland Center, Wis.)

- 665 ¹Velma Lorena Unbehaum,⁶ Aug. 13, 1899.

666 ²Ada Zerepha Unbehaum,⁶ b. Sept. 25, 1901.

667 ³Roy Milton Unbehaum,⁶ b. Sept. 18, 1903.

They reside near Twin Bluffs, Wis., Mr. Unbehaum being a farmer and stock raiser. Mrs. Unbehaum is a member of the United Brethren Church.

385 ⁴ELROY CLIFTON BAER,⁵ (Henry Clay,⁴ Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Elroy Clifton Baer, the fourth child of Henry Clay and Elizabeth (Shambaugh) Baer, was born near Spring Green, Wis., Dec. 8, 1874. Oct. 29, 1899, at Richland Center, Wis., he was united in marriage by Rev. J. C. Hatch, United Brethren minister, with Elga Adeline Grover, who was born at Loyd, Wis., Oct. 26, 1874, and is the daughter of George and Mary (Wright) Grover. He is a farmer living near Cumberland, Barron county, Wis., and is a member of the United Brethren Church. They have two adopted children, twin girls, Beulah Irene and Edna Lucile, born Feb. 26, 1905.

386 ⁵EDYTH MAE BAER,⁵ (Henry Clay,⁴ Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Edyth Mae Baer, the fifth child of Henry Clay and Elizabeth (Shambaugh) Baer, was born near Richland Center, Wis., Jan. 25, 1878. She was married at Richland Center, Wis., Jan. 28, 1898, by Rev. L. L. Thayer, United Brethren minister, to Emmet Edgar Breneman, who was born near Excelsior, Wis., Dec. 27, 1874, and is the son of Albert and Rose (Hessler) Breneman. Two children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

668 ¹Connie Louise Breneman,⁶ b. near Richland Center, Wis., Aug. 26, 1900.

669 ²Freedia Lowe Breneman,⁶ b. at Pleasant Prairie, Wis., May 8, 1904.

Emmet Edgar Breneman was formerly a school teacher but for some years has been employed in the powder mills at Pleasant Prairie, Wis., at which place they reside.

- 387** ⁶DAISY VIOLET BAER,⁵ (Henry Clay,⁴ Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Daisy Violet Baer, the youngest daughter of Henry Clay and Elizabeth (Shambaugh) Baer, was born near Richland Center, Wis., March 4, 1882. She is unmarried and resides at the family home at Richland Center, Wis. She is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

- 388** ¹ULYSSES S. BAER,⁵ (Daniel Webster,⁴ Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Ulysses S. Baer, the oldest child of Daniel Webster and Celinda (Daniels) Baer, was born at Ithaca, Wis., Aug. 21, 1871. He is Assistant State Dairy and Food Commissioner of Wis., and is also secretary of the Wisconsin State Cheese Makers' Association. He is unmarried and resides at Madison, Wis.

- 389** ²LILLY MAY BAER,⁵ (Daniel Webster,⁴ Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Lilly May Baer, the second child of Daniel Webster and Celinda (Daniels) Baer, was born at Richland Center, Wis., April 12, 1873. Her marriage occurred at Balmorel, Richland county, Wis., Oct. 2, 1889, to Joseph K. Powell, who was born at Western, Oneida county, New York, Oct. 14, 1854, and is the son of Patrick D. and Elizabeth (Grems) Powell. A history of the Powell family was compiled a good many years ago, which traced the lineage from RhysAap, king of South Wales. Three children were born to the union of Joseph K. and Lilly May (Baer) Powell.

CHILDREN.

- 670** ¹Bonnie Bessie Powell,⁶ b. at New Lisbon, Wis., July 22, 1894.
671 ²Otis Van Buren Powell,⁶ b. at New Lisbon, Wis., June 29, 1899, d. at New Lisbon, Wis., Dec. 6, 1899, interred at New Lisbon.
672 ³Thomas Emerson Powell,⁶ b. at Chippewa Falls, Wis., May 2, 1902.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell reside at Milwaukee, Wis. Mrs. Powell has been a member of the Presbyterian Church since a child.

- 393** ¹OLIVE CORINA BAER,⁵ (George Gilbert Nickey,⁴ Andrew,³ David,² Jacob,¹)

Olive Corina Baer, the oldest child of George Gilbert Nickey and Kittie (Zintz) Baer, was born at Ithaca, Wis., Aug. 26, 1878. She was married at Corona, Calif., Nov. 29, 1898, by Rev. E. T. Sandford, Baptist minister, to Peter Daniel Fraser, who was born in Nova Scotia, Canada, March 31, 1867, and is the son of Thomas and Mary (McGee) Fraser. They have two

CHILDREN.

