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# HISTORY

OF

# FRANKLIN COUNTY,

# PENNSYLVANIA,

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CONTAINING A HISTORY OF THE COUNTY, ITS TOWNSHIPS, TOWNS,  
VILLAGES, SCHOOLS, CHURCHES, INDUSTRIES, ETC.; PORTRAITS OF  
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# PREFACE.

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In submitting the History of Franklin County to the public, it may not be improper to state, briefly, a few of the characteristics of the work:

I. The special prominence given to the pioneer times of the county—Hence a record of the persons, organizations, and events of the days anterior to 1820 has been given as fully as available data would warrant.

II. The fullness with which the various religious, educational and society organizations have been presented, due allowance being made, of course, for the destruction or absence of proper records.

III. The completeness of the official and postal records, the latter having been obtained direct from the proper department at Washington.

IV. The importance attached to the various military organizations and their movements, in all the wars in which the people of the county have participated.

V. The biographical sketches of many of the most prominent personages, living and dead, which make the book valuable for reference purposes to all classes.

VI. The classification of material under appropriate heads, which facilitates the easy finding of any desired information.

The outline history of the State, contained in Part I is from the pen of Prof. Samuel P. Bates, of Meadville. The history of Franklin County in Part II was compiled chiefly by Prof. J. Fraise Richard, who has striven to give an accurate and reliable account of the county's origin, progress and development; and, for that purpose, has laid under contribution the data afforded by historic sketches, newspaper articles, public and private records, personal interviews and correspondence, tombstones and other reliable sources. The biographical sketches in Part III were, for the most part, collected by a corps of solicitors, and a proof of each sketch submitted by mail to each subject for correction.

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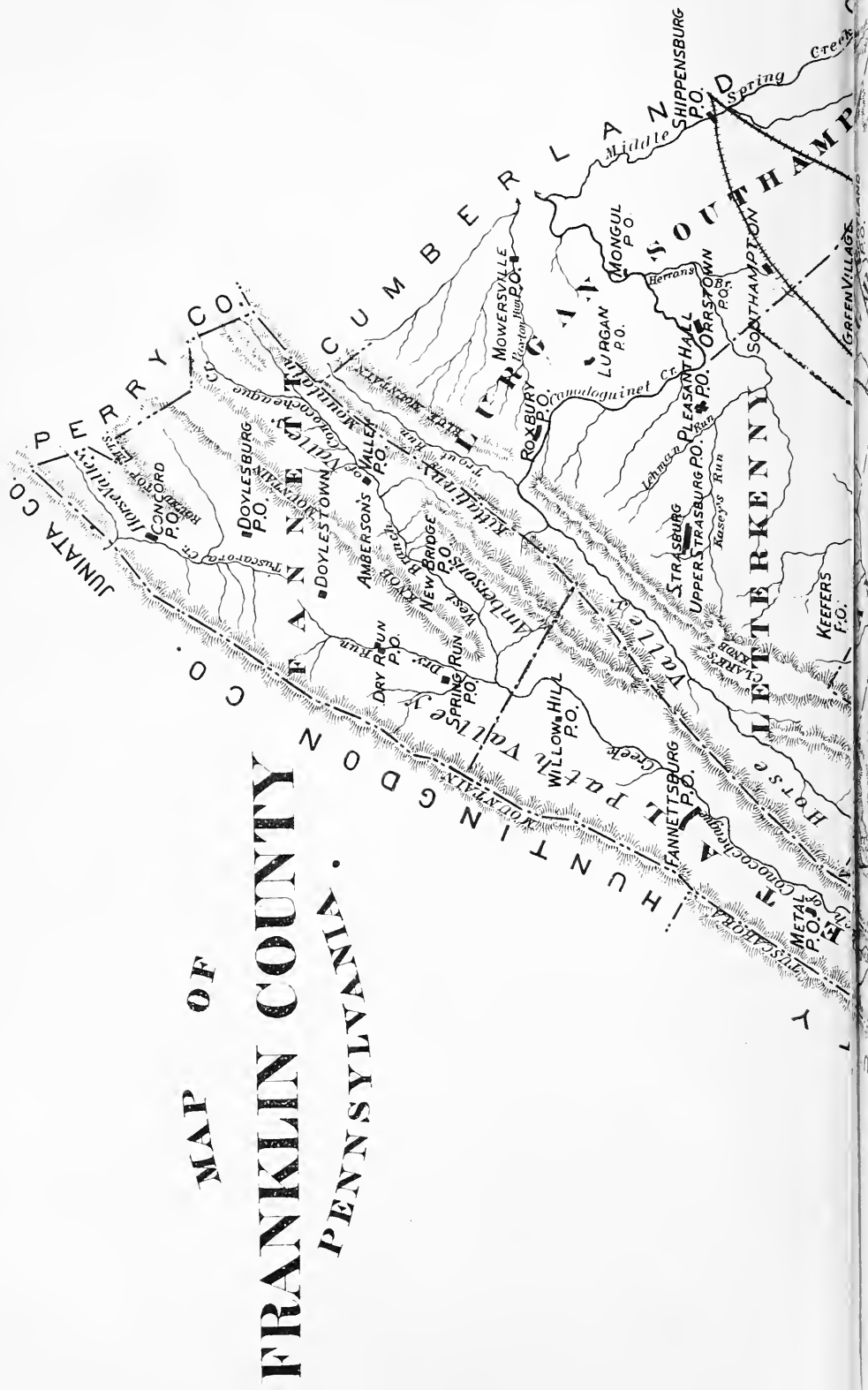
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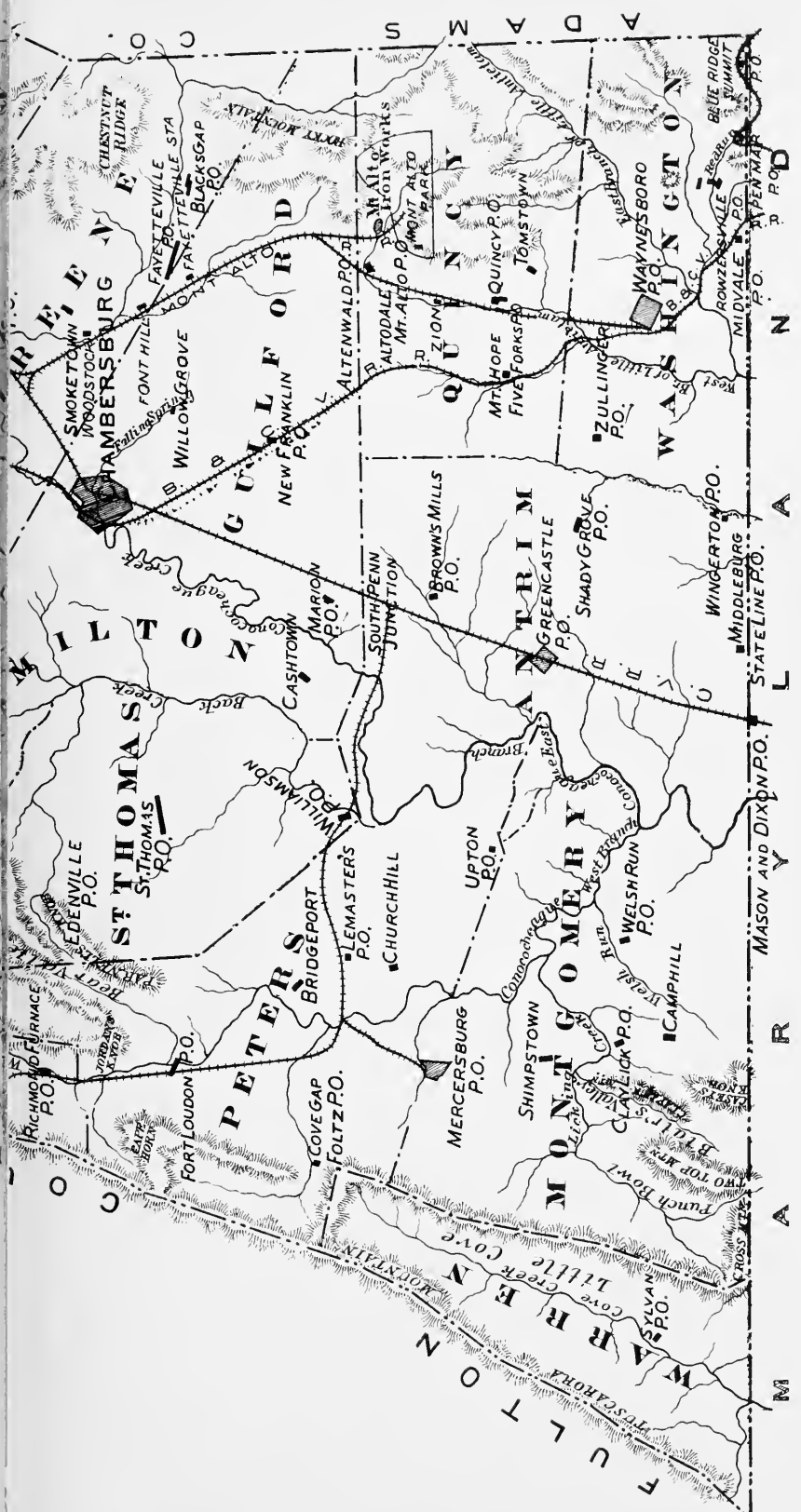
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MAP OF  
**FRANKLIN COUNTY**  
PENNSYLVANIA.





SMOKETOWN  
WOODSTOCK  
CHERRY RIDGE  
CHERRY RIDGE  
FAYETTEVILLE  
STATE FAYETTEVILLE STA  
WILLOW GROVE  
YACONTI  
ALTO  
MOUNT AIRZ  
IRON WORKS  
MOUNT AIRZ  
ZULINGER  
WAYNESBORO  
ROWENSVILLE  
MIDVALE  
SPENMAN  
BEE RIDGE  
SUMMIT

MILTON  
ST. THOMAS  
EDENVILLE  
ST. THOMAS  
BRIDGEPORT  
WILLIAMSON  
CASHTOWN  
MARION  
SOUTH PENN  
JUNCTION  
BROWN'S MILLS  
GREENCASTLE  
SHADY GROVE  
WINGERTON  
MIDDLEBURG  
STATE LINE

PETERS  
FORT LOUDON  
COVE GAP  
FOLTZ  
MERCERSBURG  
SHIMPSTOWN  
MONTGOMERY  
WELSH RUN  
CAMPHILL  
WELSH LICK  
CLYDE LICK  
PUNCH TOWN  
SILVANA  
WARRREN  
FULTON

GUILFORD  
QUINCY  
WAYNE  
WASHTON  
MASON AND DIXON  
RICHMOND  
FURNACE  
FORT LOUDON  
COVE GAP  
FOLTZ  
MERCERSBURG  
SHIMPSTOWN  
MONTGOMERY  
WELSH RUN  
CAMPHILL  
WELSH LICK  
CLYDE LICK  
PUNCH TOWN  
SILVANA  
WARRREN  
FULTON



# PART I.

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# HISTORY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

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BY SAMUEL P. BATES.

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"God, that has given it me through many difficulties, will, I believe, bless and make it the seed of a nation. I shall have a tender care to the government that it be well laid at first. - - - - - I do, therefore, desire the Lord's wisdom to guide me, and those that may be concerned with me, that we may do the thing that is truly wise and just."

WILLIAM PENN.





# HISTORY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

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## CHAPTER I.

INTRODUCTORY — CORNELIS JACOBSON MEY, 1624-25—WILLIAM VAN HULST, 1625-26—PETER MINUIT, 1626-33—DAVID PETERSEN DE VRIES, 1632-33—WOUTER VAN TWILLER, 1633-38.

IN the early colonization upon the American continent, two motives were principally operative. One was the desire of amassing sudden wealth without great labor, which tempted adventurous spirits to go in search of gold, to trade valueless trinkets to the simple natives for rich furs and skins, and even to seek, amidst the wilds of a tropical forest, for the fountain whose healing waters could restore to man perpetual youth. The other was the cherished purpose of escaping the unjust restrictions of Government, and the hated ban of society against the worship of the Supreme Being according to the honest dictates of conscience, which incited the humble devotees of Christianity to forego the comforts of home, in the midst of the best civilization of the age, and make for themselves a habitation on the shores of a new world, where they might erect altars and do homage to their God in such habiliments as they preferred, and utter praises in such note as seemed to them good. This purpose was also incited by a certain romantic temper, common to the race, especially noticeable in youth, that invites to some uninhabited spot, and Rasselas and Robinson Crusoe-like to begin life anew.

William Penn, the founder of Pennsylvania, had felt the heavy hand of persecution for religious opinion's sake. As a gentleman commoner at Oxford, he had been fined, and finally expelled from that venerable seat of learning for non-conformity to the established worship. At home, he was whipped and turned out of doors by a father who thought to reclaim the son to the more certain path of advancement at a licentious court. He was sent to prison by the Mayor of Cork. For seven months he languished in the tower of London, and, finally, to complete his disgrace, he was cast into Newgate with common felons. Upon the accession of James II, to the throne of England, over fourteen hundred persons of the Quaker faith were immured in prisons for a conscientious adherence to their religious convictions. To escape this harassing persecution, and find peace and quietude from this sore proscription, was the moving cause which led Penn and his followers to emigrate to America.

Of all those who have been founders of States in near or distant ages, none have manifested so sincere and disinterested a spirit, nor have been so fair exemplars of the golden rule, and of the Redeemer's sermon on the mount, as William Penn. In his preface to the frame of government of his colony, he says: "The end of government is first to terrify evil-doers; secondly, to cherish those who do well, which gives government a life beyond corruption, and

makes it as durable in the world, as good men shall be. So that government seems to be a part of religion itself, a thing sacred in its institution and end. For, if it does not directly remove the cause, it crushes the effects of evil, and is an emanation of the same Divine power, that is both author and object of pure religion, the difference lying here, that the one is more free and mental, the other more corporal and compulsive in its operations; but that is only to evil-doers, government itself being otherwise as capable of kindness, goodness and charity, as a more private society. They weakly err, who think there is no other use of government than correction, which is the coarsest part of it. Daily experience tells us, that the care and regulation of many other affairs more soft, and daily necessary, make up much the greatest part of government. Governments, like clocks, go from the motion men give them, and as governments are made and moved by men, so by them are they ruined, too. Wherefore, governments rather depend upon men, than men upon governments. Let men be good, and the government cannot be bad. If it be ill, they will cure it. But if men be bad, let the government be never so good, they will endeavor to warp and spoil to their turn. \* \* \* That, therefore, which makes a good constitution, must keep it, men of wisdom and virtue, qualities, that because they descend not with worldly inheritances, must be carefully propagated by a virtuous education of youth, for which, after ages will owe more to the care and prudence of founders and the successive magistracy, than to their parents for their private patrimonies. \* \* \* We have, therefore, with reverence to God, and good conscience to men, to the best of our skill, contrived and composed the Frame and Laws of this government, viz.: To support power in reverence with the people, and to secure the people from the abuse of power, that they may be free by their just obedience, and the magistrates honorable for their just administration. For liberty without obedience is confusion, and obedience without liberty is slavery."

Though born amidst the seductive arts of the great city, Penn's tastes were rural. He hated the manners of the corrupt court, and delighted in the homely labors and innocent employments of the farm. "The country," he said, "is the philosopher's garden and library, in which he reads and contemplates the power, wisdom and goodness of God. It is his food as well as study, and gives him life as well as learning." And to his wife he said upon taking leave of her in their parting interview: "Let my children be husbandmen, and housewives. It is industrious, healthy, honest, and of good report. This leads to consider the works of God, and diverts the mind from being taken up with vain arts and inventions of a luxurious world. Of cities and towns of concourse, beware. The world is apt to stick close to those who have lived and got wealth there. A country life and estate I love best for my children."

Having thus given some account at the outset of the spirit and purposes of the founder, and the motive which drew him to these shores, it will be in place, before proceeding with the details of the acquisition of territory, and the coming of emigrants for the actual settlement under the name of Pennsylvania, to say something of the aborigines who were found in possession of the soil when first visited by Europeans, of the condition of the surface of the country, and of the previous attempts at settlements before the coming of Penn.

The surface of what is now known as Pennsylvania was, at the time of the coming of the white men, one vast forest of hemlock, and pine, and beech, and oak, unbroken, except by an occasional rocky barren upon the precipitous mountain side, or by a few patches of prairie, which had been reclaimed by annual burnings, and was used by the indolent and simple-minded natives for the culture of a little maize and a few vegetables. The soil, by the annual

accumulations of leaves and abundant growths of forest vegetation, was luxurious, and the trees stood close, and of gigantic size. The streams swarmed with fish, and the forest abounded with game. Where now are cities and hamlets filled with busy populations intent upon the accumulation of wealth, the mastery of knowledge, the pursuits of pleasure, the deer browsed and sipped at the water's edge, and the pheasant drummed his monotonous note. Where now is the glowing furnace from which day and night tongues of flame are bursting, and the busy water wheel sends the shuttle flashing through the loom, half-naked, dusky warriors fashioned their spears with rude implements of stone, and made themselves hooks out of the bones of animals for alluring the finny tribe. Where now are fertile fields, upon which the thrifty farmer turns his furrow, which his neighbor takes up and runs on until it reaches from one end of the broad State to the other, and where are flocks and herds, rejoicing in rich meadows, gladdened by abundant fountains, or reposing at the heated noontide beneath ample shade, not a blow had been struck against the giants of the forest, the soil rested in virgin purity, the streams glided on in majesty, unvexed by wheel and unchoked by device of man.

Where now the long train rushes on with the speed of the wind over plain and mead, across streams and under mountains, awakening the echoes of the hills the long day through, and at the midnight hour screaming out its shrill whistle in fiery defiance, the wild native, with a fox skin wrapped about his loins and a few feathers stuck in his hair, issuing from his rude hut, trotted on in his forest path, followed by his squaw with her infant peering forth from the rough sling at her back, pointed his canoe, fashioned from the barks of the trees, across the deep river, knowing the progress of time only by the rising and setting sun, troubled by no meridians for its index, starting on his way when his nap was ended, and stopping for rest when a spot was reached that pleased his fancy. Where now a swarthy population toils ceaselessly deep down in the bowels of the earth, shut out from the light of day in cutting out the material that feeds the fires upon the forge, and gives genial warmth to the lovers as they chat merrily in the luxurious drawing room, not a mine had been opened, and the vast beds of the black diamond rested unsunned beneath the superincumbent mountains, where they had been fashioned by the Creator's hand. Rivers of oil seethed through the impatient and uneasy guses and vast pools and lakes of this pungent, parti-colored fluid, hidden away from the coveting eye of man, guarded well their own secrets. Not a derrick protruded its well-balanced form in the air. Not a drill, with its eager eating tooth descended into the flinty rock. No pipe line diverted the oily tide in a silent, ceaseless current to the ocean's brink. The cities of iron tanks, filled to bursting, had no place amidst the forest solitudes. Oil exchanges, with their vexing puts and calls, shorts and longs, bulls and bears, had not yet come to disturb the equanimity of the red man, as he smoked the pipe of peace at the council fire. Had he once seen the smoke and soot of the new Birmingham of the West, or snuffed the odors of an oil refinery, he would willingly have forfeited his goodly heritage by the forest stream or the deep flowing river, and sought for himself new hunting grounds in less favored regions.

It was an unfortunate circumstance that at the coming of Europeans the territory now known as Pennsylvania was occupied by some of the most bloody and revengeful of the savage tribes. They were known as the Lenni Lenapes, and held sway from the Hudson to the Potomac. A tradition was preserved among them, that in a remote age their ancestors had emigrated eastward from beyond the Mississippi, exterminating as they came the more civilized and peaceful peoples, the Mound-Builders of Ohio and adjacent States, and who

were held among the tribes by whom they were surrounded as the progenitors, the grandfathers or oldest people. They came to be known by Europeans as the Delawares, after the name of the river and its numerous branches along which they principally dwelt. The Monseys or Wolves, another tribe of the Lenapes, dwelt upon the Susquehanna and its tributaries, and, by their warlike disposition, won the credit of being the fiercest of their nation, and the guardians of the door to their council house from the North.

Occupying the greater part of the territory now known as New York, were the five nations—the Senecas, the Mohawks, the Oneidas, the Cayugas, and the Onondagas, which, from their hearty union, acquired great strength and came to exercise a commanding influence. Obtaining firearms of the Dutch at Albany, they repelled the advances of the French from Canada, and by their superiority in numbers and organization, had overcome the Lenapes, and held them for awhile in vassalage. The Tuscaroras, a tribe which had been expelled from their home in North Carolina, were adopted by the Five Nations in 1712, and from this time forward these tribes were known to the English as the Six Nations, called by the Lenapes, Mingoos, and by the French, Iroquois. There was, therefore, properly a United States before the thirteen colonies achieved their independence. The person and character of these tribes were marked. They were above the ordinary stature, erect, bold, and commanding, of great decorum in council, and when aroused showing native eloquence. In warfare, they exhibited all the bloodthirsty, revengeful, cruel instincts of the savage, and for the attainment of their purposes were treacherous and crafty.

The Indian character, as developed by intercourse with Europeans, exhibits some traits that are peculiar. While coveting what they saw that pleased them, and thievish to the last degree, they were nevertheless generous. This may be accounted for by their habits. "They held that the game of the forest, the fish of the rivers, and the grass of the field were a common heritage, and free to all who would take the trouble to gather them, and ridiculed the idea of fencing in a meadow." Bancroft says: "The hospitality of the Indian has rarely been questioned. The stranger enters his cabin, by day or by night, without asking leave, and is entertained as freely as a thrush or a blackbird, that regales himself on the luxuries of the fruitful grove. He will take his own rest abroad, that he may give up his own skin or mat of sedge to his guest. Nor is the traveler questioned as to the purpose of his visit. He chooses his own time freely to deliver his message." Penn, who, from frequent intercourse came to know them well, in his letter to the society of Free Traders, says of them: "In liberality they excel; nothing is too good for their friend. Give them a fine gun, coat or other thing, it may pass twenty hands before it sticks; light of heart, strong affections, but soon spent. The most merry creatures that live; feast and dance perpetually. They never have much nor want much. Wealth circulateth like the blood. All parts partake; and though none shall want what another hath, yet exact observers of property. Some Kings have sold, others presented me with several parcels of land. The pay or presents I made them, were not hoarded by the particular owners, but the neighboring Kings and clans being present when the goods were brought out, the parties chiefly concerned consulted what and to whom they should give them. To every King, then, by the hands of a person for that work appointed is a proportion sent, so sorted and folded, and with that gravity that is admirable. Then that King subdivideth it in like manner among his dependents, they hardly leaving themselves an equal share with one of their subjects, and be it on such occasions as festivals, or at their common meals, the Kings distribute, and to themselves last. They care for

little because they want but little, and the reason is a little contents them. In this they are sufficiently revenged on us. They are also free from our pains. They are not disquieted with bills of lading and exchange, nor perplexed with chancery suits and exchequer reckonings. We sweat and toil to live; their pleasure feeds them; I mean their hunting, fishing and fowling, and this table is spread everywhere. They eat twice a day, morning and evening. Their seats and table are the ground. Since the Europeans came into these parts they are grown great lovers of strong liquors, rum especially, and for it exchange the richest of their skins and furs. If they are heated with liquors, they are restless till they have enough to sleep. That is their cry, 'Some more and I will go to sleep;' but when drunk one of the most wretched spectacles in the world."

On the 28th of August, 1609, a little more than a century from the time of the first discovery of the New World by Columbus, Hendrick Hudson, an English navigator, then in the employ of the Dutch East India Company, having been sent out in search of a northwestern passage to the Indies, discovered the mouth of a great bay, since known as Delaware Bay, which he entered and partially explored. But finding the waters shallow, and being satisfied that this was only an arm of the sea which received the waters of a great river, and not a passage to the western ocean, he retired, and, turning the prow of his little craft northward, on the 2d of September, he discovered the river which bears his name, the Hudson, and gave several days to its examination. Not finding a passage to the West, which was the object of his search, he returned to Holland, bearing the evidences of his adventures, and made a full report of his discoveries in which he says, "Of all lands on which I ever set my foot, this is the best for tillage."

A proposition had been made in the States General of Holland to form a West India Company with purposes similar to those of the East India Company; but the conservative element in the Dutch Congress prevailed, and while the Government was unwilling to undertake the risks of an enterprise for which it would be responsible, it was not unwilling to foster private enterprise, and on the 27th of March, 1614, an edict was passed, granting the privileges of trade, in any of its possessions in the New World, during four voyages, founding its right to the territory drained by the Delaware and Hudson upon the discoveries by Hudson. Five vessels were accordingly fitted by a company composed of enterprising merchants of the cities of Amsterdam and Hoorn, which made speedy and prosperous voyages under command of Cornelis Jacobson Mey, bringing back with them fine furs and rich woods, which so excited cupidity that the States General was induced on the 14th of October, 1614, to authorize exclusive trade, for four voyages, extending through three years, in the newly acquired possessions, the edict designating them as New Netherlands.

One of the party of this first enterprise, Cornelis Hendrickson, was left behind with a vessel called the Unrest, which had been built to supply the place of one accidentally burned, in which he proceeded to explore more fully the bay and river Delaware, of which he made report that was read before the States General on the 19th of August, 1616. This report is curious as disclosing the opinions of the first actual explorer in an official capacity: "He hath discovered for his aforesaid masters and directors certain lands, a bay, and three rivers, situate between thirty-eight and forty degrees, and did their trade with the inhabitants, said trade consisting of sables, furs, robes and other skins. He hath found the said country full of trees, to wit, oaks, hickory and pines, which trees were, in some places, covered with vines. He hath

seen in said country bucks and does, turkeys and partridges. He hath found the climate of said country very temperate, judging it to be as temperate as this country, Holland. He also traded for and bought from the inhabitants, the Minquas, three persons, being people belonging to this company, which three persons were employed in the service of the Mohawks and Machicans, giving for them kettles, beads, and merchandise."

This second charter of privileges expired in January, 1618, and during its continuance the knowledge acquired of the country and its resources promised so much of success that the States General was ready to grant broader privileges, and on the 3d of June, 1621, the Dutch West India Company was incorporated, to extend for a period of twenty-four years, with the right of renewal, the capital stock to be open to subscription by all nations, and "privileged to trade and plant colonies in Africa, from the tropic of Cancer to the Cape of Good Hope, and in America from the Straits of Magellan to the remotest north." The past glories of Holland, though occupying but an insignificant patch of Europe, emboldened its Government to pass edicts for the colonizing and carrying on an exclusive trade with a full half of the entire world, an example of the biting off of more than could be well chewed. But the light of this enterprising people was beginning to pale before the rising glories of the stern race in their sea girt isle across the channel. Dissensions were arising among the able statesmen who had heretofore guided its affairs, and before the periods promised in the original charter of this colonizing company had expired, its supremacy of the sea was successfully resisted, and its exclusive rights and privileges in the New World had to be relinquished.

The principal object in establishing this West India Company was to secure a good dividend upon the capital stock, which was subscribed to by the rich old burgomasters. The fine furs and products of the forests, which had been taken back to Holland, had proved profitable. But it was seen that if this trade was to be permanently secured, in face of the active competition of other nations, and these commodities steadily depended upon, permanent settlements must be provided for. Accordingly, in 1623, a colony of about forty families, embracing a party of Walloons, protestant fugitives from Belgium, sailed for the new province, under the leadership of Cornelis Jacobson Mey and Joriz Tienpont. Soon after their arrival, Mey, who had been invested with the power of Director General of all the territory claimed by the Dutch, seeing, no doubt, the evidences of some permanence on the Hudson, determined to take these honest minded and devoted Walloons to the South River, or Delaware, that he might also gain for his country a foothold there. The testimony of one of the women, Catalina Tricho, who was of the party, is curious, and sheds some light upon this point. "That she came to this province either in the year 1623 or 1624, and that four women came along with her in the same ship, in which Gov. Arien Jorissen came also over, which four women were married at sea, and that they and their husbands stayed about three weeks at this place (Manhattan) and then they with eight seamen more, went in a vessel by orders of the Dutch Governor to Delaware River, and there settled." Ascending the Delaware some fifty miles, Mey landed on the eastern shore near where now is the town of Gloucester, and built a fort which he called Nassau. Having duly installed his little colony, he returned to Manhattan; but beyond the building of the fort, which served as a trading post, this attempt to plant a colony was futile; for these religious zealots, tiring of the solitude in which they were left, after a few months abandoned it, and returned to their associates whom they had left upon the Hudson. Though not successful in establishing a permanent colony upon the

Delaware, ships plied regularly between the fort and Manhattan, and this became the rallying point for the Indians, who brought thither their commodities for trade. At about this time, 1626, the island of Manhattan estimated to contain 22,000 acres, on which now stands the city of New York with its busy population, surrounded by its forests of masts, was bought for the insignificant sum of sixty guilders, about \$24, what would now pay for scarcely a square inch of some of that very soil. As an evidence of the thrift which had begun to mark the progress of the colony, it may be stated that the good ship "The Arms of Amsterdam," which bore the intelligence of this fortunate purchase to the assembly of the XIX in Holland, bore also in the language of O'Calaghan, the historian of New Netherland, the "information that the colony was in a most prosperous state, and that the women and the soil were both fruitful. To prove the latter fact, samples of the recent harvest, consisting of wheat, rye, barley, oats, buckwheat, canary seed, were sent forward, together with 8,130 beaver skins, valued at over 45,000 guilders, or nearly \$19,000." It is accorded by another historian that this same ship bore also "853½ otter skins, eighty-one minkskins, thirty-six wild cat skins and thirty-four rat skins, with a quantity of oak and hickory timber." From this it may be seen what the commodities were which formed the subjects of trade. Doubtless of wharf rats Holland had enough at home, but the oak and hickory timber came at a time when there was sore need of it.

Finding that the charter of privileges, enacted in 1621, did not give sufficient encouragement and promise of security to actual settlers, further concessions were made in 1629, whereby "all such persons as shall appear and desire the same from the company, shall be acknowledged as Patroons [a sort of feudal lord] of New Netherland, who shall, within the space of four years next after they have given notice to any of the chambers of the company here, or to the Commander or Council there, undertake to plant a colony there of fifty souls, upward of fifteen years old; one-fourth part within one year, and within three years after sending the first, making together four years, the remainder, to the full number of fifty persons, to be shipped from hence, on pain, in case of willful neglect, of being deprived of the privileges obtained." \* \* "The Patroons, by virtue of their power, shall be permitted, at such places as they shall settle their colonies, to extend their limits four miles along the shore, or two miles on each side of a river, and so far into the country as the situation of the occupiers will permit."

Stimulated by these flattering promises, Goodyn and Bloemmaert, two wealthy and influential citizens, through their agents—Heyser and Coster—secured by purchase from the Indians a tract of land on the western shore, at the mouth of the Delaware, sixteen miles in length along the bay front, and extending sixteen miles back into the country, giving a square of 256 miles. Goodyn immediately gave notice to the company of their intention to plant a colony on their newly acquired territory as patroons. They were joined by an experienced navigator, De Vries, and on the 12th of December, 1630, a vessel, the Walrus, under command of De Vries, was dispatched with a company of settlers and a stock of cattle and farm implements, which arrived safely in the Delaware. De Vries landed about three leagues within the capes, "near the entrance of a fine navigable stream, called the Hoarkill," where he proceeded to build a house, well surrounded with cedar palisades, which served the purpose of fort, lodging house, and trading post. The little settlement, which consisted of about thirty persons, was christened by the high sounding title of Zwanendal—Valley of Swans. In the spring they prepared their fields and planted them, and De Vries returned to Holland, to make report of his proceedings.

But a sad fate awaited the little colony at Zwanendal. In accordance with the custom of European nations, the commandant, on taking possession of the new purchase, erected a post, and affixed thereto a piece of tin on which was traced the arms of Holland and a legend of occupancy. An Indian chieftain, passing that way, attracted by the shining metal, and not understanding the object of the inscription, and not having the fear of their high mightinesses, the States General of Holland before his eyes, tore it down and proceeded to make for himself a tobacco pipe, considering it valuable both by way of ornament and use. When this act of trespass was discovered, it was regarded by the doughty Dutchman as a direct insult to the great State of Holland, and so great an ado was raised over it that the simple minded natives became frightened, believing that their chief had committed a mortal offense, and in the strength and sincerity of their friendship immediately proceeded to dispatch the offending chieftain, and brought the bloody emblems of their deed to the head of the colony. This act excited the anger of the relatives of the murdered man, and in accordance with Indian law, they awaited the chance to take revenge. O'Calaghan gives the following account of this bloody massacre which ensued: "The colony at Zwanendal consisted at this time of thirty-four persons. Of these, thirty-two were one day at work in the fields, while Commissary Hosset remained in charge of the house, where another of the settlers lay sick abed. A large bull dog was chained out of doors. On pretence of selling some furs, three savages entered the house and murdered Hosset and the sick man. They found it not so easy to dispatch the mastiff. It was not until they had pierced him with at least twenty-five arrows that he was destroyed. The men in the fields were then set on, in an equally treacherous manner, under the guise of friendship, and every man of them slain." Thus was a worthless bit of tin the cause of the cutting off and utter extermination of the infant colony.

De Vries was upon the point of returning to Zwanendal when he received intimation of disaster to the settlers. With a large vessel and a yacht, he set sail on the 24th of May, 1632, to carry succor, provided with the means of prosecuting the whale fishery which he had been led to believe might be made very profitable, and of pushing the production of grain and tobacco. On arriving in the Delaware, he fired a signal gun to give notice of his approach. The report echoed through the forest, but, alas! the ears which would have been gladdened with the sound were heavy, and no answering salute came from the shore. On landing, he found his house destroyed, the palisades burned, and the skulls and bones of his murdered countrymen bestrewing the earth, sad relics of the little settlement, which had promised so fairly, and warning tokens of the barbarism of the natives.

De Vries knew that he was in no position to attempt to punish the guilty parties, and hence determined to pursue an entirely pacific policy. At his invitation, the Indians gathered in with their chief for a conference. Sitting down in a circle beneath the shadows of the somber forest, their Sachem in the centre, De Vries, without alluding to their previous acts of savagery, concluded with them a treaty of peace and friendship, and presented them in token of ratification, "some duffels, bullets, axes and Nuremburg trinkets."

In place of finding his colony with plenty of provisions for the immediate needs of his party, he could get nothing, and began to be in want. He accordingly sailed up the river in quest of food. The natives were ready with their furs for barter, but they had no supplies of food with which they wished to part. Game, however, was plenty, and wild turkeys were brought in weighing over thirty pounds. One morning after a frosty night, while the little



craft was up the stream, the party was astonished to find the waters frozen over, and their ship fast in the ice. Judging by the mild climate of their own country, Holland, they did not suppose this possible. For several weeks they were held fast without the power to move their floating home. Being in need of a better variety of food than he found it possible to obtain, De Vries sailed away with a part of his followers to Virginia, where he was hospitably entertained by the Governor, who sent a present of goats as a token of friendship to the Dutch Governor at Manhattan. Upon his return to the Delaware, De Vries found that the party he had left behind to prosecute the whale fishery had only taken a few small ones, and these so poor that the amount of oil obtained was insignificant. He had been induced to embark in the enterprise of a settlement here by the glittering prospect of prosecuting the whale fishery along the shore at a great profit. Judging by this experience that the hope of great gains from this source was groundless, and doubtless haunted by a superstitious dread of making their homes amid the relics of the settlers of the previous year, and of plowing fields enriched by their blood who had been so utterly cut off, and a horror of dwelling amongst a people so revengeful and savage, De Vries gathered all together, and taking his entire party with him sailed away to Manhattan and thence home to Holland, abandoning utterly the settlement.

The Dutch still however sought to maintain a foothold upon the Delaware, and a fierce contention having sprung up between the powerful patroons and the Director General, and they having agreed to settle differences by the company authorizing the purchase of the claims of the patroons, those upon the Delaware were sold for 15,600 guilders. Fort Nassau was accordingly re-occupied and manned with a small military force, and when a party from Connecticut Colony came, under one Holmes to make a settlement upon the Delaware, the Dutch at Nassau were found too strong to be subdued, and Holmes and his party were compelled to surrender, and were sent as prisoners of war to Manhattan.

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## CHAPTER II.

SIR WILLIAM KEIFT, 1638-47—PETER MINUIT, 1638-41—PETER HOLLANDAER, 1641-43—  
 JOHN PRINTZ, 1643-53—PETER STUYVESANT, 1647-64—JOHN PAPPAGOYA, 1653-54—  
 JOHN CLAUDE RYSINGH, 1654-55.

**A**T this period, the throne of Sweden was occupied by Gustavus Adolphus, a monarch of the most enlightened views and heroic valor. Seeing the activity of surrounding nations in sending out colonies, he proposed to his people to found a commonwealth in the New World, not for the mere purpose of gain by trade, but to set up a refuge for the oppressed, a place of religious liberty and happy homes that should prove of advantage to "all oppressed Christendom." Accordingly, a company with ample privileges was incorporated by the Swedish Government, to which the King himself pledged \$400,000 of the royal treasure, and men of every rank and nationality were invited to join in the enterprise. Gustavus desired not that his colony should depend upon serfs or slaves to do the rough work. "Slaves cost a great deal, labor with reluctance, and soon perish from hard usage. The Swedish nation is laborious and intelligent, and surely we shall gain more by a free people with wives and children."

In the meantime, the fruits of the reformation in Germany were menaced, and the Swedish monarch determined to unsheath his sword and lead his people to the aid of Protestant faith in the land where its standard had been successfully raised. At the battle of Lützen, where for the cause which he had espoused, a signal victory was gained, the illustrious monarch, in the flower of life, received a mortal wound. Previous to the battle, and while engaged in active preparations for the great struggle, he remembered the interests of his contemplated colony in America, and in a most earnest manner commended the enterprise to the people of Germany.

Oxenstiern, the minister of Gustavus, upon whom the weight of government devolved during the minority of the young daughter, Christina, declared that he was but the executor of the will of the fallen King, and exerted himself to further the interests of a colony which he believed would be favorable to "all Christendom, to Europe, to the whole world." Four years however elapsed before the project was brought to a successful issue. Peter Minuit, who had for a time been Governor of New Netherlands, having been displaced, sought employment in the Swedish company, and was given the command of the first colony. Two vessels, the Key of Calmar and the Griffin, early in the year 1638, with a company of Swedes and Fins, made their way across the stormy Atlantic and arrived safely in the Delaware. They purchased of the Indians the lands from the ocean to the falls of Trenton, and at the mouth of Christina Creek erected a fort which they called Christina, after the name of the youthful Queen of Sweden. The soil was fruitful, the climate mild, and the scenery picturesque. Compared with many parts of Finland and Sweden, it was a Paradise, a name which had been given the point at the entrance of the bay. As tidings of the satisfaction of the first emigrants were borne back to the fatherland, the desire to seek a home in the new country spread rapidly, and the ships sailing were unable to take the many families seeking passage.

The Dutch were in actual possession of Fort Nassau when the Swedes first arrived, and though they continued to hold it and to seek the trade of the Indians, yet the artful Minuit was more than a match for them in Indian barter. William Keift, the Governor of New Netherland, entered a vigorous protest against the encroachments of the Swedes upon Dutch territory, in which he said "this has been our property for many years, occupied with forts and sealed by our blood, which also was done when thou wast in the service of New Netherland, and is therefore well known to thee." But Minuit pushed forward the work upon his fort, regardless of protest, trusting to the respect which the flag of Sweden had inspired in the hands of Banner and Torstensen. For more than a year no tidings were had from Sweden, and no supplies from any source were obtained; and while the fruits of their labors were abundant there were many articles of diet, medicines and apparel, the lack of which they began to sorely feel. So pressing had the want become, that application had been made to the authorities at Manhattan for permission to remove thither with all their effects. But on the very day before that on which they were to embark, a ship from Sweden richly laden with provisions, cattle, seeds and merchandise for barter with the natives came joyfully to their relief, and this, the first permanent settlement on soil where now are the States of Delaware and Pennsylvania, was spared. The success and prosperity of the colony during the first few years of its existence was largely due to the skill and policy of Minuit, who preserved the friendship of the natives, avoided an open conflict with the Dutch, and so prosecuted trade that the Dutch Governor reported to his government that trade had fallen off 30,000 beavers. Minuit

was at the head of the colony for about three years, and died in the midst of the people whom he had led.

Minuit was succeeded in the government by Peter Hollandaer, who had previously gone in charge of a company of emigrants, and who was now, in 1641, commissioned. The goodly lands upon the Delaware were a constant attraction to the eye of the adventurer; a party from Connecticut, under the leadership of Robert Cogswell, came, and squatted without authority upon the site of the present town of Salem, N. J. Another company had proceeded up the river, and, entering the Schuylkill, had planted themselves upon its banks. The settlement of the Swedes, backed as it was by one of the most powerful nations of Europe, the Governor of New Netherland was not disposed to molest; but when these irresponsible wandering adventurers came sailing past their forts and boldly planted themselves upon the most eligible sites and fertile lands in their territory, the Dutch determined to assume a hostile front, and to drive them away. Accordingly, Gen. Jan Jansen Van Ilpendam—his very name was enough to frighten away the emigrants—was sent with two vessels and a military force, who routed the party upon the Schuylkill, destroying their fort and giving them a taste of the punishment that was likely to be meted out to them, if this experiment of trespass was repeated. The Swedes joined the Dutch in breaking up the settlement at Salem and driving away the New England intruders.

In 1642, Hollandaer was succeeded in the government of the Swedish Colony by John Printz, whose instructions for the management of affairs were drawn with much care by the officers of the company in Stockholm. "He was, first of all, to maintain friendly relations with the Indians, and by the advantage of low prices hold their trade. His next care was to cultivate enough grain for the wants of the colonists, and when this was insured, turn his attention to the culture of tobacco, the raising of cattle and sheep of a good species, the culture of the grape, and the raising of silk worms. The manufacture of salt by evaporation, and the search for metals and minerals were to be prosecuted, and inquiry into the establishment of fisheries, with a view to profit, especially the whale fishery, was to be made." It will be seen from these instructions that the far-sighted Swedish statesmen had formed an exalted conception of the resources of the new country, and had figured to themselves great possibilities from its future development. Visions of rich silk products, of the precious metals and gems from its mines, flocks upon a thousand hills that should rival in the softness of their downy fleeces the best products of the Indian looms, and the luscious clusters of the vine that could make glad the palate of the epicure filled their imaginations.

With two vessels, the *Stoork* and *Renown*, Printz set sail, and arrived at Fort Christina on the 15th of February, 1643. He was bred to the profession of arms, and was doubtless selected with an eye to his ability to holding possession of the land against the conflict that was likely to arise. He had been a Lieutenant of cavalry, and was withal a man of prodigious proportions, "who weighed," according to De Vries, "upward of 400 pounds, and drank three drinks at every meal." He entertained exalted notions of his dignity as Governor of the colony, and prepared to establish himself in his new dominions with some degree of magnificence. He brought with him from Sweden the bricks to be used for the construction of his royal dwelling. Upon an inspection of the settlement, he detected the inherent weakness of the location of Fort Christina for commanding the navigation of the river, and selected the island of Tinacum for the site of a new fort, called New Gottenburg, which was speedily erected and made strong with huge hemlock logs. In the midst of

the island, he built his royal residence, which was surrounded with trees and shubbery. He erected another fort near the mouth of Salem Creek, called Elsinborg, which he mounted with eight brass twelve-pounders, and garrisoned. Here all ships ascending the river were brought to, and required to await a permit from the Governor before proceeding to their destination. Gen. Van Ilpendam, who had been sent to drive away the intruders from New England, had remained after executing his commission as commandant at Fort Nassau; but having incurred the displeasure of Director Keift, he had been displaced, and was succeeded by Andreas Hudde, a crafty and politic agent of the Dutch Governor, who had no sooner arrived and become settled in his place than a conflict of authority sprang up between himself and the Swedish Governor. Dutch settlers secured a grant of land on the west bank of Delaware, and obtained possession by purchase from the Indians. This procedure kindled the wrath of Printz, who tore down the ensign of the company which had been erected in token of the power of Holland, and declared that he would have pulled down the colors of their High Mightinesses had they been erected on this the Swedish soil. That there might be no mistake about his claim to authority, the testy Governor issued a manifesto to his rival on the opposite bank, in which were these explicit declarations:

“Andreas Hudde! I remind you again, by this written warning, to discontinue the injuries of which you have been guilty against the Royal Majesty of Sweden, my most gracious Queen; against Her Royal Majesty’s rights, pretensions, soil and land, without showing the least respect to the Royal Majesty’s magnificence, reputation and dignity; and to do so no more, considering how little it would be becoming Her Royal Majesty to bear such gross violence, and what great disasters might originate from it, yea, might be expected. \* \* \* All this I can freely bring forward in my own defense, to exculpate me from all future calamities, of which we give you a warning, and place it at your account. Dated New Gothenburg, 3d September, stil, veteri 1646.”

It will be noted from the repetition of the high sounding epithets applied to the Queen, that Printz had a very exalted idea of his own position as the Vicegerent of the Swedish monarch. Hudde responded, saying in reply: “The place we possess we hold in just deed, perhaps before the name of South River was heard of in Sweden.” This paper, upon its presentation, Printz flung to the ground in contempt, and when the messenger, who bore it, demanded an answer, Printz unceremoniously threw him out doors, and seizing a gun would have dispatched the Dutchman had he not been arrested; and whenever any of Hudde’s men visited Tinicum they were sure to be abused, and frequently come back “bloody and bruised.” Hudde urged rights acquired by prior possession, but Printz answered: “The devil was the oldest possessor in hell, yet he, notwithstanding, would sometimes admit a younger one.” A vessel which had come to the Delaware from Manhattan with goods to barter to the Indians, was brought to, and ordered away. In vain did Hudde plead the rights acquired by previous possession, and finally treaty obligations existing between the two nations. Printz was inexorable, and peremptorily ordered the skipper away, and as his ship was not provided with the means of fighting its way up past the frowning battlements of Fort Elsinborg, his only alternative was to return to Manhattan and report the result to his employers.

Peter Stuyvesant, a man of a good share of native talent and force of character, succeeded to the chief authority over New Netherland in May, 1647. The affairs of his colony were not in an encouraging condition. The New England colonies were crowding upon him from the north and east, and the

Swedes upon the South River were occupying the territory which the Dutch for many years previous to the coming of Christina's colony had claimed. Amid the thickening complications, Stuyvesant had need of all his power of argument and executive skill. He entered into negotiations with the New England colonies for a peaceful settlement of their difficulties, getting the very best terms he could, without resorting to force; for, said his superiors, the officers of the company in Holland, who had an eye to dividends, "War cannot be for our advantage; the New England people are too powerful for us." A pacific policy was also preserved toward the Swedes. Hudde was retained at the head of Dutch affairs upon the Delaware, and he was required to make full reports of everything that was transpiring there in order that a clear insight might be gained of the policy likely to be pursued. Stuyvesant was entirely too shrewd a politician for the choleric Printz. He recommended to the company to plant a Dutch colony on the site of Zwanendal at the mouth of the river, another on the opposite bank, which, if effectually done, would command its navigation; and a third on the upper waters at Beversreede, which would intercept the intercourse of the native population. By this course of active colonizing, Stuyvesant rightly calculated that the Swedish power would be circumscribed, and finally, upon a favorable occasion, be crushed out.

Stuyvesant, that he might ascertain the nature and extent of the Swedish claims to the country, and examine into the complaints that were pouring in upon him of wrongs and indignities suffered by the Dutch at the hands of the Swedish power, in 1651 determined to visit the Delaware in his official capacity. He evidently went in some state, and Printz, who was doubtless impressed with the condescension of the Governor of all New Netherland in thus coming, was put upon his good behavior. Stuyvesant, by his address, got completely on the blind side of the Swedish chief, maintaining the garb of friendship and brotherly good-will, and insisting that the discussion of rights should be carried on in a peaceful and friendly manner, for we are informed that they mutually promised "not to commit any hostile or vexatious acts against one another, but to maintain together all neighborly friendship and correspondence, as good friends and allies are bound to do." Printz was thus, by this agreement, entirely disarmed and placed at a disadvantage; for the Dutch Governor took advantage of the armistice to acquire lands below Fort Christina, where he proceeded to erect a fort only five miles away, which he named Fort Casimir. This gave the Dutch a foothold upon the south bank, and in nearer proximity to the ocean than Fort Christina. Fort Nassau was dismantled and destroyed, as being no longer of use. In a conference with the Swedish Governor, Stuyvesant demanded to see documental proof of his right to exercise authority upon the Delaware, and the compass of the lands to which the Swedish Government laid claim. Printz prepared a statement in which he set out the "Swedish limits wide enough." But Stuyvesant demanded the documents, under the seal of the company, and characterized this writing as a "subterfuge," maintaining by documentary evidence, on his part, the Dutch West India Company's right to the soil.

Printz was great as a blusterer, and preserver of authority when personal abuse and kicks and cuffs could be resorted to without the fear of retaliation; but no match in statecraft for the wily Stuyvesant. To the plea of pre-occupancy he had nothing to answer more than he had already done to Hudde's messenger respecting the government of Hades, and herein was the cause of the Swedes inherently weak. In numbers, too, the Swedes were feeble compared with the Dutch, who had ten times the population. But in diplomacy he had been entirely overreached. Fort Casimir, by its location, rendered

the rival Fort Elsinborg powerless, and under plea that the mosquitoes had become troublesome there, it was abandoned. Discovering, doubtless, that a cloud of complications was thickening over him, which he would be unable with the forces at his command to successfully withstand, he asked to be relieved, and, without awaiting an answer to his application, departed for Sweden, leaving his son-in-law, John Pappogoya, who had previously received marks of the royal favor, and been invested with the dignity of Lieutenant Governor, in supreme authority.

The Swedish company had by this time, no doubt, discovered that forcible opposition to Swedish occupancy of the soil upon Delaware was destined soon to come, and accordingly, as a precautionary measure, in November, 1653, the College of Commerce sent John Amundson Besch, with the commission of Captain in the Navy, to superintend the construction of vessels. Upon his arrival, he acquired lands suitable for the purpose of ship-building, and set about laying his keels. He was to have supreme authority over the naval force, and was to act in conjunction with the Governor in protecting the interests of the colony, but in such a manner that neither should decide anything without consulting the other.

On receiving the application of Printz to be relieved, the company appointed John Claude Rysingh, then Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, as Vice Director of New Sweden. He was instructed to fortify and extend the Swedish possessions, but without interrupting the friendship existing with the English or Dutch. He was to use his power of persuasion in inducing the latter to give up Fort Casimir, which was regarded as an intrusion upon Swedish possessions, but without resorting to hostilities, as it was better to allow the Dutch to occupy it than to have it fall into the hands of the English, "who are the more powerful, and, of course, the most dangerous in that country." Thus early was the prowess of England foreshadowed. Gov. Rysingh arrived in the Delaware, on the last day of May, 1654, and immediately demanded the surrender of Fort Casimir. Adriaen Van Tienhoven, an aide-de-camp on the staff of the Dutch commandant of the fort, was sent on board the vessel to demand of Gov. Rysingh by what right he claimed to dispossess the rightful occupants; but the Governor was not disposed to discuss the matter, and immediately landed a party and took possession without more opposition than wordy protests, the Dutch Governor saying, when called on to make defense, "What can I do? there is no powder." Rysingh, however, in justification of his course, stated to Tienhoven, after he had gained possession of the fort, that he was acting under orders from the crown of Sweden, whose ambassador at the Dutch Court, when remonstrating against the action of Gov. Stuyvesant in erecting and manning Fort Casimir had been assured, by the State's General and the offices of the West India Company, that they had not authorized the erection of this fort on Swedish soil, saying, "if our people are in your Excellency's way, drive them off." "Thereupon the Swedish Governor slapped Van Tienhoven on the breast, and said, 'Go! tell your Governor that.'" As the capture was made on Trinity Sunday, the name was changed from Fort Casimir to Fort Trinity.

Thus were the instructions of the new Governor, not to resort to force, but to secure possession of the fort by negotiation, complied with, but by a forced interpretation. For, although he had not actually come to battle, for the very good reason that the Dutch had no powder, and were not disposed to use their fists against fire arms, which the Swedes brandished freely, yet, in making his demand for the fort, he had put on the stern aspect of war.

Stuyvesant, on learning of the loss of Fort Casimir, sent a messenger to the

Delaware to invite Gov. Rysingh to come to Manhattan to hold friendly conference upon the subject of their difficulties. This Rysingh refused to do, and the Dutch Governor, probably desiring instructions from the home Government before proceeding to extremities, made a voyage to the West Indies for the purpose of arranging favorable regulations of trade with the colonies, though without the instructions, or even the knowledge of the States-General. Cromwell, who was now at the head of the English nation, by the policy of his agents, rendered this embassy of Stuyvesant abortive.

As soon as information of the conduct of Rysingh at Zwanendal was known in Holland, the company lost no time in disclaiming the representations which he had made of its willingness to have the fort turned over to the Swedes, and immediately took measures for restoring it and wholly dispossessing the Swedes of lands upon the Delaware. On the 16th of November, 1655, the company ordered Stuyvesant "to exert every nerve to avenge the insult, by not only replacing matters on the Delaware in their former position, but by driving the Swedes from every side of the river," though they subsequently modified this order in such manner as to allow the Swedes, after Fort Casimir had been taken, "to hold the land on which Fort Christina is built," with a garden to cultivate tobacco, because it appears that they had made the purchase with the previous knowledge of the company, thus manifesting a disinclination to involve Holland in a war with Sweden. "Two armed ships were forthwith commissioned; 'the drum was beaten daily for volunteers' in the streets of Amsterdam; authority was sent out to arm and equip, and if necessary to press into the company's service a sufficient number of ships for the expedition." In the meantime, Gov. Rysingh, who had inaugurated his reign by so bold a stroke of policy, determined to ingratiate himself into the favor of the Indians, who had been soured in disposition by the arbitrary conduct of the passionate Printz. He accordingly sent out on all sides an invitation to the native tribes to assemble on a certain day, by their chiefs and principal men, at the seat of government on Tinicum Island, to brighten the chain of friendship and renew their pledges of faith and good neighborhood.

On the morning of the appointed day, ten grand sachems with their attendants came, and with the formality characteristic of these native tribes, the council opened. Many and bitter were the complaints made against the Swedes for wrongs suffered at their hands, "chief among which was that many of their number had died, plainly pointing, though not explicitly saying it, to the giving of spirituous liquors as the cause." The new Governor had no answer to make to these complaints, being convinced, probably, that they were but too true. Without attempting to excuse or extenuate the past, Rysingh brought forward the numerous presents which he had taken with him from Sweden for the purpose. The sight of the piled up goods produced a profound impression upon the minds of the native chieftains. They sat apart for conference before making any expression of their feelings. Naaman, the fast friend of the white man, and the most consequential of the warriors, according to Campanius, spoke: "Look," said he, "and see what they have brought to us." So saying, he stroked himself three times down the arm, which, among the Indians, was a token of friendship; afterward he thanked the Swedes on behalf of his people for the presents they had received, and said that friendship should be observed more strictly between them than ever before; that the Swedes and the Indians in Gov. Printz's time were as one body and one heart, striking his breast as he spoke, and that thenceforward they should be as one head; in token of which he took hold of his head with both hands, and made a motion

as if he were tying a knot, and then he made this comparison: "That, as the calabash was round, without any crack, so they should be a compact body without any fissure; and that if any should attempt to do any harm to the Indians, the Swedes should immediately inform them of it; and, on the other hand, the Indians would give immediate notice to the Christians, even if it were in the middle of the night." On this they were answered that that would be indeed a true and lasting friendship, if every one would agree to it; on which they gave a general shout in token of consent. Immediately on this the great guns were fired, which pleased them extremely, and they said, "*Poo, hoo, hoo; mokerick picon,*" that is to say "Hear and believe; the great guns are fired." Rysingh then produced all the treaties which had ever been concluded between them and the Swedes, which were again solemnly confirmed. "When those who had signed the deeds heard their names, they appeared to rejoice, but, when the names were read of those who were dead, they hung their heads in sorrow."

After the first ebullition of feeling had subsided on the part of the Dutch Company at Amsterdam, the winter passed without anything further being done than issuing the order to Stuyvesant to proceed against the Swedes. In the spring, however, a thirty-six-gun brig was obtained from the burgomasters of Amsterdam, which, with four other crafts of varying sizes, was prepared for duty, and the little fleet set sail for New Netherland. Orders were given for immediate action, though Director General Stuyvesant had not returned from the West Indies. Upon the arrival of the vessels at Manhattan, it was announced that "if any lovers of the prosperity and security of the province of New Netherland were inclined to volunteer, or to serve for reasonable wages, they should come forward," and whoever should lose a limb, or be maimed, was assured of a decent compensation. The merchantmen were ordered to furnish two of their crews, and the river boatmen were to be impressed. At this juncture a grave question arose: "Shall the Jews be enlisted?" It was decided in the negative; but in lieu of service, adult male Jews were taxed sixty-five stivers a head per month, to be levied by execution in case of refusal.

Stuyvesant had now arrived from his commercial trip, and made ready for opening the campaign in earnest. A day of prayer and thanksgiving was held to beseech the favor of Heaven upon the enterprise, and on the 5th of September, 1655, with a fleet of seven vessels and some 600 men, Stuyvesant hoisted sail and steered for the Delaware. Arrived before Fort Trinity (Casimir), the Director sent Capt. Smith and a drummer to summon the fort, and ordered a flank movement by a party of fifty picked men to cut off communication with Fort Christina and the headquarters of Gov. Rysingh. Swen Schute, the commandant of the garrison, asked permission to communicate with Rysingh, which was denied, and he was called on to prevent bloodshed. An interview in the valley midway between the fort and the Dutch batteries was held, when Schute asked to send an open letter to Rysingh. This was denied, and for a third time the fort was summoned. Impatient of delay, and in no temper for parley, the great guns were landed and the Dutch force ordered to advance. Schute again asked for a delay until morning, which was granted, as the day was now well spent and the Dutch would be unable to make the necessary preparations to open before morning. Early on the following day, Schute went on board the Dutch flag-ship, the *Balance*, and agreed to terms of surrender very honorable to his flag. He was permitted to send to Sweden, by the first opportunity, the cannon, nine in number, belonging to the crown of Sweden, to march out of the fort with twelve men, as his body guard, fully accoutered, and colors flying; the common soldiers to wear their side arms. The com-



mandant and other officers were to retain their private property, the muskets belonging to the crown were to be held until sent for, and finally the fort was to be surrendered, with all the cannon, ammunition, materials and other goods belonging to the West India Company. The Dutch entered the fort at noon with all the formality and glorious circumstance of war, and Dominie Megapolensis, Chaplain of the expedition, preached a sermon of thanksgiving on the following Sunday in honor of the great triumph.

While these signal events were transpiring at Casimir, Gov. Rysing, at his royal residence on Tinicum, was in utter ignorance that he was being despoiled of his power. A detachment of nine men had been sent by the Governor to Casimir to re-enforce the garrison, which came unawares upon the Dutch lines, and after a brief skirmish all but two were captured. Upon learning that the fort was invested, Factor Ellswyck was sent with a flag to inquire of the invaders the purpose of their coming. The answer was returned "To recover and retain our property." Rysing then communicated the hope that they would therewith rest content, and not encroach further upon Swedish territory, having, doubtless, ascertained by this time that the Dutch were too strong for him to make any effectual resistance. Stuyvesant returned an evasive answer, but made ready to march upon Fort Christina. It will be remembered that by the terms of the modified orders given for the reduction of the Swedes, Fort Christina was not to be disturbed. But the Dutch Governor's blood was now up, and he determined to make clean work while the means were in his hands. Discovering that the Dutch were advancing, Rysing spent the whole night in strengthening the defenses and putting the garrison in position to make a stout resistance. Early on the following day the invaders made their appearance on the opposite bank of Christina Creek, where they threw up defenses and planted their cannon. Forces were landed above the fort, and the place was soon invested on all sides, the vessels, in the meantime, having been brought into the mouth of the creek, their cannon planted west of the fort and on Timber Island. Having thus securely shut up the Governor and his garrison, Stuyvesant summoned him to surrender. Rysing could not in honor tamely submit, and at a council of war it was resolved to make a defense and "leave the consequence to be redressed by our gracious superiors." But their supply of powder barely sufficed for one round, and his force consisted of only thirty men. In the meantime, the Dutch soldiery made free with the property of the Swedes without the fort, killing their cattle and invading their homes. "At length the Swedish garrison itself showed symptoms of mutiny. The men were harassed with constant watching, provisions began to fail, many were sick, several had deserted, and Stuyvesant threatened, that, if they held out much longer, to give no quarter." A conference was held which ended by the return of Rysing to the fort more resolute than ever for defense. Finally Stuyvesant sent in his *ultimatum* and gave twenty-four hours for a final answer, the generous extent of time for consideration evincing the humane disposition of the commander of the invading army, or what is perhaps more probable his own lack of stomach for carnage. Before the expiration of the time allowed, the garrison capitulated, "after a siege of fourteen days, during which, very fortunately, there was a great deal more talking than cannon-ading, and no blood shed, except those of the goats, poultry and swine, which the Dutch troops laid their hands on. The twenty or thirty Swedes then marched out with their arms; colors flying, matches lighted, drums beating, and fifes playing, and the Dutch took possession of the fort, hauled down the Swedish flag and hoisted their own."

By the terms of capitulation, the Swedes, who wished to remain in the

country, were permitted to do so, on taking the oath of allegiance, and rights of property were to be respected under the sway of Dutch law. Gov. Rysingh, and all others who desired to return to Europe, were furnished passage, and by a secret provision, a loan of £300 Flemish was made to Rysingh, to be refunded on his arrival in Sweden, the cannon and other property belonging to the crown remaining in the hands of the Dutch until the loan was paid. Before withdrawing Stuyvesant offered to deliver over Fort Christina and the lands immediately about it to Rysingh, but this offer was declined with dignity, as the matter had now passed for arbitrament to the courts of the two nations.

The terms of the capitulation were honorable and liberal enough, but the Dutch authorities seem to have exercised little care in carrying out its provisions, or else the discipline in the service must have been very lax. For Rysingh had no sooner arrived at Manhattan, than he entered most vigorous protests against the violations of the provisions of the capitulation to Gov. Stuyvesant. He asserted that the property belonging to the Swedish crown had been left without guard or protection from pillage, and that he himself had not been assigned quarters suited to his dignity. He accused the Dutch with having broken open the church, and taken away all the cordage and sails of a new vessel, with having plundered the villages, Tinnakong, Uplandt, Finland, Printzdrorp and other places. "In Christina, the women were violently torn from their houses; whole buildings were destroyed; yea, oxen, cows, hogs and other creatures were butchered day after day; even the horses were not spared, but wantonly shot; the plantations destroyed, and the whole country so desolated that scarce any means were left for the subsistence of the inhabitants." "Your men carried off even my own property," said Rysingh, "with that of my family, and we were left like sheep doomed to the knife, without means of defense against the wild barbarians."

Thus the colony of Swedes and Fins on the South River, which had been planned by and had been the object of solicitude to the great monarch himself, and had received the fostering care of the Swedish Government, came to an end after an existence of a little more than seventeen years—1638-1655. But though it no longer existed as a colony under the government of the crown of Sweden, many of the colonists remained and became the most intelligent and law-abiding citizens, and constituted a vigorous element in the future growth of the State. Some of the best blood of Europe at this period flowed in the veins of the Swedes. "A love for Sweden," says Bancroft, "their dear mother country, the abiding sentiment of loyalty toward its sovereign, continued to distinguish the little band. At Stockholm, they remained for a century the objects of disinterested and generous regard; affection united them in the New World; and a part of their descendants still preserve their altar and their dwellings around the graves of their fathers."

This campaign of Stuyvesant, for the dispossessing of the Swedes of territory upon the Delaware, furnishes Washington Irving subject for some of the most inimitable chapters of broad humor, in his Knickerbocker's New York, to be found in the English language. And yet, in the midst of his side-splitting paragraphs, he indulges in a reflection which is worthy of remembrance. "He who reads attentively will discover the threads of gold which run throughout the web of history, and are invisible to the dull eye of ignorance. \* \* \* By the treacherous surprisal of Fort Casimir, then, did the crafty Swedes enjoy a transient triumph, but drew upon their heads the vengeance of Peier Stuyvesant, who wrested all New Sweden from their hands. By the conquest of New Sweden, Peter Stuyvesant aroused the claims of Lord Balti-

more, who appealed to the cabinet of Great Britain, who subdued the whole province of New Netherlands. By this great achievement, the whole extent of North America, from Nova Scotia to the Floridas, was rendered one entire dependency upon the British crown. But mark the consequence: The hitherto scattered colonies being thus consolidated and having no rival colonies to check or keep them in awe, waxed great and powerful, and finally becoming too strong for the mother country, were enabled to shake off its bonds. But the chain of effects stopped not here; the successful revolution in America produced the sanguinary revolution in France, which produced the puissant Bonaparte, who produced the French despotism."

In March, 1656, the ship "Mercury," with 130 emigrants, arrived, the government at Stockholm having had no intimation of the Dutch conquest. An attempt was made to prevent a landing, and the vessel was ordered to report to Stuyvesant at Manhattan, but the order was disregarded and the colonists debarked and acquired lands. The Swedish Government was not disposed to submit to these high-handed proceedings of the Dutch, and the ministers of the two courts maintained a heated discussion of their differences. Finding the Dutch disposed to hold by force their conquests, the government of Sweden allowed the claim to rest until 1664. In that year, vigorous measures were planned to regain its claims upon the Delaware, and a fleet bearing a military force was dispatched for the purpose. But, having been obliged to put back on account of stress of weather, the enterprise was abandoned.

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### CHAPTER III.

JOHN PAUL JACQUET, 1655-57—JACOB ALRICHS, 1657-59—GOERAN VAN DYCK, 1657-58—WILLIAM BEEKMAN, 1658-63—ALEXANDER D'HINOYSSA, 1659-64.

THE colonies upon the Delaware being now under exclusive control of the Dutch, John Paul Jaquet was appointed in November, 1655, as Vice Director, Derck Smidt having exercised authority after the departure of Stuyvesant. The expense of fitting out the expedition for the reduction of the Swedes was sorely felt by the West India Company, which had been obliged to borrow money for the purpose of the city of Amsterdam. In payment of this loan, the company sold to the city all the lands upon the south bank of the Delaware, from the ocean to Christina Creek, reaching back to the lands of the Minquas, which was designated Nieur Amstel. Again was there divided authority upon the Delaware. The government of the new possession was vested in a commission of forty residents of Amsterdam, who appointed Jacob Alrichs as Director, and sent him with a force of forty soldiers and 150 colonists, in three vessels, to assume the government, whereupon Jaquet relinquished authority over this portion of his territory. The company in communicating with Stuyvesant upon the subject of his course in dispossessing the Swedes, after duly considering all the complaints and remonstrances of the Swedish government, approved his conduct, "though they would not have been displeased had such a *formal* capitulation not taken place," adding as a parenthetical explanation of the word *formal* "what is written is too long preserved, and may be produced when not desired, whereas words not recorded are, in the lapse of time, forgotten, or may be explained away."

Stuyvesant still remained in supreme control over both the colony of the city and the colony of the company, to the immediate governorship of the latter of which, Goeran Van Dyck was appointed. But though settlements in the management of affairs were frequently made, they would not remain settled. There was conflict of authority between Alrichs and Van Dyck. The companies soon found that a grievous system of smuggling had sprung up. After a searching examination into the irregularities by Stuyvesant, who visited the Delaware for the purpose, he recommended the appointment of one general agent who should have charge of all the revenues of both colonies, and William Beekman was accordingly appointed. The company of the city seems not to have been satisfied with the profits of their investment, and accordingly made new regulations to govern settlement, by which larger returns would accrue. This action created discontent among the settlers, and many who were meditating the purchase of lands and the acquisition of homes, determined to go over into Maryland where Lord Baltimore was offering far more liberal terms of settlement. To add to the discomforts of the settlers, "the miasms which the low alluvial soil and the rank and decomposed vegetation of a new country engenders," produced wasting sicknesses. When the planting was completed, and the new soil, for ages undisturbed, had been thoroughly stirred, the rains set in which descended almost continuously, producing fever and ague and dysentery. Scarcely a family escaped the epidemic. Six in the family of Director Alrichs were attacked, and his wife died. New colonists came without provisions, which only added to the distress. "Scarcity of provisions," says O'Calaghan, "naturally followed the failure of the crops; 900 schepels of grain had been sown in the spring. They produced scarcely 600 at harvest. Rye rose to three guilders the bushel; peas to eight guilders the sack; salt was twelve guilders the bushel at New Amsterdam; cheese and butter were not to be had, and when a man journeys he can get nothing but dry bread, or he must take a pot or kettle along with him to cook his victuals." "The place had now got so bad a name that the whole river could not wash it clean." The exactions of the city company upon its colony, not only did not bring increased revenue, but by dispersing the honest colonists, served to notify Lord Baltimore—who had laid claim to the lands upon Delaware, on account of original discovery by Lord De la War, from whom the river takes its name, and from subsequent charter of the British crown, covering territory from the 38th to the 40th degree of latitude—of the weakness of the colonies, and persuade him that now was a favorable opportunity to enforce his claims. Accordingly, Col. Utie, with a number of delegates, was dispatched to demand that the Dutch should quit the place, or declare themselves subjects of Lord Baltimore, adding, "that if they hesitated, they should be responsible for whatever innocent blood might be shed."

Excited discussions ensued between the Dutch authorities and the agents of the Maryland government, and it was finally agreed to refer the matter to Gov. Stuyvesant, who immediately sent Commissioners to the Chesapeake to settle differences, and enter into treaty regulations for the mutual return of fugitives, and dispatched sixty soldiers to the Delaware to assist in preserving order, and resisting the English, should an attempt be made to dispossess the Dutch.

Upon the death of Alrichs, which occurred in 1659, Alexander D'Hinoyossa was appointed Governor of the city colony. The new Governor was a man of good business capacity, and sought to administer the affairs of his colony for the best interests of the settlers, and for increasing the revenues of the company. To further the general prosperity, the company negotiated a new loan

with which to strengthen and improve its resources. This liberal policy had the desired effect. The Swedes, who had settled above on the river, moved down, and acquired homes on the lands of the city colony. The Fins and discontented Dutch, who had gone to Maryland, returned and brought with them some of the English settlers.

Discouraged by the harassing conflicts of authority which seemed interminable, the West India Company transferred all its interests on the east side of the river to the colony of the city, and upon the visit of D'Hinoyossa to Holland in 1663, he secured for himself the entire and exclusive government of the colonies upon the Delaware, being no longer subject to the authority of Stuyvesant.

Encouraged by liberal terms of settlement, and there being now a prospect of stable government, emigrants were attracted thither. A Mennonite community came in a body. "Clergymen were not allowed to join them, nor any 'intractable people such as those in communion with the Roman See, usurious Jews, English stiff-necked Quakers, Puritans, foolhardy believers in the millennium, and obstinate modern pretenders to revelation.'" They were obliged to take an oath never to seek for an office; Magistrates were to receive no compensation, "not even a stiver." The soil and climate were regarded as excellent, and when sufficiently peopled, the country would be the "finest on the face of the globe."

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## CHAPTER IV.

RICHARD NICHOLS, 1664-67—ROBERT NEEDHAM, 1664-68—FRANCIS LOVELACE, 1667-73—JOHN CARR, 1668-73—ANTHONY COLVE, 1673-74—PETER ALRICH, 1673-74.

**A**FFAIRS were scarcely arranged upon the Delaware, and the dawning of a better day for the colonists ushered in, before new complications began to threaten the subversion of the whole Dutch power in America. The English had always claimed the entire Atlantic seaboard. Under Cromwell, the Navigation act was aimed at Dutch interests in the New World. Captain John Scott, who had been an officer in the army of Charles I, having obtained some show of authority from the Governor of Connecticut, had visited the towns upon the west end of Long Island, where was a mixed population of Dutch and English, and where he claimed to have purchased large tracts of land, and had persuaded them to unite under his authority in setting up a government of their own. He visited England and "petitioned the King to be invested with the government of Long Island, or that the people thereof be allowed to choose yearly a Governor and Assistants." By his representation, an inquiry was instituted by the King's council, "as to his majesty's title to the premises; the intrusions of the Dutch; their deportment; management of the country; strength, trade and government; and lastly, of the means necessary to induce or force them to acknowledge the King, or if necessary, to expel them together from the country." The visit of Scott, and his prayer to the King for a grant of Long Island, was the occasion of inaugurating a policy, which resulted in the overthrow of Dutch rule in America. But the attention of English statesmen had for some time been turned to the importance of the territory which the Dutch colonies had occupied, and a belief that Dutch trade in the New World was yielding great returns, stimulated inquiry. James,

Duke of York, brother of the King, who afterward himself became King, was probably at this time the power behind the throne that was urging on action looking to the dispossession of the Dutch. The motive which seemed to actuate him was the acquisition of personal wealth and power. He saw, as he thought, a company of merchants in Amsterdam accumulating great wealth out of these colonies, and he meditated the transfer of this wealth to himself. He was seconded in this project by the powerful influence of Sir George Downing, who had been Envoy at The Hague, under Cromwell, and was now under Charles II. "Keen, bold, subtle, active, and observant, but imperious and unscrupulous, disliking and distrusting the Dutch," he had watched every movement of the company's granted privileges by the States General, and had reported everything to his superiors at home. "The whole bent," says O'Calaghan, "of this man's mind was constantly to hold up before the eyes of his countrymen the growing power of Holland and her commercial companies, their immense wealth and ambition, and the danger to England of permitting these to progress onward unchecked."

After giving his testimony before the council, Scott returned to America with a letter from the King recommending his interests to the co-operation and protection of the New England colonies. On arriving in Connecticut, he was commissioned by the Governor of that colony to incorporate Long Island under Connecticut jurisdiction. But the Baptists, Quakers and Mennonites, who formed a considerable part of the population, "dreaded falling into the hands of the Puritans." In a quaint document commencing, "In the behalfe of sum hundreds of English here planted on the west end of Long Island wee address," etc., they besought Scott to come and settle their difficulties. On his arrival he acquainted them with the fact, till then unknown, that King Charles had granted the island to the Duke of York, who would soon assert his rights. Whereupon the towns of Hemstede, Newwarke, Crafford, Hastings, Folestone and Gravesend, entered into a "combination" as they termed it, resolved to elect deputies to draw up laws, choose magistrates, and empowered Scott to act as their President; in short set up the first independent State in America. Scott immediately set out at the head of 150 men, horse and foot, to subdue the island.

On the 22d of March, 1664, Charles II made a grant of the whole of Long Island, and all the adjoining country at the time in possession of the Dutch, to the Duke of York. Borrowing four men-of-war of the king, James sent them in command of Col. Richard Nicholls, an old officer, with whom was associated Sir Robert Carr, Sir George Cartwright, and Samuel Maverick, Esq., and a force of 450 men, to dispossess the Dutch. To insure the success of the expedition, letters were addressed to each of the Governors of the New England colonies, enjoining upon them to unite in giving aid by men and material to Nicholls. The fleet sailed directly for Boston, where it was expected, and whence, through one Lord, the Dutch were notified of its coming. The greatest consternation was aroused upon the receipt of this intelligence, and the most active preparations were making for defense. But in the midst of these preparations, notice was received from the Chambers at Amsterdam, doubtless inspired by the English, that "no apprehension of any public enemy or danger from England need be entertained. That the King was only desirous to reduce the colonies to uniformity in church and state, and with this view was dispatching some Commissioners with two or three frigates to New England to introduce Episcopacy in that quarter." Thrown completely off his guard by this announcement, the Director General, Stuyvesant abandoned all preparations for resistance, and indulged in no anticipations of a hostile visitation. Thus

were three full weeks lost in which the colonies might have been put in a very good state of defense.

Nicholls on arriving in American waters, touched at Boston and Connecticut, where some aid was received, and then hastened forward to Manhattan. Stuyvesant had but a day or two before learned of the arrival, and of the hostile intent. Scarcely had he issued orders for bringing out his forces and for fortifying before Nicholls scattered proclamations through the colony promising to protect all who submitted to his Brittanic majesty in the undisturbed possession of their property, and made a formal summons upon Stuyvesant to surrender the country to the King of Great Britain. The Director found that he had an entirely different enemy to treat with from Rysingh, and a few half-armed Swedes and Fins upon the Delaware. Wordy war ensued between the Commissioners and the Director, and the English Governor finding that Stuyvesant not in the temper to yield, landed a body of his soldiers upon the lower end of the island, and ordered Hyde, the commander of the fleet, to lay the frigates broadside before the city. It was a critical moment. Stuyvesant was standing on one of the points of the fort when he saw the frigates approaching. The gunner stood by with burning match, prepared to fire on the fleet, and Stuyvesant seemed on the point of giving the order. But he was restrained, and a further communication was sent to Nicholls, who would listen to nothing short of the full execution of his mission. Still Stuyvesant held out. The inhabitants implored, but rather than surrender "he would be carried a corpse to his grave." The town was, however, in no condition to stand a siege. The powder at the fort would only suffice for one day of active operations. Provisions were scarce. The inhabitants were not disposed to be sacrificed, and the disaffection among them spread to the soldiers. They were overheard muttering, "Now we hope to pepper those devilish traders who have so long salted us; we know where booty is to be found, and where the young women live who wear gold chains."

The Rev. Jannes Myapoleuses seems to have been active in negotiations and opposed to the shedding of blood. A remonstrance drawn by him was finally adopted and signed by the principal men, and presented to the Director General, in which the utter hopelessness of resistance was set forth, and Stuyvesant finally consented to capitulate. Favorable terms were arranged, and Nicholls promised that if it should be finally agreed between the English and Dutch governments that the province should be given over to Dutch rule, he would peacefully yield his authority. Thus without a gun being fired, the English made conquest of the Manhattoes.

Sir Robert Carr, with two frigates and an ample force, was dispatched to the Delaware to reduce the settlements there to English rule. The planters, whether Dutch or Swedes, were to be insured in the peaceable possession of their property, and the magistrates were to be continued in office.

Sailing past the fort, he disseminated among the settlers the news of the surrender of Stuyvesant, and the promises of protection which Nicholls had made use of. But Gov. D'Hinoyossa was not disposed to heed the demand for surrender without a struggle. Whereupon Carr landed his forces and stormed the place. After a fruitless but heroic resistance, in which ten were wounded and three were killed, the Governor was forced to surrender. Thus was the complete subversion of the State's General in America consummated, and the name of New Amsterdam gave place to that of New York, from the name of the English proprietor, James, Duke of York.

The resistance offered by D'Hinoyossa formed a pretext for shameless plunder. Carr, in his report which shows him to have been a lawless fel-

low, says, "Ye soldiers never stopping untill they stormed ye fort, and sae consequently to plundering; the seamen, noe less given to that sport, were quickly within, and have gotten good store of booty." Carr seized the farm of D'Hinoyossa, his brother, John Carr, that of Sheriff Sweringen, and Ensign Stock that of Peter Alrichs. The produce of the land for that year was seized, together with a cargo of goods that was unsold. "Even the inoffensive Mennonists, though non-combatant from principle, did not escape the sack and plunder to which the whole river was subjected by Carr and his marauders. A boat was dispatched to their settlement, which was stripped of everything, to a very naile."

Nicholls, on hearing of the rapacious conduct of his subordinate, visited the Delaware, removed Carr, and placed Robert Needham in command. Previous to dispatching his fleet to America, in June, 1664, the Duke of York had granted to John, Lord Berkeley, Baron of Stratton, and Sir George Carteret, of Saltrum in Devon, the territory of New Jersey, bounded substantially as the present State, and this, though but little settled by the Dutch, had been included in the terms of surrender secured by Nicholls. In many ways, he showed himself a man of ability and discretion. He drew up with signal success a body of laws, embracing most of the provisions which had been in force in the English colonies, which were designated the Duke's Laws.

In May, 1667, Col. Francis Lovelace was appointed Governor in place of Nicholls, and soon after taking charge of affairs, drew up regulations for the government of the territory upon the Delaware, and dispatched Capt. John Carr to act there as his Deputy Governor. It was provided that whenever complaint duly sworn to was made, the Governor was to summon "the schout, Hans Block, Israel Helm, Peter Rambo, Peter Cock and Peter Alrichs, or any two of them, as counsellors, to advise him, and determine by the major vote what is just, equitable and necessary in the case in question." It was further provided that all men should be punished in an exemplary manner, though with moderation; that the laws should be frequently communicated to the counsellors, and that in cases of difficulty recourse should be had to the Governor and Council at New York.

In 1668, two murders were perpetrated by Indians, which caused considerable disturbance and alarm throughout the settlements. These capital crimes appear to have been committed while the guilty parties were maddened by liquor. So impressed were the sachems and leading warriors of the baneful effects of strong drink, that they appeared before the Council and besought its authority to utterly prohibit the sale of it to any of their tribes. These requests were repeated, and finally, upon the advice of Peter Alrichs, "the Governor (Lovelace) prohibited, *on pain of death*, the selling of powder, shot and strong liquors to the Indians, and writ to Carr on the occasion to use the utmost vigilance and caution."

The native murderers were not apprehended, as it was difficult to trace them; but the Indians themselves were determined to ferret them out. One was taken and shot to death, who was the chief offender, but the other escaped and was never after heard of. The chiefs summoned their young men, and in presence of the English warned them that such would be the fate of all offenders. Proud justly remarks: "This, at a time when the Indians were numerous and strong and the Europeans few and weak, was a memorable act of justice, and a proof of true friendship to the English, greatly alleviating the fear, for which they had so much reason among savages, in this then wilderness country."

In 1669, a reputed son of the distinguished Swedish General, Connings-



marke, commonly called the Long Fin, with another of his nationality, Henry Coleman, a man of property, and familiar with the language and habits of the Indians, endeavored to incite an insurrection to throw off the English rule and establish the Swedish supremacy. The Long Fin was apprehended, and was condemned to die; but upon reconsideration his sentence was commuted to whipping and to branding with the letter R. He was brought in chains to New York, where he was incarcerated in the Stadt-house for a year, and was then transported to Barbadoes to be sold. Improvements in the modes of administering justice were from time to time introduced. New Castle was made a corporation, to be governed by a Bailiff and six associates. Duties on importations were laid, and Capt. Martin Pringer was appointed to collect and make due returns of them to Gov. Lovelace.

In 1673, the French monarch, Louis XIV, declared war against the Netherlands, and with an army of over 200,000 men moved down upon that devoted country. In conjunction with the land force, the English, with a powerful armament, descended upon the Dutch waters. The aged Du Ruyter and the youthful Van Tromp put boldly to sea to meet the invaders. Three great naval battles were fought upon the Dutch coast on the 7th and 14th of June, and the 6th of August, in which the English forces were finally repulsed and driven from the coast. In the meantime, the inhabitants, abandoning their homes, cut the dikes which held back the sea, and invited inundation. Deeming this a favorable opportunity to regain their possessions wrenched from them in the New World, the Dutch sent a small fleet under Commodores Cornelius Evertse and Jacobus Benkes, to New York, to demand the surrender of all their previous possessions. Gov. Lovelace happened to be absent, and his representative, Capt. John Manning, surrendered with but brief resistance, and the magistrates from Albany, Esopus, East Jersey and Long Island, on being summoned to New York, swore fealty to the returning Dutch power. Anthony Colve, as Governor, was sent to Delaware, where the magistrates hastened to meet him and submit themselves to his authority. Property in the English Government was confiscated; Gov. Lovelace returned to England, and many of the soldiers were carried prisoners to Holland. Before their departure, Commodores Evertse and Benkes, who styled themselves "The honorable and awful council of war, for their high mightinesses, the State's General of the United Netherlands, and his Serene Highness, the Prince of Orange," commissioned Anthony Colve, a Captain of foot, on the 12th of August, 1673, to be Governor General of "New Netherlands, with all its appendences," and on the 19th of September following, Peter Alrichs, who had manifested his subserviency and his pleasure at the return of Dutch ascendancy, was appointed by Colve Deputy Governor upon the Delaware. A body of laws was drawn up for his instruction, and three courts of justice were established, at New Castle, Chester and Lewistown. Capt. Manning on his return to England was charged with treachery for delivering up the fort at New York without resistance, and was sentenced by a court martial "to have his sword broken over his head in public, before the city hall, and himself rendered incapable of wearing a sword and of serving his Majesty for the future in any public trust in the Government."

But the revolution which had been affected so easily was of short duration. On the 9th of February, 1674, peace was concluded between England and Holland, and in the articles of pacification it was provided "that whatsoever countries, islands, towns, ports, castles or forts, have or shall be taken, on both sides, since the time that the late unhappy war broke out, either in Europe, or elsewhere, shall be restored to the former lord and proprietor, in the same con-

dition they shall be in when the peace itself shall be proclaimed, after which time there shall be no spoil nor plunder of the inhabitants, no demolition of fortifications, nor carrying away of guns, powder, or other military stores which belonged to any castle or port at the time when it was taken." This left no room for controversy about possession. But that there might be no legal bar nor loophole for question of absolute right to his possessions, the Duke of York secured from the King on the 29th of June following, a new patent covering the former grant, and two days thereafter sent Sir Edmund Andros, to possess and govern the country. He arrived at New York and took peaceable possession on the 31st of October, and two days thereafter it was resolved in council to reinstate all the officers upon Delaware as they were at the surrender to the Dutch, except Peter Alrichs, who for his forwardness in yielding his power was relieved. Capt. Edmund Cantwell and William Tom were sent to occupy the fort at New Castle, in the capacities of Deputy Governor and Secretary. In May, 1675, Gov. Andros visited the Delaware, and held court at New Castle "in which orders were made relative to the opening of roads, the regulation of church property and the support of preaching, the prohibition of the sale of liquors to the Indians, and the distillation thereof by the inhabitants." On the 23d of September, 1676, Cantwell was superseded by John Collier, as Vice Governor, when Ephraim Hermans became Secretary.

As was previously observed, Gov. Nicholls, in 1664, made a complete digest of all the laws and usages in force in the English-speaking colonies in America, which were known as the Duke's Laws. That these might now be made the basis of judicature throughout the Duke's possessions, they were, on the 25th of September, 1676, formally proclaimed and published by Gov. Lovelace, with a suitable ordinance introducing them. It may here be observed, that, in the administration of Gov. Hartranft, by act of the Legislature of June 12, 1878, the Duke's Laws were published in a handsome volume, together with the Charter and Laws instituted by Penn, and historical notes covering the early history of the State, under the direction of John B. Linn, Secretary of the commonwealth, edited by Staughton George, Benjamin M. Nead, and Thomas McCamant, from an old copy preserved among the town records of Hempstead, Long Island, the seat of the independent State which had been set up there by John Scott before the coming of Nicholls. The number of taxable male inhabitants between the ages of sixteen and sixty years, in 1677, for Uplandt and New Castle, was 443, which by the usual estimate of seven to one would give the population 3,101 for this district. Gov. Collier having exceeded his authority by exercising judicial functions, was deposed by Andros, and Capt. Christopher Billop was appointed to succeed him. But the change resulted in little benefit to the colony; for Billop was charged with many irregularities, "taking possession of the fort and turning it into a stable, and the court room above into a hay and fodder loft; debarring the court from sitting in its usual place in the fort, and making use of soldiers for his own private purposes."

The hand of the English Government bore heavily upon the denomination of Christians called Friends or Quakers, and the earnest-minded, conscientious worshipers, uncompromising in their faith, were eager for homes in a land where they should be absolutely free to worship the Supreme Being. Berkeley and Carteret, who had bought New Jersey, were Friends, and the settlements made in their territory were largely of that faith. In 1675, Lord Berkeley sold his undivided half of the province to John Fenwicke, in trust for Edward Byllinge, also Quakers, and Fenwicke sailed in the Griffith, with a company of Friends who settled at Salem, in West Jersey. Byllinge, having

become involved in debt, made an assignment of his interest for the benefit of his creditors, and William Penn was induced to become trustee jointly with Gowen Lawrie and Nicholas Lucas. Penn was a devoted Quaker, and he was of that earnest nature that the interests of his friends and Christian devotees were like his own personal interests. Hence he became zealous in promoting the welfare of the colony. For its orderly government, and that settlers might have assurance of stability in the management of affairs, Penn drew up "Concessions and agreements of the proprietors, freeholders and inhabitants of West New Jersey in America" in forty-four chapters. Foreseeing difficulty from divided authority, Penn secured a division of the province by "a line of partition from the east side of Little Egg Harbor, straight north, through the country to the utmost branch of the Delaware River." Penn's half was called New West Jersey, along the Delaware side, Carteret's New East Jersey along the ocean shore. Penn's purposes and disposition toward the settlers, as the founder of a State, are disclosed by a letter which he wrote at this time to a Friend, Richard Hartshorn, then in America: "We lay a foundation for after ages to understand their liberty, as men and Christians; that they may not be brought into bondage, but by their own consent; for we put the power in the people. \* \* So every man is capable to choose or to be chosen; no man to be arrested, condemned, or molested, in his estate, or liberty, but by twelve men of the neighborhood; no man to lie in prison for debt, but that his estate satisfy, as far as it will go, and he be set at liberty to work; no man to be called in question, or molested for his conscience." Lest any should be induced to leave home and embark in the enterprise of settlement unadvisedly, Penn wrote and published a letter of caution, "That in whomsoever a desire to be concerned in this intended plantation, such would weigh the thing before the Lord, and not headily, or rashly, conclude on any such remove, and that they do not offer violence to the tender love of their near kindred and relations, but soberly, and conscientiously endeavor to obtain their good wills; that whether they go or stay, it may be of good savor before the Lord and good people."

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## CHAPTER V.