- 673** ¹Carol Horatio Fraser,⁶ b. at Redlands, Calif., Oct. 22, 1899.
674 ²Alfred Leroy Fraser,⁶ b. at Los Angeles, Calif., Jan. 21, 1902.

Mr. and Mrs. Fraser reside at Los Angeles, Calif., where Mr. Fraser is proprietor of a blacksmithing establishment. He is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America. Mrs. Fraser is a member of the Christian Church.

- 397** ²SARAH REBECCA WEAVER,⁵ (Esther Anne Weaver,⁴ Rebecca Martha Hoover,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Sarah Rebecca Weaver, the second child of Amos and Esther Anne (Hoover) Weaver, was born near Fayette, Ohio, Aug. 2, 1869. She married William Sylvester Smith, who was born Nov. 26, 1866, and is the son of Alvin and Annliza (Osborne) Smith. Four children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

- 675** ¹Mabel Smith,⁶ b. at West Unity, Ohio, Dec. 2, 1888.
676 ²Bertha Ann Smith,⁶ b. at Fayette, Ohio, Nov. 20, 1890, d. at Fayette, Ohio, Oct. 30, 1891, interred near West Unity, Ohio.
677 ³Sherman Smith,⁶ b. at Fayette, Ohio, Sept. 19, 1892.
678 ⁴Arthur Smith,⁶ b. at Fayette, Ohio, June 2, 1895.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith live on a farm near Fayette, Ohio. The latter is a member of the United Brethren Church.

- 401** ⁶LILLY ALICE WEAVER,⁵ (Esther Anne Weaver,⁴ Rebecca Martha Hoover,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Lilly Alice Weaver, the sixth child of Amos and Esther Anne (Hoover) Weaver, was born near West Unity, Ohio, April

5, 1878. She was married at Fayette, Ohio, on Thanksgiving Day, 1903, to Earl Vanorsdale. Mr. and Mrs. Vanorsdale live on a farm near West Unity, and have no children.

407 ¹CLAUDE EARL HOOVER, M. D.,⁵ (Andrew Joshua Hoover,⁴ Rebecca Martha Hoover,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Claude Earl Hoover, the oldest child of Andrew Joshua and Alice Ann (Ronk) Hoover, was born at West Unity, Ohio, Jan. 1, 1875. He was married at Milford, Iowa, Aug. 25, 1898, by Rev. Moore, Methodist Episcopal minister, to Jessie Fremont Rolland, who was born at Edgerton, Ohio, Nov. 1, 1870, and is the third child of George and Charity (Miller) Rolland. They have one

CHILD.

679 ¹Hillis Rolland Hoover,⁶ b. at Edgerton, Ohio, Feb. 24, 1902.

Claude Earl Hoover is a practicing physician and surgeon at Edgerton, Ohio. He graduated from the West Unity (Ohio) High School in 1892, and then attended school at Ann Arbor, Mich., taking special studies preparatory to the study of medicine. He then entered the Chicago Homeo-Med. College at Chicago, Ill., from which he graduated in 1897. He located at Edgerton, Ohio, where he has built up a splendid practice and ranks high among the medical profession of Williams county. He makes a specialty of diseases of the eye, ear and throat.

Dr. Hoover is a man of very affable disposition, unreserved in his manner, and consequently has many friends. In addition to his medical practice he is identified with a number of local enterprises at Edgerton where he lives. He united with the Methodist Episcopal Church about 16 years ago. He has been prominently identified with the Knights of Pythias, and is also a member of the Modern Woodmen and Maccabees, of which orders he is examining physician. He is an earnest student of genealogy and has taken an active interest in this work.

408 ²ARTHUR GUY HOOVER,⁵ (Andrew Joshua Hoover,⁴ Rebecca Martha Hoover,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Arthur Guy Hoover, the second child of Andrew Joshua and Alice Ann (Ronk) Hoover, was born at West Unity, Ohio, Jan. 15, 1878. Arthur Guy Hoover has the inclinations of his

father and is associated with his father in the hardware business at West Unity, Ohio, where he lives. He has fully familiarized himself with all the details of that business and is regarded as a competent and progressive young business man. He is unmarried.