SIR EDMUND ANDROS, 1674-81—EDMUND CANTWELL, 1674-76—JOHN COLLIER, 1676-77—CHRISTOPHER BILLOP, 1677-81.

**W**ILLIAM PENN, as Trustee, and finally as part owner of New Jersey, became much interested in the subject of colonization in America. Many of his people had gone thither, and he had given much prayerful study and meditation to the amelioration of their condition by securing just laws for their government. His imagination pictured the fortunate condition of a State where the law-giver should alone study the happiness of his subjects, and his subjects should be chiefly intent on rendering implicit obedience to just laws. From his experience in the management of the Jerseys, he had doubtless discovered that if he would carry out his ideas of government successfully, he must have a province where his voice would be potential and his will supreme. He accordingly cast about for the acquirement of such a land in the New World.

Penn had doubtless been stimulated in his desires by the very roseate accounts of the beauty and excellence of the country, its salubrity of climate, its

balmy airs, the fertility of its soil, and the abundance of the native fish, flesh and fowl. In 1680, one Malhon Stacy wrote a letter which was largely circulated in England, in which he says: "It is a country that produceth all things for the support and furtherance of man, in a plentiful manner. \* \* \* I have seen orchards laden with fruit to admiration; their very limbs torn to pieces with weight, most delicious to the taste, and lovely to behold. I have seen an apple tree, from a pippin-kernel, yield a barrel of curious cider; and peaches in such plenty that some people took their carts a peach gathering; I could not but smile at the conceit of it; they are very delicious fruit, and hang almost like our onions, that are tied on ropes. I have seen and know, this summer, forty bushels of bold wheat of one bushel sown. From May till Michaelmas, great store of very good wild fruits as strawberries, cranberries and hurtleberries, which are like our billberries in England, only far sweeter; the cranberries, much like cherries for color and bigness, which may be kept till fruit comes again; an excellent sauce is made of them for venison, turkeys, and other great fowl, and they are better to make tarts of than either gooseberries or cherries; we have them brought to our houses by the Indians in great plenty. My brother Robert had as many cherries this year as would have loaded several carts. As for venison and fowls, we have great plenty; we have brought home to our countries by the Indians, seven or eight fat bucks in a day. We went into the river to catch herrings after the Indian fashion. \* \* \* We could have filled a three-bushel sack of as good large herrings as ever I saw. And as to beef and pork, here is great plenty of it, and good sheep. The common grass of this country feeds beef very fat. Indeed, the country, take it as a wilderness, is a brave country."

The father of William Penn had arisen to distinction in the British Navy. He was sent in Cromwell's time, with a considerable sea and land force, to the West Indies, where he reduced the Island of Jamaica under English rule. At the restoration, he gave in his adhesion to the royal cause. Under James, Duke of York, Admiral Penn commanded the English fleet which descended upon the Dutch coast, and gained a great victory over the combined naval forces led by Van Opdam. For this great service to his country, Penn was knighted, and became a favorite at court, the King and his brother, the Duke, holding him in cherished remembrance. At his death, there was due him from the crown the sum of £16,000, a portion of which he himself had advanced for the sea service. Filled with the romantic idea of colonization, and enamored with the sacred cause of his people, the son, who had come to be regarded with favor for his great father's sake, petitioned King Charles II to grant him, in liquidation of this debt, "a tract of land in America, lying north of Maryland, bounded east by the Delaware River, on the west limited as Maryland, and northward to extend as far as plantable." There were conflicting interests at this time which were being warily watched at court. The petition was submitted to the Privy Council, and afterward to the Lords of the committee of plantations. The Duke of York already held the counties of New Castle, Kent and Sussex. Lord Baltimore held a grant upon the south, with an indefinite northern limit, and the agents of both these territories viewed with a jealous eye any new grant that should in any way trench upon their rights. These claims were fully debated and heard by the Lords, and, being a matter in which the King manifested special interest, the Lord Chief Justice, North, and the Attorney General, Sir William Jones, were consulted both as to the grant itself, and the form or manner of making it. Finally, after a careful study of the whole subject, it was determined by the highest authority in the Government to grant to Penn a larger tract than he had asked

for, and the charter was drawn with unexampled liberality, in unequivocal terms of gift and perpetuity of holding, and with remarkable minuteness of detail, and that Penn should have the advantage of any double meaning conveyed in the instrument, the twenty-third and last section provides: "And, if perchance hereafter any doubt or question should arise concerning the true sense and meaning of any word, clause or sentence contained in this our present charter, we will ordain and command that at all times and in all things such interpretation be made thereof, and allowed in any of our courts whatsoever as shall be adjudged most advantageous and favorable unto the said William Penn, his heirs and assigns."

It was a joyful day for Penn when he finally reached the consummation of his wishes, and saw himself invested with almost dictatorial power over a country as large as England itself, destined to become a populous empire. But his exultation was tempered with the most devout Christian spirit, fearful lest in the exercise of his great power he might be led to do something that should be displeasing to God. To his dear friend, Robert Turner, he writes in a modest way: "My true love in the Lord salutes thee and dear friends that love the Lord's precious truth in those parts. Thine I have, and for my business here know that after many waitings, watchings, solicitings and disputes in council, this day my country was confirmed to me under the great seal of England, with large powers and privileges, by the name of Pennsylvania, a name the King would give it in honor of my father. I chose New Wales, being, as this, a pretty hilly country; but Penn being Welsh for a head, as Penmanmoire in Wales, and Penrith in Cumberland, and Penn in Buckinghamshire, the highest land in England, called this Pennsylvania, which is the high or head woodlands; for I proposed, when the Secretary, a Welshman, refused to have it called New Wales, Sylvania, and they added Penn to it; and though I much opposed it, and went to the King to have it struck out and altered, he said it was past, and would take it upon him; nor could twenty guineas move the Under Secretary to vary the name; for I feared lest it should be looked on as a vanity in me, and not as a respect in the King, as it truly was to my father, whom he often mentions with praise. Thou mayest communicate my grant to Friends, and expect shortly my proposals. It is a clear and just thing, and my God, that has given it me through many difficulties, will, I believe, bless and make it the seed of a nation. I shall have a tender care to the government, that it be well laid at first."

Penn had asked that the western boundary should be the same as that of Maryland; but the King made the width from east to west five full degrees. The charter limits were "all that tract, or part, of land, in America, with the islands therein contained as the same is bounded, on the east by Delaware River, from twelve miles distance northwards of New Castle town, unto the three and fortieth degree of northern latitude. \* \* \* \* \* The said land to extend westward five degrees in longitude, to be computed from the said eastern bounds; and the said lands to be bounded on the north by the beginning of the three and fortieth degree of northern latitude, and, on the south, by a circle drawn at twelve miles distance from New Castle northward and westward unto the beginning of the fortieth degree of northern latitude; and then by a straight line westward to the limits of longitude above mentioned."

It is evident that the royal secretaries did not well understand the geography of this section, for by reference to a map it will be seen that the beginning of the fortieth degree, that is, the end of the thirty-ninth, cuts the District of Columbia, and hence Baltimore, and the greater part of Maryland

and a good slice of Virginia would have been included in the clear terms of the chartered limits of Pennsylvania. But the charters of Maryland and Virginia antedated this of Pennsylvania. Still, the terms of the Penn charter were distinct, the beginning of the fortieth degree, whereas those of Maryland were ambiguous, the northern limit being fixed at the fortieth degree; but whether at the beginning or at the ending of the fortieth was not stated. Penn claimed three full degrees of latitude, and when it was found that a controversy was likely to ensue, the King, by the hand of his royal minister, Conway, issued a further declaration, dated at Whitehall, April 2, 1681, in which the wording of the original chartered limits fixed for Pennsylvania were quoted verbatim, and his royal pleasure declared that these limits should be respected "as they tender his majesty's displeasure." This was supposed to settle the matter. But Lord Baltimore still pressed his claim, and the question of southern boundary remained an open one, causing much disquietude to Penn, requiring watchful care at court for more than half a century, and until after the proprietor's death.

We gather from the terms of the charter itself that the King, in making the grant, was influenced "by the commendable desire of Penn to enlarge our British Empire, and promote such useful commodities as may be of benefit to us and our dominions, as also to reduce savage nations by just and gentle manners, to the love of civil society and Christian religion," and out of "regard to the memory and merits of his late father, in divers services, and particularly to his conduct, courage and discretion, under our dearest brother, James, Duke of York, in the signal battle and victory, fought and obtained, against the Dutch fleet, commanded by the Herr Van Opdam in 1665."

The motive for obtaining it on the part of Penn may be gathered from the following extract of a letter to a friend: "For my country I eyed the Lord in obtaining it; and more was I drawn inward to look to Him, and to owe it to His hand and power than to any other way. I have so obtained and desire to keep it, that I may be unworthy of His love, but do that which may answer His kind providence and people."

The charter of King Charles II was dated April 2, 1681. Lest any trouble might arise in the future from claims founded on the grant previously made to the Duke of York, of "Long Island and adjacent territories occupied by the Dutch," the prudent forethought of Penn induced him to obtain a deed, dated August 31, 1682, of the Duke, for Pennsylvania, substantially in the terms of the royal charter. But Penn was still not satisfied. He was cut off from the ocean except by the uncertain navigation of one narrow stream. He therefore obtained from the Duke a grant of New Castle and a district of twelve miles around it, dated on the 24th of August, 1682, and on the same day a further grant from the Duke of a tract extending to Cape Henlopen, embracing the two counties of Kent and Sussex, the two grants comprising what were known as the territories, or the three lower counties, which were for many years a part of Pennsylvania, but subsequently constituted the State of Delaware.

Being now satisfied with his province, and that his titles were secure, Penn drew up such a description of the country as from his knowledge he was able to give, which, together with the royal charter and proclamation, terms of settlement, and other papers pertaining thereto, he published and spread broadcast through the kingdom, taking special pains doubtless to have the documents reach the Friends. The terms of sale of lands were 40 shillings for 100 acres, and 1 shilling per acre rental. The question has been raised, why exact the annual payment of one shilling per acre. The terms of the grant by



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the royal charter to Penn were made absolute on the "payment therefor to us, our heirs and successors, two beaver skins, to be delivered at our castle in Windsor, on the 1st day of January in every year," and contingent payment of one-fifth part of all gold and silver which shall from time to time happen to be found clear of all charges." Penn, therefore, held his title only upon the payment of quit-rents. He could consequently give a valid title only by the exacting of quit-rents.

Having now a great province of his own to manage, Penn was obliged to relinquish his share in West New Jersey. He had given largely of his time and energies to its settlement; he had sent 1,400 emigrants, many of them people of high character; had seen farms reclaimed from the forest, the town of Burlington built, meeting houses erected in place of tents for worship, good Government established, and the savage Indians turned to peaceful ways. With satisfaction, therefore, he could now give himself to reclaiming and settling his own province. He had of course in his published account of the country made it appear a desirable place for habitation. But lest any should regret having gone thither when it was too late, he added to his description a caution, "to consider seriously the premises, as well the inconveniency as future ease and plenty; that so none may move rashly or from a fickle, but from a solid mind, having above all things an eye to the providence of God in the disposing of themselves." Nothing more surely points to the goodness of heart of William Penn, the great founder of our State, than this extreme solicitude, lest he might induce any to go to the new country who should afterward regret having gone.

The publication of the royal charter and his description of the country attracted attention, and many purchases of land were made of Penn before leaving England. That these purchasers might have something binding to rely upon, Penn drew up what he termed "conditions or concessions" between himself as proprietor and purchasers in the province. These related to the settling the country, laying out towns, and especially to the treatment of the Indians, who were to have the same rights and privileges, and careful regard as the Europeans. And what is perhaps a remarkable instance of provident forethought, the eighteenth article provides "That, in clearing the ground, care be taken to leave one acre of trees for every five acres cleared, especially to preserve oak and mulberries, for silk and shipping." It could be desired that such a provision might have remained operative in the State for all time.

Encouraged by the manner in which his proposals for settlement were received, Penn now drew up a frame of government, consisting of twenty-four articles and forty laws. These were drawn in a spirit of unexampled fairness and liberality, introduced by an elaborate essay on the just rights of government and governed, and with such conditions and concessions that it should never be in the power of an unjust Governor to take advantage of the people and practice injustice. "For the matter of liberty and privilege, I purpose that which is extraordinary, and leave myself and successors no power of doing mischief, that the will of one man may not hinder that of a whole country. This frame gave impress to the character of the early government. It implanted in the breasts of the people a deep sense of duty, of right, and of obligation in all public affairs, and the relations of man with man, and formed a framework for the future constitution. Penn himself had felt the heavy hand of government for religious opinions and practice' sake. He determined, for the matter of religion, to leave all free to hold such opinions as they might elect, and hence enacted for his State that all who "hold themselves obliged

in conscience, to live peaceably and justly in civil society, shall, in no ways, be molested, nor prejudiced, for their religious persuasion, or practice, in matters of faith and worship, nor shall they be compelled, at any time, to frequent, or maintain, any religious worship, place, or ministry whatever." At this period, such governmental liberality in matters of religion was almost unknown, though Roger Williams in the colony of Rhode Island had previously, under similar circumstances, and having just escaped a like persecution, proclaimed it, as had likewise Lord Baltimore in the Catholic colony of Maryland.

The mind of Penn was constantly exercised upon the affairs of his settlement. Indeed, to plant a colony in a new country had been a thought of his boyhood, for he says in one of his letters: "I had an opening of joy as to these parts in the year 1651, at Oxford, twenty years since." Not being in readiness to go to his province during the first year, he dispatched three ship loads of settlers, and with them sent his cousin, William Markham, to take formal possession of the country and act as Deputy Governor. Markham sailed for New York, and upon his arrival there exhibited his commission, bearing date March 6, 1681, and the King's charter and proclamation. In the absence of Gov. Andros, who, on having been called to account for some complaint made against him, had gone to England, Capt. Anthony Brockholls, Acting Governor, received Markham's papers, and gave him a letter addressed to the civil officers on the Delaware, informing them that Markham's authority as Governor had been examined, and an official record made of it at New York, thanking them for their fidelity, and requesting them to submit themselves to the new authority. Armed with this letter, which was dated June 21, 1681, Markham proceeded to the Delaware, where, on exhibiting his papers, he was kindly received, and allegiance was cheerfully transferred to the new government. Indeed so frequently had the power changed hands that it had become quite a matter of habit to transfer obedience from one authority to another, and they had scarcely laid their heads to rest at night but with the consciousness that the morning light might bring new codes and new officers.

Markham was empowered to call a council of nine citizens to assist him in the government, and over whom he was to preside. He brought a letter addressed to Lord Baltimore, touching the boundary between the two grants, and exhibiting the terms of the charter for Pennsylvania. On receipt of this letter, Lord Baltimore came to Upland to confer with Markham. An observation fixing the exact latitude of Upland showed that it was twelve miles south of the forty-first degree, to which Baltimore claimed, and that the beginning of the fortieth degree, which the royal charter explicitly fixed for the southern boundary of Pennsylvania, would include nearly the entire State of Maryland, and cut the limits of the present site of the city of Washington. "If this be allowed," was significantly asked by Baltimore, "where is my province?" He returned to his colony, and from this time forward an active contention was begun before the authorities in England for possession of the disputed territory, which required all the arts and diplomatic skill of Penn.

Markham was accompanied to the province by four Commissioners sent out by Penn—William Crispin, John Bezer, William Haige and Nathaniel Allen. The first named had been designated as Surveyor General, but he having died on the passage, Thomas Holme was appointed to succeed him. These Commissioners, in conjunction with the Governor, had two chief duties assigned them. The first was to meet and preserve friendly relations with the Indians and acquire lands by actual purchase; and the second was to select the site of a great city and make the necessary surveys. That they might have a

suitable introduction to the natives from him, Penn addressed to them a declaration of his purposes, conceived in a spirit of brotherly love, and expressed in such simple terms that these children of the forest, unschooled in book learning, would have no difficulty in apprehending his meaning. The referring the source of all power to the Creator was fitted to produce a strong impression upon their naturally superstitious habits of thought. "There is a great God and power, that hath made the world, and all things therein, to whom you and I, and all people owe their being, and well being; and to whom you and I must one day give an account for all that we do in the world. This great God hath written His law in our hearts, by which we are taught and commanded to love, and help, and do good to one another. Now this great God hath been pleased to make me concerned in your part of the world, and the King of the country where I live hath given me a great province therein; but I desire to enjoy it with your love and consent, that we may always live together, as neighbors and friends; else what would the great God do to us, who hath made us, not to devour and destroy one another, but to live soberly and kindly together in the world? Now I would have you well observe that I am very sensible of the unkindness and injustice that have been too much exercised toward you by the people of these parts of the world, who have sought themselves, and to make great advantages by you, rather than to be examples of goodness and patience unto you, which I hear hath been a matter of trouble to you, and caused great grudging and animosities, sometimes to the shedding of blood, which hath made the great God angry. But I am not such a man, as is well known in my own country. I have great love and regard toward you, and desire to gain your love and friendship by a kind, just and peaceable life, and the people I send are of the same mind, and shall in all things behave themselves accordingly; and if in anything any shall offend you or your people, you shall have a full and speedy satisfaction for the same by an equal number of just men on both sides that by no means you may have just occasion of being offended against them. I shall shortly come to you myself, at which time we may more largely and freely confer and discourse of these matters. In the meantime, I have sent my Commissioners to treat with you about land, and form a league of peace. Let me desire you to be kind to them and their people, and receive these presents and tokens which I have sent you as a testimony of my good will to you, and my resolution to live justly, peaceably and friendly with you."

In this plain but sublime statement is embraced the whole theory of William Penn's treatment of the Indians. It was the doctrine which the Savior of mankind came upon earth to promulgate—the estimable worth of every human soul. And when Penn came to propose his laws, one was adopted which forbade private trade with the natives in which they might be overreached; but it was required that the valuable skins and furs they had to sell should be hung up in the market place where all could see them and enter into competition for their purchase. Penn was offered £8,000 for a monopoly of trade. But he well knew the injustice to which this would subject the simple-minded natives, and he refused it saying: "As the Lord gave it me over all and great opposition, I would not abuse His love, nor act unworthy of His providence, and so defile what came to me clean"—a sentiment worthy to be treasured with the best thoughts of the sages of old. And to his Commissioners he gave a letter of instructions, in which he says: "Be impartially just to all; that is both pleasing to the Lord, and wise in itself. Be tender of offending the Indians, and let them know that you come to sit down lovingly among them. Let my letter and conditions be read in their tongue, that they may see

we have their good in our eye. Be grave, they love not to be smiled on." Acting upon these wise and just considerations, the Commissioners had no difficulty in making large purchases of the Indians of lands on the right bank of the Delaware and above the mouth of the Schuylkill.

But they found greater difficulty in settling the place for the new city. Penn had given very minute instructions about this, and it was not easy to find a tract which answered all the conditions. For seven weeks they kept up their search. Penn had written, "be sure to make your choice where it is most navigable, high, dry and healthy; that is, where most ships may best ride, of deepest draught of water, if possible to load and unload at the bank or key's side without boating and lightening of it. It would do well if the river coming into that creek be navigable, at least for boats up into the country, and that the situation be high, at least dry and sound and not swampy, which is best known by digging up two or three earths and seeing the bottom." By his instructions, the site of the city was to be between two navigable streams, and embrace 10,000 acres in one block. "Be sure to settle the figure of the town so that the streets hereafter may be uniform down to the water from the country bounds. Let every house be placed, if the person pleases, in the middle of its plat, as to the breadth way of it, that so there may be ground on each side for gardens or orchards or fields, that it may be a green country town, which will never be burnt and always wholesome." The soil was examined, the streams were sounded, deep pits were dug that a location might be found which should gratify the desires of Penn. All the eligible sites were inspected from the ocean far up into the country. Penn himself had anticipated that Chester or Upland would be adopted from all that he could learn of it; but this was rejected, as was also the ground upon Poquessing Creek and that at Pennsbury Manor above Bristol which had been carefully considered, and the present site of Philadelphia was finally adopted as coming nearest to the requirements of the proprietor. It had not 10,000 acres in a solid square, but it was between two navigable streams, and the soil was high and dry, being for the most part a vast bed of gravel, excellent for drainage and likely to prove healthful. The streets were laid out regularly and crossed each other at right angles. As the ground was only gently rolling, the grading was easily accomplished. One broad street, Market, extends from river to river through the midst of it, which is crossed at right angles at its middle point by Broad street of equal width. It is 120 miles from the ocean by the course of the river, and only sixty in a direct line, eighty-seven miles from New York, ninety-five from Baltimore, 136 from Washington, 100 from Harrisburg and 300 from Pittsburgh, and lies in north latitude  $39^{\circ} 56' 54''$ , and longitude  $75^{\circ} 8' 45''$  west from Greenwich. The name Philadelphia (brotherly love), was one that Penn had before selected, as this founding a city was a project which he had long dreamed of and contemplated with never-ceasing interest.



## CHAPTER VI.

WILLIAM MARKHAM, 1681-82—WILLIAM PENN, 1682-84.

HAVING now made necessary preparations and settled his affairs in England, Penn embarked on board the ship *Welcome*, in August, 1682, in company with about a hundred planters, mostly from his native town of Sussex, and set his prow for the New World. Before leaving the Downs, he addressed a farewell letter to his friends whom he left behind, and another to his wife and children, giving them much excellent advice, and sketching the way of life he wished them to lead. With remarkable care and minuteness, he points out the way in which he would have his children bred, and educated, married, and live. A single passage from this remarkable document will indicate its general tenor. "Be sure to observe," in educating his children, "their genius, and do not cross it as to learning; let them not dwell too long on one thing; but let their change be agreeable, and let all their diversions have some little bodily labor in them. When grown big, have most care for them; for then there are more snares both within and without. When marriageable, see that they have worthy persons in their eye; of good life and good fame for piety and understanding. I need no wealth but sufficiency; and be sure their love be dear, fervent and mutual, that it may be happy for them." And to his children he said, "Betake yourselves to some honest, industrious course of life, and that not of sordid covetousness, but for example and to avoid idleness. \* \* \* \* \* Love not money nor the world; use them only, and they will serve you; but if you love them you serve them, which will debase your spirits as well as offend the Lord. \* \* \* \* \* Watch against anger, neither speak nor act in it; for, like drunkenness, it makes a man a beast, and throws people into desperate inconveniences." The entire letters are so full of excellent counsel that they might with great profit be committed to memory, and treasured in the heart.

The voyage of nearly six weeks was prosperous; but they had not been long on the ocean before that loathed disease—the virulent small-pox—broke out, of which thirty died, nearly a third of the whole company. This, added to the usual discomforts and terrors of the ocean, to most of whom this was probably their first experience, made the voyage a dismal one. And here was seen the nobility of Penn. "For his good conversation" says one of them, "was very advantageous to all the company. His singular care was manifested in contributing to the necessities of many who were sick with the small-pox then on board."

His arrival upon the coast and passage up the river was hailed with demonstrations of joy by all classes, English, Dutch, Swedes, and especially by his own devoted followers. He landed at New Castle on the 24th of October, 1682, and on the following day summoned the people to the court house, where possession of the country was formally made over to him, and he renewed the commissions of the magistrates, to whom and to the assembled people he announced the design of his coming, explained the nature and end of truly good government, assuring them that their religious and civil rights should be respected, and recommended them to live in sobriety and peace. He then pro-

ceeded to Upland, henceforward known as Chester, where, on the 4th of November, he called an assembly of the people, in which an equal number of votes was allowed to the province and the territories. Nicholas Moore, President of the Free Society of Traders, was chosen speaker. As at New Castle, Penn addressed the assembly, giving them assurances of his beneficent intentions, for which they returned their grateful acknowledgments, the Swedes being especially demonstrative, deputing one of their number, Lacy Cock, to say "That they would love, serve and obey him with all they had, and that this was the best day they ever saw." We can well understand with what satisfaction the settlers upon the Delaware hailed the prospect of a stable government established in their own midst, after having been so long at the mercy of the government in New York, with allegiance trembling between the courts of Sweden, Holland and Britain.

The proceedings of this first assembly were conducted with great decorum, and after the usages of the English Parliament. On the 7th of December, 1682, the three lower counties, what is now Delaware, which had previously been under the government of the Duke of York, were formerly annexed to the province, and became an integral part of Pennsylvania. The frame of government, which had been drawn with much deliberation, was submitted to the assembly, and, after some alterations and amendments, was adopted, and became the fundamental law of the State. The assembly was in session only three days, but the work they accomplished, how vast and far-reaching in its influence!

The Dutch, Swedes and other foreigners were then naturalized, and the government was launched in fair running order: That some idea may be had of its character, the subjects treated are here given: 1, Liberty of conscience; 2, Qualification of officers; 3, Swearing by God, Christ or Jesus; 4, Swearing by any other thing or name; 5, Profanity; 6, Cursing; 7, Fornication; 8, Incest; 9, Sodomy; 10, Rape; 11, Bigamy; 12, Drunkenness; 13, Suffering drunkenness; 14, Healths drinking; 15, Selling liquor to Indians; 16, Arson; 17, Burglary; 18, Stolen goods; 19, Forcible entry; 20, Riots; 21, Assaulting parents; 22, Assaulting Magistrates; 23, Assaulting masters; 24, Assault and battery; 25, Duels; 26, Riotous sports, as plays; 27, Gambling and lotteries; 28, Sedition; 29, Contempt; 30, Libel; 31, Common scolds; 32, Charities; 33, Prices of beer and ale; 34, Weights and measures; 35, Names of days and months; 36, Perjury; 37, Court proceedings in English; 38, Civil and criminal trials; 39, Fees, salaries, bribery and extortion; 40, Moderation of fines; 41, Suits avoidable; 42, Foreign arrest; 43, Contracts; 44, Charters, gifts, grants, conveyances, bills, bonds and deeds, when recorded; 45, Wills; 46, Wills of *non compos mentis*; 47, Registry of Wills; 48, Registry for servants; 49, Factors; 50, Defacers, corruptors and embezzlers of charters, conveyances and records; 51, Lands and goods to pay debts; 52, Bailable offenses; 53, Jails and jailers; 54, Prisons to be workhouses; 55, False imprisonment; 56, Magistrates may elect between fine or imprisonment; 57, Freemen; 58, Elections; 59, No money levied but in pursuance of law; 60, Laws shall be printed and taught in schools; 61, All other things, not provided for herein, are referred to the Governor and freemen from time to time.

Very soon after his arrival in the colony, after the precept had been issued, but before the convening of the Assembly, Penn, that he might not be wanting in respect to the Duke of York, made a visit to New York, where he was kindly received, and also after the adjournment of the Assembly, journeyed to Maryland, where he was entertained by Lord Baltimore with great ceremony. The settlement of the disputed boundaries was made the subject of formal confer-

ence. But after two days spent in fruitless discussion, the weather becoming severely cold, and thus precluding the possibility of taking observations or making the necessary surveys, it was agreed to adjourn further consideration of the subject until the milder weather of the spring. We may imagine that the two Governors were taking the measure of each other, and of gaining all possible knowledge of each other's claims and rights, preparatory to that struggle for possession of this disputed fortieth degree of latitude, which was destined to come before the home government.

With all his cares in founding a State and providing a government over a new people, Penn did not forget to preach the "blessed Gospel," and wherever he went he was intent upon his "Master's business." On his return from Maryland, Lord Baltimore accompanied him several miles to the house of William Richardson, and thence to Thomas Hooker's, where was a religious meeting, as was also one held at Choptauk. Penn himself says: "I have been also at New York, Long Island, East Jersey and Maryland, in which I have had good and eminent service for the Lord." And again he says: "As to outward things, we are satisfied—the land good, the air clear and sweet, the springs plentiful, and provisions good and easy to come at, an innumerable quantity of wild fowl and fish; in fine, here is what an Abraham, Isaac and Jacob would be well contented with, and service enough for God; for the fields are here white for the harvest. O, how sweet is the quiet of these parts, freed from the anxious and troublesome solicitations, hurries and perplexities of woeful Europe! \* \* \* Blessed be the Lord, that of twenty-three ships, none miscarried; only two or three had the small-pox; else healthy and swift passages, generally such as have not been known; some but twenty-eight days, and few longer than six weeks. Blessed be God for it; my soul fervently breathes that in His heavenly guiding wisdom, we may be kept, that we may serve Him in our day, and lay down our heads in peace." And then, as if reproached for not having mentioned another subject of thankfulness, he adds in a postscript, "Many women, in divers of the ships, brought to bed; they and their children do well."

Penn made it his first care to take formal possession of his province, and adopt a frame of government. When this was done, his chief concern was to look to the establishment of his proposed new city, the site of which had already been determined on by his Commissioners. Accordingly, early in November, at a season when, in this section, the days are golden, Penn embarked in an open barge with a number of his friends, and was wafted leisurely up the Delaware to the present site of the city of Philadelphia, which the natives called Coaquannock. Along the river was a bold shore, fringed with lofty pines, which grew close down to the water's edge, so much so that when the first ship passing up with settlers for West Jersey had brushed against the branches, the passengers remarked that this would be a good place for a city. It was then in a wild state, the deer browsing along the shore and sipping the stream, and the coneys burrowing in the banks. The scattered settlers had gathered in to see and welcome the new Governor, and when he stepped upon the shore, they extended a helping hand in assisting him up the rugged bluff. Three Swedes had already taken up tracts within the limits of the block of land chosen for the city. But they were given lands in exchange, and readily relinquished their claims. The location was pleasing to Penn, and was adopted without further search, though little could be seen of this then forest-encumbered country, where now is the home of countless industries, the busy mart, the river bearing upon its bosom the commerce of many climes, and the abiding place of nearly a million of people. But Penn did not con-

sider that he had as yet any just title to the soil, holding that the Indians were its only rightful possessors, and until it was fairly acquired by purchase from them, his own title was entirely void.

Hence, he sought an early opportunity to meet the chiefs of the tribes and cultivate friendly relations with them. Tradition fixes the first great treaty or conference at about this time, probably in November, and the place under the elm tree, known as the "Treaty Tree," at Kensington. It was at a season when the leaves would still be upon the trees, and the assembly was called beneath the ample shade of the wide-sweeping branches, which was pleasing to the Indians, as it was their custom to hold all their great deliberations and smoke the pipe of peace in the open air. The letter which Penn had sent had prepared the minds of these simple-hearted inhabitants of the forest to regard him with awe and reverence, little less than that inspired by a descended god. His coming had for a long time been awaited, and it is probable that it had been heralded and talked over by the wigwam fire throughout the remotest bounds of the tribes. And when at length the day came, the whole population far around had assembled.

It is known that three tribes at least were represented—the Lenni Lenape, living along the Delaware; the Shawnees, a tribe that had come up from the South, and were seated along the Lower Susquehanna; and the Mingoes, sprung from the Six Nations, and inhabiting along the Conestoga. Penn was probably accompanied by the several officers of his Government and his most trusted friends. There were no implements of warfare, for peace was a cardinal feature of the Quaker creed.

No veritable account of this, the great treaty, is known to have been made; but from the fact that Penn not long after, in an elaborate treatise upon the country, the inhabitants and the natives, has given the account of the manner in which the Indians demean themselves in conference, we may infer that he had this one in mind, and hence we may adopt it as his own description of the scene.

"Their order is thus: The King sits in the middle of a half moon, and hath his council, the old and wise, on each hand; behind them, or at a little distance, sit the younger fry in the same figure. Having consulted and resolved their business, the King ordered one of them to speak to me. He stood up, came to me, and, in the name of the King, saluted me; then took me by the hand and told me he was ordered by the King to speak to me; and now it was not he, but the King that spoke, because what he would say was the King's mind. \* \* \* \* During the time that this person spoke, not a man of them was observed to whisper or smile; the old grave, the young reverent, in their deportment. They speak little, but fervently, and with elegance."

In response to the salutation from the Indians, Penn makes a reply in suitable terms: "The Great Spirit, who made me and you, who rules the heavens and the earth, and who knows the innermost thoughts of men, knows that I and my friends have a hearty desire to live in peace and friendship with you, and to serve you to the uttermost of our power. It is not our custom to use hostile weapons against our fellow-creatures, for which reason we have come unarmed. Our object is not to do injury, and thus provoke the Great Spirit, but to do good. We are met on the broad pathway of good faith and good will, so that no advantage is to be taken on either side; but all to be openness, brotherhood and love." Having unrolled his parchment, he explains to them through an interpreter, article by article, the nature of the business, and laying it upon the ground, observes that the ground shall be for the use of



both people. "I will not do as the Marylanders did, call you children, or brothers only; for parents are apt to whip their children too severely, and brothers sometimes will differ; neither will I compare the friendship between us to a chain, for the rain may rust it, or a tree may fall and break it; but I will consider you as the same flesh and blood with the Christians, and the same as if one man's body were to be divided into two parts." Having ended his business, the speaker for the King comes forward and makes great promises "of kindness and good neighborhood, and that the Indians and English must live in love as long as the sun gave light." This ended, another Indian makes a speech to his own people, first to explain to them what had been agreed on, and then to exhort them "to love the Christians, and particularly live in peace with me and the people under my government, that many Governors had been in the river, but that no Governor had come himself to live and stay here before, and having now such an one, that had treated them well, they should never do him nor his any wrong." At every sentence they shouted, as much as to say, amen.

The Indians had no system of writing by which they could record their dealings, but their memory of events and agreements was almost miraculous. Heckewelder records that in after years, they were accustomed, by means of strings, or belts of wampum, to preserve the recollection of their pleasant interviews with Penn, after he had departed for England. He says, "They frequently assembled together in the woods, in some shady spot, as nearly as possible similar to those where they used to meet their brother Miquon (Penn), and there lay all his words and speeches, with those of his descendants, on a blanket, or clean piece of bark, and with great satisfaction go successively over the whole. This practice, which I have repeatedly witnessed, continued until the year 1780, when disturbances which took place put an end to it, probably forever."

The memory of this, the "Great Treaty," was long preserved by the natives, and the novel spectacle was reproduced upon canvas by the genius of Benjamin West. In this picture, Penn is represented as a corpulent old man, whereas he was at this time but thirty-eight years of age, and in the very height of manly activity. The Treaty Tree was preserved and guarded from injury with an almost superstitious care. During the Revolution, when Philadelphia was occupied by the British, and their parties were scouring the country for firewood, Gen. Simcoe had a sentinel placed at this tree to protect it from mutilation. It stood until 1810, when it was blown down, and it was ascertained by its annual concentric accretions to be 283 years old, and was, consequently, 155 at the time of making the treaty. The Penn Society erected a substantial monument on the spot where it stood.

Penn drew up his deeds for lands in legal form, and had them duly executed and made of record, that, in the dispute possible to arise in after times, there might be proof definite and positive of the purchase. Of these purchases there are two deeds on record executed in 1683. One is for land near Neshaminy Creek, and thence to Penypack, and the other for lands lying between Schuylkill and Chester Rivers, the first bearing the signature of the great chieftain, Taminend. In one of these purchases it is provided that the tract "shall extend back as far as a man could walk in three days." Tradition runs that Penn himself, with a number of his friends, walked out the half this purchase with the Indians, that no advantage should be taken of them by making a great walk, and to show his consideration for them, and that he was not above the toils and fatigues of such a duty.' They began to walk out this land at the mouth of the Neshaminy, and walked up the Delaware; in one day

and a half they got to a spruce tree near the mouth of Baker's Creek, when Penn, concluding that this would include as much land as he would want at present, a line was run and marked from the spruce tree to Neshaminy, and the remainder left to be walked when it should be wanted. They proceeded after the Indian manner, walking leisurely, sitting down sometimes to smoke their pipes, eat biscuit and cheese, and drink a bottle of wine. In the day and a half they walked a little less than thirty miles. The balance of the purchase was not walked until September 20, 1733, when the then Governor of Pennsylvania offered a prize of 500 acres of land and £5 for the man who would walk the farthest. A distance of eighty-six miles was covered, in marked contrast with the kind consideration of Penn.

During the first year, the country upon the Delaware, from the falls of Trenton as far as Chester, a distance of nearly sixty miles, was rapidly taken up and peopled. The large proportion of these were Quakers, and devotedly attached to their religion and its proper observances. They were, hence, morally, of the best classes, and though they were not generally of the aristocracy, yet many of them were in comfortable circumstances, had valuable properties, were of respectable families, educated, and had the resources within themselves to live contented and happy. They were provident, industrious, and had come hither with no fickle purpose. Many brought servants with them, and well supplied wardrobes, and all necessary articles which they wisely judged would be got in a new country with difficulty.

Their religious principles were so peaceful and generous, and the government rested so lightly, that the fame of the colony and the desirableness of settlement therein spread rapidly, and the numbers coming hither were unparalleled in the history of colonization, especially when we consider that a broad ocean was to be crossed and a voyage of several weeks was to be endured. In a brief period, ships with passengers came from London, Bristol, Ireland, Wales, Cheshire, Lancashire, Holland, Germany, to the number of about fifty. Among others came a company of German Quakers, from Krisheim, near Worms, in the Palatinate. These people regarded their lot as particularly fortunate, in which they recognized the direct interposition and hand of Providence. For, not long afterward, the Palatinate was laid waste by the French army, and many of their kindred whom they had left behind were despoiled of their possessions and reduced to penury. There came also from Wales a company of the stock of ancient Britons.

So large an influx of population, coming in many cases without due provision for variety of diet, caused a scarcity in many kinds of food, especially of meats. Time was required to bring forward flocks and herds, more than for producing grains. But Providence seemed to have graciously considered their necessities, and have miraculously provided for them, as of old was provision made for the chosen people. For it is recorded that the "wild pigeons came in such great numbers that the sky was sometimes darkened by their flight, and, flying low, they were frequently knocked down as they flew, in great quantities, by those who had no other means to take them, whereby they supplied themselves, and, having salted those which they could not immediately use, they preserved them, both for bread and meat." The Indians were kind, and often furnished them with game, for which they would receive no compensation.

Their first care on landing was to bring their household goods to a place of safety, often to the simple protection of a tree. For some, this was their only shelter, lumber being scarce, and in many places impossible to obtain.

Some made for themselves caves in the earth until better habitations could be secured.

John Key, who was said to have been the first child born of English parents in Philadelphia, and that in recognition of which William Penn gave him a lot of ground, died at Kennet, in Chester County, on July 5, 1768, in the eighty-fifth year of his age. He was born in one of these caves upon the river bank, long afterward known by the name of Penny-pot, near Sassafras street. About six years before his death, he walked from Kennet to the city, about thirty miles, in one day. In the latter part of his life he went under the name of First Born.

The contrasts between the comforts and conveniences of an old settled country and this, where the heavy forests must be cleared away and severe labors must be endured before the sun could be let in sufficiently to produce anything, must have been very marked, and caused repining. But they had generally come with meek and humble hearts, and they willingly endured hardship and privation, and labored on earnestly for the spiritual comfort which they enjoyed. Thomas Makin, in some Latin verses upon the early settlement, says (we quote the metrical translation):

“Its fame to distant countries far has spread,  
And some for peace, and some for profit led,  
Born in remotest climes, to settle here  
They leave their native soil and all that's dear,  
And still will flock from far, here to be free,  
Such powerful charms has lovely liberty.”

But for their many privations and sufferings there were some compensating conditions. The soil was fertile, the air mostly clear and healthy, the streams of water were good and plentiful, wood for fire and building unlimited, and at certain seasons of the year game in the forest was abundant. Richard Townsend, a settler at Germantown, who came over in the ship with Penn, in writing to his friends in England of his first year in America, says: “I, with Joshua Tittery, made a net, and caught great quantities of fish, so that, notwithstanding it was thought near three thousand persons came in the first year, we were so providentially provided for that we could buy a deer for about two shillings, and a large turkey for about one shilling, and Indian corn for about two shillings sixpence a bushel.”

In the same letter, the writer mentions that a young deer came out of the forest into the meadow where he was mowing, and looked at him, and when he went toward it would retreat; and, as he resumed his mowing, would come back to gaze upon him, and finally ran forcibly against a tree, which so stunned it that he was able to overmaster it and bear it away to his home, and as this was at a time when he was suffering for the lack of meat, he believed it a direct interposition of Providence.

In the spring of 1683, there was great activity throughout the colony, and especially in the new city, in selecting lands and erecting dwellings, the Surveyor General, Thomas Holme, laying out and marking the streets. In the center of the city was a public square of ten acres, and in each of the four quarters one of eight acres. A large mansion, which had been undertaken before his arrival, was built for Penn, at a point twenty-six miles up the river, called Pennsbury Manor, where he sometimes resided, and where he often met the Indian sachems. At this time, Penn divided the colony into counties, three for the province (Bucks, Philadelphia and Chester) and three for the Territories (New Castle, Kent and Sussex). Having appointed Sheriffs and other proper officers, he issued writs for the election of members of a General

Assembly, three from each county for the Council or Upper House, and nine from each county for the Assembly or Lower House.\*

This Assembly convened and organized for business on the 10th of January, 1683, at Philadelphia. One of the first subjects considered was the revising some provisions of the frame of government which was effected, reducing the number of members of both Houses, the Council to 18 the Assembly to 36, and otherwise amending in unimportant particulars. In an assembly thus convened, and where few, if any, had had any experience in serving in a deliberative body, we may reasonably suppose that many crude and impracticable propositions would be presented. As an example of these the following may be cited as specimens: That young men should be obliged to marry at, or before, a certain age; that two sorts of clothes only shall be worn, one for winter and the other for summer. The session lasted twenty two days.

The first grand jury in Pennsylvania was summoned for the 2d of February, 1683, to inquire into the cases of some persons accused of issuing counterfeit money. The Governor and Council sat as a court. One Pickering was convicted, and the sentence was significant of the kind and patriarchal nature of the government, "that he should make full satisfaction, in good and current pay, to every person who should, within the space of one month, bring in any of this false, base and counterfeit coin, and that the money brought in should be melted down before it was returned to him, and that he should pay a fine of forty pounds toward the building a court house, stand committed till the same was paid, and afterward find security for his good behavior."

The Assembly and courts having now adjourned, Penn gave his attention to the grading and improving the streets of the new city, and the managing the affairs of his land office, suddenly grown to great importance. For every section of land taken up in the wilderness, the purchaser was entitled to a certain plot in the new city. The River Delaware at this time was nearly a mile broad opposite the city, and navigable for ships of the largest tonnage. The tide rises about six feet at this point, and flows back to the falls of Trenton, a distance of thirty miles. The tide in the Schuylkill flows only about five miles above its confluence with the Delaware. The river bank along the Delaware was intended by Penn as a common or public resort. But in his time the owners of lots above Front street pressed him to allow them to construct warehouses upon it, opposite their properties, which importunity induced him to make the following declaration concerning it: "The bank is a top common, from end to end; the rest next the water belongs to front-lot men no more than back-lot men. The way bounds them; they may build stairs, and the top of the bank a common exchange, or wall, and against the street, common wharfs may be built freely; but into the water, and the shore is no purchaser's." But in future time, this liberal desire of the founder was disregarded, and the bank has been covered with immense warehouses.

\* It may be a matter of curiosity to know the names of the members of this first regularly elected Legislature in Pennsylvania, and they are accordingly appended as given in official records:

*Council:* William Markham, Christopher Taylor, Thomas Holme, Lacy Cock, William Haige, John Moll, Raiph Withers, John Simeock, Edward Cantwell, William Clayton, William Biles, James Harrison, William Clark, Francis Whitewell, John Richardson, John Hillyard.

*Assembly:* From Bucks, William Yardly, Samuel Darke, Robert Lucas, Nicholas Walne, John Wood, John Clowes, Thomas Fitzwater, Robert Hall, James Boyden; from Philadelphia, John Longhurst, John Hart, Walter King, Andros Binkson, John Moon, Thomas Wynne (Speaker), Griffith Jones, William Warner, Swan Swanson, from Chester, John Hoskins, Robert Wade, George Wood, John Blunston, Dennis Roehford, Thomas Bracy, John Bezer, John Harding, Joseph Phipps; from New Castle, John Cann, John Darby, Valentine Hollingsworth, Gasparus Herman, John Dehoae, James Williams, William Guest, Peter Alrich, Henrick Williams; from Kent, John Biggs, Simon Irons, Thomas Hatfold, John Curtis, Robert Bedwell, William Windmore, John Brinkloe, Daniel Brown, Benony Bishop; from Sussex, Luke Watson, Alexander Draper, William Futcher, Henry Bowman, Alexander Moleston, John Hill, Robert Bracy, John Kipshaven, Cornelius Verhoof.

Seeing now his plans of government and settlement fairly in operation, as autumn approached, Penn wrote a letter to the Free Society of Traders in London, which had been formed to promote settlement in his colony, in which he touched upon a great variety of topics regarding his enterprise, extending to quite a complete treatise. The great interest attaching to the subjects discussed, and the ability with which it was drawn, makes it desirable to insert the document entire; but its great length makes its use incompatible with the plan of this work. A few extracts and a general plan of the letter is all that can be given. He first notices the injurious reports put in circulation in England during his absence: "Some persons have had so little wit and so much malice as to report my death, and, to mend the matter, dead a Jesuit, too. One might have reasonably hoped that this distance, like death, would have been a protection against spite and envy. \* \* \* However, to the great sorrow and shame of the inventors, I am still alive and no Jesuit, and, I thank God, very well." Of the air and waters he says: "The air is sweet and clear, the heavens serene, like the south parts of France, rarely overcast. The waters are generally good, for the rivers and brooks have mostly gravel and stony bottoms, and in number hardly credible. We also have mineral waters that operate in the same manner with Barnet and North Hall, not two miles from Philadelphia." He then treats at length of the four seasons, of trees, fruits, grapes, peaches, grains, garden produce; of animals, beasts, birds, fish, whale fishery, horses and cattle, medicinal plants, flowers of the woods; of the Indians and their persons. Of their language he says: "It is lofty, yet narrow; but, like the Hebrew, in signification, full, imperfect in their tenses, wanting in their moods, participles, adverbs, conjunctions, interjections. I have made it my business to understand it, and I must say that I know not a language spoken in Europe that hath words of more sweetness or greatness in accent and emphasis than theirs." Of their customs and their children: "The children will go very young, at nine months, commonly; if boys, they go a fishing, till ripe for the woods, which is about fifteen; then they hunt, and, after having given some proofs of their manhood by a good return of skins, they may marry, else it is a shame to think of a wife. The girls stay with their mother and help to hoe the ground, plant corn and carry burdens. When the young women are fit for marriage, they wear something upon their heads as an advertisement; but so, as their faces hardly to be seen, but when they please. The age they marry at, if women, is about thirteen and fourteen; if men, seventeen and eighteen; they are rarely elder." In a romantic vein he speaks of their houses, diet, hospitality, revengefulness and concealment of resentment, great liberality, free manner of life and customs, late love of strong liquor, behavior in sickness and death, their religion, their feasting, their government, their mode of doing business, their manner of administering justice, of agreement for settling difficulties entered into with the pen, their susceptibility to improvement, of the origin of the Indian race their resemblance to the Jews. Of the Dutch and Swedes whom he found settled here when he came, he says: "The Dutch applied themselves to traffick, the Swedes and Finns to husbandry. The Dutch mostly inhabit those parts that lie upon the bay, and the Swedes the freshes of the Delaware. They are a plain, strong, industrious people; yet have made no great progress in culture or propagation of fruit trees. They are a people proper, and strong of body, so they have fine children, and almost every house full; rare to find one of them without three or four boys and as many girls—some, six, seven and eight sons, and I must do them that right, I see few young men more sober and laborious." After speaking at length of the organization of the colony and its manner of government, he concludes with his own opinion of the country: "I say little

of the town itself; but this I will say, for the good providence of God, that of all the many places I have seen in the world, I remember not one better seated, so that it seems to me to have been appointed for a town, whether we regard the rivers or the conveniency of the coves, docks, springs, the loftiness and soundness of the land and the air, held by the people of these parts to be very good. It is advanced within less than a year to about fourscore houses and cottages, where merchants and handicrafts are following their vocations as fast as they can, while the countrymen are close at their farms. \* \* \* I bless God I am fully satisfied with the country and entertainment I got in it; for I find that particular content, which hath always attended me, where God in His providence hath made it my place and service to reside."

As we have seen, the visit of Penn to Lord Baltimore soon after his arrival in America, for the purpose of settling the boundaries of the two provinces, after a two days' conference, proved fruitless, and an adjournment was had for the winter, when the efforts for settlement were to be resumed. Early in the spring, an attempt was made on the part of Penn, but was prevented till May, when a meeting was held at New Castle. Penn proposed to confer by the aid of counselors and in writing. But to this Baltimore objected, and, complaining of the sultryness of the weather, the conference was broken up. In the meantime, it had come to the knowledge of Penn that Lord Baltimore had issued a proclamation offering settlers more land, and at cheaper rates than Penn had done, in portions of the lower counties which Penn had secured from the Duke of York, but which Baltimore now claimed. Besides, it was ascertained that an agent of his had taken an observation, and determined the latitude without the knowledge of Penn, and had secretly made an *ex parte* statement of the case before the Lords of the Committee of Plantations in England, and was pressing for arbitrament. This state of the case created much uneasiness in the mind of Penn, especially as the proclamation of Lord Baltimore was likely to bring the two governments into conflict on territory mutually claimed. But Lord Baltimore was not disposed to be content with diplomacy. He determined to pursue an aggressive policy. He accordingly commissioned his agent, Col. George Talbot, under date of September 17, 1683, to go to Schuylkill, at Delaware, and demand of William Penn "all that part of the land on the west side of the said river that lyeth to the southward of the fortieth degree." This bold demand would have embraced the entire colony, both the lower counties, and the three counties in the province, as the fortieth degree reaches a considerable distance above Philadelphia. Penn was absent at the time in New York, and Talbot made his demand upon Nicholas Moore, the deputy of Penn. Upon his return, the proprietor made a dignified but earnest rejoinder. While he felt that the demand could not be justly sustained, yet the fact that a controversy for the settlement of the boundary was likely to arise, gave him disquietude, and though he was gratified with the success of his plans for acquiring lands of the Indians and establishing friendly relations with them, the laying-out of his new city and settling it, the adoption of a stable government and putting it in successful operation, and, more than all, the drawing thither the large number of settlers, chiefly of his own religious faith, and seeing them contented and happy in the new State, he plainly foresaw that his skill and tact would be taxed to the utmost to defend and hold his claim before the English court. If the demand of Lord Baltimore were to prevail, all that he had done would be lost, as his entire colony would be swallowed up by Maryland.

The anxiety of Penn to hold from the beginning of the 40<sup>o</sup> of latitude was not to increase thereby his territory by so much, for two degrees which he

securely had, so far as amount of land was concerned, would have entirely satisfied him; but he wanted this degree chiefly that he might have the free navigation of Delaware Bay and River, and thus open communication with the ocean. He desired also to hold the lower counties, which were now well settled, as well as his own counties rapidly being peopled, and his new city of Philadelphia, which he regarded as the apple of his eye. So anxious was he to hold the land on the right bank of the Delaware to the open ocean, that at his second meeting, he asked Lord Baltimore to set a price per square mile on this disputed ground, and though he had purchased it once of the crown and held the King's charter for it, and the Duke of York's deed, yet rather than have any further wrangle over it, he was willing to pay for it again. But this Lord Baltimore refused to do.

Bent upon bringing matters to a crisis, and to force possession of his claim, early in the year 1684 a party from Maryland made forcible entry upon the plantations in the lower counties and drove off the owners. The Governor and Council at Philadelphia sent thither a copy of the answer of Penn to Baltimore's demand for the land south of the Delaware, with orders to William Welch, Sheriff at New Castle, to use his influence to reinstate the lawful owners, and issued a declaration succinctly stating the claim of Penn, for the purpose of preventing such unlawful incursions in future.

The season opened favorably for the continued prosperity of the young colony. Agriculture was being prosecuted as never before. Goodly flocks and herds gladdened the eyes of the settlers. An intelligent, moral and industrious yeomanry was springing into existence. Emigrants were pouring into the Delaware from many lands. The Government was becoming settled in its operations and popular with the people. The proprietor had leisure to attend to the interests of his religious society, not only in his own dominions, but in the Jerseys and in New York.

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## CHAPTER VII.

THOMAS LLOYD, 1684-86—FIVE COMMISSIONERS, 1686-88—JOHN BLACKWELL, 1688-90—THOMAS LLOYD, 1690-91—WILLIAM MARKHAM, 1691-93—BENJAMIN FLETCHER, 1693-95—WILLIAM MARKHAM, 1693-99.

**B**UT the indications, constantly thickening, that a struggle was likely soon to be precipitated before the crown for possession of the disputed territory, decided Penn early in the summer to quit the colony and return to England to defend his imperiled interests. There is no doubt that he took this step with unfeigned regret, as he was contented and happy in his new country, and was most usefully employed. There were, however, other inducements which were leading him back to England. The hand of persecution was at this time laid heavily upon the Quakers. Over 1,400 of these pious and inoffensive people were now, and some of them had been for years, languishing in the prisons of England, for no other offense than their manner of worship. By his friendship with James, and his acquaintance with the King, he might do something to soften the lot of these unfortunate victims of bigotry.

He accordingly empowered the Provincial Council, of which Thomas Lloyd was President, to act in his stead, commissioned Nicholas Moore, William Welch, William Wood, Robert Turner and John Eckley, Provincial

Judges for two years; appointed Thomas Lloyd, James Claypole and Robert Turner to sign land patents and warrants, and William Clark as Justice of the Peace for all the counties; and on the 6th of June, 1684, sailed for Europe. His feelings on leaving his colony are exhibited by a farewell address which he issued from on board the vessel to his people, of which the following are brief extracts: "My love and my life is to you, and with you, and no water can quench it, nor distance wear it out, nor bring it to an end. I have been with you, cared over you and served over you with unfeigned love, and you are beloved of me, and near to me, beyond utterance. I bless you in the name and power of the Lord, and may God bless you with His righteousness, peace and plenty all the land over. \* \* \* Oh! now are you come to a quiet land; provoke not the Lord to trouble it. And now liberty and authority are with you, and in your hands. Let the government be upon His shoulders, in all your spirits, that you may rule for Him, under whom the princes of this world will, one day, esteem their honor to govern and serve in their places \* \* \* And thou, Philadelphia, the virgin settlement of this province, named before thou wert born, what love, what care, what service and what travail has there been, to bring thee forth, and preserve thee from such as would abuse and defile thee! \* \* \* So, dear friends, my love again salutes you all, wishing that grace, mercy and peace, with all temporal blessings, may abound richly among you—so says. so prays, your friend and lover in the truth.

WILLIAM PENN."

On the 6th of December of this same year, 1684, Charles II died, and was succeeded by his brother James, Duke of York, under the title of James II. James was a professed Catholic, and the people were greatly excited all over the kingdom lest the reign of Bloody Mary should be repeated, and that the Catholic should become the established religion. He had less ability than his brother, the deceased King, but great discipline and industry. Penn enjoyed the friendship and intimacy of the new King, and he determined to use his advantage for the relief of his suffering countrymen, not only of his sect, the Quakers, but of all, and especially for the furtherance of universal liberty. But there is no doubt that he at this time meditated a speedy return to his province, for he writes: "Keep up the peoples' hearts and loves; I hope to be with them next fall, if the Lord prevent not. I long to be with you. No temptations prevail to fix me here. The Lord send us a good meeting." By authority of Penn, dated 18th of January, 1685, William Markham, Penn's cousin, was commissioned Secretary of the province, and the proprietor's Secretary.

That he might be fixed near to court for the furtherance of his private as well as public business, he secured lodgings for himself and family, in 1685, at Kensington, near London, and cultivated a daily intimacy with the King, who, no doubt, found in the strong native sense of his Quaker friend, a valued adviser upon many questions of difficulty. His first and chief care was the settlement of his disagreement with Lord Baltimore touching the boundaries of their provinces. This was settled in November, 1685, by a compromise, by which the land lying between the Delaware and Chesapeake Bays was divided into two equal parts—that upon the Delaware was adjudged to Penn, and that upon the Chesapeake to Lord Baltimore. This settled the matter in theory; but when the attempt was made to run the lines according to the language of the Royal Act, it was found that the royal secretaries did not understand the geography of the country, and that the line which their language described was an impossible one. Consequently the boundary remained undetermined till 1732. The account of its location will be given in its proper place.



Having secured this important decision to his satisfaction, Penn applied himself with renewed zeal, not only to secure the release of his people, who were languishing in prisons, but to procure for all Englishmen, everywhere, enlarged liberty and freedom of conscience. His relations with the King favored his designs. The King had said to Penn before he ascended the throne that he was opposed to persecution for religion. On the first day of his reign, he made an address, in which he proclaimed himself opposed to all arbitrary principles in government, 'and promised protection to the Church of England. Early in the year 1686, in consequence of the King's proclamation for a general pardon, over thirteen hundred Quakers were set at liberty, and in April, 1687, the King issued a declaration for entire liberty of conscience, and suspending the penal laws in matters ecclesiastical. This was a great step in advance, and one that must ever throw a luster over the brief reign of this unfortunate monarch. Penn, though holding no official position, doubtless did as much toward securing the issue of this liberal measure as any Englishman.

Upon the issue of these edicts, the Quakers, at their next annual meeting, presented an address of acknowledgment to the King, which opened in these words: "We cannot but bless and praise the name of Almighty God, who hath the hearts of princes in His hands, that He hath inclined the King to hear the cries of his suffering subjects for conscience' sake, and we rejoice that he hath given us so eminent an occasion to present him our thanks." This address was presented by Penn in a few well-chosen words, and the King replied in the following, though brief, yet most expressive, language: "Gentlemen—I thank you heartily for your address. Some of you know (I am sure you do Mr. Penn), that it was always my principle, that conscience ought not to be forced, and that all men ought to have the liberty of their consciences. And what I have promised in my declaration, I will continue to perform so long as I live. And I hope, before I die, to settle it so that after ages shall have no reason to alter it."

It would have been supposed that such noble sentiments as these from a sovereign would have been hailed with delight by the English people. But they were not. The aristocracy of Britain at this time did not want liberty of conscience. They wanted conformity to the established church, and bitter persecution against all others, as in the reign of Charles, which filled the prisons with Quakers. The warm congratulations to James, and fervent prayers for his welfare, were regarded by them with an evil eye. Bitter reproaches were heaped upon Penn, who was looked upon as the power behind the throne that was moving the King to the enforcing of these principles. He was accused of having been educated at St. Omer's, a Catholic college, a place which he never saw in his life, of having taken orders as a priest in the Catholic Church, of having obtained dispensation to marry, and of being not only a Catholic, but a Jesuit in disguise, all of which were pure fabrications. But in the excited state of the public mind they were believed, and caused him to be regarded with bitter hatred. The King, too, fell rapidly into disfavor, and so completely had the minds of his people become alienated from him, that upon the coming of the Prince of Orange and his wife Mary, in 1688, James was obliged to flee to France for safety, and they were received as the rulers of Britain.

But while the interests of the colony were thus prospering at court, they were not so cloudless in the new country. There was needed the strong hand of Penn to check abuses and guide the course of legislation in proper channels. He had labored to place the government entirely in the hands of the people—an idea, in the abstract, most attractive, and one which, were the entire

population wise and just, would result fortunately; yet, in practice, he found to his sorrow the results most vexatious. The proprietor had not long been gone before troubles arose between the two Houses of the Legislature relative to promulgating the laws as not being in accordance with the requirements of the charter. Nicholas Moore, the Chief Justice, was impeached for irregularities in imposing fines and in other ways abusing his high trust. But though formally arraigned and directed to desist from exercising his functions, he successfully resisted the proceedings, and a final judgment was never obtained. Patrick Robinson, Clerk of the court, for refusing to produce the records in the trial of Moore, was voted a public enemy. These troubles in the government were the occasion of much grief to Penn, who wrote, naming a number of the most influential men in the colony, and beseeching them to unite in an endeavor to check further irregularities, declaring that they disgraced the province, "that their conduct had struck back hundreds, and was £10,000 out of his way, and £100,000 out of the country."

In the latter part of the year 1686, seeing that the whole Council was too unwieldy a body to exercise executive power, Penn determined to contract the number, and accordingly appointed Thomas Lloyd, Nicholas Moore, James Claypole, Robert Turner and John Eckley, any three of whom should constitute a quorum, to be Commissioners of State to act for the proprietor. In place of Moore and Claypole, Arthur Cook and John Simcock were appointed. They were to compel the attendance of the Council; see that the two Houses admit of no parley; to abrogate all laws except the fundamentals; to dismiss the Assembly and call a new one, and finally he solemnly admonishes them, "Be most just, as in the sight of the all-seeing, all-searching God." In a letter to these Commissioners, he says: "Three things occur to me eminently: First, that you be watchful that none abuse the King, etc.; secondly, that you get the custom act revived as being the equalest and least offensive way to support the government; thirdly, that you retrieve the dignity of courts and sessions."

In a letter to James Harrison, his confidential agent at Pennsbury Manor, he unbosoms himself more freely respecting his employment in London than in any of his State papers or more public communications, and from it can be seen how important were his labors with the head of the English nation. "I am engaged in the public business of the nation and Friends, and those in authority would have me see the establishment of the liberty, that I was a small instrument to begin in the land. The Lord has given me great entrance and interest with the King, though not so much as is said; and I confess I should rejoice to see poor old England fixed, the penal laws repealed, that are now suspended, and if it goes well with England, it cannot go ill with Pennsylvania, as unkindly used as I am; and no poor slave in Turkey desires more earnestly, I believe, for deliverance, than I do to be with you." In the summer of 1687, Penn was in company with the King in a progress through the counties of Berkshire, Gloucestershire, Worcestershire, Shropshire, Cheshire, Staffordshire, Warwickshire, Oxfordshire and Hampshire, during which he held several religious meetings with his people, in some of which the King appears to have been present, particularly in Chester.

Since the departure of Penn, Thomas Lloyd had acted as President of the Council, and later of the Commissioners of State. He had been in effect Governor, and held responsible for the success of the government, while possessing only one voice in the disposing of affairs. Tiring of this anomalous position, Lloyd applied to be relieved. It was difficult to find a person of sufficient ability to fill the place; but Penn decided to relieve him, though

showing his entire confidence by notifying him that he intended soon to appoint him absolute Governor. In his place, he indicated Samuel Carpenter, or if he was unwilling to serve, then Thomas Ellis, but not to be President, his will being that each should preside a month in turn, or that the oldest member should be chosen.

Penn foresaw that the executive power, to be efficient, must be lodged in the hands of one man of ability, such as to command the respect of his people. Those whom he most trusted in the colony had been so mixed up in the wrangles of the executive and legislative departments of the government that he deemed it advisable to appoint a person who had not before been in the colony and not a Quaker. He accordingly commissioned John Blackwell, July 27, 1688, to be Lieutenant Governor, who was at this time in New England, and who had the esteem and confidence of Penn. With the commission, the proprietor sent full instructions, chiefly by way of caution, the last one being: "Rule the meek meekly; and those that will not be ruled, rule with authority." Though Lloyd had been relieved of power, he still remained in the Council, probably because neither of the persons designated were willing to serve. Having seen the evils of a many-headed executive, he had recommended the appointment of one person to exercise executive authority. It was in conformity with this advice that Blackwell was appointed. He met the Assembly in March, 1689; but either his conceptions of business were arbitrary and imperious, or the Assembly had become accustomed to great latitude and lax discipline; for the business had not proceeded far before the several branches of the government were at variance. Lloyd refused to give up the great seal, alleging that it had been given him for life. The Governor, arbitrarily and without warrant of law, imprisoned officers of high rank, denied the validity of all laws passed by the Assembly previous to his administration, and set on foot a project for organizing and equipping the militia, under the plea of threatened hostility of France. The Assembly attempted to arrest his proceedings, but he shrewdly evaded their intents by organizing a party among the members, who persistently absented themselves. His reign was short, for in January, 1690, he left the colony and sailed away for England, whereupon the government again devolved upon the Council, Thomas Lloyd, President. Penn had a high estimation of the talents and integrity of Blackwell, and adds, "He is in England and Ireland of great repute for ability, integrity and virtue."

Three forms of administering the executive department of the government had now been tried, by a Council consisting of eighteen members, a commission of five members, and a Lieutenant Governor. Desirous of leaving the government as far as possible in the hands of the people who were the sources of all power, Penn left it to the Council to decide which form should be adopted. The majority decided for a Deputy Governor. This was opposed by the members from the provinces, who preferred a Council, and who, finding themselves outvoted, decided to withdraw, and determined for themselves to govern the lower counties until Penn should come. This obstinacy and falling out between the councilors from the lower counties and those from the province was the beginning of a controversy which eventuated in a separation, and finally in the formation of Delaware as a separate commonwealth. A deputation from the Council was sent to New Castle to induce the seceding members to return, but without success. They had never regarded with favor the removal of the sittings of the Council from New Castle, the first seat of government, to Philadelphia, and they were now determined to set up a government for themselves.

In 1689, the Friends Public School in Philadelphia was first incorporated, confirmed by a patent from Penn in 1701, and another in 1708, and finally, with greatly enlarged powers, from Penn personally, November 29, 1711. The preamble to the charter recites that as "the prosperity and welfare of any people depend, in great measure, upon the good education of youth, and their early introduction in the principles of true religion and virtue, and qualifying them to serve their country and themselves, by breeding them in reading, writing, and learning of languages and useful arts and sciences suitable to their sex, age and degree, which cannot be effected in any manner so well as by erecting public schools," etc. George Keith was employed as the first master of this school. He was a native of Aberdeen, Scotland, a man of learning, and had emigrated to East Jersey some years previous, where he was Surveyor General, and had surveyed and marked the line between East and West New Jersey. He only remained at the head of the school one year, when he was succeeded by his usher, Thomas Makin. This was a school of considerable merit and pretension, where the higher mathematics and the ancient languages were taught, and was the first of this high grade. A school of a primary grade had been established as early as 1683, in Philadelphia, when Enoch Flower taught on the following terms: "To learn to read English, four shillings by the quarter; to write, six shillings by ditto; to read, write and cast accounts, eight shillings by the quarter; boarding a scholar, that is to say, diet, lodging, washing and schooling, £10 for one whole year," from which it will be seen that although learning might be highly prized, its cost in hard cash was not exorbitant.

Penn's favor at court during the reign of James II caused him to be suspected of disloyalty to the government when William and Mary had come to the throne. Accordingly on the 10th of December, 1688, while walking in White Hall, he was summoned before the Lords of the Council, and though nothing was found against him, was compelled to give security for his appearance at the next term, to answer any charge that might be made. At the second sitting of the Council nothing having been found against him, he was cleared in open court. In 1690, he was again brought before the Lords on the charge of having been in correspondence with the late King. He appealed to King William, who, after a hearing of two hours, was disposed to release him, but the Lords decided to hold him until the Trinity term, when he was again discharged. A third time he was arraigned, and this time with eighteen others, charged with adhering to the kingdom's enemies, but was cleared by order of the King's Bench. Being now at liberty, and these vexatious suits apparently at an end, he set about leading a large party of settlers to his cherished Pennsylvania. Proposals were published, and the Government, regarding the enterprise of so much importance, had ordered an armed convoy, when he was again met by another accusation, and now, backed by the false oath of one William Fuller, whom the Parliament subsequently declared a "cheat and an imposter." Seeing that he must prepare again for his defense, he abandoned his voyage to America, after having made expensive preparations, and convinced that his enemies were determined to prevent his attention to public or private affairs, whether in England or America, he withdrew himself during the ensuing two or three years from the public eye.

But though not participating in business, which was calling loudly for his attention, his mind was busy, and several important treatises upon religious and civil matters were produced that had great influence upon the turn of public affairs, which would never have been written but for this forced retirement. In his address to the yearly meeting of Friends in London, he says:

“My enemies are yours. My privacy is not because men have sworn truly, but falsely against me.”

His personal grievances in England were the least which he suffered. For lack of guiding influence, bitter dissensions had sprung up in his colony, which threatened the loss of all. Desiring to secure peace, he had commissioned Thomas Lloyd Deputy Governor of the province, and William Markham Deputy Governor of the lower counties. Penn's grief on account of this division is disclosed in a letter to a friend in the province: “I left it to them, to choose either the government of the Council, five Commissioners or a deputy. What could be tenderer? Now I perceive Thomas Lloyd is chosen by the three upper, but not the three lower counties, and sits down with this broken choice. This has grieved and wounded me and mine, I fear to the hazard of all! \* \* \* for else the Governor of New York is like to have all, if he has it not already.”

But the troubles of Penn in America were not confined to civil affairs. His religious society was torn with dissension. George Keith, a man of considerable power in argumentation, but of overweening self-conceit, attacked the Friends for the laxity of their discipline, and drew off some followers. So venomous did he become that on the 20th of April, 1692, a testimony of denial was drawn up against him at a meeting of ministers, wherein he and his conduct were publicly disowned. This was confirmed at the next yearly meeting. He drew off large numbers and set up an independent society, who termed themselves Christian Quakers. Keith appealed from this action of the American Church to the yearly meeting in London, but was so intemperate in speech that the action of the American Church was confirmed. Whereupon he became the bitter enemy of the Quakers, and, uniting with the Church of England, was ordained a Vicar by the Bishop of London. He afterward returned to America where he wrote against his former associates, but was finally fixed in a benefice in Sussex, England. On his death bed, he said, “I wish I had died when I was a Quaker, for then I am sure it would have been well with my soul.”

But Keith had not been satisfied with attacking the principles and practices of his church. He mercilessly lampooned the Lieutenant Governor, saying that “He was not fit to be a Governor, and his name would stink,” and of the Council, that “He hoped to God he should shortly see their power taken from them.” On another occasion, he said of Thomas Lloyd, who was reputed a mild-tempered man, and had befriended Keith, that he was “an impudent man and a pitiful Governor,” and asked him “why he did not send him to jail,” saying that “his back (Keith's) had long itched for a whipping, and that he would print and expose them all over America, if not over Europe.” So abusive had he finally become that the Council was obliged to take notice of his conduct and to warn him to desist.

Penn, as has been shown, was silenced and thrown into retirement in England. It can be readily seen what an excellent opportunity these troubles in America, the separation in the government, and the schism in the church, gave his enemies to attack him. They represented that he had neglected his colony by remaining in England and meddling with matters in which he had no business; that the colony in consequence had fallen into great disorder, and that he should be deprived of his proprietary rights. These complaints had so much weight with William and Mary, that, on the 21st of October, 1692, they commissioned Benjamin Fletcher, Governor of New York, to take the province and territories under his government. There was another motive operating at this time, more potent than those mentioned above, to induce the

King and Queen to put the government of Pennsylvania under the Governor of New York. The French and Indians from the north were threatening the English. Already the expense for defense had become burdensome to New York. It was believed that to ask aid for the common defense from Penn, with his peace principles, would be fruitless, but that through the influence of Gov. Fletcher, as executive, an appropriation might be secured.

Upon receiving his commission, Gov. Fletcher sent a note, dated April 19, 1693, to Deputy Gov. Lloyd, informing him of the grant of the royal commission and of his intention to visit the colony and assume authority on the 29th inst. He accordingly came with great pomp and splendor, attended by a numerous retinue, and soon after his arrival, submission to him having been accorded without question, summoned the Assembly. Some differences having arisen between the Governor and the Assembly about the manner of calling and electing the Representatives, certain members united in an address to the Governor, claiming that the constitution and laws were still in full force and must be administered until altered or repealed; that Pennsylvania had just as good a right to be governed according to the usages of Pennsylvania as New York had to be governed according to the usages of that province. The Legislature being finally organized, Gov. Fletcher presented a letter from the Queen, setting forth that the expense for the preservation and defense of Albany against the French was intolerable to the inhabitants there, and that as this was a frontier to other colonies, it was thought but just that they should help bear the burden. The Legislature, in firm but respectful terms, maintained that the constitution and laws enacted under them were in full force, and when he, having flatly denied this, attempted to intimidate them by the threat of annexing Pennsylvania to New York, they mildly but firmly requested that if the Governor had objections to the bill which they had passed and would communicate them, they would try to remove them. The business was now amicably adjusted, and he in compliance with their wish dissolved the Assembly, and after appointing William Markham Lieutenant Governor, departed to his government in New York, doubtless well satisfied that a Quaker, though usually mild mannered, is not easily frightened or coerced.

Gov. Fletcher met the Assembly again in March, 1694, and during this session, having apparently failed in his previous endeavors to induce the Assembly to vote money for the common defense, sent a communication setting forth the dangers to be apprehended from the French and Indians, and concluding in these words: "That he considered their principles; that they could not carry arms nor levy money to make war, though for their own defense, yet he hoped that they would not refuse to feed the hungry and clothe the naked; that was to supply the Indian nations with such necessaries as may influence their continued friendship to their provinces." But notwithstanding the adroit sugar-coating of the pill, it was not acceptable and no money was voted. This and a brief session in September closed the Governorship of Pennsylvania by Fletcher. It would appear from a letter written by Penn, after hearing of the neglect of the Legislature to vote money for the purpose indicated, that he took an entirely different view of the subject from that which was anticipated; for he blamed the colony for refusing to send money to New York for what he calls the common defense.

Through the kind offices of Lords Rochester, Ranelagh, Sidney and Somers, the Duke of Buckingham and Sir John Trenchard, the king was asked to hear the case of William Penn, against whom no charge was proven, and who would two years before have gone to his colony had he not supposed that he would have been thought to go in defiance of the government. King William

answered that William Penn was his old acquaintance as well as theirs, that he might follow his business as freely as ever, and that he had nothing to say to him. Penn was accordingly reinstated in his government by letters patent dated on the 20th of August, 1694, whereupon he commissioned William Markham Lieutenant Governor.

When Markham called the Assembly, he disregarded the provisions of the charter, assuming that the removal of Penn had annulled the grant. The Assembly made no objection to this action, as there were provisions in the old charter that they desired to have changed. Accordingly, when the appropriation bill was considered, a new constitution was attached to it and passed. This was approved by Markham and became the organic law, the third constitution adopted under the charter of King Charles. By the provisions of this instrument, the Council was composed of twelve members, and the Assembly of twenty-four. During the war between France and England, the ocean swarmed with the privateers of the former. When peace was declared, many of these crafts, which had richly profited by privateering, were disposed to continue their irregular practices, which was now piracy. Judging that the peace principles of the Quakers would shield them from forcible seizure, they were accustomed to run into the Delaware for safe harbor. Complaints coming of the depredations of these parties, a proclamation was issued calling on magistrates and citizens to unite in breaking up practices so damaging to the good name of the colony. It was charged in England that evil-disposed persons in the province were privy to these practices, if not parties to it, and that the failure of the Government to break it up was a proof of its inefficiency, and of a radical defect of the principles on which it was based. Penn was much exercised by these charges, and in his letters to the Lieutenant Governor and to his friends in the Assembly, urged ceaseless vigilance to effect reform.

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## CHAPTER VIII.

WILLIAM PENN, 1699-1701—ANDREW HAMILTON, 1701-3—EDWARD SHIPPEN  
1703-4—JOHN EVANS, 1704-9—CHARLES GOOKIN, 1709-17.

**B**EING free from harassing persecutions, and in favor at court, Penn determined to remove with his family to Pennsylvania, and now with the expectation of living and dying here. Accordingly, in July, 1699, he set sail, and, on account of adverse winds, was three months tossed about upon the ocean. Just before his arrival in his colony, the yellow fever raged there with great virulence, having been brought thither from the West Indies, but had been checked by the biting frosts of autumn, and had now disappeared. An observant traveler, who witnessed the effects of this scourge, writes thus of it in his journal: "Great was the majesty and hand of the Lord. Great was the fear that fell upon all flesh. I saw no lofty nor airy countenance, nor heard any vain jesting to move men to laughter, nor witty repartee to raise mirth, nor extravagant feasting to excite the lusts and desires of the flesh above measure; but every face gathered paleness, and many hearts were humbled, and countenances fallen and sunk, as such that waited every moment to be summoned to the bar and numbered to the grave."

Great joy was everywhere manifested throughout the province at the arriv-

al of the proprietor and his family, fondly believing that he had now come to stay. He met the Assembly soon after landing, but, it being an inclement season, he only detained them long enough to pass two measures aimed against piracy and illicit trade, exaggerated reports of which, having been spread broadcast through the kingdom, had caused him great uneasiness and vexation. At the first monthly meeting of Friends in 1700, he laid before them his concern, which was for the welfare of Indians and Negroes, and steps were taken to instruct them and provide stated meetings for them where they could hear the Word. It is more than probable that he had fears from the first that his enemies in England would interfere in his affairs to such a degree as to require his early return, though he had declared to his friends there that he never expected to meet them again. His greatest solicitude, consequently, was to give a charter to his colony, and also one to his city, the very best that human ingenuity could devise. An experience of now nearly twenty years would be likely to develop the weaknesses and impracticable provisions of the first constitutions, so that a frame now drawn with all the light of the past, and by the aid and suggestion of the men who had been employed in administering it, would be likely to be enduring, and though he might be called hence, or be removed by death, their work would live on from generation to generation and age to age, and exert a benign and preserving influence while the State should exist.

In February, 1701, Penn met the most renowned and powerful of the Indian chieftains, reaching out to the Potomac, the Susquehanna and to the Onondagoes of the Five Nations, some forty in number, at Philadelphia, where he renewed with them pledges of peace and entered into a formal treaty of active friendship, binding them to disclose any hostile intent, confirm sale of lands, be governed by colonial law, all of which was confirmed on the part of the Indians "by five parcels of skins;" and on the part of Penn by "several English goods and merchandises."

Several sessions of the Legislature were held in which great harmony prevailed, and much attention was giving to revising and recomposing the constitution. But in the midst of their labors for the improvement of the organic law, intelligence was brought to Penn that a bill had been introduced in the House of Lords for reducing all the proprietary governments in America to regal ones, under pretence of advancing the prerogative of the crown, and the national advantage. Such of the owners of land in Pennsylvania as happened to be in England, remonstrated against action upon the bill until Penn could return and be heard, and wrote to him urging his immediate coming hither. Though much to his disappointment and sorrow, he determined to go immediately thither. He promptly called a session of the Assembly, and in his message to the two Houses said, "I cannot think of such a voyage without great reluctancy of mind, having promised myself the quietness of a wilderness. For my heart is among you, and no disappointment shall ever be able to alter my love to the country, and resolution to return, and settle my family and posterity in it. \* \* Think therefore (since all men are mortal), of some suitable expedient and provision for your safety as well in your privileges as property. Review again your laws, propose new ones, and you will find me ready to comply with whatsoever may render us happy, by a nearer union of our interests." The Assembly returned a suitable response, and then proceeded to draw up twenty-one articles. The first related to the appointment of a Lieutenant Governor. Penn proposed that the Assembly should choose one. But this they declined, preferring that he should appoint one. Little trouble was experienced in settling everything broached, except the



union of the province and lower counties. Penn used his best endeavors to reconcile them to the union, but without avail. The new constitution was adopted on the 28th of October, 1701. The instrument provided for the union, but in a supplementary article, evidently granted with great reluctance, it was provided that the province and the territories might be separated at any time within three years. As his last act before leaving, he presented the city of Philadelphia, now grown to be a considerable place, and always an object of his affectionate regard, with a charter of privileges. As his Deputy, he appointed Andrew Hamilton, one of the proprietors of East New Jersey, and sometime Governor of both East and West Jersey, and for Secretary of the province and Clerk of the Council, he selected James Logan, a man of singular urbanity and strength of mind, and withal a scholar.

Penn set sail for Europe on the 1st of November, 1701. Soon after his arrival, on the 18th of January, 1702, King William died, and Anne of Denmark succeeded him. He now found himself in favor at court, and that he might be convenient to the royal residence, he again took lodgings, at Kensington. The bill which had been pending before Parliament, that had given him so much uneasiness, was at the succeeding session dropped entirely, and was never again called up. During his leisure hours, he now busied himself in writing "several useful and excellent treatises on divers subjects."

Gov. Hamilton's administration continued only till December, 1702, when he died. He was earnest in his endeavors to induce the territories to unite with the province, they having as yet not accepted the new charter, alleging that they had three years in which to make their decision, but without success. He also organized a military force, of which George Lowther was commander, for the safety of the colony.

The executive authority now devolved upon the Council, of which Edward Shippen was President. Conflict of authority, and contention over the due interpretation of some provisions of the new charter, prevented the accomplishment of much, by way of legislation, in the Assembly which convened in 1703; though in this body it was finally determined that the lower counties should thereafter act separately in a legislative capacity. This separation proved final, the two bodies never again meeting in common.

Though the bill to govern the American Colonies by regal authority failed, yet the clamor of those opposed to the proprietary Governors was so strong that an act was finally passed requiring the selection of deputies to have the royal assent. Hence, in choosing a successor to Hamilton, he was obliged to consider the Queen's wishes. John Evans, a man of parts, of Welsh extraction, only twenty-six years old, a member of the Queen's household, and not a Quaker, nor even of exemplary morals, was appointed, who arrived in the colony in December, 1703. He was accompanied by William Penn, Jr., who was elected a member of the Council, the number having been increased by authority of the Governor, probably with a view to his election.

The first care of Evans was to unite the province and lower counties, though the final separation had been agreed to. He presented the matter so well that the lower counties, from which the difficulty had always come, were willing to return to a firm union. But now the provincial Assembly, having become impatient of the obstacles thrown in the way of legislation by the delegates from these counties, was unwilling to receive them. They henceforward remained separate in a legislative capacity, though still a part of Pennsylvania, under the claim of Penn, and ruled by the same Governor, and thus they continued until the 20th of September, 1776, when a constitution was adopted, and they were proclaimed a separate State under the name of Delaware.

During two years of the government of Evans, there was ceaseless discord between the Council, headed by the Governor and Secretary Logan on the one side, and the Assembly led by David Lloyd, its Speaker, on the other, and little legislation was effected.

Realizing the defenseless condition of the colony, Evans determined to organize the militia, and accordingly issued his proclamation. "In obedience to her Majesty's royal command, and to the end that the inhabitants of this government may be in a posture of defense and readiness to withstand and repel all acts of hostility. I do hereby strictly command and require all persons residing in this government, whose persuasions will, on any account, permit them to take up arms in their own defense, that forthwith they do provide themselves with a good firelock and ammunition, in order to enlist themselves in the militia, which I am now settling in this government." The Governor evidently issued this proclamation in good faith, and with a pure purpose. The French and Indians had assumed a threatening aspect upon the north, and while the other colonies had assisted New York liberally, Pennsylvania had done little or nothing for the common defense. But his call fell stillborn. The "fire-locks" were not brought out, and none enlisted.

Disappointed at this lack of spirit, and embittered by the factious temper of the Assembly, Evans, who seems not to have had faith in the religious principles of the Quakers, and to have entirely mistook the nature of their Christian zeal, formed a wild scheme to test their steadfastness under the pressure of threatened danger. In conjunction with his gay associates in revel, he agreed to have a false alarm spread of the approach of a hostile force in the river, whereupon he was to raise the alarm in the city. Accordingly, on the day of the fair in Philadelphia, 16th of March, 1706, a messenger came, post haste from New Castle, bringing the startling intelligence that an armed fleet of the enemy was already in the river, and making their way rapidly toward the city. Whereupon Evans acted his part to a nicety. He sent emissaries through the town proclaiming the dread tale, while he mounted his horse, and in an excited manner, and with a drawn sword, rode through the streets, calling upon all good men and true to rush to arms for the defense of their homes, their wives and children, and all they held dear. The ruse was so well played that it had an immense effect. "The suddenness of the surprise," says Proud, "with the noise of precipitation consequent thereon, threw many of the people into very great fright and consternation, insomuch that it is said some threw their plate and most valuable effects down their wells and little houses; that others hid themselves, in the best manner they could, while many retired further up the river, with what they could most readily carry off; so that some of the creeks seemed full of boats and small craft; those of a larger size running as far as Burlington, and some higher up the river; several women are said to have miscarried by the fright and terror into which they were thrown, and much mischief ensued."

The more thoughtful of the people are said to have understood the deceit from the first, and labored to allay the excitement; but the seeming earnestness of the Governor and the zeal of his emissaries so worked upon the more inconsiderate of the population that the consternation and commotion was almost past belief. In an almanac published at Philadelphia for the next year opposite this date was this distich:

"Wise men wonder, good men grieve,  
Knaves invent and fools believe."

Though this ruse was played upon all classes alike, yet it was generally believed to have been aimed chiefly at the Quakers, to try the force of their

principles, and see if they would not rush to arms when danger should really appear. But in this the Governor was disappointed. For it is said that only four out of the entire population of this religious creed showed any disposition to falsify their faith. It was the day of their weekly meeting, and regardless of the dismay and consternation which were everywhere manifest about them, they assembled in their accustomed places of worship, and engaged in their devotions as though nothing unusual was transpiring without, manifesting such unshaken faith, as Whittier has exemplified in verse by his Abraham Davenport, on the occasion of the Dark Day:

Meanwhile in the old State House, dim as ghosts,  
 Sat the law-givers of Connecticut,  
 Trembling beneath their legislative robes.  
 'It is the Lord's great day! Let us adjourn,'  
 Some said; and then, as with one accord,  
 All eyes were turned on Abraham Davenport.  
 He rose, slow, cleaving with his steady voice  
 The intolerable hush. 'This well may be  
 The Day of Judgment which the world awaits;  
 But be it so or not, I only know  
 My present duty, and my Lord's command  
 To occupy till He come. So at the post  
 Where He hath set me in His Providence,  
 I choose, for one, to meet Him face to face,  
 No faithless servant frightened from my task,  
 But ready when the Lord of the harvest calls;  
 And therefore, with all reverence, I would say,  
 Let God do His work, we will see to ours.  
 Bring in the candles.' And they brought them in."

In conjunction with the Legislature of the lower counties, Evans was instrumental in having a law passed for the imposition of a tax on the tonnage of the river, and the erection of a fort near the town of New Castle for compelling obedience. This was in direct violation of the fundamental compact, and vexatious to commerce. It was at length forcibly resisted, and its imposition abandoned. His administration was anything but efficient or peaceful, a series of contentions, of charges and counter-charges having been kept up between the leaders of the two factions, Lloyd and Logan, which he was powerless to properly direct or control. "He was relieved in 1709. Possessed of a good degree of learning and refinement, and accustomed to the gay society of the British metropolis, he found in the grave and serious habits of the Friends a type of life and character which he failed to comprehend, and with which he could, consequently, have little sympathy. How widely he mistook the Quaker character is seen in the result of his wild and hair-brained experiment to test their faith. His general tenor of life seems to have been of a piece with this. Watson says: 'The Indians of Connestoga complained of him when there as misbehaving to their women, and that, in 1709, Solomon Cresson, going his rounds at night, entered a tavern to suppress a riotous assembly, and found there John Evans, Esq., the Governor, who fell to beating Cresson.'"

The youth and levity of Gov. Evans induced the proprietor to seek for a successor of a more sober and sedate character. He had thought of proposing his son, but finally settled upon Col. Charles Gookin, who was reputed to be a man of wisdom and prudence, though as was afterward learned, to the sorrow of the colony, he was subject to fits of derangement, which toward the close of his term were exhibited in the most extravagant acts. He had scarcely arrived in the colony before charges were preferred against the late Governor, and he was asked to institute criminal proceedings, which he declined. This

was the occasion of a renewal of contentions between the Governor and his Council and the Assembly, which continued during the greater part of his administration. In the midst of them, Logan, who was at the head of the Council, having demanded a trial of the charges against him, and failed to secure one, sailed for Europe, where he presented the difficulties experienced in administering the government so strongly, that Penn was seriously inclined to sell his interest in the colony. He had already greatly crippled his estate by expenses he had incurred in making costly presents to the natives, and in settling his colony, for which he had received small return. In the year 1707, he had become involved in a suit in chancery with the executors of his former steward, in the course of which he was confined in the Old Baily during this and a part of the following year, when he was obliged to mortgage his colony in the sum of £6,600 to relieve himself. Foreseeing the great consequence it would be to the crown to buy the rights of the proprietors of the several English colonies in America before they would grow too powerful, negotiations had been entered into early in the reign of William and Mary for their purchase, especially the "fine province of Mr. Penn." Borne down by these troubles, and by debts and litigations at home, Penn seriously entertained the proposition to sell in 1712, and offered it for £20,000. The sum of £12,000 was offered on the part of the crown, which was agreed upon, but before the necessary papers were executed, he was stricken down with apoplexy, by which he was incapacitated for transacting any business, and a stay was put to further proceedings until the Queen should order an act of Parliament for consummating the purchase.

It is a mournful spectacle to behold the great mind and the great heart of Penn reduced now in his declining years, by the troubles of government and by debts incurred in the bettering of his colony, to this enfeebled condition. He was at the moment writing to Logan on public affairs, when his hand was suddenly seized by lethargy in the beginning of a sentence, which he never finished. His mind was touched by the disease, which he never recovered, and after lingering for six years, he died on the 30th of May, 1718, in the seventy-fourth year of his age. With great power of intellect, and a religious devotion scarcely matched in all Christendom, he gave himself to the welfare of mankind, by securing civil and religious liberty through the operations of organic law. Though not a lawyer by profession, he drew frames of government and bodies of laws which have been the admiration of succeeding generations, and are destined to exert a benign influence in all future time, and by his discussions with Lord Baltimore and before the Lords in Council, he showed himself familiar with the abstruse principles of law. Though but a private person and of a despised sect, he was received as the friend and confidential advisee of the ruling sovereigns of England, and some of the principles which give luster to British law were engrafted there through the influence of the powerful intellect and benignant heart of Penn. He sought to know no philosophy but that promulgated by Christ and His disciples, and this he had sounded to its depths, and in it were anchored his ideas of public law and private and social living. The untamed savage of the forest bowed in meek and loving simplicity to his mild and resistless sway, and the members of the Society of Friends all over Europe flocked to his City of Brotherly Love. His prayers for the welfare of his people are the beginning and ending of all his public and private correspondence, and who will say that they have not been answered in the blessings which have attended the commonwealth of his founding? And will not the day of its greatness be when the inhabitants throughout all its borders shall return to the peaceful and loving spirit of

Penn? In the midst of a licentious court, and with every prospect of advancement in its sunshine and favor, inheriting a great name and an independent patrimony, he turned aside from this brilliant track to make common lot with a poor sect under the ban of Government; endured stripes and imprisonment and loss of property; banished himself to the wilds of the American continent that he might secure to his people those devotions which seemed to them required by their Maker, and has won for himself a name by the simple deeds of love and humble obedience to Christian mandates which shall never perish. Many have won renown by deeds of blood, but fadeless glory has come to William Penn by charity.