- 410 ¹CHARLES MAYNARD SHIPMAN,⁵ (Rebecca Agnes Shipman,⁴ Rebecca Martha Hoover,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Charles Maynard Shipman, oldest child of James Hamilton and Rebecca Agnes (Hoover) Shipman, was born near Fayette, Ohio, Jan. 9, 1877. He is a blacksmith by trade and is unmarried. He is a member of the I. O. O. F.

- 411 ²GEORGE HAMILTON SHIPMAN,⁵ (Rebecca Agnes Shipman,⁴ Rebecca Martha Hoover,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

George Hamilton Shipman, the second child of James Hamilton and Rebecca Agnes (Hoover) Shipman, was born near Fayette, Ohio, Feb. 9, 1880. He has been teaching school for several terms in which he has been quite successful. He united with the Methodist Episcopal Church at Zone, Ohio, in 1889. Is also a member of the I. O. O. F.

- 412 ³LYDIA FLORENCE SHIPMAN,⁵ (Rebecca Agnes Shipman,⁴ Rebecca Martha Hoover,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Lydia Florence Shipman, the third child of James Hamilton and Rebecca Agnes (Hoover) Shipman, was born near Fayette, Ohio, Jan. 12, 1883. She was married at Zone, Ohio, Feb. 7, 1900, by David White, J. P., to Charles Elmer Spengler, who was born near Ambrose, Ohio, Sept. 27, 1877, and is the son of Harmon George and Susan (Gainer) Spengler. Three children were born to this union.

CHILDREN.

(All born at Zone, Ohio)

- 680 ¹George Isaac Spengler,⁶ b. March 6, 1901.

681 ²Sadie Angeline Spengler,⁶ b. Aug. 8, 1902.

682 ³Susan Rebecca Spengler,⁶ b. Nov. 22, 1903.

Charles Elmer Spengler is a farmer and they reside near Fayette, Ohio.

416 ¹RALPH J. HOOVER,⁵ (David Milton Hoover,⁴ Rebecca Martha Hoover,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Ralph J. Hoover, the only child of David Milton and Electa Estella (Strong) Hoover, was born at Morenci, Mich., Sept. 1, 1885. He is unmarried and resides at Montpelier, Ohio, where he has a position with the Wabash Railway. He is a graduate of the Montpelier High School.

Sixth Generation

423 ¹MARTHA EDNA STUART,⁶ (Anna Lillian Stuart,⁵ Rebecca Jane Diller,⁴ Catherine Shellabarger,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Martha Edna Stuart, the oldest child of Joseph Mervin and Anna Lillian Stuart, was born in Decatur, Ill., April 14, 1882. Her marriage occurred at Decatur, Ill., Aug. 31, 1904, Rev. Joseph Van Cleve, pastor of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, officiating, to George Adelbert Kenney, who was born at Thornville, Perry county, Ohio, February 8, 1875, and is the son of Martin Van Buren and Mary Ann (Whitehurst) Kenney.

CHILD.

683 ¹George Stuart Kenney,⁷ b. at Decatur, Ill., Nov. 11, 1905.

George Adelbert Kenney is in the bakery business, at Decatur, Ill., which line of work he thoroughly understands and has had several years' experience. His bakery is up-to-date in every respect, and because of the capable way he conducts his business, Mr. Kenney is meeting with merited success. Mrs. Kenney is a graduate of the Decatur High School, and very popular in musical circles, being possessed of an excellent soprano voice. Mr. and Mrs. Kenney are both active members of Grace Methodist Episcopal Church at Decatur.



BRYCE LEE SHIREY, No. 502.

JESSIE SPRINGER SHIREY, No. 501.

- 446 ¹BELLE GRAHAM STERRETT,⁶ (Brice Patterson Sterrett,⁵ Thomas Chambers Sterrett,⁴ Mary Ann Sterrett,³ Rebecca Birely,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Belle Graham Sterrett, the oldest child of Brice Patterson and Laura Jane (Rockwell) Sterrett, was born at Albany, Texas, Aug. 24, 1888. She is an accomplished housekeeper and seamstress, and has also a talent for music, being a violinist of marked ability. She has taught school one term, and will graduate in June, 1906, from the Chappel Hill Female College, where she will complete the regular four-year literary course in two years. She is editor of the College Journal.

- 478 ¹WILBOR MARION BEHEN,⁶ (George Anna Behen,⁵ Mary Jane Shirey,⁴ Samuel Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Wilbor Marion Behen, the oldest child of Orange Johnson and George Anna (Shirey) Behen, was born near Lovington, Illinois, May 24, 1881. He was married at Lovington, Illinois, Dec. 25, 1900, by Rev. Stevens to Lydia Loretta Dixon, who was born near Lovington, Illinois, July 3, 1879, and is the daughter of Jacob and Rilda (Fread) Dixon. They have four

CHILDREN.