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## CHAPTER IX.

SIR WILLIAM KEITH, 1717-25—PATRICK GORDON, 1726-36—JAMES LOGAN, 1736-38  
—GEORGE THOMAS, 1738-47—ANTHONY PALMER, 1747-48—JAMES HAMILTON,  
1748-54.

IN 1712, Penn had made a will, by which he devised to his only surviving son, William, by his first marriage, all his estates in England, amounting to some twenty thousand pounds. By his first wife, Gulielma Maria Springett, he had issue of three sons—William, Springett and William, and four daughters—Gulielma, Margaret, Gulielma and Letitia; and by his second wife, Hannah Callowhill, of four sons—John, Thomas, Richard and Dennis. To his wife Hannah, who survived him, and whom he made the sole executrix of his will, he gave, for the equal benefit of herself and her children, all his personal estate in Pennsylvania and elsewhere, after paying all debts, and allotting ten thousand acres of land in the Province to his daughter Letitia, by his first marriage, and each of the three children of his son William.

Doubts having arisen as to the force of the provisions of this will, it was finally determined to institute a suit in chancery for its determination. Before a decision was reached, in March, 1720, William Penn, Jr., died, and while still pending, his son Springett died also. During the long pendency of this litigation for nine years, Hannah Penn, as executrix of the will, assumed the proprietary powers, issued instructions to her Lieutenant Governors, heard complaints and settled difficulties with the skill and the assurance of a veteran diplomatist. In 1727, a decision was reached that, upon the death of William Penn, Jr., and his son Springett, the proprietary rights in Pennsylvania descended to the three surviving sons—John, Thomas and Richard—issue by the second marriage; and that the proprietors bargain to sell his province to the crown for twelve thousand pounds, made in 1712, and on which one thousand pounds had been paid at the confirmation of the sale, was void. Whereupon the three sons became the joint proprietors.

A year before the death of Penn, the lunacy of Gov. Gookin having become troublesome, he was succeeded in the Government by Sir William Keith, a Scotchman who had served as Surveyor of Customs to the English Government, in which capacity he had visited Pennsylvania previously, and knew something of its condition. He was a man of dignified and commanding bearing, endowed with cunning, of an accommodating policy, full of faithful promises, and usually found upon the stronger side. Hence, upon his arrival in the colony, he did not summon the Assembly immediately,

assigning as a reason in his first message that he did not wish to inconvenience the country members by calling them in harvest time. The disposition thus manifested to favor the people, and his advocacy of popular rights on several occasions in opposition to the claims of the proprietor, gave great satisfaction to the popular branch of the Legislature which manifested its appreciation of his conduct by voting him liberal salaries, which had often been withheld from his less accommodating predecessors. By his artful and insinuating policy, he induced the Assembly to pass two acts which had previously met with uncompromising opposition—one to establish a Court of Equity, with himself as Chancellor, the want of which had been seriously felt; and another, for organizing the militia. Though the soil was fruitful and produce was plentiful, yet, for lack of good markets, and on account of the meagerness of the circulating medium, prices were very low, the toil and sweat of the husbandman being little rewarded, and the taxes and payments on land were met with great difficulty. Accordingly, arrangements were made for the appointment of inspectors of provisions, who, from a conscientious discharge of duty, soon caused the Pennsylvania brands of best products to be much sought for, and to command ready sale at highest prices in the West Indies, whither most of the surplus produce was exported. A provision was also made for the issue of a limited amount of paper money, on the establishment of ample securities, which tended to raise the value of the products of the soil and of manufactures, and encourage industry.

By the repeated notices of the Governors in their messages to the Legislature previous to this time, it is evident that Indian hostilities had for some time been threatened. The Potomac was the dividing line between the Northern and Southern Indians. But the young men on either side, when out in pursuit of game, often crossed the line of the river into the territory of the other, when fierce altercations ensued. This trouble had become so violent in 1719 as to threaten a great Indian war, in which the powerful confederation, known as the Five Nations, would take a hand. To avert this danger, which it was foreseen would inevitably involve the defenseless families upon the frontier, and perhaps the entire colony, Gov. Keith determined to use his best exertions. He accordingly made a toilsome journey in the spring of 1721 to confer with the Governor of Virginia and endeavor by concert of action such means as would allay further cause of contention. His policy was well devised, and enlisted the favor of the Governor. Soon after his return, he summoned a council of Indian Chieftains to meet him at Conestoga, a point about seventy miles west of Philadelphia. He went in considerable pomp, attended by some seventy or eighty horsemen, gaily caparisoned, and many of them armed, arriving about noon, on the 4th of July, not then a day of more note than other days. He went immediately to Capt. Civility's cabin, where were assembled four deputies of the Five Nations and representatives of other tribes. The Governor said that he had come a long distance from home to see and speak to representatives of the Five Nations, who had never met the Governor of Pennsylvania. They said in reply that they had heard much of the Governor, and would have come sooner to pay him their respects, but that the wild conduct of some of their young men had made them ashamed to show their faces. In the formal meeting in the morning, Ghesaont, chief of the Senecas, spoke for all the Five Nations. He said that they now felt that they were speaking to the same effect that they would were William Penn before them, that they had not forgotten Penn, nor the treaties made with him, and the good advice he gave them; that though they could not write as do the English, yet they could keep

all these transactions fresh in their memories. After laying down a belt of wampum upon the table as if by way of emphasis, he began again, declaring that "all their disorders arose from the use of rum and strong spirits, which took away their sense and memory, that they had no such liquors," and desired that no more be sent among them. Here he produced a bundle of dressed skins, by which he would say, "you see how much in earnest we are upon this matter of furnishing fiery liquors to us." Then he proceeds, declaring that the Five Nations remember all their ancient treaties, and they now desire that the chain of friendship may be made so strong that none of the links may ever be broken. This may have been a hint that they wanted high-piled and valuable presents; for the Quakers had made a reputation of brightening and strengthening the chain of friendship by valuable presents which had reached so far away as the Five Nations. He then produces a bundle of raw skins, and observes "that a chain may contract rust with laying and become weaker; wherefore, he desires it may now be so well cleaned as to remain brighter and stronger than ever it was before." Here he presents another parcel of skins, and continues, "that as in the firmament, all clouds and darkness are removed from the face of the sun, so they desire that all misunderstandings may be fully done away, so that when they, who are now here, shall be dead and gone, their whole people, with their children and posterity, may enjoy the clear sunshine with us forever." Presenting another bundle of skins, he says, "that, looking upon the Governor as if William Penn were present, they desire, that, in case any disorders should hereafter happen between their young people and ours, we would not be too hasty in resenting any such accident, until their Council and ours can have some opportunity to treat amicably upon it, and so to adjust all matters, as that the friendship between us may still be inviolably preserved." Here he produces a small parcel of dressed skins, and concludes by saying "that we may now be together as one people, treating one another's children kindly and affectionately, that they are fully empowered to speak for the Five Nations, and they look upon the Governor as the representative of the Great King of England, and therefore they expect that everything now stipulated will be made absolutely firm and good on both sides." And now he presents a different style of present and pulls out a bundle of bear skins, and proceeds to put in an item of complaint, that "they get too little for their skins and furs, so that they cannot live by hunting; they desire us, therefore, to take compassion on them, and contrive some way to help them in that particular. Then producing a few furs, he speaks only for himself, "to acquaint the Governor, that the Five Nations having heard that the Governor of Virginia wanted to speak with them, he himself, with some of his company intended to proceed to Virginia, but do not know the way how to get safe thither."

To this formal and adroitly conceived speech of the Seneca chief, Gov. Keith, after having brought in the present of stroud match coats, gunpowder, lead, biscuit, pipes and tobacco, adjourned the council till the following day, when, being assembled at Conestoga, he answered at length the items of the chieftain's speech. His most earnest appeal, however, was made in favor of peace. "I have persuaded all my [Indian] brethren, in these parts, to consider what is for their good, and not to go out any more to war; but your young men [Five Nations] as they come this way, endeavor to force them; and, because they incline to the counsels of peace, and the good advice of their true friends, your people use them ill, and often prevail with them to go out to their own destruction. Thus it was that their town of Conestoga lost their good king not long ago. Their young children are left without parents;

their wives without husbands ; the old men, contrary to the course of nature, mourn the death of their young ; the people decay and grow weak ; we lose our dear friends and are afflicted. Surely you cannot propose to get either riches, or possessions, by going thus out to war ; for when you kill a deer, you have the flesh to eat, and the skin to sell ; but when you return from war, you bring nothing home, but the scalp of a dead man, who perhaps was husband to a kind wife, and father to tender children, who never wronged you, though, by losing him, you have robbed them of their help and protection, and at the same time got nothing by it. If I were not your friend, I would not take the trouble to say all these things to you." When the Governor had concluded his address, he called the Seneca chieftain (Ghesaont) to him, and presented a gold coronation medal of King George I, which he requested should be taken to the monarch of the Five Nations, "Kannygooah," to be laid up and kept as a token to our children's children, that an entire and lasting friendship is now established forever between the English in this country and the great Five Nations." Upon the return of the Governor, he was met at the upper ferry of the Schuylkill, by the Mayor and Aldermen of the city, with about two hundred horse, and conducted through the streets after the manner of a conqueror of old returning from the scenes of his triumphs.

Gov. Keith gave diligent study to the subject of finance, regulating the currency in such a way that the planter should have it in his power to discharge promptly his indebtedness to the merchant, that their mutual interests might thus be subserved. He even proposed to establish a considerable settlement on his own account in the colony, in order to carry on manufactures, and thus consume the grain, of which there was at this time abundance, and no profitable market abroad.

In the spring of 1722, an Indian was barbarously murdered within the limits of the colony, which gave the Governor great concern. After having cautioned red men so strongly about keeping the peace, he felt that the honor of himself and all his people was compromised by this vile act. He immediately commissioned James Logan and John French to go to the scene of the murder above Conestoga, and inquire into the facts of the case, quickly apprehended the supposed murderers, sent a fast Indian runner (Satcheecho), to acquaint the Five Nations with his sorrow for the act, and of his determination to bring the guilty parties to justice, and himself set out with three of his Council (Hill, Norris and Hamilton), for Albany, where he had been invited by the Indians for a conference with the Governors of all the colonies, and where he met the chiefs of the Five Nations, and treated with them upon the subject of the murder, besides making presents to the Indians. It was on this occasion that the grand sachem of this great confederacy made that noble, and generous, and touching response, so different from the spirit of revenge generally attributed to the Indian character. It is a notable example of love that begets love, and of the mild answer that turneth away wrath. He said : "The great king of the Five Nations is sorry for the death of the Indian that was killed, for he was of his own flesh and blood. He believes that the Governor is also sorry ; but, now that it is done, there is no help for it, and he desires that Cartlidge [the murderer] may not be put to death, nor that he should be spared for a time, and afterward executed ; one life is enough to be lost ; there should not two die. The King's heart is good to the Governor and all the English."

Though Gov. Keith, during the early part of his term, pursued a pacific policy, yet the interminable quarrels which had been kept up between the Assembly and Council during previous administrations, at length broke out with





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more virulence than ever, and he who in the first flush of power had declared "That he should pass no laws, nor transact anything of moment relating to the public affairs without the advice and approbation of the Council," took it upon himself finally to act independently of the Council, and even went so far as to dismiss the able and trusted representative of the proprietary interests, James Logan, President of the Council and Secretary of the Province, from the duties of his high office, and even refused the request of Hannah Penn, the real Governor of the province, to re-instate him. This unwarrantable conduct cost him his dismissal from office in July, 1726. Why he should have assumed so headstrong and unwarrantable a course, who had promised at the first so mild and considerate a policy, it is difficult to understand, unless it be the fact that he found that the Council was blocking, by its obstinacy, wholesome legislation, which he considered of vital importance to the prosperity of the colony, and if, as he alleges, he found that the new constitution only gave the Council advisory and not a voice in executive power.

The administration of Gov. Keith was eminently successful, as he did not hesitate to grapple with important questions of judicature, finance, trade, commerce, and the many vexing relations with the native tribes, and right manfully, and judiciously did he effect their solution. It was at a time when the colony was filling up rapidly, and the laws and regulations which had been found ample for the management of a few hundred families struggling for a foothold in the forest, and when the only traffic was a few skins, were entirely inadequate for securing protection and prosperity to a seething and jostling population intent on trade and commerce, and the conflicting interests which required wise legislation and prudent management. No colony on the American coast made such progress in numbers and improvement as did Pennsylvania during the nine years in which William Keith exercised the Gubernatorial office. Though not himself a Quaker, he had secured the passage of an act of Assembly, and its royal affirmation for allowing the members of the Quaker sect to wear their hats in court, and give testimony under affirmation instead of oath, which in the beginning of the reign of Queen Anne had been withheld from them. After the expiration of his term of office, he was immediately elected a member of the Assembly, and was intent on being elected Speaker, "and had his support out-doors in a cavalcade of eighty mounted horsemen and the resounding of many guns fired;" yet David Lloyd was elected with only three dissenting voices. the out-door business having perhaps been overdone.

Upon the recommendation of Springett Penn, who was now the prospective heir to Pennsylvania, Patrick Gordon was appointed and confirmed Lieutenant Governor in place of Keith, and arrived in the colony and assumed authority in July, 1726. He had served in the army, and in his first address to the Assembly, which he met in August, he said that as he had been a soldier, he knew nothing of the crooked ways of professed politicians, and must rely on a straightforward manner of transacting the duties devolving upon him. George I died in June, 1727, and the Assembly at its meeting in October prepared and forwarded a congratulatory address to his successor, George II. By the decision of the Court of Chancery in 1727, Hannah Penn's authority over the colony was at an end, the proprietary interests having descended to John, Richard and Thomas Penn, the only surviving sons of William Penn, Sr. This period, from the death of Penn in 1718 to 1727, one of the most prosperous in the history of the colony, was familiarly known as the "Reign of Hannah and the Boys."

Gov. Gordon found the Indian troubles claiming a considerable part of his

attention. In 1728, worthless bands, who had strayed away from their proper tribes, incited by strong drink, had become implicated in disgraceful broils, in which several were killed and wounded. The guilty parties were apprehended, but it was found difficult to punish Indian offenders without incurring the wrath of their relatives. Treaties were frequently renewed, on which occasions the chiefs expected that the chain of friendship would be polished "with English blankets, broadcloths and metals." The Indians found that this "brightening the chain" was a profitable business, which some have been uncharitable enough to believe was the moving cause of many of the Indian difficulties.

As early as 1732, the French, who were claiming all the territory drained by the Mississippi and its tributaries, on the ground of priority of discovery of its mouth and exploration of its channel, commenced erecting trading posts in Pennsylvania, along the Allegheny and Ohio Rivers, and invited the Indians living on these streams to a council for concluding treaties with them at Montreal, Canada. To neutralize the influence of the French, these Indians were summoned to meet in council at Philadelphia, to renew treaties of friendship, and they were invited to remove farther east. But this they were unwilling to do. A treaty was also concluded with the Six Nations, in which they pledged lasting friendship for the English.

Hannah Penn died in 1733, when the Assembly, supposing that the proprietary power was still in her hands, refused to recognize the power of Gov. Gordon. But the three sons, to whom the proprietary possessions had descended, in 1727, upon the decision of the Chancery case, joined in issuing a new commission to Gordon. In approving this commission the King directed a clause to be inserted, expressly reserving to himself the government of the lower counties. This act of the King was the beginning of those series of encroachments which finally culminated in the independence of the States of America. The Judiciary act of 1727 was annulled, and this was followed by an attempt to pass an act requiring the laws of all the colonies to be submitted to the Crown for approval before they should become valid, and that a copy of all laws previously enacted should be submitted for approval or veto. The agent of the Assembly, Mr. Paris, with the agents of other colonies, made so vigorous a defense, that action was for the time stayed.

In 1732, Thomas Penn, the youngest son, and two years later, John Penn, the eldest, and the only American born, arrived in the Province, and were received with every mark of respect and satisfaction. Soon after the arrival of the latter, news was brought that Lord Baltimore had made application to have the Provinces transferred to his colony. A vigorous protest was made against this by Quakers in England, headed by Richard Penn; but lest this protest might prove ineffectual, John Penn very soon went to England to defend the proprietary rights at court, and never again returned, he having died a bachelor in 1746. In August, 1736, Gov. Gordon died, deeply lamented, as an honest, upright and straightforward executive, a character which he expressed the hope he would be able to maintain when he assumed authority. His term had been one of prosperity, and the colony had grown rapidly in numbers, trade, commerce and manufactures, ship-building especially having assumed extensive proportions.

James Logan was President of the Council and in effect Governor, during the two years which elapsed between the death of Gordon and the arrival of his successor. The Legislature met regularly, but no laws were passed for lack of an executive. It was during this period that serious trouble broke out near the Maryland border, west of the Susquehanna, then Lancaster, now

York County. A number of settlers, in order to evade the payment of taxes, had secured titles to their lands from Maryland, and afterward sought to be reinstated in their rights under Pennsylvania authority, and plead protection from the latter. The Sheriff of the adjoining Maryland County, with 300 followers, advanced to drive these settlers from their homes. On hearing of this movement, Samuel Smith, Sheriff of Lancaster County, with a hastily summoned posse, advanced to protect the citizens in their rights. Without a conflict, an agreement was entered into by both parties to retire. Soon afterward, however, a band of fifty Marylanders again entered the State with the design of driving out the settlers and each securing for himself 200 acres of land. They were led by one Cressap. The settlers made resistance, and in an encounter, one of them by the name of Knowles was killed. The Sheriff of Lancaster again advanced with a posse, and in a skirmish which ensued one of the invaders was killed, and the leader Cressap was wounded and taken prisoner. The Governor of Maryland sent a commission to Philadelphia to demand the release of the prisoner. Not succeeding in this, he seized four of the settlers and incarcerated them in the jail at Baltimore. Still determined to effect their purpose, a party of Marylanders, under the leadership of one Higginbotham, advanced into Pennsylvania and began a warfare upon the settlers. Again the Sheriff of Lancaster appeared upon the scene, and drove out the invaders. So stubbornly were these invasions pushed and resented that the season passed without planting or securing the usual crops. Finally a party of sixteen Marylanders, led by Richard Lowden, broke into the Lancaster jail and liberated the Maryland prisoners. Learning of these disturbances, the King in Council issued an order restraining both parties from further acts of violence, and afterward adopted a plan of settlement of the vexed boundary question.

Though not legally Governor, Logan managed the affairs of the colony with great prudence and judgment, as he had done and continued to do for a period of nearly a half century. He was a scholar well versed in the ancient languages and the sciences, and published several learned works in the Latin tongue. His *Experimenta Meletemata de plantarum generatione*, written in Latin, was published at Leyden in 1739, and afterward, in 1747, republished in London, with an English version on the opposite page by Dr. J. Fothergill. Another work of his in Latin was also published at Leyden, entitled, *Canonum pro inveniendis refractionum, tum simplicium tum in lentibus duplicium focus, demonstrationis geometricae*. After retiring from public business, he lived at his country seat at Stenton, near Germantown, where he spent his time among his books and in correspondence with the literati of Europe. In his old age he made an English translation of Cicero's *De Senectute*, which was printed at Philadelphia in 1744 with a preface by Benjamin Franklin, then rising into notice. Logan was a Quaker, of Scotch descent, though born in Ireland, and came to America in the ship with William Penn, in his second visit in 1699, when about twenty-five years old, and died at seventy-seven. He had held the offices of Chief Commissioner of property, Agent for the purchase and sale of lands, Receiver General, Member of Council, President of Council and Chief Justice. He was the Confidential Agent of Penn, having charge of all his vast estates, making sales of lands, executing conveyances, and making collections. Amidst all the great cares of business so pressing as to make him exclaim, "I know not what any of the comforts of life are," he found time to devote to the delights of learning, and collected a large library of standard works, which he bequeathed, at his death, to the people of Pennsylvania, and is known as the Loganian Library.

George Thomas, a planter from the West Indies, was appointed Governor in 1737, but did not arrive in the colony till the following year. His first care was to settle the disorders in the Cumberland Valley, and it was finally agreed that settlers from either colony should owe allegiance to the Governor of that colony wherever settled, until the division line which had been provided for was surveyed and marked. War was declared on the 23d of October, 1739, between Great Britain and Spain. Seeing that his colony was liable to be encroached upon by the enemies of his government, he endeavored to organize the militia, but the majority of the Assembly was of the peace element, and it could not be induced to vote money. Finally he was ordered by the home government to call for volunteers, and eight companies were quickly formed, and sent down for the coast defense. Many of these proved to be servants for whom pay was demanded and finally obtained. In 1740, the great evangelist, Whitefield, visited the colony, and created a deep religious interest among all denominations. In his first intercourse with the Assembly, Gov. Thomas endeavored to coerce it to his views. But a more stubborn set of men never met in a deliberative body than were gathered in this Assembly at this time. Finding that he could not compel action to his mind, he yielded and consulted their views and decisions. The Assembly, not to be outdone in magnanimity, voted him £1,500 arrearages of salary, which had been withheld because he would not approve their legislation, asserting that public acts should take precedence of appropriations for their own pay. In March, 1744, war was declared between Great Britain and France. Volunteers were called for, and 10,000 men were rapidly enlisted and armed at their own expense. Franklin, recognizing the defenseless condition of the colony, issued a pamphlet entitled *Plain Truth*, in which he cogently urged the necessity of organized preparation for defense. Franklin was elected Colonel of one of the regiments, but resigned in favor of Alderman Lawrence. On the 5th of May, 1747, the Governor communicated intelligence of the death of John Penn, the eldest of the proprietors, to the Assembly, and his own intention to retire from the duties of his office on account of declining health.

Anthony Palmer was President of the Council at the time of the withdrawal of Gordon, and became the Acting Governor. The peace party in the Assembly held that it was the duty of the crown of England to protect the colony, and that for the colony to call out volunteers and become responsible for their payment was burdening the people with an expense which did not belong to them, and which the crown was willing to assume. The French were now deeply intent on securing firm possession of the Mississippi Valley and the entire basin, even to the summits of the Alleghanies in Pennsylvania, and were busy establishing trading posts along the Ohio and Allegheny Rivers. They employed the most artful means to win the simple natives to their interests, giving showy presents and laboring to convince them of their great value. Pennsylvania had won a reputation among the Indians of making presents of substantial worth. Not knowing the difference between steel and iron, the French distributed immense numbers of worthless iron hatchets, which the natives supposed were the equal of the best English steel axes. The Indians, however, soon came to distinguish between the good and the valueless. Understanding the Pennsylvania methods of securing peace and friendship, the natives became very artful in drawing out "well piled up" presents. The government at this time was alive to the dangers which threatened from the insinuating methods of the French. A trusty messenger, Conrad Weiser, was sent among the Indians in the western part of the province to observe the plans of the French, ascertain the temper of the natives, and especially to

magnify the power of the English, and the disposition of Pennsylvania to give great presents. This latter policy had the desired effect, and worthless and wandering bands, which had no right to speak for the tribe, came teeming in, desirous of scouring the chain of friendship, intimating that the French were making great offers, in order to induce the government to large liberality, until this "brightening the chain," became an intolerable nuisance. At a single council held at Albany, in 1747, Pennsylvania distributed goods to the value of £1,000, and of such a character as should be most serviceable to the recipients, not worthless gew-gaws, but such as would contribute to their lasting comfort and well being, a protection to the person against the bitter frosts of winter, and sustenance that should minister to the steady wants of the body and alleviation of pain in time of sickness. The treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle, which was concluded on the 1st of October, 1748, secured peace between Great Britain and France, and should have put an end to all hostile encounters between their representatives on the American continent. Palmer remained at the head of the government for a little more than two years. He was a retired merchant from the West Indies, a man of wealth, and had come into the colony in 1708. He lived in a style suited to a gentleman, kept a coach and a pleasure barge.

On the 23d of November, 1748, James Hamilton arrived in the colony from England, bearing the commission of Lieutenant Governor. He was born in America, son of Andrew Hamilton, who had for many years been Speaker of the Assembly. The Indians west of the Susquehanna had complained that settlers had come upon their best lands, and were acquiring titles to them, whereas the proprietors had never purchased these lands of them, and had no claim to them. The first care of Hamilton was to settle these disputes, and allay the rising excitement of the natives. Richard Peters, Secretary of the colony, a man of great prudence and ability, was sent in company with the Indian interpreter, Conrad Weiser, to remove the intruders. It was firmly and fearlessly done, the settlers giving up their tracts and the cabins which they had built, and accepting lands on the east side of the river. The hardship was in many cases great, but when they were in actual need, the Secretary gave money and placed them upon lands of his own, having secured a tract of 2,000,000 of acres.

But these troubles were of small consequence compared with those that were threatening from the West. Though the treaty of Aix was supposed to have settled all difficulties between the two courts, the French were determined to occupy the whole territory drained by the Mississippi, which they claimed by priority of discovery by La Salle. The British Ambassador at Paris entered complaints before the French Court that encroachments were being made by the French upon English soil in America, which were politely heard, and promises made of restraining the French in Canada from encroaching upon English territory. Formal orders were sent out from the home government to this effect; but at the same time secret intimations were conveyed to them that their conduct in endeavoring to secure and hold the territory in dispute was not displeasing to the government, and that disobedience of these orders would not incur its displeasure. The French deemed it necessary, in order to establish a legal claim to the country, to take formal possession of it. Accordingly, the Marquis de la Galissoniere, who was at this time Governor General of Canada, dispatched Capt. Bienville de Céleron with a party of 215 French and fifty-five Indians, to publicly proclaim possession, and bury at prominent points plates of lead bearing inscriptions declaring occupation in the name of the French King. Céleron started on the 15th of June, 1749, from La Chine,

following the southern shores of Lakes Ontario and Erie, until he reached a point opposite Lake Chautauqua, where the boats were drawn up and were taken bodily over the dividing ridge, a distance of ten miles, with all the *impedimenta* of the expedition, the pioneers having first opened a road. Following on down the lake and the Conewango Creek, they arrived at Warren near the confluence of the creek with the Allegheny River. Here the first plate was buried. These plates were eleven inches long, seven and a half wide, and one-eighth of an inch thick. The inscription was in French, and in the following terms, as fairly translated into English: "In the year 1749, of the reign of Louis XIV, King of France, We Céleron, commander of a detachment sent by Monsieur the Marquis de la Galissonnière, Governor General of New France, to re-establish tranquillity in some Indian villages of these cantons, have buried this plate of lead at the confluence of the Ohio with the Chautauqua, this 29th day of July, near the River Ohio, otherwise Belle Rivière, as a monument of the renewal of the possession we have taken of the said River Ohio, and of all those which empty into it, and of all the lands on both sides as far as the sources of the said river, as enjoyed or ought to have been enjoyed by the King of France preceding, and as they have there maintained themselves by arms and by treaties, especially those of Ryswick, Utrecht and Aix-la-Chapelle." The burying of this plate was attended with much form and ceremony. All the men and officers of the expedition were drawn up in battle array, when the Commander, Céleron, proclaimed in a loud voice, "Vive le Roi," and declared that possession of the country was now taken in the name of the King. A plate on which was inscribed the arms of France was affixed to the nearest tree.

The same formality was observed in planting each of the other plates, the second at the rock known as the "Indian God," on which are ancient and unknown inscriptions, a few miles below Franklin, a third at the mouth of Wheeling Creek; a fourth at the mouth of the Muskingum; a fifth at the mouth of the Great Kanawha, and the sixth and last at the mouth of the Great Miami. Toilsomely ascending the Miami to its head-waters, the party burned their canoes, and obtained ponies for the march across the portage to the head-waters of the Maumee, down which and by Lakes Erie and Ontario they returned to Fort Frontenac, arriving on the 6th of November. It appears that the Indians through whose territory they passed viewed this planting of plates with great suspicion. By some means they got possession of one of them, generally supposed to have been stolen from the party at the very commencement of their journey from the mouth of the Chautauqua Creek.

Mr. O. H. Marshall, in an excellent monograph upon this expedition, made up from the original manuscript journal of Céleron and the diary of Father Bonneamps, found in the Department de la Marine, in Paris, gives the following account of this stolen plate:

"The first of the leaden plates was brought to the attention of the public by Gov. George Clinton to the Lords of Trade in London, dated New York, December 19, 1750, in which he states that he would send to their Lordships in two or three weeks a plate of lead full of writing, which some of the upper nations of Indians stole from Jean Coeur, the French interpreter at Niagara, on his way to the River Ohio, which river, and all the lands thereabouts, the French claim, as will appear by said writing. He further states 'that the lead plate gave the Indians so much uneasiness that they immediately dispatched some of the Cayuga chiefs to him with it, saying that their only reliance was on him, and earnestly begged he would communicate the contents to them which he had done, much to their satisfaction and the interests of the English.



The Governor concludes by saying that 'the contents of the plate may be of great importance in clearing up the encroachments which the French have made on the British Empire in America.' The plate was delivered to Colonel, afterward Sir William Johnson, on the 4th of December, 1750, at his residence on the Mohawk, by a Cayuga sachem, who accompanied it by the following speech:

"Brother Corlear and War-ragh-i-ya-ghey! I am sent here by the Five Nations with a piece of writing which the Senecas, our brethren, got by some artifice from Jean Coeur, earnestly beseeching you will let us know what it means, and as we put all our confidence in you, we hope you will explain it ingeniously to us."

"Col. Johnson replied to the sachem, and through him to the Five Nations, returning a belt of wampum, and explaining the inscription on the plate. He told them that 'it was a matter of the greatest consequence, involving the possession of their lands and hunting grounds, and that Jean Coeur and the French ought immediately to be expelled from the Ohio and Niagara.' In reply, the sachem said that 'he had heard with great attention and surprise the substance of the "devilish writing" he had brought, and that Col. Johnson's remarks were fully approved.' He promised that belts from each of the Five Nations should be sent from the Seneca's castle to the Indians at the Ohio, to warn and strengthen them against the French encroachments in that direction." On the 29th of January, 1751, Clinton sent a copy of this inscription to Gov. Hamilton, of Pennsylvania.

The French followed up this formal act of possession by laying out a line of military posts, on substantially the same line as that pursued by the Céleçon expedition; but instead of crossing over to Lake Chautauqua, they kept on down to Presque Isle (now Erie), where was a good harbor, where a fort was established, and thence up to Le Boeuf (now Waterford), where another post was placed; thence down the Venango River (French Creek) to its mouth at Franklin, establishing Fort Venango there; thence by the Allegheny to Pittsburgh, where Fort Du Quesne was seated, and so on down the Ohio.

To counteract this activity of the French, the Ohio Company was chartered, and a half million of acres was granted by the crown, to be selected mainly on the south side of the Ohio, between the Monongalia and Kanawha Rivers, and the condition made that settlements (100 families within seven years), protected by a fort, should be made. The company consisted of a number of Virginia and Maryland gentlemen, of whom Lawrence Washington was one, and Thomas Hanbury, of London.

In 1752, a treaty was entered into with the Indians, securing the right of occupancy, and twelve families, headed by Capt. Gist, established themselves upon the Monongalia, and subsequently commenced the erection of a fort, where the city of Pittsburgh now is. Apprised of this intrusion into the very heart of the territory which they were claiming, the French built a fort at Le Boeuf, and strengthened the post at Franklin.

These proceedings having been promptly reported to Lieut. Gov. Dinwiddie, of Virginia, where the greater number of the stockholders of the Ohio Company resided, he determined to send an official communication—protesting against the forcible interference with their chartered rights, granted by the crown of Britain, and pointing to the late treaties of peace entered into between the English and French, whereby it was agreed that each should respect the colonial possessions of the other—to the Commandant of the French, who had his headquarters at Fort Le Boeuf, fifteen miles inland from the present site of the city of Erie.

But who should be the messenger to execute this delicate and responsible duty? It was winter, and the distance to be traversed was some 500 miles, through an unbroken wilderness, cut by rugged mountain chains and deep and rapid streams. It was proposed to several, who declined, and was finally accepted by George Washington, a youth barely twenty-one years old. On the last day of November, 1753, he bade adieu to civilization, and pushing on through the forest to the settlements on the Monongalia, where he was joined by Capt. Gist, followed up the Allegheny to Fort Venango (now Franklin); thence up the Venango to its head-waters at Fort Le Boeuf, where he held formal conference with the French Commandant, St. Pierre. The French officer had been ordered to hold this territory on the score of the discovery of the Mississippi by La Salle, and he had no discretion but to execute his orders, and referred Washington to his superior, the Governor General of Canada. Making careful notes of the location and strength of the post and those encountered on the way, the young ambassador returned, being twice fired at on his journey by hostile Indians, and near losing his life by being thrown into the freezing waters of the Allegheny. Upon his arrival, he made a full report of the embassy, which was widely published in this country and in England, and was doubtless the basis upon which action was predicted that eventuated in a long and sanguinary war, which finally resulted in the expulsion of the power of France from this continent.

Satisfied that the French were determined to hold the territory upon the Ohio by force of arms, a body of 150 men, of which Washington was second in command, was sent to the support of the settlers. But the French, having the Allegheny River at flood-tide on which to move, and Washington, without means of transportation, having a rugged and mountainous country to overcome, the former first reached the point of destination. Contraceour, the French commander, with 1,000 men and field pieces on a fleet of sixty boats and 300 canoes, dropped down the Allegheny and easily seized the fort then being constructed by the Ohio Company at its mouth, and proceeded to erect there an elaborate work which he called Fort Du Quesne, after the Governor General. Informed of this proceeding, Washington pushed forward, and finding that a detachment of the French was in his immediate neighborhood, he made a forced march by night, and coming upon them unawares killed and captured the entire party save one. Ten of the French, including their commander, Jumonville, were killed, and twenty-one made prisoners. Col. Fry, the commander of the Americans, died at Will's Creek, where the command devolved on Washington. Though re-enforcements had been dispatched from the several colonies in response to the urgent appeals of Washington, none reached him but one company of 100 men under Capt. Mackay from South Carolina. Knowing that he was confronting a vastly superior force of the French, well supplied with artillery, he threw up works at a point called the Great Meadows, which he characterizes as a "charming field for an encounter," naming his hastily built fortification Fort Necessity. Stung by the loss of their leader, the French came out in strong force and soon invested the place. Unfortunately one part of Washington's position was easily commanded by the artillery of the French, which they were not slow in taking advantage of. The action opened on the 3d of July, and was continued till late at night. A capitulation was proposed by the French commander, which Washington reluctantly accepted, seeing all hope of re-enforcements reaching him, cut off, and on the 4th of July marched out with honors of war and fell back to Fort Cumberland.

Gov. Hamilton had strongly recommended, before hostilities opened, that the Assembly should provide for defense and establish a line of block-houses along

the frontier. But the Assembly, while willing to vote money for buying peace from the Indians, and contributions to the British crown, from which protection was claimed, was unwilling to contribute directly for even defensive warfare. In a single year, £8,000 were voted for Indian gratuities. The proprietors were appealed to to aid in bearing this burden. But while they were willing to contribute liberally for defense, they would give nothing for Indian gratuities. They sent to the colony cannon to the value of £400.

In February, 1753, John Penn, grandson of the founder, son of Richard, arrived in the colony, and as a mark of respect was immediately chosen a member of the Council and made its President. In consequence of the defeat of Washington at Fort Necessity, Gov. Hamilton convened the Assembly in extra session on the 6th of August, at which money was freely voted; but owing to the instructions given by the proprietors to their Deputy Governor not to sign any money bill that did not place the whole of the interest at their disposal, this action of the Assembly was abortive.

The English and French nations made strenuous exertions to strengthen their forces in America for the campaigns sure to be undertaken in 1754. The French, by being under the supreme authority of one governing power, the Governor General of Canada, were able to concentrate and bring all their power of men and resources to bear at the threatened point with more celerity and certainty than the English, who were dependent upon colonies scattered along all the sea board, and upon Legislatures penny-wise in voting money. To remedy these inconveniences, the English Government recommended a congress of all the colonies, together with the Six Nations, for the purpose of concerting plans for efficient defense. This Congress met on the 19th of June, 1754, the first ever convened in America. The Representatives from Pennsylvania were John Penn and Richard Peters for the Council, and Isaac Norris and Benjamin Franklin for the Assembly. The influence of the powerful mind of Franklin was already beginning to be felt, he having been Clerk of the Pennsylvania Assembly since 1736, and since 1750 had been a member. Heartily sympathizing with the movers in the purposes of this Congress, he came to Albany with a scheme of union prepared, which, having been presented and debated, was, on the 10th of July, adopted substantially as it came from his hands. It provided for the appointment of a President General by the Crown, and an Assembly of forty-eight members to be chosen by the several Colonial Assemblies. The plan was rejected by both parties in interest, the King considering the power vested in the representatives of the people too great, and every colony rejecting it because the President General was given "an influence greater than appeared to them proper in a plan of government intended for freemen."

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## CHAPTER X.

ROBERT H. MORRIS, 1754-56—WILLIAM DENNY, 1756-59—JAMES HAMILTON, 1759-63.

FINDING himself in a false position by the repugnant instructions of the proprietors, Gov. Hamilton had given notice in 1753, that, at the end of twelve months from its reception, he would resign. Accordingly in October, 1754, he was succeeded by Robert Hunter Morris, son of Lewis Morris, Chief Justice of New York and New Jersey, and Governor of New Jersey. The son

was bred a lawyer, and was for twenty-six years Councilor, and twenty Chief Justice of New Jersey. The Assembly, at its first session, voted a money bill, for £40,000, but not having the proviso required by the proprietors, it was vetoed. Determined to push military operations, the British Government had called early in the year for 3,000 volunteers from Pennsylvania, with subsistence, camp equipage and transportation, and had sent two regiments of the line, under Gen. Braddock, from Cork, Ireland. Landing at Alexandria, Va., he marched to Frederick, Md., where, finding no supplies of transportation, he halted. The Assembly of Pennsylvania had voted to borrow £5,000, on its own account, for the use of the crown in prosecuting the campaign, and had sent Franklin, who was then Postmaster General for the colonies, to Braddock to aid in prosecuting the expedition. Finding that the army was stopped for lack of transportation, Franklin returned into Pennsylvania, and by his commanding influence soon secured the necessary wagons and beasts of burden.

Braddock had formed extravagant plans for his campaign. He would march forward and reduce Fort Du Quesne, thence proceed against Fort Niagara, which having conquered he would close a season of triumphs by the capture of Fort Frontignace. But this is not the first time in warfare that the result of a campaign has failed to realize the promises of the manifesto. The orders brought by Braddock giving precedence of officers of the line over provincials gave offense, and Washington among others threw up his commission; but enamored of the profession of arms, he accepted a position offered him by Braddock as Aide-de-camp. Accustomed to the discipline of military establishments in old, long-settled countries, Braddock had little conception of making war in a wilderness with only Indian trails to move upon, and against wily savages. Washington had advised to push forward with pack horses, and, by rapidity of movement, forestall ample preparation. But Braddock had but one way of soldiering, and where roads did not exist for wagons he stopped to fell the forest and construct bridges over streams. The French, who were kept advised of every movement, made ample preparations to receive him. In the meantime, Washington fell sick; but intent on being up for the battle, he hastened forward as soon as sufficiently recovered, and only joined the army on the day before the fatal engagement. He had never seen much of the pride and circumstance of war, and when, on the morning of the 9th of July, the army of Braddock marched on across the Monongahela, with gay colors flying and martial music awakening the echoes of the forest, he was accustomed in after years to speak of it as the "most magnificent spectacle" that he had ever beheld. But the gay pageant was destined to be of short duration; for the army had only marched a little distance before it fell into an ambuscade skillfully laid by the French and Indians, and the forest resounded with the unearthly whoop of the Indians, and the continuous roar of musketry. The advance was checked and thrown into confusion by the French from their well-chosen position, and every tree upon the flanks of the long drawn out line concealed a murderous foe, who with unerring aim picked off the officers. A resolute defense was made, and the battle raged with great fury for three hours; but the fire of the English was ineffectual because directed against an invisible foe. Finally, the mounted officers having all fallen, killed or wounded, except Washington, being left without leaders, panic seized the survivors and "they ran," says Washington, "before the French and English like sheep before dogs." Of 1,460, in Braddock's army, 456 were killed, and 421 wounded, a greater mortality, in proportion to the number engaged, than has ever occurred in the annals of modern warfare. Sir Peter Halkett was killed, and

Braddock mortally wounded and brought off the field only with the greatest difficulty. When Orme and Morris, the other aids, fell, Washington acted alone with the greatest gallantry. In writing to his brother, he said: "I have been protected beyond all human probability or expectation; for I had four bullets through my coat, and two horses shot under me; yet I escaped unhurt, though death was leveling my companions on every side." In after years, when Washington visited the Great Kanawha country, he was approached by an Indian chieftain who said that in this battle he had fired his rifle many times at Washington and had told his young men to do the same; but when he saw that his bullets had no apparent effect, he had bidden them to desist, believing that the Great Spirit was protecting him.

The panic among the survivors of the English carried them back upon the reserve, commanded by Gen. Dunbar, who seems himself to have been seized with it, and without attempting to renew the campaign and return to the encounter, he joined in the flight which was not stayed until Fort Cumberland was reached. The French were anticipating a renewal of the struggle; but when they found that the English had fled leaving the frontier all unprotected, they left no stone unturned in whetting the minds of the savages for the work of plunder and blood, and in organizing relentless bands to range at will along all the wide frontier. The Indians could not be induced to pursue the retreating English, but fell to plundering the field. Nearly everything was lost, even to the camp chest of Braddock. The wounded General was taken back to the summit of Laurel Hill, where, four days after, he breathed his last. He was buried in the middle of the road, and the army marched over his grave that it might not be discovered or molested by the natives. The easy victory, won chiefly by the savages, served to encourage them in their fell work, in which, when their passions were aroused, no known people on earth were less touched by pity. The unprotected settler in his wilderness home was the easy prey of the torch and the scalping knife, and the burning cabin lit up the somber forests by their continuous blaze, and the shrieks of women and children resounded from the Hudson to the far Potomac. Before the defeat of Braddock, there were 3,000 men capable of bearing arms west of the Susquehanna. In six months after, there were scarcely 100.

Gov. Morris made an earnest appeal to the Assembly for money to ward off the impending enemy and protect the settlers, in response to which the Assembly voted £50,000; but having no exemption of the proprietor's estates, it was rejected by the Governor, in accordance with his original instructions. Expeditions undertaken against Nova Scotia and at Crown Point were more fortunate than that before Du Quesne, and the Assembly voted £15,000 in bills of credit to aid in defraying the expense. The proprietors sent £5,000 as a gratuity, not as any part of expense that could of right be claimed of them.

In this hour of extremity, the Indians for the most part showed themselves a treacherous race, ever ready to take up on the stronger side. Even the Shawanese and Delawares, who had been loudest in their protestations of friendship for the English and readiness to fight for them, no sooner saw the French victorious than they gave ready ear to their advice to strike for the recovery of the lands which they had sold to the English.

In this pressing emergency, while the Governor and Assembly were waging a fruitless war of words over money bills, the pen of Franklin was busy in infusing a wholesome sentiment in the minds of the people. In a pamphlet that he issued, which he put in the familiar form of a dialogue, he answered the objections which had been urged to a legalized militia, and willing to show his devotion by deeds as well as words, he accepted the command upon the

frontier. By his exertions, a respectable force was raised, and though in the dead of winter, he commenced the erection of a line of forts and block-houses along the whole range of the Kittatinny Hills, from the Delaware to the Potomac, and had them completed and garrisoned with a body sufficient to withstand any force not provided with artillery. In the spring, he turned over the command to Col. Clapham, and returning to Philadelphia took his seat in the Assembly. The Governor now declared war against the Indians, who had established their headquarters thirty miles above Harris' Ferry, on the Susquehanna, and were busy in their work of robbery and devastation, having secured the greater portion of the crops of the previous season of the settlers whom they had killed or driven out. The peace party strongly objected to the course of the Governor, and voluntarily going among the Indians induced them to bury the hatchet. The Assembly which met in May, 1756, prepared a bill with the old clause for taxing the proprietors, as any other citizens, which the Governor was forbidden to approve by his instructions, "and the two parties were sharpening their wits for another wrangle over it," when Gov. Morris was superseded by William Denny, who arrived in the colony and assumed authority on the 20th of August, 1756. He was joyfully and cordially received, escorted through the streets by the regiments of Franklin and Duché, and royally feasted at the State House.

But the promise of efficient legislation was broken by an exhibition of the new Governor's instructions, which provided that every bill for the emission of money must place the proceeds at the joint disposal of the Governor and Assembly; paper currency could not be issued in excess of £40,000, nor could existing issues be confirmed unless proprietary rents were paid in sterling money; proprietary lands were permitted to be taxed which had been actually leased, provided that the taxes were paid out of the rents, but the tax could not become a lien upon the land. In the first Assembly, the contention became as acrimonious as ever.

Previous to the departure of Gov. Morris, as a retaliatory act he had issued a proclamation against the hostile Indians, providing for the payment of bounties: For every male Indian enemy above twelve years old, who shall be taken prisoner and delivered at any forts, garrisoned by troops in pay of this province, or to any of the county towns to the keepers of the common jails there, the sum of one hundred and fifty Spanish dollars or pieces of eight; for the scalp of every male Indian above the age of twelve years, produced as evidence of their being killed, the sum of one hundred and thirty pieces of eight; for every female Indian taken prisoner and brought in as aforesaid, and for every male Indian under the age of twelve years, taken and brought in, one hundred and thirty pieces of eight; for the scalp of every Indian woman produced as evidence of their being killed, the sum of fifty pieces of eight." Liberal bounties were also offered for the delivering up of settlers who had been carried away captive.

But the operation which had the most wholesome and pacifying effect upon the savages, and caused them to stop in their mad career and consider the chances of war and the punishment they were calling down upon their own heads, though executed under the rule of Gov. Denny, was planned and provided for, and was really a part of the aggressive and vigorous policy of Gov. Morris. In response to the act of Assembly, providing for the calling out and organizing the militia, twenty-five companies were recruited, and had been stationed along the line of posts that had been established for the defense of the frontiers. At Kittanning, on the Allegheny River, the Indians had one of the largest of their towns in the State, and was a recruiting station and

rallying point for sending out their murderous bands. The plan proposed and adopted by Gov. Morris, and approved and accepted by Gov. Denny, was to send out a strong detachment from the militia for the reduction of this stronghold. Accordingly, in August, 1756, Col. Armstrong, with a force of three hundred men, made a forced march, and, arriving unperceived in the neighborhood of the town, sent the main body by a wide detour from above, to come in upon the river a few hundred yards below. At 3 o'clock on the morning of the 7th of September, the troops had gained their position undiscovered, and at dawn the attack was made. Shielded from view by the tall corn which covered all the flats, the troops were able to reach in close proximity to the cabins unobserved. Jacobs, the chief, sounded the war-whoop, and made a stout resistance, keeping up a rapid fire from two loop holes in his cabin. Not desiring to push his advantage to the issue of no quarter, Armstrong called on the savages to surrender; but this they refused to do, declaring that they were men and would never be prisoners. Finding that they would not yield, and that they were determined to sell their lives at the dearest rate, he gave orders to fire the huts, and the whole town was soon wrapt in flames. As the heat began to reach the warriors, some sung, while wrung with the death agonies; others broke for the river and were shot down as they fled. Jacobs, in attempting to climb through a window, was killed. All calls for surrender were received with derision, one declaring that he did not care for death, and that he could kill four or five before he died. Gunpowder, small arms and valuable goods which had been distributed to them only the day before by the French, fell into the hands of the victors. The triumph was complete, few if any escaping to tell the sad tale. Col. Armstrong's celerity of movement and well conceived and executed plan of action were publicly acknowledged, and he was voted a medal and plate by the city of Philadelphia.

The finances of the colony, on account of the repeated failures of the money bills, were in a deplorable condition. Military operations could not be carried on and vigorous campaigns prosecuted without ready money. Accordingly, in the first meeting of the Assembly after the arrival of the new Governor, a bill was passed levying £100,000 on all property alike, real and personal, private and proprietary. This Gov. Denny vetoed. Seeing that money must be had, the Assembly finally passed a bill exempting the proprietary estates, but determined to lay their grievances before the Crown. To this end, two Commissioners were appointed, Isaac Norris and Benjamin Franklin, to proceed to England and beg the interference of the royal Government in their behalf. Failing health and business engagements of Norris prevented his acceptance, and Franklin proceeded alone. He had so often defended the Assembly in public and in drawing remonstrances that the whole subject was at his fingers' ends.

Military operations throughout the colonies, during the year 1757, conducted under the command of the Earl of Loudoun were sluggish, and resulted only in disaster and disgrace. The Indians were active in Pennsylvania, and kept the settlers throughout nearly all the colonies in a continual ferment, hostile bands stealing in upon the defenseless inhabitants as they went to their plantings and sowings, and greatly interfering with or preventing altogether the raising of the ordinary crops. In 1758, Loudoun was recalled, and Gen. Abercrombie was given chief command, with Wolfe, Amherst and Forbes as his subordinates. It was determined to direct operations simultaneously upon three points—Fort Du Quesne, Louisburg and the forts upon the great lakes. Gen. Forbes commanded the forces sent against Fort Du Quesne. With a detachment of royal troops, and militia from Pennsylvania

and Virginia, under command of Cols. Bouquet and Washington, his column moved in July, 1758. The French were well ordered for receiving the attack, and the battle in front of the fort raged with great fury; but they were finally driven, and the fort, with its munitions, fell into the hands of the victors, and was garrisoned by 400 Pennsylvanians. Returning, Forbes placed his remaining forces in barracks at Lancaster.

Franklin, upon his arrival in England, presented the grievances before the proprietors, and, that he might get his case before the royal advisers and the British public, wrote frequent articles for the press, and issued a pamphlet entitled "Historical Review of the Constitution and Government of Pennsylvania." The dispute was adroitly managed by Franklin before the Privy Council, and was finally decided substantially in the interest of the Assembly. It was provided that the proprietors' estates should be taxed, but that their located uncultivated lands should be assessed as low as the lowest uncultivated lands of the settlers, that bills issued by the Assembly should be receivable in payment of quit rents, and that the Deputy Governor should have a voice in disposing of the revenues. Thus was a vexed question of long standing finally put to rest. So successfully had Franklin managed this controversy that the colonies of Massachusetts, Maryland and Georgia appointed him their agent in England.

In October, 1759, James Hamilton was again appointed Governor, in place of Gov. Denny, who had by stress of circumstances transcended his instructions. The British Government, considering that the colonies had borne more than their proportionate expense in carrying on the war against the French and Indians, voted £200,000 for five years, to be divided among the colonies, the share falling to Pennsylvania being £26,000. On the 25th of October, 1760, George II died, and was succeeded by his grandson, George III. Early in 1762, war was declared between Great Britain and Spain, but was of short continuance, peace having been declared in November following, by which Spain and France relinquished to the English substantially the territory east of the Mississippi. The wise men of the various Indian nations inhabiting this wide territory viewed with concern this sudden expansion of English power, fearing that they would eventually be pushed from their hunting grounds and pleasant haunts by the rapidly multiplying pale faces. The Indians have ever been noted for proceeding against an enemy secretly and treacherously. Believing that by concerted action the English might be cut off and utterly exterminated, a secret league was entered into by the Shawanese and the tribes dwelling along the Ohio River, under the leadership of a powerful chieftain, Pontiac, by which swift destruction was everywhere to be meted out to the white man upon an hour of an appointed day. The plan was thoroughly understood by the red men, and heartily entered into. The day dawned and the blow fell in May, 1763. The forts at Presque Isle, Le Boeuf, Venango, La Ray, St. Joseph's, Miamis, Onaethanon, Sandusky and Michilimackinack, all fell before the unanticipated attacks of the savages who were making protestations of friendship, and the garrisons were put to the slaughter. Fort Pitt (Du Quesne), Niagara and Detroit alone, of all this line of forts, held out. Pontiac in person conducted the siege of Detroit, which he vigorously pushed from May until October, paying his warriors with promises written on bits of birch bark, which he subsequently religiously redeemed. It is an evidence of his great power that he could unite his people in so general and secretly kept a compact, and that in this siege of Detroit he was able to hold his warriors up to the work so long and so vigorously even after all hope of success must have reasonably been abandoned. The attack fell with great



severity upon the Pennsylvania settlers, and they continued to be driven in until Shippensburg, in Cumberland County, became the extreme outpost of civilization. The savages stole unawares upon the laborers in the fields, or came stealthily in at the midnight hour and spared neither trembling age nor helpless infancy, firing houses, barns, crops and everything combustible. The suffering of the frontiersmen in this fatal year can scarcely be conceived.

Col. Armstrong with a hastily collected force advanced upon their towns and forts at Muncy and Great Island, which he destroyed; but the Indians escaped and withdrew before him. He sent a detachment under Col. Bouquet to the relief of Fort Pitt, which still held out, though closely invested by the dusky warriors. At Fort Ligonier, Bouquet halted and sent forward thirty men, who stealthily pushed past the Indians under cover of night, and reached the fort, carrying intelligence that succor was at hand. Discovering that a force was advancing upon them, the Indians turned upon the troops of Bouquet, and before he was aware that an enemy was near, he found himself surrounded and all means of escape apparently cut off. By a skillfully laid ambuscade, Bouquet, sending a small detachment to steal away as if in retreat, induced the Indians to follow, and when stretched out in pursuit, the main body in concealment fell upon the unsuspecting savages, and routed them with immense slaughter, when he advanced to the relief of the fort unchecked.

As we have already seen, the boundary line between Maryland and Pennsylvania had long been in dispute, and had occasioned serious disturbances among the settlers in the lifetime of Penn, and repeatedly since. It was not definitely settled till 1760, when a beginning was made of a final adjustment, though so intricate were the conditions that the work was prosecuted for seven years by a large force of surveyors, axmen and pioneers. The charter of Lord Baltimore made the northern boundary of Maryland the 40th degree of latitude; but whether the beginning or end of the 40th was not specified. The charter of Penn, which was subsequent, made his southern boundary the *beginning* of the 40th parallel. If, as Lord Baltimore claimed, his northern boundary was the end of the 40th, then the city of Philadelphia and all the settled parts of Pennsylvania would have been included in Maryland. If, as Penn claimed by express terms of his charter, his southern line was the beginning of the 40th, then the city of Baltimore, and even a part of the District of Columbia, including nearly the whole of Maryland would have been swallowed up by Pennsylvania. It was evident to the royal Council that neither claim could be rightfully allowed, and hence resort was had to compromise. Penn insisted upon retaining free communication with the open ocean by the Delaware Bay. Accordingly, it was decided that beginning at Cape Henlopen, which by mistake in marking the maps was fifteen miles below the present location, opposite Cape May, a line should be run due west to a point half way between this cape and the shore of Chesapeake Bay; from this point "a line was to be run northerly in such direction that it should be tangent on the west side to a circle with a radius of twelve miles, whose center was the center of the court house at New Castle. From the exact tangent point, a line was to be run due north until it should reach a point fifteen miles south on the parallel of latitude of the most southern point in the boundary of the city of Philadelphia, and this point when accurately found by horizontal measurement, was to be the corner bound between Maryland and Pennsylvania, and subsequently, when Delaware was set off from Pennsylvania, was the boundary of the three States. From this bound a line was to be run due west five degrees of longitude from the Delaware, which was to be the western limit of Pennsylvania, and the line thus ascertained was to mark the division between Maryland and

Pennsylvania, and forever settle the vexed question. If the due north line should cut any part of the circle about New Castle, the slice so cut should belong to New Castle. Such a segment was cut. This plan of settlement was entered into on the 10th of May, 1732, between Thomas and Richard, sons of William Penn, on the one part, and Charles, Lord Baltimore, great-grandson of the patentee. But the actual marking of the boundaries was still deferred, and as the settlers were taking out patents for their lands, it was necessary that it should be definitely known in which State the lands lay. Accordingly, in 1739, in obedience to a decree in Council, a temporary line was run upon a new basis, which now often appears in litigations to plague the brain of the attorney.

Commissioners were again appointed in 1751, who made a few of the measurements, but owing to objections raised on the part of Maryland, the work was abandoned. Finally, the proprietors, Thomas and Richard Penn, and Frederic, Lord Baltimore, entered into an agreement for the executing of the survey, and John Lukens and Archibald McLean on the part of the Penns, and Thomas Garnett and Jonathan Hall on the part of Lord Baltimore, were appointed with a suitable corps of assistants to lay off the lines. After these surveyors had been three years at work, the proprietors in England, thinking that there was not enough energy and practical and scientific knowledge manifested by these surveyors, appointed Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon, two mathematicians and surveyors, to proceed to America and take charge of the work. They brought with them the most perfect and best constructed instruments known to science, arriving in Philadelphia on the 15th of November, 1763, and, assisted by some of the old surveyors, entered upon their work. By the 4th of June, 1766, they had reached the summit of the Little Allegheny, when the Indians began to be troublesome. They looked with an evil eye on the mathematical and astronomical instruments, and felt a secret dread and fear of the consequences of the frequent and long-continued peering into the heavens. The Six Nations were understood to be inimical to the further progress of the survey. But through the influence of Sir William Johnson a treaty was concluded, providing for the prosecution of the work unmolested, and a number of chieftains were sent to accompany the surveying party. Mason and Dixon now had with them thirty surveyors, fifteen axmen, and fifteen Indians of consequence. Again the attitude of the Indians gave cause of fear, and on the 29th of September, twenty-six of the surveyors abandoned the expedition and returned to Philadelphia. Having reached a point 244 miles from the Delaware, and within thirty-six miles of the western limit of the State, in the bottom of a deep, dark valley, they came upon a well-worn Indian path, and here the Indians gave notice that it was the will of the Six Nations that this survey proceed no further. There was no questioning this authority, and no means at command for resisting, and accordingly the party broke up and returned to Philadelphia. And this was the end of the labors of Mason and Dixon upon this boundary. From the fact that this was subsequently the mark of division between the Free and Slave States, Mason and Dixon's line became familiar in American politics. The line was marked by stones which were quarried and engraved in England, on one side having the arms of Penn, and on the opposite those of Lord Baltimore. These stones were firmly set every five miles. At the end of each intermediate mile a smaller stone was placed, having on one side engraved the letter P., and on the opposite side the letter M. The remainder of the line was finished and marked in 1782-84 by other surveyors. A vista was cut through the forest eight yards in width the whole distance, which seemed in looking back through it to come to a

point at the distance of two miles. In 1849, the stone at the northeast corner of Maryland having been removed, a resurvey of the line was ordered, and surveyors were appointed by the three States of Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland, who called to their aid Col. James D. Graham. Some few errors were discovered in the old survey, but in the main it was found to be accurate.

John Penn, grandson of the founder, and son of Richard, had come to the colony in 1753, and, having acted as President of the Council, was, in 1763, commissioned Governor in place of Hamilton. The conspiracy of Pontiac, though abortive in the results contemplated, left the minds of the Indians in a most dangerous state. The more resolute, who had entered heartily into the views of their leader, still felt that his purposes were patriotic, and hence sought, by every means possible, to ravage and destroy the English settlements. The Moravian Indians at Nain and Wichetunk, though regarded as friendly, were suspected of indirectly aiding in the savage warfare by trading firearms and ammunition. They were accordingly removed to Philadelphia that they might be out of the way of temptation. At the old Indian town of Conestoga there lived some score of natives. Many heartless murders had been committed along the frontier, and the perpetrators had been traced to this Conestoga town; and while the Conestoga band were not known to be implicated in these outrages, their town was regarded as the lurking place of roving savages who were. For protection, the settlers in the neighboring districts of Paxton and Donegal, had organized a band known as the Paxton boys. Earnest requests were made by Rev. John Elder and John Harris to the Government to remove this band at Conestoga; but as nothing was done, and fearful depredations and slaughter continued, a party of these Paxton rangers attacked the town and put the savages to the sword. Some few escaped, among them a known bloodthirsty savage, who were taken into the jail at Lancaster for protection; but the rangers, following them, overpowered the jailer, and breaking into the jail murdered the fugitives. Intense excitement was occasioned by this outbreak, and Gov. Penn issued his proclamation offering rewards for the apprehension of the perpetrators. Some few were taken; but so excellent was their character and standing, and such were the provocations, that no convictions followed. Apprehensions for the safety of the Moravian Indians induced the Government to remove them to Province Island, and, feeling insecure there, they asked to be sent to England. For safety, they were sent to New York, but the Governor of that province refused them permission to land, as did also the Governor of New Jersey, and they were brought back to Philadelphia and put in barracks under strong guard. The Paxton boys, in a considerable body, were at that time at Germantown interceding for their brethren, who were then in durance and threatened with trial. Franklin was sent out to confer with them on the part of the Government. In defending their course, they said: "Whilst more than a thousand families, reduced to extreme distress, during the last and present war, by the attacks of skulking parties of Indians upon the frontier, were destitute, and were suffered by the public to depend on private charity, a hundred and twenty of the perpetrators of the most horrid barbarities were supported by the province, and protected from the fury of the brave relatives of the murdered." Influenced by the persuasions of Franklin, they consented to return to their homes, leaving only Matthew Smith and James Gibson to represent them before the courts.

## CHAPTER XI.

JOHN PENN, 1763-71—JAMES HAMILTON, 1771—RICHARD PENN, 1771-73—JOHN PENN, 1773-76.

A DIFFERENCE having arisen between the Governor and Assembly on the vexed question of levying money, the Assembly passed a series of resolutions advocating that the "powers of government ought to be separated from the power attending the immense proprietary property, and lodged in the hands of the King." After an interval of fifty days—that time for reflection and discussion might be given—the Assembly again convened, and adopted a petition praying the King to assume the direct government of the province, though this policy was strongly opposed by some of the ablest members, as Isaac Norris and John Dickinson. The Quaker element was generally in favor of the change.

Indian barbarities still continuing along the frontier, Gov. Penn declared war against the Shawanese and Delawares in July, 1765, and sent Col. Bouquet with a body of Pennsylvania troops against them. By the 3d of October, he had come up to the Muskingum, in the heart of the most thickly peopled Indian territory. So rapid had been the movement of Bouquet that the savages had no intelligence of his advance until he was upon them with no preparations for defense. They sued for peace, and a treaty was entered into by which the savages agreed to abstain from further hostilities until a general treaty could be concluded with Sir William Johnson, the general agent for Indian affairs for all the colonies, and to deliver up all English captives who had been carried away during the years of trouble. Two hundred and eight were quickly gathered up and brought in, and many others were to follow, who were now widely scattered. The relatives of many of these captives had proceeded with the train of Bouquet, intent on reclaiming those who had been dear to them. Some were joyfully received, while others who had been borne off in youth had become attached to their captors, and force was necessary to bring them away. "On the return of the army, some of the Indians obtained leave to accompany their former captives to Fort Pitt, and employed themselves in hunting and carrying provisions for them on the road."

The great struggle for the independence of the colonies of the British crown was now close at hand, and the first sounds of the controversy were beginning to be heard. Sir William Keith, that enterprising Governor whose head seemed to have been full of new projects, as early as 1739 had proposed to lay a uniform tax on stamped paper in all the colonies, to realize funds for the common defense. Acting upon this hint, Grenville, the British Minister, notified the colonists in 1763 of his purpose to impose such a tax. Against this they remonstrated. Instead of this, a tax on imports, to be paid in coin, was adopted. This was even more distasteful. The Assembly of Rhode Island, in October, 1765, submitted a paper to all the colonial assemblies, with a view to uniting in a common petition to the King against parliamentary taxation. This was favorably acted on by the Assembly of Pennsylvania, and Franklin was appointed agent to represent their cause before the British Parliament. The Stamp Act had been passed on the 22d of March, 1765. Its passage excited bitter opposition, and a resolution, asserting that the Colonial

Assemblies had the exclusive right to levy taxes, was passed by the Virginia Assembly, and concurred in by all the others. The Massachusetts Assembly proposed a meeting of delegates in New York on the second Tuesday of October, 1765, to confer upon the subject. The Pennsylvania Assembly adopted the suggestion, and appointed Messrs. Fox, Morton, Bryan and Dickenson as delegates. This Congress met according to the call and adopted a respectful petition to the King, and a memorial to Parliament, which were signed by all the members and forwarded for presentation by the Colonial Agents in England. The Stamp Act was to go into effect on the 1st of November. On the last day of October, the newspapers were dressed in mourning, and suspended publication. The publishers agreed not to use the stamped paper. The people, as with one mind, determined to dress in homespun, resolved not to use imported goods, and, to stimulate the production of wool the colonists covenanted not to eat lamb for the space of one year. The result of this policy was soon felt by British manufacturers who became clamorous for repeal of the obnoxious measures, and it was accordingly repealed on the 18th of March, 1766.

Determined in some form to draw a revenue from the colonies, an act was passed in 1767, to lay a duty on tea, paper, printers' colors, and glass. The Assembly of Pennsylvania passed a resolution on the 20th of February, 1768, instructing its agent in London to urge its repeal, and at the session in May received and entered upon its minutes a circular letter from the Massachusetts Assembly, setting forth the grounds on which objection to the act should be urged. This circular occasioned hostile feeling among the ministry, and the Secretary for foreign affairs wrote to Gov. Penn to urge the Assembly to take no notice of it; but if they approved its sentiments, to prorogue their sittings. This letter was transmitted to the Assembly, and soon after one from the Virginia Assembly was presented, urging union of all the colonies in opposing the several schemes of taxation. This recommendation was adopted, and committees appointed to draw a petition to the King and to each of the Houses of Parliament. To lead public sentiment, and have it well grounded in the arguments used against taxation, John Dickinson, one of the ablest of the Pennsylvania legislators at this time, published a number of articles purporting to come from a plain farmer, under the title of the *Farmer's Letters*, which became popular, the idea that they were the work of one in humble life, helping to swell the tide of popularity. They were republished in all the colonies, and exerted a commanding influence. Alarmed at the unanimity of feeling against the proposed schemes, and supposing that it was the amount of the tax that gave offense, Parliament reduced the rate in 1769 to one sixth of the original sum, and in 1770 abolished it altogether, except three pence a pound on tea. But it was the principle, and not the amount that was objected to, and at the next session of the Assembly in Pennsylvania, their agent in London was directed to urge its repeal altogether.

It would seem incredible that the colony of Connecticut should lay claim to any part of the territory of Pennsylvania, but so it was. The New England charters gave limitless extent westward even to the shores of the Pacific Ocean, and south to the northern limits of the tract ceded to Lord Baltimore—the territory between the 40th and 46th degrees of north latitude, and from ocean to ocean. To encroach upon New York with its teeming population was not calculated to tempt the enterprise of the settler; but the rich virgin soil, and agreeable climate of the wide Wyoming Valley, as yet unappropriated, was likely to attract the eye of the explorer. Accordingly, at the general conference with the Indians held at Albany

in 1754, the Connecticut delegates made a purchase of a large tract in this valley; a company, known as the Susquehanna Company, was formed in Connecticut to promote the settlement of these lands, and a considerable immigration commenced. The proprietors of Pennsylvania had also made purchase of the Indians of these identical lands, and the royal charters of Charles and James covered this ground. But the Plymouth Charter antedated Penn's. Remonstrances were made to the Governor of Connecticut against encroachments upon the territory of Pennsylvania. The answer returned was understood to disclaim any control over the company by the Connecticut authorities; but it subsequently appeared that the Government was determined to defend the settlers in the possession of their lands. In 1768, the proprietors of Pennsylvania entered into treaty stipulations with the Indians for all this tract covered by the claim of the Susquehanna Company. Pennsylvania settlers, attracted by the beauty of the place, gradually acquired lands under Pennsylvania patents, and the two parties began to infringe on each other's claims. Forts and block-houses were erected for the protection of either party, and a petty warfare was kept up, which resulted in some loss of life. Butler, the leader of the Connecticut party, proposed to settle their differences by personal combat of thirty picked men on each side. In order to assert more direct legal control over the settlers, a new county was formed which was called Northumberland, that embraced all the disputed lands. But the Sheriff, even with the aid of the militia, which he called to his assistance, was unable to execute his processes, and exercise legal control, the New Englanders, proving a resolute set, determined to hold the splendid farms which they had marked out for themselves, and were bringing rapidly under cultivation. To the remonstrances of Gov. Penn, Gov. Trumbull responded that the Susquehanna Company was proceeding in good faith under provisions secured by the charter of the Plymouth Colony, and proposed that the question be submitted to a competent tribunal for arbitration. An *ex parte* statement was submitted to Council in London by the Connecticut party, and an opinion was rendered favorable to its claims. In September, 1775, the matter was submitted to the Continental Congress, and a committee of that body, to whom it was referred, reported in favor of the Connecticut claim, apportioning a tract out of the very bowels of Pennsylvania nearly as large as the whole State of Connecticut. This action was promptly rejected by the Assembly of Pennsylvania, and a final decision was not reached until 1802, when Congress decided in favor of the integrity of the chartered rights of Penn.

Richard Penn, son of the founder, died in 1771, whereupon Gov. John Penn returned to England, leaving the President of the Council, James Hamilton, at the head of the Government. John Penn, eldest son of Richard, succeeded to the proprietary interests of his father, which he held in conjunction with his uncle, Thomas, and in October of the same year, Richard, the second son, was commissioned Governor. He held the office but about two years, and in that time won the confidence and esteem of the people, and so much attached was he to the popular cause, that upon his return to England, in 1775, he was intrusted by Congress with the last petition of the colonies ever presented to the King. In August, 1773, John Penn returned with the commission of Governor, superseding his brother Richard. Soon after his arrival, the Governor of Virginia, Lord Dunmore, issued his proclamation, laying claim to a vast territory in the Monongalia Valley, including the site of the present city of Pittsburgh, and upon the withdrawal of the British garrison, one Conolly had taken possession of it in the name of Virginia. Gov. Penn issued a counter-proclamation, calling on all good citizens within the borders of Penn-

sylvania, to preserve their allegiance to his Government, seized and imprisoned Connolly, and sent Commissioners to Virginia to effect an amicable settlement. These, Dunmore refused to hear, and was preparing to assert his authority by force; but his Council refused to vote him money for this purpose.

To encourage the sale of tea in the colonies, and establish the principle of taxation, the export duty was removed. The colonies took the alarm. At a public meeting called in Philadelphia to consider the subject, on the 18th of October, 1773, resolutions were adopted in which it was declared: "That the disposal of their own property is the inherent right of freemen; that there can be no property in that which another can, of right, take from us without our consent; that the claim of Parliament to tax America, is, in other words, a claim of right to levy contributions on us at pleasure." The East India Company now made preparations for sending large importations of tea into the colonies. The ships destined for Philadelphia and New York, on approaching port, and being advised of the exasperated state of public feeling, returned to England with their cargoes. Those sent to Boston came into the harbor; but at night a party disguised as Mohawk Indians boarded the vessels, and breaking open the packages, emptied 300 chests into the sea. The ministry, on being apprised of this act, closed the port of Boston, and subverted the colonial charter. Early in the year, committees of correspondence had been established in all the colonies, by means of which the temper and feeling in each was well understood by the others, and concert of action was secured. The hard conditions imposed on the town of Boston and the colony of Massachusetts Bay, aroused the sympathy of all; for, they argued, we know not how soon the heavy hand of oppression may be felt by any of us. Philadelphia declared at a public meeting that the people of Pennsylvania would continue firmly to adhere to the cause of American liberty, and urged the calling of a Congress of delegates to consider the general interests.

At a meeting held in Philadelphia on the 18th of June, 1774, at which nearly 8,000 people were convened, it was decided that a Continental Congress ought to be held, and appointed a committee of correspondence to communicate with similar committees in the several counties of Pennsylvania and in the several colonies. On the 15th of July, 1774, delegates from all the counties, summoned by this committee, assembled in Philadelphia, and declared that there existed an absolute necessity for a Colonial Congress. They accordingly recommended that the Assembly appoint delegates to such a Congress to represent Pennsylvania, and Joseph Galloway, Samuel Rhoads, George Ross, Edward Biddle, John Dickinson, Charles Humphries and Thomas Mifflin were appointed.

On the 4th of September, 1774, the first Continental Congress assembled in Philadelphia. Peyton Randolph, of Virginia, was called to preside, and Charles Thomson, of Pennsylvania, was appointed Secretary. It was resolved that no more goods be imported from England, and that unless a pacification was effected previously, no more Colonial produce of the soil be exported thither after September 10, 1775. A declaration of rights was adopted, and addresses to the King, the people of Great Britain, and of British America were agreed to, after which the Congress adjourned to meet again on the 10th of May, 1775.

In January, 1775, another meeting of the county delegates was held in Philadelphia, at which the action of the Colonial Congress was approved, and while a restoration of harmony with the mother country was desired, yet if the arbitrary acts of Parliament were persisted in, they would at every hazard defend the "rights and liberties of America." The delegates appointed to

represent the colony in the Second Congress were Mifflin, Humphries, Biddle, Dickinson, Morton, Franklin, Wilson and Willing.

The government of Great Britain had determined with a strong hand to compel obedience to its behests. On the 19th of April, 1775, was fought the battle of Lexington, and the crimson fountain was opened. That blow was felt alike through all the colonies. The cause of one was the cause of all. A public meeting was held in Philadelphia, at which it was resolved to organize military companies in all the counties. The Assembly heartily seconded these views, and engaged to provide for the pay of the militia while in service. The Second Congress, which met in May, provided for organizing a continental army, fixing the quota for Pennsylvania at 4,300 men. The Assembly adopted the recommendation of Congress, provided for arming, disciplining and paying the militia, recommended the organizing minutemen for service in an emergency, made appropriations for the defense of the city, and offered a premium on the production of salt peter. Complications hourly thickened. Ticonderoga was captured on the 10th of May, and the battle of Bunker Hill was fought on the 17th of June. On the 15th of June, George Washington was appointed Commander-in-chief of the Continental Army, supported by four Major Generals and eight Brigadiers.

The royal Governors were now an incumbrance greatly in the way of the popular movement, as were also the Assemblies where they refused to represent the popular will. Accordingly, Congress recommended that the several colonies should adopt such government as should "best conduce to the happiness and safety of their constituents in particular and America in general." This meant that each colony should set up a government for itself independent of the Crown. Accordingly, a public meeting was held in Philadelphia, at which it was resolved that the present Assembly is "not competent to the present exigencies of affairs," and that a new form of government ought to be adopted as recommended by Congress. The city committee of correspondence called on the county committees to secure the election of delegates to a colonial meeting for the purpose of considering this subject. On the 18th of June, the meeting was held in Philadelphia, and was organized by electing Thomas McKean President. It resolved to call a convention to frame a new constitution, provided the legal forms to be observed, and issued an address to the people.

Having thus by frequent argumentation grown familiar with the declaration of the inherent rights of every citizen, and with flatly declaring to the government of Great Britain that it had no right to pursue this policy or that, and the several States having been recommended to absolve themselves from allegiance to the royal governments, and set up independent colonial governments of their own, it was a natural inference, and but a step further, to declare the colonies entirely independent of the British Government, and to organize for themselves a general continental government to hold the place of King and Parliament. The idea of independence had been seriously proposed, and several Colonial Assemblies had passed resolutions strongly recommending it. And yet there were those of age and experience who had supported independent principles in the stages of argumentation, before action was demanded, when they approached the brink of the fatal chasm, and had to decide whether to take the leap, hesitated. There were those in the Assembly of Pennsylvania who were reluctant to advise independence; but the majority voted to recommend its delegates to unite with the other colonies for the common good. The convention which had provided for holding a meeting of delegates to frame a new constitution, voted in favor of independence, and authorized the raising of 6,000 militia.



On the 7th of June, 1776, Richard Henry Lee, of Virginia, introduced in Congress the proposition that, "the United Colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain is, and ought to be, totally dissolved." It was impossible to mistake or misinterpret the meaning of this language. The issue was fairly made up. It was warmly discussed. John Dickinson, one of the Pennsylvania delegates, and one who had been foremost in speaking and writing on the popular side, was not ready to cut off all hope of reconciliation, and depicted the disorganized condition in which the colonies would be left if the power and protection of Britain were thus suddenly removed. The vote upon the resolution was taken on the 2d of July, and resulted in the affirmative vote of all the States except Pennsylvania and Delaware, the delegates from these States being divided. A committee consisting of Adams, Franklin, Jefferson, Livingston and Sherman had been, some time previous, appointed to draw a formal statement of the Declaration, and the reasons "out of a decent respect to the opinions of mankind," which led to so important an act. The work was intrusted to a sub-committee consisting of Adams and Jefferson, and its composition was the work of Mr. Jefferson, though many of the ideas, and even the forms of expression, had been used again and again in the previous resolutions and pronouncements of the Colonial Assemblies and public meetings. It had been reported on the 28th of June, and was sharply considered in all its parts, many verbal alterations having been made in the committee of five; but after the passage of the preliminary resolution, the result was a foregone conclusion, and on the 4th of July it was finally adopted and proclaimed to the world. Of the Pennsylvania delegation, Franklin, Wilson and Morton voted for it, and Willing and Humphrey against, Dickinson being absent. The colonial convention of Pennsylvania, being in session at the time, on receiving intelligence that a majority of its delegates in Congress had voted against the preliminary resolution, named a new delegation, omitting the names of Dickinson, Willing and Humphrey, and adding others which made it thus constituted—Franklin, Wilson, Morton, Morris, Clymer, Smith, Taylor and Ross. An engrossed copy of the Declaration was made, which was signed by all the members on the 2d of August following, on which are found the names from Pennsylvania above recited.

The convention for framing a new constitution for the colony met on the 15th of July, and was organized by electing Franklin President, and on the 28th of September completed its labors, having framed a new organic law and made all necessary provisions for putting it into operation. In the meantime the old proprietary Assembly adjourned on the 14th of June to the 26th of August. But a quorum failed to appear, and an adjournment was had to the 23d of September, when some routine business was attended to, chiefly providing for the payment of salaries and necessary bills, and on the 28th of September, after a stormy existence of nearly a century, this Assembly, the creature of Penn, adjourned never to meet again. With the ending of the Assembly ended the power of Gov. Penn. It is a singular circumstance, much noted by the believers in signs, that on the day of his arrival in America, which was Sunday, the earth in that locality was rocked by an earthquake, which was interpreted as an evil omen to his administration. He married the daughter of William Allen, Chief Justice of the colony, and, though at times falling under suspicion of favoring the royal cause, yet, as was believed, not with reason, he remained a quiet spectator of the great struggle, living at his country seat in Bucks County, where he died in February, 1795.

The titles of the proprietors to landed estates were suspended by the action

of the convention, and on the 27th of November, 1779, the Legislature passed an act vesting these estates in the commonwealth, but paying the proprietors a gratuity of £130,000, "in remembrance of the enterprising spirit of the Founder." This act did not touch the private estates of the proprietors, nor the tenths of manors. The British Government, in 1790, in consideration of the fact that it had been unable to vindicate its authority over the colony, and afford protection to the proprietors in the enjoyment of their chartered rights, voted an annuity of £4,000 to the heirs and descendants of Penn. This annuity has been regularly paid to the present time, 1884.

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## CHAPTER XII.

THOMAS WHARTON, JR., 1777-78—GEORGE BRYAN, 1778—JOSEPH REED, 1778-81—  
WILLIAM MOORE, 1781-82—JOHN DICKINSON, 1782-85—BENJAMIN FRANKLIN,  
1785-88.

THE convention which framed the constitution appointed a Committee of Safety, consisting of twenty-five members, to whom was intrusted the government of the colony until the proposed constitution should be framed and put in operation. Thomas Rittenhouse was chosen President of this body, who was consequently in effect Governor. The new constitution, which was unanimously adopted on the 28th of September, was to take effect from its passage. It provided for an Assembly to be elected annually; a Supreme Executive Council of twelve members to be elected for a term of three years; Assemblymen to be eligible but four years out of seven, and Councilmen but one term in seven years. Members of Congress were chosen by the Assembly. The constitution could not be changed for seven years. It provided for the election of censors every seven years, who were to decide whether there was a demand for its revision. If so, they were to call a convention for the purpose. On the 6th of August, 1776, Thomas Wharton, Jr., was chosen President of the Council of Safety.

The struggle with the parent country was now fully inaugurated. The British Parliament had declared the colonists rebels, had voted a force of 55,000 men, and in addition had hired 17,000 Hessian soldiers, to subdue them. The Congress on its part had declared the objects for which arms had been taken up, and had issued bills of credit to the amount of \$6,000,000. Parliament had resolved upon a vigorous campaign, to strike heavy and rapid blows, and quickly end the war. The first campaign had been conducted in Massachusetts, and by the efficient conduct of Washington, Gen. Howe, the leader of the British, was compelled to capitulate and withdraw to Halifax in March, 1776. On the 28th of June, Sir Henry Clinton, with a strong detachment, in conjunction with Sir Peter Parker of the navy, made a combined land and naval attack upon the defenses of Charleston Harbor, where he was met by Gen. William Moultrie, with the Carolina Militia, and after a severe battle, in which the British fleet was roughly handled, Clinton withdrew and returned to New York, whither the main body of the British Army, under Gen. Howe, had come, and where Admiral Lord Howe, with a large fleet directly from England, joined them. To this formidable power led by the best talent in the British Army, Washington could muster no adequate force to oppose, and he was obliged to withdraw from Long Island, from New York, from

Harlem, from White Plains, to cross into New Jersey, and abandon position after position, until he had reached the right bank of the Delaware on Pennsylvania soil. A heavy detachment under Cornwallis followed, and would have crossed the Delaware in pursuit, but advised to a cautious policy by Howe, he waited for ice to form on the waters of the Delaware before passing over. The fall of Philadelphia now seemed imminent. Washington had not sufficient force to face the whole power of the British Army. On the 2d of December, the Supreme Council ordered all places of business in the city to be closed, the schools to be dismissed, and advised preparation for removing the women and children and valuables. On the 12th, the Congress which was in session here adjourned to meet in Baltimore, taking with them all papers and public records, and leaving a committee, of which Robert Morris was Chairman, to act in conjunction with Washington for the safety of the place. Gen. Putnam was dispatched on the same day with a detachment of soldiers to take command in the city.

In this emergency the Council issued a stirring address: "If you wish to live in freedom, and are determined to maintain that best boon of heaven, you have no time to deliberate. A manly resistance will secure every blessing, inactivity and sloth will bring horror and destruction. \* \* \* May heaven, which has bestowed the blessings of liberty upon you, awaken you to a proper sense of your danger and arouse that manly spirit of virtuous resolution which has ever bidden defiance to the efforts of tyranny. May you ever have the glorious prize of liberty in view, and bear with a becoming fortitude the fatigues and severities of a winter campaign. That, and that only, will entitle you to the superlative distinction of being deemed, under God, the deliverers of your country." Such were the arguments which our fathers made use of in conducting the struggle against the British Empire.

Washington, who had, from the opening of the campaign before New York, been obliged for the most part to act upon the defensive, formed the plan to suddenly turn upon his pursuers and offer battle. Accordingly, on the night of the 25th of December, taking a picked body of men, he moved up several miles to Taylorsville, where he crossed the river, though at flood tide and filled with floating ice, and moving down to Trenton, where a detachment of the British Army was posted, made a bold and vigorous attack. Taken by surprise, though now after sunrise, the battle was soon decided in favor of the Americans. Some fifty of the enemy were slain and over a thousand taken prisoners, with quantities of arms, ammunition and stores captured. A triumphal entry was made at Philadelphia, when the prisoners and the spoils of war moved through the streets under guard of the victorious troops, and were marched away to the prison camp at Lancaster. Washington, who was smarting under a forced inactivity, by reason of paucity of numbers and lack of arms and material, and who had been forced constantly to retire before a defiant foe, now took courage. His name was upon every tongue, and foreign Governments were disposed to give the States a fair chance in their struggle for nationality. The lukewarm were encouraged to enlist under the banner of freedom. It had great strategic value. The British had intended to push forward and occupy Philadelphia at once, which, being now virtually the capital of the new nation, had it been captured at this juncture, would have given them the occasion for claiming a triumphal ending of the war. But this advantage, though gained by a detachment small in numbers yet great in courage, caused the commander of a powerful and well appointed army to give up all intention of attempting to capture the Pennsylvania metropolis in this campaign, and retiring into winter cantonments upon the Raritan to await

the settled weather of the spring for an entirely new cast of operations. Washington, emboldened by his success, led all his forces into New Jersey, and pushing past Trenton, where Cornwallis, the royal leader, had brought his main body by a forced march, under cover of darkness, attacked the British reserves at Princeton. But now the enemy had become wary and vigilant, and, summoned by the booming of cannon, Cornwallis hastened back to the relief of his hard pressed columns. Washington, finding that the enemy's whole army was within easy call and knowing that he had no hope of success with his weak army, withdrew. Washington now went into winter quarters at Morristown, and by constant vigilance was able to gather marauding parties of the British who ventured far away from their works.

Putnam commenced fortifications at a point below Philadelphia upon the Delaware, and at commanding positions upon the outskirts, and on being summoned to the army was succeeded by Gen. Irvine, and he by Gen. Gates. On the 4th of March, 1777, the two Houses of the Legislature, elected under the new constitution, assembled, and in joint convention chose Thomas Wharton, Jr., President, and George Bryan Vice President. Penn had expressed the idea that power was preserved the better by due formality and ceremony, and, accordingly, this event was celebrated with much pomp, the result being declared in a loud voice from the court house, amid the shouts of the gathered throngs and the booming of the captured cannon brought from the field of Trenton. The title bestowed upon the new chief officer of the State was fitted by its length and high-sounding epithets to inspire the multitude with awe and reverence: "His Excellency, Thomas Wharton, Junior, Esquire, President of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania, Captain General, and Commander-in-chief in and over the same."

While the enemy was disposed to be cautious after the New Jersey campaign so humiliating to the native pride of the Britain, yet he was determined to bring all available forces into the field for the campaign of 1777, and to strike a decisive blow. Early in April, great activity was observed among the shipping in New York Harbor, and Washington communicated to Congress his opinion that Philadelphia was the object against which the blow would be aimed. This announcement of probable peril induced the Council to issue a proclamation urging enlistments, and Congress ordered the opening of a camp for drilling recruits in Pennsylvania, and Benedict Arnold, who was at this time a trusted General, was ordered to the command of it. So many new vessels and transports of all classes had been discovered to have come into New York Harbor, probably forwarded from England, that Washington sent Gen. Mifflin, on the 10th of June, to Congress, bearing a letter in which he expressed the settled conviction that the enemy meditated an immediate descent upon some part of Pennsylvania. Gen. Mifflin proceeded to examine the defensive works of the city which had been begun on the previous advance of the British, and recommended such changes and new works as seemed best adapted for its protection. The preparations for defense were vigorously prosecuted. The militia were called out and placed in two camps, one at Chester and the other at Downingtown. Fire ships were held in readiness to be used against vessels attempting the ascent of the river.

Lord Howe, being determined not to move until ample preparations were completed, allowed the greater part of the summer to wear away before he advanced. Finally, having embarked a force of 19,500 men on a fleet of 300 transports, he sailed southward. Washington promptly made a corresponding march overland, passing through Philadelphia on the 24th of August. Howe, suspecting that preparations would be made for impeding the passage of the

Delaware, sailed past its mouth, and moving up the Chesapeake instead, debarked fifty-four miles from Philadelphia and commenced the march northward. Great activity was now manifested in the city. The water-spouts were melted to furnish bullets, fair hands were busied in rolling cartridges, powerful chevaux-de-frise were planted to impede the navigation of the river, and the last division of the militia of the city, which had been divided into three classes, was called out. Washington, who had crossed the Brandywine, soon confronted the advance of Howe, and brisk skirmishing at once opened. Seeing that he was likely to have the right of his position at Red Clay Creek, where he had intended to give battle, turned by the largely superior force of the enemy, under cover of darkness on the night of the 8th of September, he withdrew across the Brandywine at Chad's Ford, and posting Armstrong with the militia upon the left, at Pyle's Ford, where the banks were rugged and precipitous, and Sullivan, who was second in command, upon the right at Brinton's Ford under cover of forest, he himself took post with three divisions, Sterling's, Stephens', and his own, in front of the main avenue of approach at Chad's. Howe, discovering that Washington was well posted, determined to flank him. Accordingly, on the 11th, sending Knyphausen with a division of Hessians to make vigorous demonstrations upon Washington's front at Chad's, he, with the corps of Cornwallis, in light marching order, moved up the Brandywine, far past the right flank of Washington, crossed the Brandywine at the fords of Trumbull and Jeffrey unopposed, and, moving down came upon Washington's right, held by Sullivan, all unsuspecting and unprepared to receive him. Though Howe was favored by a dense fog which on that morning hung on all the valley, yet it had hardly been commenced before Washington discovered the move and divined its purpose. His resolution was instantly taken. He ordered Sullivan to cross the stream at Brinton's, and resolutely turn the left flank of Knyphausen, when he himself with the main body would move over and crush the British Army in detail. It was a brilliant conception, was feasible, and promised the most complete success. But what chagrin and mortification, to receive, at the moment when he expected to hear the music of Sullivan's guns doubling up the left of the enemy, and giving notice to him to commence the passage, a message from that officer advising him that he had disobeyed his orders to cross, having received intelligence that the enemy were not moving northward, and that he was still in position at the ford. Thus balked, Washington had no alternative but to remain in position, and it was not long before the guns of Howe were heard moving in upon his all unguarded right flank. The best dispositions were made which time would permit. His main body with the force of Sullivan took position along the brow of the hill on which stands the Birmingham meeting house, and the battle opened and was pushed with vigor the whole day. Overborne by numbers, and weakened by losses, Washington was obliged to retire, leaving the enemy in possession of the field. The young French nobleman, Lafayette, was wounded while gallantly serving in this fight. The wounded were carried into the Birmingham meeting house, where the blood stains are visible to this day, enterprising relic hunters for many generations having been busy in loosening small slivers with the points of their knives.