- 684 ¹Anna Fay Behen,⁷ b. Oct. 14, 1901, near Lovington, Ill.
 685 ²Florence Irene Behen,⁷ b. Feb. 18, 1903, near Lovington, Ill.
 686 ³Virgal Marion Behen,⁷ b. Sept. 8, 1904, near Lovington, Ill.
 687 ⁴Kenneth Raymond Behen,⁷ b. Oct. 8, 1905, near Gays, Ill.

Wilbor Marion Behen is a farmer and resides near Lovington, Illinois. He is a member of the Modern Woodmen.

- 479 ²HARRY CECIL BEHEN,⁶ (George Anna Behen,⁵ Mary Jane Shirey,⁴ Samuel Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Harry Cecil Behen, the second child of Orange Johnson and George Anna (Shirey) Behen, was born near Ottawa, Franklin county, Kansas, July 14, 1883. He was married at Sullivan,

Illinois, Feb. 8, 1905, by Rev. H. A. Davis, of the Christian Church, to Grace Gertrude Rhodes, who was born near Lovington, Illinois, Oct. 12, 1884, and is the daughter of Emerson and Marriah (Selby) Rhodes.

CHILD.

688 ¹Eva¹ May Behen,⁷ b. near Lovington, Ill., Jan. 15, 1906.

Harry Cecil Behen is a farmer and lives near Lovington, Illinois.

480 ³MARY HARRIETT BEHEN,⁶ (George Anna Behen,⁵ Mary Jane Shirey,⁴ Samuel Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary Harriett Behen, the third child of Orange Johnson and George Anna (Shirey) Behen, was born near Ottawa, Franklin county, Kans., Feb. 11, 1885. She was united in marriage near Lovington, Illinois, April 9, 1905, Rev. Parker of the Christian Church, officiating, with Arthur Forrest Hoffman, who was born near Lovington, Ill., Dec. 3, 1883, and is the son of Harmon and Ellen (Dixon) Hoffman.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman reside near Lovington, Illinois, Mr. Hoffman being a farmer. Mrs. Hoffman is a graduate of the Lovington High School.

481 ⁴JESSE STEPHEN BEHEN,⁶ (George Anna Behen,⁵ Mary Jane Shirey,⁴ Samuel Bear,³ Ephraim Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Jesse Stephen Behen, the fourth child of Orange Johnson and George Anna (Shirey) Behen, was born near Ottawa, Franklin county, Kansas, Dec. 31, 1887. He was married at Decatur, Illinois, by Rev. Burnham of the Christian Church, to Effie Edith Dugan, who was born near Lovington, Illinois, Jan. 26, 1889, and is the daughter of Thomas and Ellen (Conwell) Dugan.

CHILD.

689 ¹Irma Hazel Behen,⁷ b. near Harristown, Ill., Jan. 6, 1906.

Jesse Stephen Behen resides on a farm near Harristown, Illinois. He is a member of the M. P. L.

- 534 ²GRACE IDA LAMBERT,⁶ (Sarah Edith Lambert,⁶ William Andrew Thuma,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Grace Ida Lambert, the second child of Thomas and Sarah Edith (Thuma) Lambert, was born at Manistee, Mich., July 4, 1878. She was married at Edenville, Mich., July 4, 1897, by Elder Brown, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to Oscar Edmond Harris, who was born near Saginaw, Mich., July 10, 1873, and is the son of Edmond and Amanda (Gester) Harris. They have two

CHILDREN.

(Born at Edenville, Mich.)

- 690 ¹Clyde Ivan Harris,⁷ b. Apr. 12, 1898, d. Oct. 18, 1898, interred near Edenville, Mich.
691 ²Bessie Mae Harris,⁷ b. Jan. 20, 1904.

Grace Ida (Lambert) Harris was a dress-maker before marriage. Mr. Harris is in the sheep ranch business at Edgemont, South Dakota, where they live. He has traveled a great deal, having visited nearly every country in the world. He is a member of the Foresters.

- 535 ³BESSIE EVA LAMBERT,⁶ (Sarah Edith Lambert,⁵ William Andrew Thuma,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Bessie Eva Lambert, the third child of Thomas and Sarah Edith (Thuma) Lambert, was born near Bear Lake, Mich., Feb. 14, 1881. Her marriage occurred at Lansing, Mich., Dec. 28, 1903, Rev. C. C. Wood, minister of the Congregational Church, officiating, to Robert Norwood Culver, who was born at Grand Ledge, Mich., Feb. 25, 1877, and is the son of James Gifford and Ann Eliza (Esler) Culver. They have one

CHILD.

- 692 ¹Robert Lambert Culver,⁷ b. at Orleans, Mich., Jan. 5, 1905.

Bessie Eva (Lambert) Culver was a school-teacher before her marriage, which is also the avocation of her husband. They are members of the Presbyterian Church and reside at Orleans, Mich.

- 571** ¹WILLIS EARL KENFIELD,⁶ (Mary Elizabeth Kenfield,⁵ David Thuma,⁴ Mary Ann Thuma,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

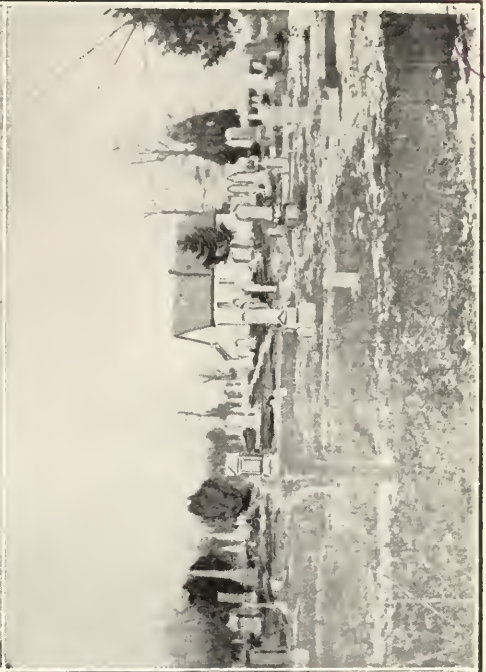
Willis Earl Kenfield, the oldest child of Oscar William and Mary Elizabeth (Thuma) Kenfield, was born in Montcalm county, Mich., Sept. 30, 1888. He was two years in a printing office, and is now in school at Hillsdale, Mich. He has also been studying telegraphy.

- 626** ¹MARY FAYE BIGBEE,⁶ (Lillie Alice Bigbee,⁵ Andrew Hiram Bear,⁴ Daniel Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Mary Faye Bigbee, the oldest child of Douglas Cromwell and Lillie Alice (Bear) Bigbee, was born at Pioneer, Ohio, April 5, 1882. She resides with her parents at Jackson, Mich., and is a stenographer, having a position with the same company as her father.

- 627** ²HARRIET FERNE BIGBEE,⁶ (Lillie Alice Bigbee,⁵ Andrew Hiram Bear,⁴ Daniel Bear,³ David Bear,² Jacob Bear,¹)

Harriet Ferne Bigbee, the youngest daughter of Douglas Cromwell and Lillie Alice (Bear) Bigbee, was born at Alvordton, Ohio, Dec. 17, 1888. She is a young lady of considerable musical talent. The Presbyterian Church at Jackson, Mich., where she lives, recently installed a new pipe organ, and Miss Bigbee was offered the position of organist, which she has accepted.



VIEWS OF BOILING SPRINGS CHURCH AND CEMETERY.

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BOILING SPRINGS CEMETERY, SHOWING BEAR GROUP.
Looking S. E.



ANOTHER VIEW OF BEAR GROUP IN BOILING SPRINGS
CEMETERY.

Looking N. W., Showing Monuments of

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| 1. Ephraim Bear, Sr., No. 5. | 3. Samuel Bear, No. 15. |
| 2. Jacob Bear, No. 14. | 4. Ephraim Bear, Jr., No. 16. |

Boiling Spring Church and Cemetery

Situated about one mile and a half southeast of Bearsdale, Illinois, is Boiling Springs Church and Cemetery. In this little church several generations of the Bear family have worshiped, and for more than half a century some of the family have had a prominent part in its work. In this Cemetery, in one cluster a few feet from the church, are buried Ephraim Bear, Sr., his wife, their three sons, and many of their grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Boiling Springs Church of God was organized at the home of Joseph Rife, Sr., Jan. 17, 1852, by Thomas Hickernell and George Sando. Eighteen persons were received as charter members. Among these were Jacob Bear, his wife, Catherine, their daughter, Elizabeth Ann, and Ephraim Bear, Jr., his wife Susannah, and their daughter, Mary Elizabeth. For a time after the organization, little progress was made, but in July, 1857, a meeting was called at which Joseph Rife, Sr., Robert Henson, and Ephraim Bear, Jr., were elected trustees and a building committee. This committee bought of David Manley two acres of land from the southeast corner of his farm, and upon this was erected the Boiling Springs Church of God. On the evening of Oct. 19, 1887, the church was destroyed by fire, but in due time was rebuilt and rededicated. Since the organization of the Sunday-school fifty years or more ago, with the exception of possibly ten years, some member of the Bear family has been its superintendent. Jacob Bear, Ephraim Bear, Mary E. Braden, Samuel E. Bear, and John N. Bear, have each served in that capacity. John N. Bear is the present superintendent.