The British now moved cautiously toward Philadelphia. On the 16th of September, at a point some twenty miles west of Philadelphia, Washington again made a stand, and a battle opened with brisk skirmishing, but a heavy rain storm coming on the powder of the patriot soldiers was completely ruined on account of their defective cartridge boxes. On the night of the 20th, Gen. Anthony Wayne, who had been hanging on the rear of the enemy with his

detachment, was surprised by Gen. Gray with a heavy column, who fell suddenly upon the Americans in bivouac and put them to the sword, giving no quarter. This disgraceful slaughter which brought a stigma and an indelible stain upon the British arms is known as the Paoli Massacre. Fifty-three of the victims of the black flag were buried in one grave. A neat monument of white marble was erected forty years afterward over their moldering remains by the Republican Artillerists of Chester County, which vandal hands have not spared in their mania for relics.

Congress remained in Philadelphia while these military operations were going on at its very doors; but on the 18th of September adjourned to meet at Lancaster, though subsequently, on the 30th, removed across the Susquehanna to York, where it remained in session till after the evacuation in the following summer. The Council remained until two days before the fall of the city, when having dispatched the records of the loan office and the more valuable papers to Easton, it adjourned to Lancaster. On the 26th, the British Army entered the city. Deborah Logan in her memoir says: "The army marched in and took possession in the city in the morning. We were up-stairs and saw them pass the State House. They looked well, clean and well clad, and the contrast between them and our own poor, bare-footed, ragged troops was very great and caused a feeling of despair. \* \* \* \* \* Early in the afternoon, Lord Cornwallis' suite arrived and took possession of my mother's house." But though now holding undisputed possession of the American capital, Howe found his position an uncomfortable one, for his fleet was in the Chesapeake, and the Delaware and all its defenses were in possession of the Americans, and Washington had manned the forts with some of his most resolute troops. Varnum's brigade, led by Cols. Angell and Greene, Rhode Island troops, were at Fort Mercer, at Red Bank, and this the enemy determined to attack. On the 21st of October, with a force of 2,500 men, led by Count Donop, the attack was made. In two columns they moved as to an easy victory. But the steady fire of the defenders when come in easy range, swept them down with deadly effect, and, retiring with a loss of over 400 and their leader mortally wounded, they did not renew the fight. Its reduction was of prime importance, and powerful works were built and equipped to bear upon the devoted fort on all sides, and the heavy guns of the fleet were brought up to aid in overpowering it. For six long days the greatest weight of metal was poured upon it from the land and the naval force, but without effect, the sides of the fort successfully withstanding the plunging of their powerful missiles. As a last resort, the great vessels were run suddenly in close under the walls, and manning the yard-arms with sharp-shooters, so effectually silenced and drove away the gunners that the fort fell easily into the British hands and the river was opened to navigation. The army of Washington, after being recruited and put in light marching order, was led to Germantown where, on the morning of the 3d of October the enemy was met. A heavy fog that morning had obscured friend and foe alike, occasioning confusion in the ranks, and though the opening promised well, and some progress was made, yet the enemy was too strong to be moved, and the American leader was forced to retire to his camp at White Marsh. Though the river had now been opened and the city was thoroughly fortified for resisting attack, yet Howe felt not quite easy in having the American Army quartered in so close striking distance, and accordingly, on the 4th of December, with nearly his entire army, moved out, intending to take Washington at White Marsh, sixteen miles away, by surprise, and by rapidity of action gain an easy victory. But by the heroism and fidelity of Lydia Darrah, who, as she had often done before

passed the guards to go to the mill for flour, the news of the coming of Howe was communicated to Washington, who was prepared to receive him. Finding that he could effect nothing, Howe returned to the city, having had the wearisome march at this wintry season without effect.

Washington now crossed the Schuylkill and went into winter quarters at Valley Forge. The cold of that winter was intense; the troops, half clad and indifferently fed, suffered severely, the prints of their naked feet in frost and snow being often tinted with patriot blood. Grown impatient of the small results from the immensely expensive campaigns carried on across the ocean, the Ministry relieved Lord Howe, and appointed Sir Henry Clinton to the chief command.

The Commissioners whom Congress had sent to France early in the fall of 1776—Franklin, Dean and Lee had been busy in making interest for the united colonies at the French Court, and so successful were they, that arms and ammunition and loans of money were procured from time to time. Indeed, so persuasive had they become that it was a saying current at court that, "It was fortunate for the King that Franklin did not take it into his head to ask to have the palace at Versailles stripped of its furniture to send to his dear Americans, for his majesty would have been unable to deny him." Finally, a convention was concluded, by which France agreed to use the royal army and navy as faithful allies of the Americans against the English. Accordingly, a fleet of four powerful frigates, and twelve ships were dispatched under command of the Count D'Estaing to shut up the British fleet in the Delaware. The plan was ingenious, particularly worthy of the long head of Franklin. But by some means, intelligence of the sailing of the French fleet reached the English cabinet, who immediately ordered the evacuation of the Delaware, whereupon the Admiral weighed anchor and sailed away with his entire fleet to New York, and D'Estaing, upon his arrival at the mouth of the Delaware, found that the bird had flown.

Clinton evacuated Philadelphia and moved across New Jersey in the direction of New York. Washington closely followed and came up with the enemy on the plains of Monmouth, on the 28th of June, 1778, where a sanguinary battle was fought which lasted the whole day, resulting in the triumph of the American arms, and Pennsylvania was rid of British troops.

The enemy was no sooner well away from the city than Congress returned from York and resumed its sittings in its former quarters, June 24, 1778, and on the following day, the Colonial Legislature returned from Lancaster. Gen Arnold, who was disabled by a wound received at Saratoga, from field duty, was given command in the city and marched in with a regiment on the day following the evacuation. On the 23d of May, 1778, President Wharton died suddenly of quinsy, while in attendance upon the Council at Lancaster, when George Bryan, the Vice President, became the Acting President. Bryan was a philanthropist in deed as well as word. Up to this time, African slavery had been tolerated in the colony. In his message of the 9th of November, he said: "This or some better scheme, would tend to abrogate slavery—the appropriation of America—from among us. \* \* \* In divesting the State of slaves, you will equally serve the cause of humanity and policy, and offer to God one of the most proper and best returns of gratitude for His great deliverance of us and our posterity from thralldom; you will also set your character for justice and benevolence in the true point of view to Europe, who are astonished to see a people eager for liberty holding negroes in bondage." He perfected a bill for the extinguishment of claims to slaves which was passed by the Assembly, March 1, 1780, by a vote of thirty-four to eighteen, providing that no child

of slave parents born after that date should be a slave, but a servant till the age of twenty-eight years, when all claim for service should end. Thus by a simple enactment resolutely pressed by Bryan, was slavery forever rooted out of Pennsylvania.

In the summer of 1778, a force of savages and sour-faced Tories to the number of some 1,200, under the leadership of one Col. John Butler, a cruel and inhuman wretch, descending from the north, broke into the Wyoming Valley on the 2d of July. The strong men were in the army of Washington, and the only defenders were old men, beardless boys and resolute women. These, to the number of about 400, under Zebulon Butler, a brave soldier who had won distinction in the old French war, and who happened to be present, moved resolutely out to meet the invaders. Overborne by numbers, the inhabitants were beaten and put to the sword, the few who escaped retreating to Forty Fort, whither the helpless, up and down the valley, had sought safety. Here humane terms of surrender were agreed to, and the families returned to their homes, supposing all danger to be past. But the savages had tasted blood, and perhaps confiscated liquor, and were little mindful of capitulations. The night of the 5th was given to indiscriminate massacre. The cries of the helpless rang out upon the night air, and the heavens along all the valley were lighted up with the flames of burning cottages; "and when the moon arose, the terrified inhabitants were fleeing to the Wilkesbarre Mountains, and the dark morasses of the Pocono Mountain beyond." Most of these were emigrants from Connecticut, and they made their way homeward as fast as their feet would carry them, many of them crossing the Hudson at Poughkeepsie, where they told their tales of woe.

In February, 1778, Parliament, grown tired of this long and wasting war, abolished taxes of which the Americans had complained, and a committee, composed of Earl Carlisle, George Johnstone and William Eden, were sent empowered to forgive past offenses, and to conclude peace with the colonies, upon submission to the British crown. Congress would not listen to their proposals, maintaining that the people of America had done nothing that needed forgiveness, and that no conference could be accorded so long as the English Armies remained on American soil. Finding that negotiations could not be entered upon with the government, they sought to worm their way by base bribes. Johnstone proposed to Gen. Reed that if he would lend his aid to bring about terms of pacification, 10,000 guineas and the best office in the country should be his. The answer of the stern General was a type of the feeling which swayed every patriot: "My influence is but small, but were it as great as Gov. Johnstone would insinuate, the King of Great Britain has nothing in his gift that would tempt me."

At the election held for President, the choice fell upon Joseph Reed, with George Bryan Vice President, subsequently Matthew Smith, and finally William Moore. Reed was an erudite lawyer, and had held the positions of Private Secretary to Washington, and subsequently Adjutant General of the army. He was inaugurated on the 1st of December, 1778. Upon the return of the patriots to Philadelphia, after the departure of the British, a bitter feeling existed between them and the Tories who had remained at their homes, and had largely profited by the British occupancy. The soldiers became demonstrative, especially against those lawyers who had defended the Tories in court. Some of those most obnoxious took refuge in the house of James Wilson, a signer of the Declaration. Private soldiers, in passing, fired upon it, and shots were returned whereby one was killed and several wounded. The President on being informed of these proceedings, rode at the head of the



city troop, and dispersed the assailants, capturing the leaders. The Academy and College of Philadelphia required by its charter an oath of allegiance to the King of Great Britain. An act was passed November 27, 1779, abrogating the former charter, and vesting its property in a new board. An endowment from confiscated estates was settled upon it of £15,000 annually. The name of the institution was changed to the "University of the State of Pennsylvania."

France was now aiding the American cause with money and large land and naval forces. While some of the patriots remained steadfast and were disposed to sacrifice and endure all for the success of the struggle, many, who should have been in the ranks rallying around Washington, had grown lukewarm. The General was mortified that the French should come across the ocean and make great sacrifices to help us, and should find so much indifference prevailing among the citizens of many of the States, and so few coming forward to fill up the decimated ranks. At the request of Washington, President Reed was invested with extraordinary powers, in 1780, which were used prudently but effectively. During the winter of this year, some of the veteran soldiers of the Pennsylvania line mutinied and commenced the march on Philadelphia with arms in their hands. Some of them had just cause. They had enlisted for "three years or the war," meaning for three years unless the war closed sooner. But the authorities had interpreted it to mean, three years, or as much longer as the war should last. President Reed immediately rode out to meet the mutineers, heard their cause, and pledged if all would return to camp, to have those who had honorably served out the full term of three years discharged, which was agreed to. Before the arrival of the President, two emissaries from the enemy who had heard of the disaffection, came into camp, offering strong inducements for them to continue the revolt. But the mutineers spurned the offer, and delivered them over to the officers, by whom they were tried and executed as spies. The soldiers who had so patriotically arrested and handed over these messengers were offered a reward of fifty guineas; but they refused it on the plea that they were acting under authority of the Board of Sergeants, under whose order the mutiny was being conducted. Accordingly, a hundred guineas were offered to this board for their fidelity. Their answer showed how conscientious even mutineers can be: "It was not for the sake, or through any expectation of reward; but for the love of our country, that we sent the spies immediately to Gen. Wayne; we therefore do not consider ourselves entitled to any other reward but the love of our country, and do jointly agree to accept of no other."

William Moore was elected President to succeed Joseph Reed, from November 14, 1781, but held the office less than one year, the term of three years for which he had been a Councilman having expired, which was the limit of service. James Potter was chosen Vice President. On account of the hostile attitude of the Ohio Indians, it was decided to call out a body of volunteers, numbering some 400 from the counties of Washington and Westmoreland, where the outrages upon the settlers had been most sorely felt, who chose for their commander Col. William Crawford, of Westmoreland. The expedition met a most unfortunate fate. It was defeated and cut to pieces, and the leader taken captive and burned at the stake. Crawford County, which was settled very soon afterward, was named in honor of this unfortunate soldier. In the month of November, intelligence was communicated to the Legislature that Pennsylvania soldiers, confined as prisoners of war on board of the Jersey, an old hulk lying in the New York Harbor, were in a starving condition, receiving at the hands of the enemy the most barbarous and inhuman treat-

ment. Fifty barrels of flour and 300 bushels of potatoes were immediately sent to them.

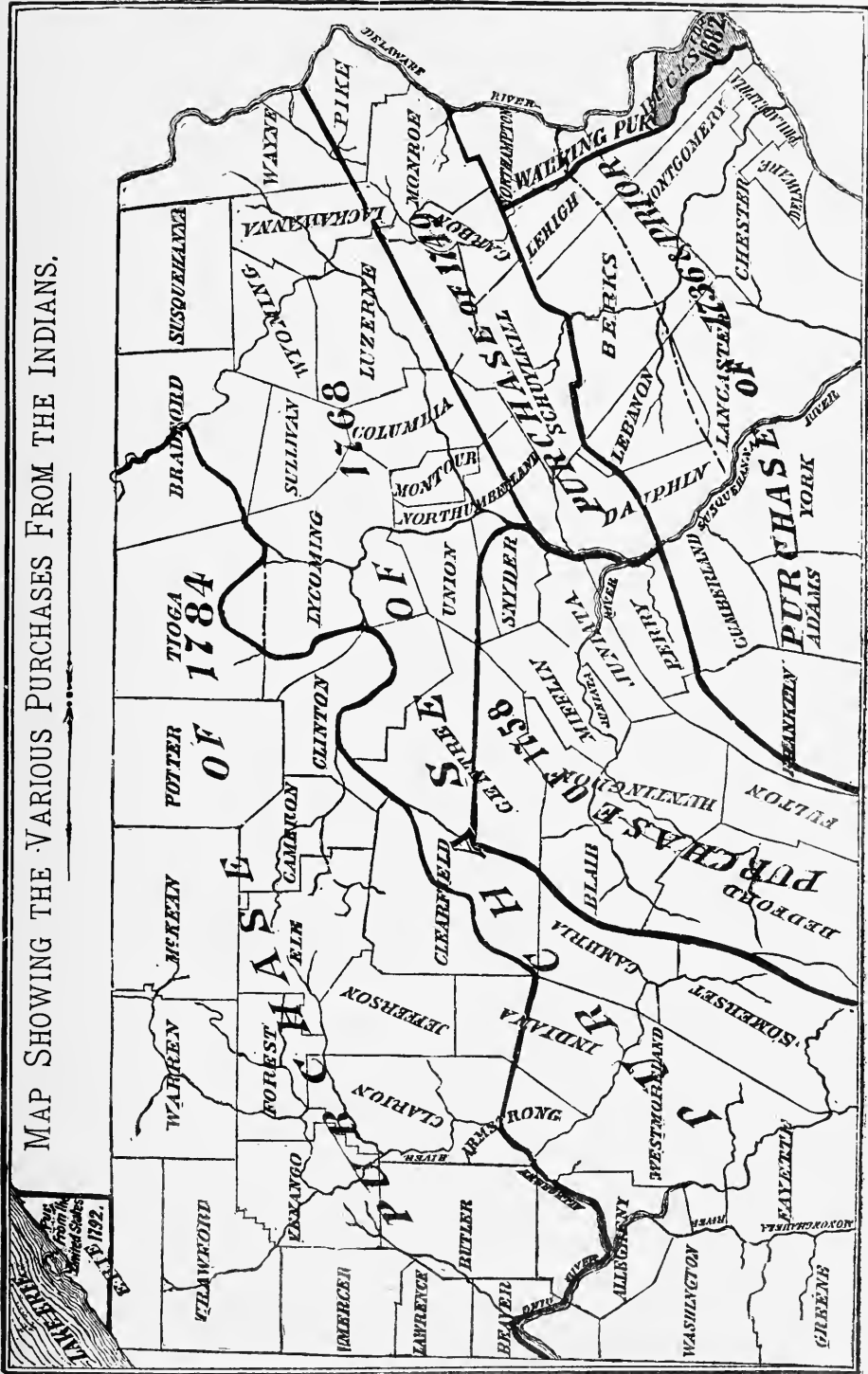
In the State election of 1782, contested with great violence, John Dickinson was chosen President, and James Ewing Vice President. On the 12th of March, 1783, intelligence was first received of the signing of the preliminary treaty in which independence was acknowledged, and on the 11th of April Congress sent forth the joyful proclamation ordering a cessation of hostilities. The soldiers of Burgoyne, who had been confined in the prison camp at Lancaster, were put upon the march for New York, passing through Philadelphia on the way. Everywhere was joy unspeakable. The obstructions were removed from the Delaware, and the white wings of commerce again came fluttering on every breeze. In June, Pennsylvania soldiers, exasperated by delay in receiving their pay and their discharge, and impatient to return to their homes, to a considerable number marched from their camp at Lancaster, and arriving at Philadelphia sent a committee with arms in their hands to the State House door with a remonstrance asking permission to elect officers to command them for the redress of their grievances, their own having left them, and employing threats in case of refusal. These demands the Council rejected. The President of Congress, hearing of these proceedings, called a special session, which resolved to demand that the militia of the State should be called out to quell the insurgents. The Council refused to resort to this extreme measure, when Congress, watchful of its dignity and of its supposed supreme authority, left Philadelphia and established itself in Princeton, N. J., and though invited to return at its next session, it refused, and met at Annapolis.

In October, 1784, the last treaty was concluded with the Indians at Fort Stanwix. The Commissioners at this conference purchased from the natives all the land to the north of the Ohio River, and the line of Pine Creek, which completed the entire limits of the State with the exception of the triangle at Erie, which was acquired from the United States in 1792. This purchase was confirmed by the Wyandots and Delawares at Fort McIntosh January 21, 1785, and the grant was made secure.

In September, 1785, after a long absence in the service of his country abroad, perfecting treaties, and otherwise establishing just relations with other nations, the venerable Benjamin Franklin, then nearly eighty years old, feeling the infirmities of age coming upon him, asked to be relieved of the duties of Minister at the Court of France, and returned to Philadelphia. Soon after his arrival, he was elected President of the Council. Charles Biddle was elected Vice President. It was at this period that a citizen of Pennsylvania, John Fitch, secured a patent on his invention for propelling boats by steam. In May, 1787, the convention to frame a constitution for the United States met in Philadelphia. The delegation from Pennsylvania was Benjamin Franklin, Robert Morris, Thomas Mifflin, George Clymer, Thomas Fitzsimons, Jared Ingersoll, James Wilson and Gouverneur Morris. Upon the completion of their work, the instrument was submitted to the several States for adoption. A convention was called in Pennsylvania, which met on the 21st of November, and though encountering resolute opposition, it was finally adopted on the 12th of December. On the following day, the convention, the Supreme Council and officers of the State and city government, moved in procession to the old court house, where the adoption of the constitution was formally proclaimed amidst the booming of cannon and the ringing of bells.

On the 5th of November, 1788, Thomas Mifflin was elected President, and George Ross Vice President. The constitution of the State, framed in and adapted to the exigencies of an emergency, was ill suited to the needs of State

MAP SHOWING THE VARIOUS PURCHASES FROM THE INDIANS.



in its relations to the new nation. Accordingly, a convention assembled for the purpose of preparing a new constitution in November, 1789, which was finally adopted on September 2, 1790. By the provisions of this instrument, the Executive Council was abolished, and the executive duties were vested in the hands of a Governor. Legislation was intrusted to an Assembly and a Senate. The judicial system was continued, the terms of the Judges extending through good behavior.

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## CHAPTER XIII.

THOMAS MIFFLIN, 1788-99—THOMAS MCKEAN, 1799-1808—SIMON SNYDER, 1808-17—  
WILLIAM FINDLAY, 1817-20—JOSEPH HEISTER, 1820-23—JOHN A. SHULZE, 1823-  
29—GEORGE WOLFE, 1829-35—JOSEPH RITNER, 1835-39.

THE first election under the new Constitution resulted in the choice of Thomas Mifflin, who was re-elected for three successive terms, giving him the distinction of having been longer in the executive chair than any other person, a period of eleven years. A system of internal improvements was now commenced, by which vast water communications were undertaken, and a mountain of debt was accumulated, a portion of which hangs over the State to this day. In 1793, the Bank of Pennsylvania was chartered, one-third of the capital stock of which was subscribed for by the State. Branches were established at Lancaster, Harrisburg, Reading, Easton and Pittsburgh. The branches were discontinued in 1810; in 1843, the stock held by the State was sold, and in 1857, it ceased to exist. In 1793, the yellow fever visited Philadelphia. It was deadly in its effects and produced a panic unparalleled. Gov. Mifflin, and Alexander Hamilton, Secretary of the United States Treasury, were attacked. "Men of affluent fortunes, who gave daily employment and subsistence to hundreds, were abandoned to the care of a negro after their wives, children, friends, clerks and servants had fled away and left them to their fate. In some cases, at the commencement of the disorder, no money could procure proper attendance. Many of the poor perished without a human being to hand them a drink of water, to administer medicines, or to perform any charitable office for them. Nearly 5,000 perished by this wasting pestilence."

The whisky insurrection in some of the western counties of the State, which occurred in 1794, excited, by its lawlessness and wide extent, general interest. An act of Congress, of March 3, 1791, laid a tax on distilled spirits of four pence per gallon. The then counties of Washington, Westmoreland, Allegheny and Fayette, comprising the southwestern quarter of the State, were almost exclusively engaged in the production of grain. Being far removed from any market, the product of their farms brought them scarcely any returns. The consequence was that a large proportion of the surplus grain was turned into distilled spirits, and nearly every other farmer was a distiller. This tax was seen to bear heavily upon them, from which a non-producer of spirits was relieved. A rash determination was formed to resist its collection, and a belief entertained, if all were united in resisting, it would be taken off. Frequent altercations occurred between the persons appointed United States Collectors and these resisting citizens. As an example, on the 5th of Septem-

ber, 1791, a party in disguise set upon Robert Johnson, a Collector for Allegheny and Washington, tarred and feathered him, cut off his hair, took away his horse, and left him in this plight to proceed. Writs for the arrest of the perpetrators were issued, but none dared to venture into the territory to serve them. On May 8, 1792, the law was modified, and the tax reduced. In September, 1792, President Washington issued his proclamation commanding all persons to submit to the law, and to forbear from further opposition. But these measures had no effect, and the insurgents began to organize for forcible resistance. One Maj. Macfarlane, who in command of a party of insurrectionists, was killed in an encounter with United States soldiers at the house of Gen. Neville. The feeling now ran very high, and it was hardly safe for any person to breathe a whisper against the insurgents throughout all this district. "A breath," says Brackenridge, "in favor of the law, was sufficient to ruin any man. A clergyman was not thought orthodox in the pulpit unless against the law. A physician was not capable of administering medicine, unless his principles were right in this respect. A lawyer could get no practice, nor a merchant at a country store get custom if for the law. On the contrary, to talk against the law was the way to office and emolument. To go to the Legislature or to Congress you must make a noise against it. It was the Shibboleth of safety and the ladder of ambition." One Bradford had, of his own notion, issued a circular letter to the Colonels of regiments to assemble with their commands at Braddock's field on the 1st of August, where they appointed officers and moved on to Pittsburgh. After having burned a barn, and made some noisy demonstrations, they were induced by some cool heads to return. These turbulent proceedings coming to the ears of the State and National authorities at Philadelphia, measures were concerted to promptly and effectually check them. Gov. Mifflin appointed Chief Justice McKean, and Gen. William Irvine to proceed to the disaffected district, ascertain the facts, and try to bring the leaders to justice. President Washington issued a proclamation commanding all persons in arms to disperse to their homes on or before the 1st of September, *proximo*, and called out the militia of four States—Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland and Virginia—to the number of 13,000 men, to enforce his commands. The quota of Pennsylvania was 4,500 infantry, 500 cavalry, 200 artillery, and Gov. Mifflin took command in person. Gov. Richard Howell, of New Jersey, Gov. Thomas S. Lee, of Maryland, and Gen. Daniel Morgan, of Virginia, commanded the forces from their States, and Gov. Henry Lee, of Virginia, was placed in chief command. President Washington, accompanied by Gen. Knox, Secretary of War, Alexander Hamilton, Secretary of the Treasury, and Richard Peters, of the United States District Court, set out on the 1st of October, for the seat of the disturbance. On Friday, the President reached Harrisburg, and on Saturday Carlisle, whither the army had preceded him. In the meantime a committee, consisting of James Ross, Jasper Yeates and William Bradford, was appointed by President Washington to proceed to the disaffected district, and endeavor to persuade misguided citizens to return to their allegiance.

A meeting of 260 delegates from the four counties was held at Parkinson's Ferry on the 14th of August, at which the state of their cause was considered, resolutions adopted, and a committee of sixty, one from each county, was appointed, and a sub-committee of twelve was named to confer with the United States Commissioners, McKean and Irvine. These conferences with the State and National Committees were successful in arranging preliminary conditions of settlement. On the 2d of October, the Committee of Safety of the insurgents met at Parkinson's Ferry, and having now learned that a well-organized

army, with Washington at its head, was marching westward for enforcing obedience to the laws, appointed a committee of two, William Findley and David Reddick, to meet the President, and assure him that the disaffected were disposed to return to their duty. They met Washington at Carlisle, and several conferences were held, and assurances given of implicit obedience; but the President said that as the troops had been called out, the orders for the march would not be countermanded. The President proceeded forward on the 11th of October to Chambersburg, reached Williamsport on the 13th and Fort Cumberland on the 14th, where he reviewed the Virginia and Maryland forces, and arrived at Bedford on the 19th. Remaining a few days, and being satisfied that the sentiment of the people had changed, he returned to Philadelphia, arriving on the 28th, leaving Gen. Lee to meet the Commissioners and make such conditions of pacification as should seem just. Another meeting of the Committee of Safety was held at Parkinson's Ferry on the 24th, at which assurances of abandonment of opposition to the laws were received, and the same committee, with the addition of Thomas Morton and Ephriam Douglass, was directed to return to headquarters and give assurance of this disposition. They did not reach Bedford until after the departure of Washington. But at Uniontown they met Gen. Lee, with whom it was agreed that the citizens of these four counties should subscribe to an oath to support the Constitution and obey the laws. Justices of the Peace issued notices that books were opened for subscribing to the oath, and Gen. Lee issued a judicious address urging ready obedience. Seeing that all requirements were being faithfully carried out, an order was issued on the 17th of November for the return of the army and its disbandment. A number of arrests were made and trials and convictions were had, but all were ultimately pardoned.

With the exception of a slight ebullition at the prospect of a war with France in 1797, and a resistance to the operation of the "Homestead Tax" in Lehigh, Berks and Northampton Counties, when the militia was called out, the remainder of the term of Gov. Mifflin passed in comparative quiet. By an act of the Legislature of the 3d of April, 1799, the capital of the State was removed to Lancaster, and soon after the capital of the United States to Washington, the house on Ninth street, which had been built for the residence of the President of the United States, passing to the use of the University of Pennsylvania.

During the administrations of Thomas McKean, who was elected Governor in 1799, and Simon Snyder in 1808, little beyond heated political contests marked the even tenor of the government, until the breaking-out of the troubles which eventuated in the war of 1812. The blockade of the coast of France in 1806, and the retaliatory measures of Napoleon in his Berlin decree, swept American commerce, which had hitherto preserved a neutral attitude and profited by European wars, from the seas. The haughty conduct of Great Britain in boarding American vessels for suspected deserters from the British Navy, under cover of which the grossest outrages were committed, American seaman being dragged from the decks of their vessels and impressed into the English service, induced President Jefferson, in July, 1807, to issue his proclamation ordering all British armed vessels to leave the waters of the United States, and forbidding any to enter, until satisfaction for the past and security for the future should be provided for. Upon the meeting of Congress in December, an embargo was laid, detaining all vessels, American and foreign, then in American waters, and ordering home all vessels abroad. Negotiations were conducted between the two countries, but no definite results were reached, and in the meantime causes of irritation multiplied until 1812, when President

Madison declared war against Great Britain, known as the war of 1812. Pennsylvania promptly seconded the National Government, the message of Gov. Snyder on the occasion ringing like a silver clarion. The national call for 100,000 men required 14,000 from this State, but so great was the enthusiasm, that several times this number tendered their services. The State force was organized in two divisions, to the command of the first of which Maj. Gen. Isaac Morrell was appointed, and to the second Maj. Gen. Adamson Tannehill. Gunboats and privateers were built in the harbor of Erie and on the Delaware, and the defenses upon the latter were put in order and suitable armaments provided. At Tippecanoe, at Detroit, at Queenstown Heights, at the River Raisin, at Fort Stephenson, and at the River Thames, the war was waged with varying success. Upon the water, Commodores Decatur, Hull, Jones, Perry, Lawrence, Porter and McDonough made a bright chapter in American history, as was to be wished, inasmuch as the war had been undertaken to vindicate the honor and integrity of that branch of the service. Napoleon, having met with disaster, and his power having been broken, 14,000 of Wellington's veterans were sent to Canada, and the campaign of the next year was opened with vigor. But at the battles of Oswego, Chippewa, Lundy's Lane, Fort Erie and Plattsburg, the tide was turned against the enemy, and the country saved from invasion. The act which created most alarm to Pennsylvania was one of vandalism scarcely matched in the annals of warfare. In August, 1814, Gen. Ross, with 6,000 men in a flotilla of sixty sails, moved up Chesapeake Bay, fired the capitol, President's house and the various offices of cabinet ministers, and these costly and substantial buildings, the national library and all the records of the Government from its foundation were utterly destroyed. Shortly afterward, Ross appeared before Baltimore with the design of multiplying his barbarisms, but he was met by a force hastily collected under Gen. Samuel Smith, a Pennsylvania veteran of the Revolution, and in the brief engagement which ensued Ross was killed. In the severe battle with the corps of Gen. Stricker, the British lost some 300 men. The fleet in the meantime opened a fierce bombardment of Fort McHenry, and during the day and ensuing night 1,500 bombshells were thrown, but all to no purpose, the gallant defense of Maj. Armistead proving successful. It was during this awful night that Maj. Key, who was a prisoner on board the fleet, wrote the song of the Star Spangled Banner, which became the national lyric. It was in the administration of Gov. Snyder in February, 1810, that an act was passed making Harrisburg the seat of government, and a commission raised for erecting public buildings, the sessions of the Legislature being held in the court house at Harrisburg from 1812 to 1821.

The administrations of William Findley, elected in 1817, Joseph Heister, in 1820, and John Andrew Schulz in 1823, followed without marked events. Parties became very warm in their discussions and in their management of political campaigns. The charters for the forty banks which had been passed in a fit of frenzy over the veto of Gov. Snyder set a flood of paper money afloat. The public improvements, principally in opening lines of canal, were prosecuted, and vast debts incurred. These lines of conveyances were vitally needful to move the immense products and vast resources of the State.

Previous to the year 1820, little use was made of stone coal. Judge Obediah Gore, a blacksmith, used it upon his forge as early as 1769, and found the heat stronger and more enduring than that produced by charcoal. In 1791, Phillip Ginter, of Carbon County, a hunter by profession, having on one occasion been out all day without discovering any game, was returning at night discouraged and worn out, across the Mauch Chunk Mountain, when, in

DIAGRAM SHOWING PROPORTIONATE ANNUAL  
PRODUCTION OF ANTHRACITE COAL IN  
PENNSYLVANIA SINCE 1820.

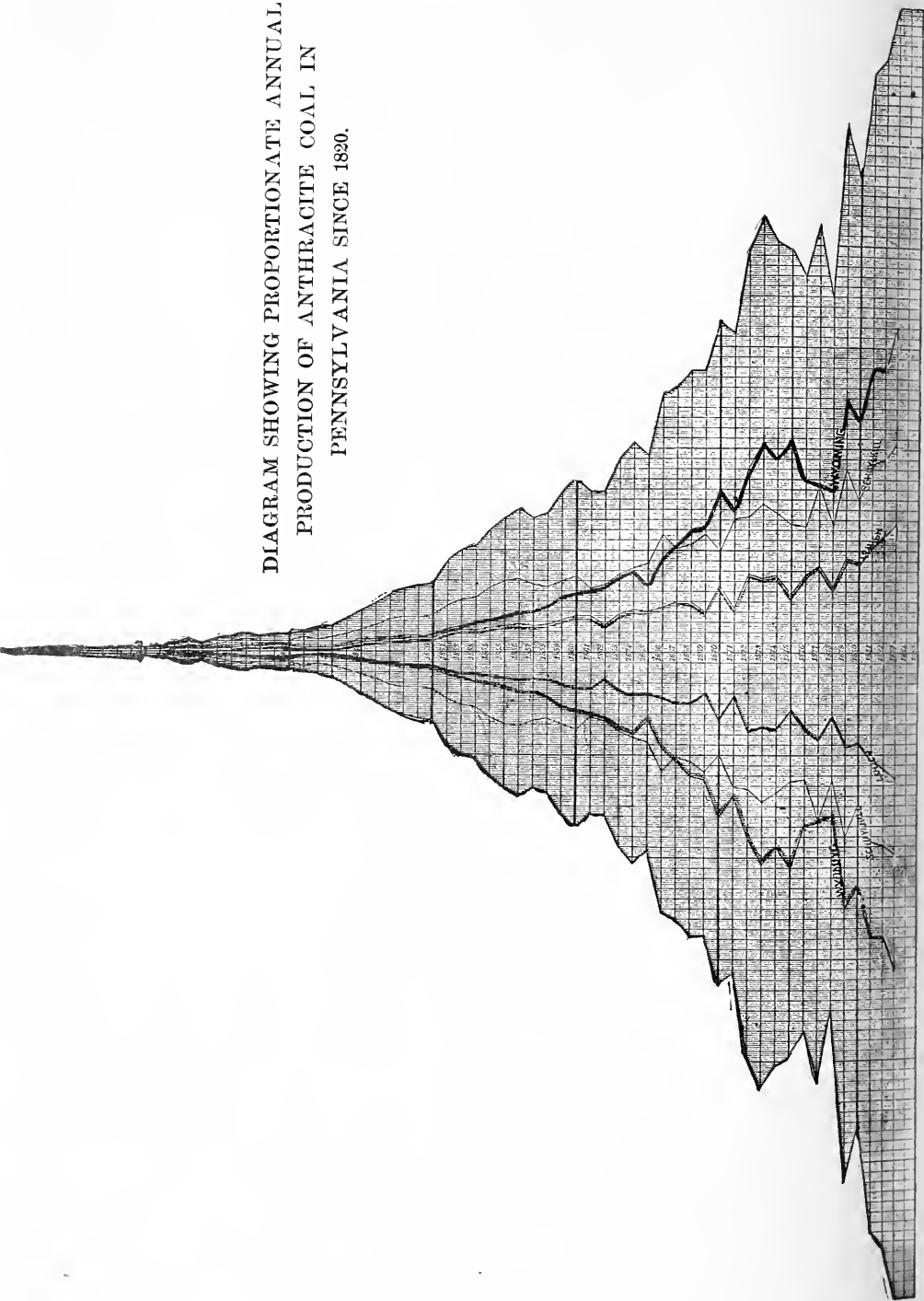




TABLE SHOWING AMOUNT OF ANTHRACITE COAL PRODUCED IN EACH REGION SINCE 1820.

YEAR.	Lehigh, Tons.	Schuylkill, Tons.	Wyoming, Tons.	Lyken's Valley, Shamokin, etc., Tons.	Total Tons.
1820.....	365				365
1821.....	1,073				1,073
1822.....	2,240	1,480			3,720
1823.....	5,823	1,123			6,951
1824.....	9,541	1,567			11,108
1825.....	28,393	6,500			34,893
1826.....	31,280	16,767			48,047
1827.....	32,074	31,360			63,434
1828.....	30,232	47,284			77,516
1829.....	25,110	79,973	7,000		112,083
1830.....	41,750	89,934	43,000		174,734
1831.....	40,966	81,854	54,000		176,820
1832.....	70,000	209,271	84,000		363,871
1833.....	123,001	252,971	111,777		487,748
1834.....	106,244	226,692	43,700		376,636
1835.....	131,250	339,508	90,000		560,758
1836.....	148,211	432,045	103,861		684,117
1837.....	223,902	530,152	115,887		879,441
1838.....	213,615	446,875	78,207		738,697
1839.....	221,025	463,147	122,300	11,930	818,402
1840.....	225,313	475,091	148,470	15,505	864,384
1841.....	143,037	603,003	192,270	21,463	959,973
1842.....	272,540	573,273	252,599	10,000	1,108,418
1843.....	267,793	700,200	285,605	10,000	1,263,598
1844.....	377,002	874,850	365,911	13,087	1,630,850
1845.....	429,453	1,121,724	451,836	10,000	2,013,013
1846.....	517,116	1,295,928	518,389	12,572	2,344,005
1847.....	633,507	1,650,831	583,067	14,904	2,882,309
1848.....	670,321	1,714,365	685,196	19,356	3,089,238
1849.....	781,656	1,683,425	732,910	45,075	3,242,966
1850.....	690,456	1,782,936	827,823	57,684	3,358,899
1851.....	964,224	2,229,426	1,156,167	99,099	4,448,916
1852.....	1,072,136	2,517,493	1,284,500	119,342	4,993,471
1853.....	1,054,309	2,551,603	1,475,732	113,507	5,195,151
1854.....	1,207,186	2,957,670	1,603,473	234,090	6,002,334
1855.....	1,284,113	3,318,555	1,771,511	234,388	6,608,517
1856.....	1,351,970	3,289,585	1,972,581	313,444	6,927,580
1857.....	1,318,541	2,985,541	1,952,603	388,256	6,664,941
1858.....	1,380,030	2,902,821	2,186,094	370,424	6,759,369
1859.....	1,628,311	3,004,953	2,731,236	443,755	7,808,255
1860.....	1,821,674	3,270,516	2,941,817	479,116	8,513,123
1861.....	1,738,377	2,697,439	3,055,140	463,308	7,954,314
1862.....	1,351,054	2,390,593	3,145,770	481,990	7,875,412
1863.....	1,894,713	3,493,265	3,759,610	478,418	9,566,006
1864.....	2,054,669	3,642,218	3,960,836	519,752	10,177,475
1865.....	2,040,913	3,755,802	3,254,519	621,157	9,652,391
1866.....	2,179,364	4,957,180	4,736,616	830,722	12,703,882
1867.....	2,502,054	4,334,820	5,325,000	826,851	12,991,725
1868.....	2,507,582	4,414,356	5,990,813	921,381	13,834,132
1869.....	1,929,523	4,821,253	6,068,369	903,885	13,723,030
1870.....	3,172,916	3,853,016	7,825,128	998,839	15,849,899
1871.....	2,235,707	6,552,772	6,911,242		15,699,721
1872.....	3,873,339	6,694,890	9,101,549		19,669,778
1873.....	3,705,596	7,212,601	10,309,755		21,227,952
1874.....	3,773,836	6,866,877	9,504,408		20,145,121
1875.....	2,834,605	6,281,712	10,596,155		19,712,472
1876.....	3,854,919	6,221,934	8,424,158		18,501,013
1877.....	4,332,760	8,195,042	8,300,377		20,828,179
1878.....	3,237,449	6,282,226	8,085,587		17,605,262
1879.....	4,595,567	8,960,329	12,586,298		26,142,689
1880.....	4,463,221	7,554,742	11,419,279		23,437,242
1881.....	5,294,676	9,253,958	13,951,383		28,500,016
1882.....	5,689,437	9,459,288	13,971,371		29,120,096
1883.....	6,113,809	10,074,726	15,604,492		31,793,029

the gathering shades he stumbled upon something which seemed to have a glistening appearance, that he was induced to pick up and carry home. This specimen was taken to Philadelphia, where an analysis showed it to be a good quality of anthracite coal. But, though coal was known to exist, no one knew how to use it. In 1812, Col. George Shoemaker, of Schuylkill County, took nine wagon loads to Philadelphia. But he was looked upon as an impostor for attempting to sell worthless stone for coal. He finally sold two loads for the cost of transportation, the remaining seven proving a complete loss. In 1812, White & Hazard, manufacturers of wire at the Falls of Schuylkill, induced an application to be made to the Legislature to incorporate a company for the improvement of the Schuylkill, urging as an inducement the importance it would have for transporting coal; whereupon, the Senator from that district, in his place, with an air of knowledge, asserted "that there was no coal there, that there was a kind of *black stone* which was called coal, but that it would not burn."

White & Hazard procured a cart load of Lehigh coal that cost them \$1 a bushel, which was all wasted in a vain attempt to make it ignite. Another cart load was obtained, and a whole night spent in endeavoring to make a fire in the furnace, when the hands shut the furnace door and left the mill in despair. "Fortunately one of them left his jacket in the mill, and returning for it in about half an hour, noticed that the door was red hot, and upon opening it, was surprised at finding the whole furnace at a glowing white heat. The other hands were summoned, and four separate parcels of iron were heated and rolled by the same fire before it required renewing. The furnace was replenished, and as letting it alone had succeeded so well, it was concluded to try it again, and the experiment was repeated with the same result. The Lehigh Navigation Company and the Lehigh Coal Company were incorporated in 1818, which companies became the basis of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, incorporated in 1822. In 1820, coal was sent to Philadelphia by artificial navigation, but 365 tons glutted the market." In 1825, there were brought by the Schuylkill 5,378 tons. In 1826, by the Schuylkill, 16,265 tons, and by the Lehigh 31,280 tons. The stage of water being insufficient, dams and sluices were constructed near Mauch Chunk, in 1819, by which the navigation was improved. The coal boats used were great square arks, 16 to 18 feet wide, and 20 to 25 feet long. At first, two of these were joined together by hinges, to allow them to yield up and down in passing over the dams. Finally, as the boatmen became skilled in the navigation, several were joined, attaining a length of 180 feet. Machinery was used for jointing the planks, and so expert had the men become that five would build an ark and launch it in forty-five minutes. After reaching Philadelphia, these boats were taken to pieces, the plank sold, and the hinges sent back for constructing others. Such were the crude methods adopted in the early days for bringing coal to a market. In 1827, a railroad was commenced, which was completed in three months, nine miles in length. This, with the exception of one at Quincy, Mass., of four miles, built in 1826, was the first constructed in the United States. The descent was 100 feet per mile, and the coal descended by gravity in a half hour, and the cars were drawn back by mules, which rode down with the coal. "The mules cut a most grotesque figure, standing three or four together, in their cars, with their feeding troughs before them, apparently surveying with delight the scenery of the mountain; and though they preserve the most profound gravity, it is utterly impossible for the spectator to maintain his. It is said that the mules, having once experienced the comfort of riding down, regard it as a right, and neither mild nor severe measures

will induce them to descend in any other way." Bituminous coal was discovered and its qualities utilized not much earlier than the anthracite. A tract of coal land was taken up in Clearfield County in 1785, by Mr. S. Boyd, and in 1804 he sent an ark down the Susquehanna to Columbia, which caused much surprise to the inhabitants that "an article with which they were wholly unacquainted should be brought to their own doors."

During the administrations of George Wolf, elected in 1829, and Joseph Ritner, elected in 1835, a measure of great beneficence to the State was passed and brought into a good degree of successful operation—nothing less than a broad system of public education. Schools had been early established in Philadelphia, and parochial schools in the more populous portions of the State from the time of early settlement. In 1749, through the influence of Dr. Franklin, a charter was obtained for a "college, academy, and charity school of Pennsylvania," and from this time to the beginning of the present century, the friends of education were earnest in establishing colleges, the Colonial Government, and afterward the Legislature, making liberal grants from the revenues accruing from the sale of lands for their support, the university of Pennsylvania being chartered in 1752, Dickinson College in 1783, Franklin and Marshall College in 1787, and Jefferson College in 1802. Commencing near the beginning of this century, and continuing for over a period of thirty years, vigorous exertions were put forth to establish county academies. Charters were granted for these institutions at the county seats of forty-one counties, and appropriations were made of money, varying from \$2,000 to \$6,000, and in several instances of quite extensive land grants. In 1809, an act was passed for the education of the "poor, gratis." The Assessors in their annual rounds were to make a record of all such as were indigent, and pay for their education in the most convenient schools. But few were found among the spirited inhabitants of the commonwealth willing to admit that they were so poor as to be objects of charity.