Boiling Springs Cemetery was originally a free burial ground, but on Apr. 18, 1887, a charter was taken out, and on May 14, 1887, a deed was received from the trustees of Boiling Springs Church for a cemetery plot. Since that time lots have advanced from \$8 to \$20, and there is at this time \$1,000 in the treasury of the Cemetery Association. On May 5, 1897, the cemetery was enlarged by the purchase of additional ground from John Good. The present commissioners of the Boiling Springs Cemetery Association are A. J. Conover, president; Brice J. Bear, secretary, and J. P. Campbell.

Kindred Families

But one other family has been found which seemed to be connected with our own, and these people spell the name Bair. David Bair married Elizabeth Bowers, while Ephraim Bear, Sr., of our own family, married Mary Bowers, both daughters of Sebastian and Magdeline (Bear) Bowers. David and Ephraim, while of course related by the ties of marriage, were also known as "cousins." However, the several old people with whom your secretary has corresponded state that while they are positive David Bair and Ephraim Bear, Sr. were related yet they were not first cousins. It would therefore seem that Jacob Bear, Sr., the father of Ephraim Bear, Sr., did have kinsmen in this country, but the exact connection will probably never be ascertained.

THE BAIR FAMILY.

The founder of this family in America, or as far back as can be traced, was Benjamin Bear, who had two sons, David and Benjamin. Little could be learned of this Benjamin, Jr., but it is thought one of his daughters, Mrs. Mollie Hopp, is still living at Nevada, Ohio. Benjamin Bear, Jr., died in Wyandot county, Ohio, many, many years ago.

David Bear, or David Bair, was born in Lancaster county, Pa., Jan. 2, 1792, and died Jan. 26, 1852. From Lancaster county he removed to Westmoreland county, Pa., and there raised a large family. He was twice married. His first marriage was to Elizabeth Bowers, daughter of Sebastian and Magdeline (Bear) Bowers, and to this union were born nine children—Isaac, Benjamin, Sebastian, David, Henry, Jacob, Mattie, Catherine and Leah. His second marriage was to Sarah Bender, and by this wife he had four children—John G., Daniel F., Mary A., and Aaron J. Of the 13 children all are now dead but Jacob A. Bair, of Upper Sandusky, Ohio, and Aaron J. Bair, of Celina, Ohio.

Through the courtesy of Jacob A. Bair we give a brief record of the families of his brothers and sister.

Isaac Bair married Hannah Lauffer and they had seven children. William, Mary and Susan are dead. Mrs. Lizzie Welty

resides at Irwin, Pa.; Mrs. Lucy Loughner at Manor, Pa., and Mrs. Anna McWilliams and Mrs. Ella Baker at Greensburg, Pa. Isaac Bair died at the age of 86.

Jacob A. Bair married Amy Uber, and they had nine children, of whom all are deceased but Mrs. J. M. Myers of Piggott, Ark., and E. L. Bair of Wilkinsburg, Pa. Jacob A. Bair is now in his 78th year and has been a life-long member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Catherine Bair married Uriah Waugaman, and their children were Peter Waugaman, of Saltsburg, Pa., and David and Hannah, deceased.

David Bair married Susan Hershey and they had eight children. Joe Bair resides at 2022 Center St., Pittsburg, Pa.; Mrs. Anna Nichols at Topeka, Kansas; H. H. Bair at Wilkinsburg, Pa.; Aris Bair at Oil City, Pa.; Jacob Bear at Topeka, Kans., and Frances, Emma and Alice are also married and reside at Topeka, Kansas.

Leah Bair was twice married. She first married Zackary Smeltzer, by whom she had no children. After his death, she married Reuben Allshouse by whom she had four daughters—Mrs. Naomi Berry, of Derry Station, Pa.; Mrs. Della Myers, of Prairie Depot, Ohio, and Anna and Kate, deceased.

Henry Bair married Lizzie Keener, and of their children Jacob Cyrus Bair and Mrs. Emma Keck are dead; Mrs. Anna Martz resides at Congruity, Pa.; E. H. Bair at Greensburg, Pa.; and Mrs. Lizzie Jackson at Greensburg, Pa.

Benjamin Bair married Katie Shuey, and of their children Jacob and Daniel are dead; Isaac Bair, Hannah Bair and Emanuel Bair reside at Greensburg, Pa.; David Bair and Joe Bair at Homestead, Pa., and Mrs. Kate Gongaware at Irwin, Pa. Benjamin Bair reached the age of 86 years.

Mattie Bair married Jacob Kemerer, and of their children were John Kemerer, of Manor, Pa.; Mrs. Eliza Mull, of Harrison City, Pa.; Mrs. Susan Holtzer, deceased; Mrs. Sadie Hawk, William Kemerer, Elijah Kemerer, Peter Kemerer and Mrs. Mary Pool, all of Manor, Pa.; and Paul Kemerer, who died in the army.

Sebastian Bair married Naomi Keener, and of their children William Bair is dead, and Mrs. Carrie Hinkley lives somewhere in Conn.

Of David Bair's children by his second marriage, only Aaron J. Bair is living. John G. died during the war, and Daniel F. and Mary A. died young.

Aaron J. Bair was twice married. He first married Kezia L. Shriner, by whom he had no children. He then married Barbara Winstead-Hale, and their children are Mattie Bair, deceased;

Alpheus Bair, of Neptune, Ohio; Dr. Frank Bair, of Benton, Wis.; William Aaron Bair, of Celina, Ohio; and Ira Bair, Clyde Bair and Arlon Bair, all of Neptune, Ohio. Alpheus A. Bair married Mollie Lutz, and they have three children, Eldon, James and Mary. Dr. Frank M. Bair married E. Alta Milburn, and they have no children. Clyde H. Bair married Maud Stites, and they have no children. Arlon E. Bair married Susie Wollam, and they have no children. Aaron J. Bair resides at Celina, Ohio, and is in his 56th year. He is very prominently connected with the Church of God, and is now a trustee of Findlay (Ohio) College.

THE BOWERS FAMILY.

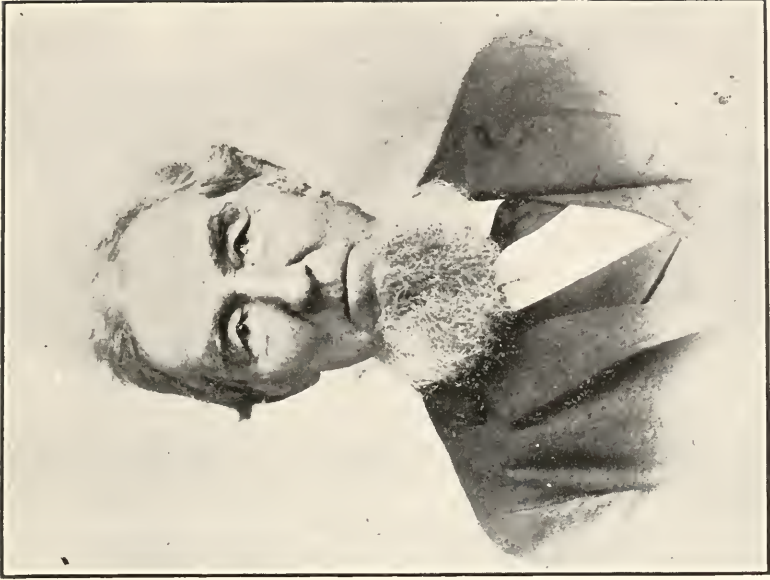
Because of the close connection of the Bowers and Bear families we give a brief record of the family of Sebastian Bowers.

Sebastian Bowers' wife was Magdeline Bear, but no record has been found that would indicate whether she was related to our family. She was born 15 years later than Jacob Bear, Sr., the founder of our family.

Mr. Levi Kendig, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., has several articles which were the property of his grandfather Sebastian Bowers, among them being a hall clock, an arm chair, and the family Bible. The entries in this Bible were all made in German. Below is given a copy of the transcript made by Ephraim Bear, Jr., a good many years ago.

- 1757, 21 January, I was born. Sebastian Bowers.
 1762, 2 October, my wife, Magdeline Bear, was born. Died
 Jan. 11, 1824, aged 61 years, 3 months, and 9 days.
 1781, May 15, we were united in marriage.
 1782, May 31, my daughter Barbara was born.
 1784, April 26, my daughter Mary was born.
 1787, May 28, my daughter Elizabeth was born.
 1790, Feb. 6, my daughter Magdeline was born.
 1792, October 6, was born to us a daughter, died October
 11, aged 5 days.
 1794, March 27, my daughter Susanna was born.
 1796, Dec. 8, my daughter Rebecca was born.
 1799, Aug. 15, my daughter Anna was born.
 1802, May 8, my son David was born.
 1805, Aug. 27, my son Samuel was born.

In this record preserved by Ephraim Bear, Jr., were also the following entries of the death of Sebastian Bowers and his wife:



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JACOB A. BAIR.





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"Magdeline Bowers died Jan. 11, A. D., 1824, aged 61 years, 3 months and 9 days."

"Sebastian Bowers died Oct. 16, A. D., 1840, aged 83 years, 8 months and 26 days."

Through the courtesy of Mr. Levi Kendig, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., and his sister, Mrs. Leah (Kendig) Bowers, children of Anna (Bowers) Kendig, we give a further record of the children of Sebastian and Magdeline (Bear) Bowers.

Barbara Bowers married Jacob Myers, and they had one daughter, Martha.

Mary Bowers married Ephraim Bear and their children were Leah, Jacob, Samuel and Ephraim. A complete genealogical record is given elsewhere in this history.

Elizabeth Bowers married David Bair and their children were Jacob A., Isaac, Catherine, David, Henry, Benjamin, Mattie, Leah, and Sebastian. A more complete record is given elsewhere.

Magdeline and Rebecca Bowers married Daniel Darr. Magdeline left no children. Rebecca had two, Samuel and Elizabeth.

Susanna Bowers married John Albert, and their children were Catherine, Martha, Susanna and John.

Anna Bowers married Emanuel Kendig. Their children were Leah (married a Bowers but of a different family), Levi, Elizabeth, Mary Ann, Samuel and David.

David Bowers married Mary Shellabarger, and their children were Isaac, William, Hadessa and Elizabeth.

Samuel Bowers married Ann Bear (ancestry not known), and their children were Magdeline, Martin and Ann Eliza.

An interesting anecdote of Sebastian Bowers is handed down in the Bowers family. Sebastian and his brother were but boys when they came to this country from Germany. A man by the name of Sheets wanted a boy and adopted a novel plan by which to choose one. He took a peck of apples and threw them upon the floor; the boy who secured the most apples was to be his choice. This happened to be Sebastian Bowers, and he remained with Mr. Sheets until the time of his marriage in 1781.

Sebastian Bowers lost all track of his brother after their arrival in this country.

The land owned by Sebastian Bowers in Cumberland county, Pa., joined that of Jacob Bear.

THE SNYDER FAMILY.

As is shown in this history, the wife of Jacob Bear, our founder, was Catherine Snyder. No further record has been found which would give her parentage, but it is positive she had a brother, Rev. David Snyder. It is also thought she had a sister who married a merchant in Philadelphia, a Mr. Tibbet.

A record of birth and death of Rev. David Snyder and his wife, Elizabeth, was found in the family Bible of David Bear, son of Jacob, Sr. This record states David Snyder was born in 1762 and died Feb. 12, 1819, and his wife was born in 1762 and died Feb. 12, 1826. It is very probable they died childless, as in the probate records of Cumberland county, Pa., it appears that on "13th March, 1828, upon petition of Ephraim Bear, the elder, of the county of Cumberland, to the court thereon sitting, stating that certain estate is coming to his son Ephraim Bear, who is under the age of 14 years, out of the estate of his aunt Elizabeth Snider, and praying the court to appoint a guardian." A similar petition was made for Ephraim's other minor children, Jacob and Samuel, and the record shows Jacob Knisley was appointed.

The records also show that "David Snider" was appointed guardian of Rebecca Bear, on March 31, 1801, when the settling of the estate of her father, Jacob Bear, Sr., was yet pending in the probate court.

ERRATA.

- Page 74—Josiah Coulter Bear should read Josiah Coulder Bear.
- Page 97—Hugh Craig Hippensteel married first, Frances Jane Harrell; second, Tillie Clark.
- Page 102—Last line should read: Daniel William Allion.
- Page 117—¹John Francis Byerly,⁶ instead of ¹John Francis Byerly.⁵
- Page 179—The name Kelley should be spelled Kelly.

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