By the act of April 1, 1834, a general system of education by common schools was established. Unfortunately it was complex and unwieldy. At the next session an attempt was made to repeal it, and substitute the old law of 1809 for educating the "poor, gratis," the repeal having been carried in the Senate. But through the appeals of Thaddeus Stevens, a man always in the van in every movement for the elevation of mankind, this was defeated. At the next session, 1836, an entirely new bill, discarding the objectionable features of the old one, was prepared by Dr. George Smith, of Delaware County, and adopted, and from this time forward has been in efficient operation. It may seem strange that so long a time should have elapsed before a general system of education should have been secured. But the diversity of origin and language, the antagonism of religious sects, the very great sparseness of population in many parts, made it impossible at an earlier day to establish schools. In 1854, the system was improved by engrafting upon it the feature of the County Superintendency, and in 1859 by providing for the establishment of twelve Normal Schools, in as many districts into which the State was divided, for the professional training of teachers.

## CHAPTER XIV.

DAVID R. PORTER, 1839-45—FRANCIS R. SHUNK, 1845-48—WILLIAM F. JOHNSTONE, 1848-52—WILLIAM BIGLER, 1852-55—JAMES POLLOCK, 1855-58—WILLIAM F. PACKER, 1858-61—ANDREW G. CURTIN, 1861-67—JOHN W. GEARY, 1867-73—JOHN F. HARTRANFT, 1873-78—HENRY F. HOYT, 1878-82—ROBERT E. PAT- TISON, 1882.

IN 1837, a convention assembled in Harrisburg, and subsequently in Philadel- phia, for revising the constitution, which revision was adopted by a vote of the people. One of the chief objects of the change was the breaking up of what was known as "omnibus legislation," each bill being required to have but one distinct subject, to be definitely stated in the title. Much of the patronage of the Governor was taken from him, and he was allowed but two terms of three years in any nine years. The Senator's term was fixed at three years. The terms of Supreme Court Judges were limited to fifteen years, Common Pleas Judges to ten, and Associate Judges to five. A step backward was taken in limiting suffrage to *white* male citizens twenty-one years old, it having pre- viously been extended to citizens irrespective of color. Amendments could be proposed once in five years, and if adopted by two successive Legislatures, and approved by a vote of the people, they became a part of the organic law.

At the opening of the gubernatorial term of David R. Porter, who was chosen in October, 1838, a civil commotion occurred known as the Buckshot War, which at one time threatened a sanguinary result. By the returns, Porter had some 5,000 majority over Ritner, but the latter, who was the in- cumbent, alleged frauds, and proposed an investigation and revision of the returns. Thomas H. Burrows was Secretary of State, and Chairman of the State Committee of the Anti-Masonic party, and in an elaborate address to the people setting forth the grievance, he closed with the expression "let us treat the election as if we had not been defeated." This expression gave great offense to the opposing party, the Democratic, and public feeling ran high before the meeting of the Legislature. Whether an investigation could be had would depend upon the political complexion of that body. The Senate was clearly Anti-Masonic, and the House would depend upon the Representatives of a certain district in Philadelphia, which embraced the Northern Liberties. The returning board of this district had a majority of Democrats, who pro- ceeded to throw out the entire vote of Northern Liberties, for some alleged irregularities, and gave the certificate to Democrats. Whereupon, the minor- ity of the board assembled, and counted the votes of the Northern Liberties, which gave the election to the Anti-Masonic candidates, and sent certificates accordingly. By right and justice, there is no doubt that the Anti-Masons were fairly elected. But the majority of a returning board alone have authority to make returns, and the Democrats had the certificates which bore *prima facie* evidence of being correct, and should have been received and transmitted to the House, where alone rested the authority to go behind the returns and investigate their correctness. But upon the meeting of the House the Secretary of the Commonwealth sent in the certificates of the minority of the returning board of the Northern Liberties district, which gave the major- ity to the Anti-Masons. But the Democrats were not disposed to submit, and

the consequence was that two delegations from the disputed district appeared, demanding seats, and upon the organization, two Speakers were elected and took the platform—Thomas S. Cunningham for the Anti-Masons, and William Hopkins for the Democrats. At this stage of the game, an infuriated lobby, collected from Philadelphia and surrounding cities, broke into the two Houses, and, interrupting all business, threatened the lives of members, and compelled them to seek safety in flight, when they took uncontrolled possession of the chambers and indulged in noisy and impassioned harangues. From the capitol, the mob proceeded to the court house, where a "committee of safety" was appointed. For several days the members dared not enter either House, and when one of the parties of the House attempted to assemble, the person who had been appointed to act as Speaker was forcibly ejected. All business was at an end, and the Executive and State Departments were closed. At this juncture, Gov. Ritner ordered out the militia, and at the same time called on the United States authorities for help. The militia, under Gens. Pattison and Alexander, came promptly to the rescue, but the President refused to furnish the National troops, though the United States storekeeper at the Frankford Arsenal turned over a liberal supply of ball and *buckshot* cartridges. The arrival of the militia only served to fire the spirit of the lobby, and they immediately commenced drilling and organizing, supplying themselves with arms and fixed ammunition. The militia authorities were, however, able to clear the capitol, when the two Houses assembled, and the Senate signified the willingness to recognize that branch of the House presided over by Mr. Hopkins. This ended the difficulty, and Gov. Porter was duly inaugurated.

Francis R. Shunk was chosen Governor in 1845, and during his term of office the war with Mexico occurred. Two volunteer regiments, one under command of Col. Wynkoop, and the other under Col. Roberts, subsequently Col. John W. Geary, were sent to the field, while the services of a much larger number were offered, but could not be received. Toward the close of his first term, having been reduced by sickness, and feeling his end approaching, Gov. Shunk resigned, and was succeeded by the Speaker of the Senate, William F. Johnston, who was duly chosen at the next annual election. During the administrations of William Bigler, elected in 1851, James Pollock in 1854, and William F. Packer in 1857, little beyond the ordinary course of events marked the history of the State. The lines of public works undertaken at the expense of the State were completed. Their cost had been enormous, and a debt was piled up against it of over \$40,000,000. These works, vastly expensive, were still to operate and keep in repair, and the revenues therefrom failing to meet expectations, it was determined in the administration of Gov. Pollock to sell them to the highest bidder, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company purchasing them for the sum of \$7,500,000.

In the administration of Gov. Packer, petroleum was first discovered in quantities in this country by boring into the bowels of the earth. From the earliest settlement of the country it was known to exist. As early as July 18, 1627, a French missionary, Joseph Delaroche Daillon, of the order of Recollets, described it in a letter published in 1632, in Segard's *L'Histoire du Canada*, and this description is confirmed by the journal of Charlevoix, 1721. Fathers Dollier and Galinee, missionaries of the order of St. Sulpice, made a map of this section of country, which they sent to Jean Talon, Intendant of Canada, on the 10th of November, 1670, on which was marked at about the point where is now the town of Cuba, N. Y., "Fontaine de Bitume." The Earl of Belmont, Governor of New York, instructed his chief engineer, Wolfgang W. Romer, on September 3, 1700, in his visit to the Six Nations,

“To go and view a well or spring which is eight miles beyond the Seneks’ farthest castle, which they have told me blazes up in a flame, when a lighted coale or firebrand is put into it; you will do well to taste the said water, and give me your opinion thereof, and bring with you some of it.” Thomas Chabert de Joncaire, who died in September, 1740, is mentioned in the journal of Charlevoix of 1721 as authority for the existence of oil at the place mentioned above, and at points further south, probably on Oil Creek. The following account of an event occurring during the occupancy of this part of the State by the French is given as an example of the religious uses made of oil by the Indians, as these fire dances are understood to have been annually celebrated: “While descending the Allegheny, fifteen leagues below the mouth of the Connewango (Warren) and three above Fort Venango (Oil City), we were invited by the chief of the Senecas to attend a religious ceremony of his tribe. We landed and drew up our canoes on a point where a small stream entered the river. The tribe appeared unusually solemn. We marched up the stream about a half a league, where the company, a large band it appeared, had arrived some days before us. Gigantic hills begirt us on every side. The scene was really sublime. The great chief then recited the conquests and heroisms of their ancestors. The surface of the stream was covered with a thick scum, which burst into a complete conflagration. The oil had been gathered and lighted with a torch. At sight of the flames, the Indians gave forth a triumphant shout, and made the hills and valley re-echo again.”

In nearly all geographies and notes of travel published during the early period of settlement, this oil is referred to, and on several maps the word *petroleum* appears opposite the mouth of Oil Creek. Gen. Washington, in his will, in speaking of his lands on the Great Kanawha, says: “The tract of which the 125 acres is a moiety, was taken up by Gen. Andrew Lewis and myself, for and on account of a bituminous spring which it contains of so inflammable a nature as to burn as freely as spirits, and is as nearly difficult to extinguish.” Mr. Jefferson, in his Notes on Virginia, also gives an account of a burning spring on the lower grounds of the Great Kanawha. This oil not only seems to have been known, but to have been systematically gathered in very early times. Upon the flats a mile or so below the city of Titusville are many acres of cradle holes dug out and lined with split logs, evidently constructed for the purpose of gathering it. The fact that the earliest inhabitants could never discover any stumps from which these logs were cut, and the further fact that trees are growing of giant size in the midst of these cradles, are evidences that they must have been operated long ago. It could not have been the work of any of the nomadic Indian tribes found here at the coming of the white man, for they were never known to undertake any enterprise involving so much labor, and what could they do with the oil when obtained.

The French could hardly have done the work, for we have no account of the oil having been obtained in quantities, or of its being transported to France. May this not have been the work of the Mound-Builders, or of colonies from Central America? When the writer first visited these pits, in 1855, he found a spring some distance below Titusville, on Oil Creek, where the water was conducted into a trough, from which, daily, the oil, floating on its surface, was taken off by throwing a woolen blanket upon it, and then wringing it into a tub, the clean wool absorbing the oil and rejecting the water, and in this way a considerable quantity was obtained.

In 1850, Mr. E. L. Drake, at first representing a company in New York, commenced drilling near the spot where this tub was located, and when the company would give him no more money, straining his own resources, and his

credit with his friends almost to the breaking point, and when about to give up in despair, finally struck a powerful current of pure oil. From this time forward, the territory down the valley of Oil Creek and up all its tributaries was rapidly acquired and developed for oil land. In some places, the oil was sent up with immense force, at the rate of thousands of barrels each day, and great trouble was experienced in bringing it under control and storing it. In some cases, the force of the gas was so powerful on being accidentally fired, as to defy all approach for many days, and lighted up the forests at night with billows of light.

The oil has been found in paying quantities in McKean, Warren, Forest, Crawford, Venango, Clarion, Butler and Armstrong Counties, chiefly along the upper waters of the Allegheny River and its tributary, the Oil Creek. It was first transported in barrels, and teams were kept busy from the first dawn until far into the night. As soon as practicable, lines of railway were constructed from nearly all the trunk lines. Finally barrels gave place to immense iron tanks riveted upon cars, provided for the escape of the gases, and later great pipe lines were extended from the wells to the seaboard, and to the Great Lakes, through which the fluid is forced by steam to its distant destinations. Its principal uses are for illumination and lubricating, though many of its products are employed in the mechanic arts, notably for dyeing, mixing of paints, and in the practice of medicine. Its production has grown to be enormous, and seems as yet to show no sign of diminution. We give an exhibit of the annual production since its discovery, compiled for this work by William H. Siviter, editor of the *Oil City Derrick*, which is the acknowledged authority on oil matters:

Production of the Pennsylvania Oil Fields, compiled from the *Derrick's Hand-book*, December, 1883:

	Barrels.		Barrels.
1859 .....	82,000	1873 .....	9,849,508
1860 .....	500,000	1874 .....	11,102,114
1861 .....	2,113,000	1875 .....	8,948,749
1862 .....	3,056,606	1876 .....	9,142,940
1863 .....	2,611,399	1877 .....	13,052,713
1864 .....	2,116,182	1878 .....	15,011,425
1865 .....	3,497,712	1879 .....	20,085,716
1866 .....	3,597,512	1880 .....	24,788,950
1867 .....	3,347,306	1881 .....	29,674,458
1868 .....	3,715,741	1882 .....	31,789,190
1869 .....	4,186,475	1883 .....	24,385,966
1870 .....	5,308,046		
1871 .....	5,278,076	A grand total of .....	43,749,558
1872 .....	6,505,774		

In the fall of 1860, Andrew G. Curtin was elected Governor of Pennsylvania, and Abraham Lincoln President of the United States. An organized rebellion, under the specious name of secession, was thereupon undertaken, embracing parts of fifteen States, commonly designated the Slave States, and a government established under the name of the Confederate States of America, with an Executive and Congress, which commenced the raising of troops for defense.

On the 12th of April, an attack was made upon a small garrison of United States troops shut up in Fort Sumter. This was rightly interpreted as the first act in a great drama. On the 15th, the President summoned 75,000 volunteers to vindicate the national authority, calling for sixteen regiments from Pennsylvania, and urging that two be sent forward immediately, as the capital was without defenders.

The people of the State, having no idea that war could be possible, had no

preparation for the event. There chanced at the time to be five companies in a tolerable state of organization. These were the Ringold Light Artillery, Capt. McKnight, of Reading; the Logan Guards, Capt. Selheimer, of Lewistown; the Washington Artillery, Capt. Wren, and the National Light Infantry, Capt. McDonald, of Pottsville; and the Allen Rifles, Capt. Yeager, of Allentown.

On the 18th, in conjunction with a company of fifty regulars, on their way from the West to Fort McHenry, under command of Capt. Pemberton, afterward Lieut. Gen. Pemberton, of the rebel army, these troops moved by rail for Washington. At Baltimore, they were obliged to march two miles through a jeering and insulting crowd. At the center of the city, the regulars filed off toward Fort McHenry, leaving the volunteers to pursue their way alone, when the crowd of maddened people were excited to redoubled insults. In the whole battalion there was not a charge of powder; but a member of the Logan Guards, who chanced to have a box of percussion caps in his pocket, had distributed them to his comrades, who carried their pieces capped and half cocked, creating the impression that they were loaded and ready for service. This ruse undoubtedly saved the battalion from the murderous assault made upon the Massachusetts Sixth on the following day. Before leaving, they were pelted with stones and billets of wood while boarding the cars; but, fortunately, none were seriously injured, and the train finally moved away and reached Washington in safety, the first troops to come to the unguarded and imperiled capital.

Instead of sixteen, twenty-five regiments were organized for the three months' service from Pennsylvania. Judging from the threatening attitude assumed by the rebels across the Potomac that the southern frontier would be constantly menaced, Gov. Curtin sought permission to organize a select corps, to consist of thirteen regiments of infantry, one of cavalry, and one of artillery, and to be known as the Pennsylvania Reserve Corps, which the Legislature, in special session, granted. This corps of 15,000 men was speedily raised, and the intention of the State authorities was to keep this body permanently within the limits of the Commonwealth for defense. But at the time of the First Bull Run disaster in July, 1861, the National Government found itself without troops to even defend the capital, the time of the three months' men being now about to expire, and at its urgent call this fine body was sent forward and never again returned for the execution of the duty for which it was formed, having borne the brunt of the fighting on many a hard-fought field during the three years of its service.

In addition to the volunteer troops furnished in response to the several calls of the President, upon the occasion of the rebel invasion of Maryland in September, 1862, Gov. Curtin called 50,000 men for the emergency, and though the time was very brief, 25,000 came, were organized under command of Gen. John F. Reynolds, and were marched to the border. But the battle of Antietam, fought on the 17th of September, caused the enemy to beat a hasty retreat, and the border was relieved when the emergency troops were disbanded and returned to their homes. On the 19th of October, Gen. J. E. B. Stewart, of the rebel army, with 1,800 horsemen under command of Hampton, Lee and Jones, crossed the Potomac and made directly for Chambersburg, arriving after dark. Not waiting for morning to attack, he sent in a flag of truce demanding the surrender of the town. There were 275 Union soldiers in hospital, whom he paroled. During the night, the troopers were busy picking up horses—swapping horses perhaps it should be called—and the morning saw them early on the move. The rear guard gave notice before leaving to re-



move all families from the neighborhood of the public buildings, as they intended to fire them. There was a large amount of fixed ammunition in them, which had been captured from Longstreet's train, besides Government stores of shoes, clothing and muskets. At 11 o'clock the station house, round house, railroad machine shops and warehouses were fired and consigned to destruction. The fire department was promptly out; but it was dangerous to approach the burning buildings on account of the ammunition, and all perished.

The year 1862 was one of intense excitement and activity. From about the 1st of May, 1861, to the end of 1862, there were recruited in the State of Pennsylvania, one hundred and eleven regiments, including eleven of cavalry and three of artillery, for three years' service; twenty-five regiments for three months; seventeen for nine months; fifteen of drafted militia; and twenty-five called out for the emergency, an aggregate of one hundred and ninety-three regiments—a grand total of over 200,000 men—a great army in itself.

In June, 1863, Gen. Robert E. Lee, with his entire army of Northern Virginia, invaded Pennsylvania. The Army of the Potomac, under Gen. Joseph Hooker, followed. The latter was superseded on the 28th of June by Gen. George G. Meade. The vanguards of the army met a mile or so out of Gettysburg on the Chambersburg pike on the morning of the 1st of July. Hill's corps of the rebel army was held in check by the sturdy fighting of a small division of cavalry under Gen. Buford until 10 o'clock, when Gen. Reynolds came to his relief with the First Corps. While bringing his forces into action, Reynolds was killed, and the command devolved on Gen. Abner Doubleday, and the fighting became terrible, the Union forces being greatly outnumbered. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon, the Eleventh Corps, Gen. O. O. Howard, came to the support of the First. But now the corps of Ewell had joined hands with Hill, and a full two-thirds of the entire rebel army was on the field, opposed by only the two weak Union corps, in an inferior position. A sturdy fight was however maintained until 5 o'clock, when the Union forces withdrew through the town, and took position upon rising ground covering the Baltimore pike. During the night the entire Union army came up, with the exception of the Sixth Corps, and took position, and at 2 o'clock in the morning Gen. Meade and staff came on the field. During the morning hours, and until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, the two armies were getting into position for the desperate struggle. The Third Corps, Gen. Sickles, occupied the extreme left, his corps abutting on the Little Round Top at the Devil's Den, and reaching, *en echelon*, through the rugged ground to the Peach Orchard, and thence along the Emmettsburg pike, where it joined the Second Corps, Gen. Hancock, reaching over Cemetery Hill, the Eleventh Corps, Gen. Howard, the First, Gen. Doubleday, and the Twelfth, Gen. Slocum, reaching across Culp's Hill—the whole crescent shape. To this formation the rebel army conformed, Longstreet opposite the Union left, Hill opposite the center, and Ewell opposite the Union right. At 4 P. M. the battle was opened by Longstreet, on the extreme left of Sickles, and the fighting became terrific, the rebels making strenuous efforts to gain Little Round Top. But at the opportune moment a part of the Fifth Corps, Gen. Sykes, was brought upon that key position, and it was saved to the Union side. The slaughter in front of Round Top at the wheat-field and the Peach Orchard was fearful. The Third Corps was driven back from its advanced position, and its commander, Gen. Sickles, was wounded, losing a leg. In a more contracted position, the Union line was made secure, where it rested for the night. Just at dusk, the Louisiana Tigers, some 1,800 men, made a desperate charge on Cemetery Hill, emerging suddenly from a hillock

just back of the town. The struggle was desperate, but the Tigers being weakened by the fire of the artillery, and by the infantry crouching behind the stone wall, the onset was checked, and Carroll's brigade, of the Second Corps, coming to the rescue, they were finally beaten back, terribly decimated. At about the same time, a portion of Ewell's corps made an advance on the extreme Union right, at a point where the troops had been withdrawn to send to the support of Sickles, and unopposed, gained the extremity of Culp's Hill, pushing through nearly to the Baltimore pike, in dangerous proximity to the reserve artillery and trains, and even the headquarters of the Union commander. But in their attempt to roll up the Union right they were met by Green's brigade of the Twelfth Corps, and by desperate fighting their further progress was stayed. Thus ended the battle of the second day. The Union left and right had been sorely jammed and pushed back.

At 4 o'clock on the morning of the 3d of July, Gen. Geary, who had been ordered away to the support of Sickles, having returned during the night and taken position on the right of Green, opened the battle for the recovery of his lost breastworks on the right of Culp's Hill. Until 10 o'clock, the battle raged with unabated fury. The heat was intolerable, and the sulphurous vapor hung like a pall over the combatants, shutting out the light of day. The fighting was in the midst of the forest, and the echoes resounded with fearful distinctness. The Twelfth Corps was supported by portions of the Sixth, which had now come up. At length the enemy, weakened and finding themselves overborne on all sides, gave way, and the Union breastworks were re-occupied and the Union right made entirely secure. Comparative quiet now reigned on either side until 2 o'clock in the afternoon, in the meantime both sides bringing up fresh troops and repairing damages. The rebel leader having brought his best available artillery in upon his right center, suddenly opened with 150 pieces a concentric fire upon the devoted Union left center, where stood the troops of Hancock and Doubleday and Sickles. The shock was terrible. Rarely has such a cannonade been known on any field. For nearly two hours it was continued. Thinking that the Union line had been broken and demoralized by this fire, Longstreet brought out a fresh corps of some 18,000 men, under Pickett, and charged full upon the point which had been the mark for the cannonade. As soon as this charging column came into view, the Union artillery opened upon it from right and left and center, and rent it with fearful effect. When come within musket range, the Union troops, who had been crouching behind slight pits and a low stone wall, poured in a most murderous fire. Still the rebels pushed forward with a bold face, and actually crossed the Union lines and had their hands on the Union guns. But the slaughter was too terrible to withstand. The killed and wounded lay scattered over all the plain. Many were gathered in as prisoners. Finally, the remnant staggered back, and the battle of Gettysburg was at an end.

Gathering all in upon his fortified line, the rebel chieftain fell to strengthening it, which he held with a firm hand. At night-fall, he put his trains with the wounded upon the retreat. During the 4th, great activity in building works was manifest, and a heavy skirmish line was kept well out, which resolutely met any advance of Union forces. The entire fighting force of the rebel army remained in position behind their breastworks on Oak Ridge, until nightfall of the 4th, when, under cover of darkness, it was withdrawn, and before morning was well on its way to Williamsport. The losses on the Union side were 2,834 killed, 13,709 wounded, and 6,643 missing, an aggregate of 23,186. Of the losses of the enemy, no adequate returns were made. Meade

reports 13,621 prisoners taken, and the losses by killed and wounded must have been greater than on the Union side. On the rebel side, Maj. Gens. Hood, Pender, Trimble and Heth were wounded, Pender mortally. Brig. Gens. Barksdale and Garnett were killed, and Semms mortally wounded. Brig. Gens. Kemper, Armistead, Scales, G. T. Anderson, Hampton, J. M. Jones and Jenkins were wounded; Archer was taken prisoner and Pettigrew was wounded and subsequently killed at Falling Waters. In the Union army Maj. Gen. Reynolds and Brig. Gens. Vincent, Weed, Willard and Zook were killed. Maj. Gens. Sickles, Hancock, Doubleday, Gibbon, Barlow, Warren and Butterfield, and Brig. Gens. Graham, Paul, Stone, Barnes and Brooke were wounded. A National Cemetery was secured on the center of the field, where, as soon as the weather would permit, the dead were gathered and carefully interred. Of the entire number interred, 3,512, Maine had 104; New Hampshire, 49; Vermont, 61; Massachusetts, 159; Rhode Island, 12; Connecticut, 22; New York, 867; New Jersey, 78; Pennsylvania, 534; Delaware, 15; Maryland, 22; West Virginia, 11; Ohio, 131; Indiana, 80; Illinois, 6; Michigan, 171; Wisconsin, 73; Minnesota, 52; United States Regulars, 138; unknown, 979. In the center of the field, a noble monument has been erected, and on the 19th of November, 1864, the ground was formally dedicated, when the eminent orator, Edward Everett, delivered an oration, and President Lincoln delivered the following dedicatory address:

“Fourscore and seven years ago, our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battle field of that war. We are met to dedicate a portion of it as the final resting place of those who here gave their lives that this nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But in a larger sense we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here have consecrated it far above our power to add or detract. The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us, the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work that they have thus far so nobly carried on. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to the cause for which they here gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that the dead shall not have died in vain; that the nation shall, under God, have a new birth of freedom, and that the government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth.”

So soon as indications pointed to a possible invasion of the North by the rebel army under Gen. Lee, the State of Pennsylvania was organized in two military departments, that of the Susquehanna, to the command of which Darins N. Couch was assigned, with headquarters at Harrisburg, and that of the Monongahela, under W. T. H. Brooks, with headquarters at Pittsburgh. Urgent calls for the militia were made, and large numbers in regiments, in companies, in squadrons came promptly at the call to the number of over 36,000 men, who were organized for a period of ninety days. Fortifications were thrown up to cover Harrisburg and Pittsburgh, and the troops were moved to threatened points. But before they could be brought into action, the great decisive conflict had been fought, and the enemy driven from northern soil. Four regiments under Gen. Brooks were moved into Ohio to aid in arresting a raid undertaken by John Morgan, who, with 2,000 horse and four guns, had crossed the Ohio River for a diversion in favor of Lee.

In the beginning of July, 1864, Gen. Early invaded Maryland, and made his way to the threshold of Washington. Fearing another invasion of the State, Gov. Curtin called for volunteers to serve for 100 days. Gen. Couch was still at the head of the department of the Susquehanna, and six regiments and six companies were organized, but as fast as organized they were called to the front, the last regiment leaving the State on the 29th of July. On the evening of this day, Gens. McCausland, Bradley Johnson and Harry Gilmore, with 3,000 mounted men and six guns, crossed the Potomac, and made their way to Chambersburg. Another column of 3,000, under Vaughn and Jackson advanced to Hagerstown, and a third to Leitersburg. Averell, with a small force, was at Hagerstown, but finding himself over-matched withdrew through Greencastle to Mount Hope. Lieut. McLean, with fifty men in front of McCausland, gallantly kept his face to the foe, and checked the advance at every favorable point. On being apprised of their coming, the public stores at Chambersburg were moved northward. At six A. M., McCausland opened his batteries upon the town, but, finding it unprotected, took possession. Ringing the court house bell to call the people together, Capt. Fitzhugh read an order to the assembly, signed by Gen. Jubal Early, directing the command to proceed to Chambersburg and demand \$100,000 in gold, or \$500,000 in greenbacks, and, if not paid, to burn the town. While this parley was in progress, hats, caps, boots, watches, clothing and valuables were unceremoniously appropriated, and purses demanded at the point of the bayonet. As money was not in hand to meet so unexpected a draft, the torch was lighted. In less than a quarter of an hour from the time the first match was applied, the whole business part of the town was in flames. No notice was given for removing the women and children and sick. Burning parties were sent into each quarter of the town, which made thorough work. With the exception of a few houses upon the outskirts, the whole was laid in ruins. Retiring rapidly, the entire rebel command recrossed the Potomac before any adequate force could be gathered to check its progress.

The whole number of soldiers recruited under the various calls for troops from the State of Pennsylvania was 366,000. By authority of the commonwealth, in 1866, the commencement was made of the publication of a history of these volunteer organizations, embracing a brief historical account of the part taken by each regiment and independent body in every battle in which it was engaged, with the name, rank, date of muster, period for which he enlisted, casualties, and fate of every officer and private. This work was completed in 1872, in five imperial octavo volumes of over 1,400 pages each.

In May, 1861, the Society of the Cincinnati of Pennsylvania, an organization of the officers of the Revolutionary war and their descendants, donated \$500 toward arming and equipping troops. By order of the Legislature, this sum was devoted to procuring flags for the regiments, and each organization that went forth, was provided with one emblazoned with the arms of the commonwealth. These flags, seamed and battle stained, were returned at the close of the war, and are now preserved in a room devoted to the purpose in the State capitol—precious emblems of the daring and suffering of that great army that went forth to uphold and maintain the integrity of the nation.

When the war was over, the State undertook the charge of providing for all soldiers' orphans in schools located in different parts of its territory, furnishing food, clothing, instruction and care, until they should be grown to manhood and womanhood. The number thus gathered and cared for has been some 7,500 annually, for a period of nineteen years, at an average annual expense of some \$600,000.

At the election in 1866, John W. Geary, a veteran General of the late war, was chosen Governor. During his administration, settlements were made with the General Government, extraordinary debts incurred during the war were paid, and a large reduction of the old debt of \$40,000,000 inherited from the construction of the canals, was made. A convention for a revision of the constitution was ordered by act of April 11, 1872. This convention assembled in Harrisburg November 13, and adjourned to meet in Philadelphia, where it convened on the 7th of January, 1873, and the instrument framed was adopted on the 18th of December, 1873. By its provisions, the number of Senators was increased from thirty-three to fifty, and Representatives from 100 to 201, subject to further increase in proportion to increase of population; biennial, in place of annual sessions; making the term of Supreme Court Judges twenty-one in place of fifteen years; remanding a large class of legislation to the action of the courts; making the term of Governor four years in place of three, and prohibiting special legislation, were some of the changes provided for.

In January, 1873, John F. Hartranft became Governor, and at the election in 1878, Henry F. Hoyt was chosen Governor, both soldiers of the late war. In the summer of 1877, by concert of action of the employes on the several lines of railway in the State, trains were stopped and travel and traffic were interrupted for several days together. At Pittsburgh, conflicts occurred between the railroad men and the militia, and a vast amount of property was destroyed. The opposition to the local military was too powerful to be controlled, and the National Government was appealed to for aid. A force of regulars was promptly ordered out, and the rioters finally quelled. Unfortunately, Gov. Hartranft was absent from the State at the time of the troubles.

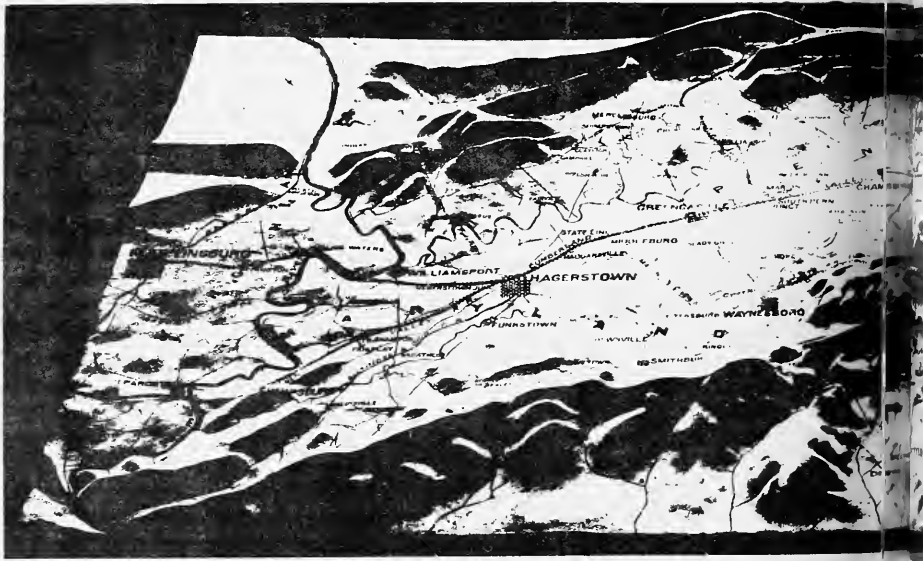
At the election in 1882 Robert E. Pattison was chosen governor. The Legislature, which met at the opening of 1883, having adjourned after a session of 156 days, without passing a Congressional apportionment bill, as was required, was immediately reconvened in extra session by the governor, and remained in session until near the close of the year, from June 1 to December 5, without coming to an agreement upon a bill, and finally adjourned without having passed one. This protracted sitting is in marked contrast to the session of that early Assembly in which an entire constitution and laws of the province were framed and adopted in the space of three days.

November 2, 1886, James A. Beaver was elected governor.

TABLE SHOWING THE VOTE FOR GOVERNORS OF PENNSYLVANIA SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE STATE.

1790.			1829.			1866.		
Thomas Mifflin.....	27,725		George Wolf.....	78,219		John W. Geary.....	307,274	
Arthur St. Clair.....	2,802		Joseph Ritner.....	51,776		Hiester Clymer.....	290,097	
1793.			1832.			1869.		
Thomas Mifflin.....	18,590		George Wolf.....	91,335		John W. Geary.....	290,552	
F. A. Muhlenberg.....	10,706		Joseph Ritner.....	88,165		Asa Packer.....	285,956	
1796.			1835.			1872.		
Thomas Mifflin.....	30,020		Joseph Ritner.....	94,023		John F. Hartranft.....	353,387	
F. A. Muhlenberg.....	1,011		George Wolf.....	65,804		Charles R. Buckalen.....	317,760	
1799.			1838.			1875.		
Thomas McKean.....	38,036		Henry A. Muhlenberg.....	40,586		S. B. Chase.....	1,197	
James Ross.....	32,641		David R. Porter.....	127,827		William P. Schell.....	12	
1802.			1841.			1886.		
Thomas McKean.....	47,879		David R. Porter.....	136,504		John F. Hartranft.....	304,176	
James Ross, of Pittsburgh.....	9,499		John Banks.....	113,473		Cyrus L. Pershing.....	292,145	
James Ross.....	7,538		John Lemoyne.....	763		E. Audley Brown.....	13,244	
1808.			1844.			1892.		
Simon Snyder.....	67,975		George F. Horton.....	18		James S. Negley.....	1	
James Ross.....	39,575		Samuel L. Carpenter.....	4		Phillip Wendle.....	1	
John Spayd.....	4,006		Ellis Lewis.....	1		J. W. Brown.....	1	
W. Shields.....	2		Francis R. Shunk.....	160,322		G. F. Reinhard.....	1	
Charles Nice.....	1		Joseph Markle.....	156,040		G. D. Coleman.....	1	
Jack Ross.....	2		Julius J. Lemoyne.....	10		James Staples.....	1	
W. Tilghman.....	1		John Haney.....	2		Richard Vaux.....	1	
1811.			1847.			1897.		
Simon Snyder.....	52,319		James Page.....	1		Craig Biddle.....	1	
William Tilghman.....	3,809		Francis R. Shunk.....	146,081		Francis W. Hughes.....	1	
Scattering, no record for whom.....	1,675		James Irvin.....	128,148		Henry C. Tyler.....	1	
1814.			1851.			1900.		
Simon Snyder.....	51,099		Manuel C. Reigart.....	11,247		George V. Lawrence.....	1	
Isaac Wayne.....	29,566		F. J. Lemoyne.....	1,861		A. L. Brown.....	1	
G. Lattimer.....	910		George M. Keim.....	1		H. M. Hoyt.....	319,490	
J. R. Rust.....	4		Abijah Morrison.....	3		Andrew H. Dill.....	297,137	
1817.			1857.			1903.		
William Findlay.....	66,331		William F. Johnston.....	168,522		Samuel R. Mason.....	81,758	
Joseph Hiester.....	59,272		E. B. Gazzam.....	48		Franklin H. Lane.....	3,753	
Moses Palmer.....	1		Scattering (no record).....	24		S. Matson.....	2	
Aaron Hanson.....	1		William Bigler.....	186,489		John McKee.....	2	
John Seffer.....	1		William F. Johnston.....	178,034		D. Kirk.....	1	
Seth Thomas.....	1		Kimber Cleaver.....	1,850		R. L. Miller.....	1	
Nicholas Wiseman.....	3		James Pollock.....	203,822		J. H. Hopkins.....	1	
Benjamin R. Morgan.....	2		William Bigler.....	166,991		A. G. Williams.....	1	
William Tilghman.....	1		B. Rush Bradford.....	2,194		Samuel H. Lane.....	1	
Andrew Gregg.....	1		1864.			John Fertig.....	1	
1820.			1866.			James Musgrove.....	1	
Joseph Hiester.....	67,905		James Pollock.....	203,822		Silas M. Baily.....	1	
William Findlay.....	66,300		William Bigler.....	166,991		A. S. Post.....	9	
Scattering (no record).....	21		B. Rush Bradford.....	2,194		C. A. Cornen.....	3	
1823.			1869.			Seth Yocum.....	1	
J. Andrew Shulze.....	81,751		William F. Packer.....	188,846		Edward E. Orvis.....	1	
Andrew Gregg.....	64,151		David Wilmot.....	149,139		1882.		
Andrew Shulze.....	112		Isaac Hazlehurst.....	28,168		Robert E. Pattison.....	355,791	
John Andrew Shulze.....	7,311		James Pollock.....	28,168		James A. Beaver.....	315,589	
Andrew Gregg.....	53		George R. Barret.....	1		John Stewart.....	43,743	
Andrew Greg.....	1		William Steel.....	1		Thomas A. Armstrong.....	23,996	
John A. Shulze.....	754		F. P. Swartz.....	1		Alfred C. Pettit.....	5,196	
Nathaniel B. Boileau.....	3		Samuel McFarland.....	1		Scattering.....	55	
Capt. Gasseader.....	3		George F. Horton.....	7		1886.		
John Gasseader.....	1		1860.			James A. Beaver.....	412,285	
Isaac Wayne.....	1		Andrew G. Curtin.....	262,346		Chauncey F. Black.....	369,634	
George Bryan.....	1		Henry D. Foster.....	230,239		Charles S. Wolfe.....	32,458	
1826.			1863.			Robert J. Houston.....	4,835	
J. Andrew Shulze.....	72,710		A. G. Curtin.....	269,506		Scattering.....	55	
John Sergeant.....	1,176		George W. Woodward.....	254,171		1906.		
Scattering (no record).....	1,174		John Hickman.....	1		James A. Beaver.....	412,285	
			Thomas M. Howe.....	1		Chauncey F. Black.....	369,634	







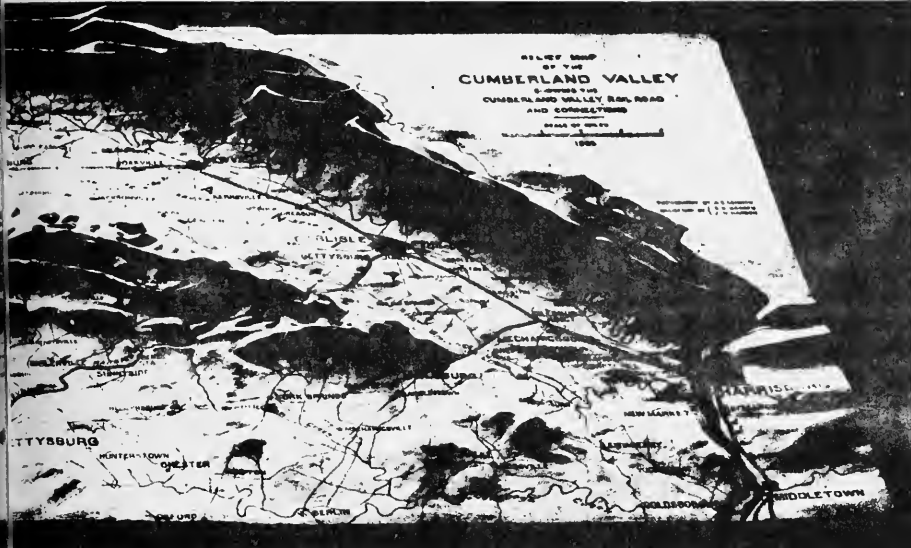
RELIEF MAP  
OF THE  
**CUMBERLAND VALLEY**

AS SHOWN BY THE  
CUMBERLAND VALLEY R.R. ROAD  
AND CORRELATIONS

MADE BY W.H. HAY

1905

SCALE OF 1:50,000  
OR 1" = 1 MILE





PART II.

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HISTORY OF FRANKLIN COUNTY.



# HISTORY OF FRANKLIN COUNTY.

## CHAPTER I.

### PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION.

THE GREAT EASTERN VALLEY—THE PATH OF A PROBABLE GULF STREAM—THE MOUNTAIN RANGES AND THEIR APPENDAGES—SYSTEMS OF DRAINAGE—GEOLOGICAL AND MINERALOGICAL ASPECTS—CHARACTER OF SOIL—VEGETATION—CLIMATE.

THE beautiful valley, of which Franklin County forms but a small part, sweeps along the entire eastern coast of the United States, extending, under different names, from the southern extremity of Vermont across the Hudson at Newburgh, the Delaware at Easton, the Susquehanna at Harrisburg, the Potomac at Harper's Ferry, the James at Lynchburg, the Tennessee at Chattanooga, and losing itself in Alabama and the southwest. By some it is claimed to have been the path along which an ocean current, possibly the beneficent Gulf Stream, whose influence changes the natural and social conditions of both American and European civilization, flowed long prior to the present order of things, in either the old or the new world. It is bounded on either side by a chain of the great Appalachian Mountain system, running from the northeast to the southwest, and is of nearly uniform width, from twelve to twenty miles—the whole distance. It is broken into fertile agricultural sections by the beautiful streams already mentioned, apparently to meet the diversified wants of its future occupants.

The section lying between the Susquehanna and the Potomac is usually designated as the Cumberland Valley. The valley west of "Harris Ferry," as Harrisburg was originally known, was called by some "Kittochtinny," by others "North" Valley. The northwestern boundary is known in Pennsylvania as North Mountain, or the Kittatinny Mountain, the latter name, signifying endless, being an euphonic change from *Kekachtannin*, by which the Delaware Indians called it. The southwestern boundary is South Mountain, a beautiful range, parallel with the Kittatinny. From the Susquehanna to the Potomac, the Kittatinny maintains an almost uniform summit line, ranging from 700 to 1,200 feet above the valley beneath. Several picturesque points or projections, known as Clark's, Parnell's, Jordan's and Casey's Knobs, and Two-Top Mountains, give fine relief to the range. Of these, Parnell's and Casey's were used, during the civil war, as union signal stations. Between Kittatinny and Tuscarora, lying still farther to the west, are several beautiful and productive valleys: Path Valley, terminating at the extreme north end in Horse Valley, and sending off to the right of Knob Mountain another known as Amberson's Valley; Bear and Horse Valleys, elevated and of smaller extent, having a trend northeastward; Cove Gap, a picturesque opening, through which packers in the olden, and vehicles in the modern time, pass across the moun-

tain westward, and Little Cove, a long narrow valley, that slopes southwestward toward the Potomac. In the southwestern part of what is now Franklin County, formed by Kittatinny on the west, Cross Mountain on the south, and Two-Top Mountain on the east, lies a relic of the mythical days, when the giants piled Ossa on Pelion, and known as the Devil's Punch Bowl. From its spacious receptacle the gods, in their Bacchanalian revelry, quaffed their intoxicating drinks.

South Mountain, less picturesque in its scenery, is covered with a good supply of valuable timber. Like Kittatinny range, its table-lands are valuable for the fuel supplies they furnish to the inhabitants of the valley, as well as for the diversified scenery they afford to the passers-by. The richness of view afforded by these two mountain ranges is calculated to inspire a remarkable love for the beautiful in nature, and to develop the poetic sentiment in man.

The drainage of Franklin County is most perfect, and consists of two systems. The first, flowing northeastward in a tortuous course, and emptying into the Susquehanna River at West Fairview, two miles above Harrisburg, embraces the Conodoguinet and its tributaries, viz.: Spring Creek and its branches, Furnace and Main's, Muddy, Keasey's, Lehman's, Paxton's, Clip-pinger's and Trout Runs. The northern portion of the county, particularly Southampton, Letterkenny, Lurgan, and portions of St. Thomas, Peters, Metal and Fannett, is thus provided with good drainage and the means of preserving animals and plants against drouth.

The second system, embracing all those water-courses which flow southward, and finally discharge their contents into the Potomac River, includes the following streams:

1. The Conococheague with two distinct branches, East Conococheague and West Conococheague, which unite near the southern part of the county on the farm of Mr. Lazarus Kennedy, empties into the Potomac at Williamsport. East Conococheague receives from the central portion of the county the contributions of Rocky Creek, Falling Spring, Back Creek, Campbell's Run and Muddy Run. Several of these streams are supplied with abundant mill power, which is utilized to the best advantage. West Conococheague, traversing the whole extent of Path Valley, leaps into the broad open valley from between Cape Horn and Jordan's Knob, and, gathering in the waters of Broad and Trout Runs, Licking Creek, Welsh Run and other small streams, hastens to join its twin sister at their junction on the Kennedy place.

2. Marsh Run, which divides, a part of the way, the present townships of Antrim and Washington.

3. Little Antietam, which with its two branches, East Antietam and West Antietam, thoroughly drains the southeastern part of the county, carrying its sparkling waters finally into the Potomac River near Sharpsburg, Md.

All these streams are fed by beautiful springs, whose sparkling waters come gushing forth from mountain and hillside, and many of them, in addition to supplying pure cold water for man and beast, are richly provided with an excellent quality of fish. They supply a water-power, which has long been utilized for milling and manufacturing purposes. Chambersburg and Waynesboro supply their own citizens with the clear refreshing water found in these mountain streams.

An observing traveler will notice that the ledges or beds of rocks trend from northeast to southwest, corresponding with the course of the mountain ranges; likewise that the various layers have positions one above another at different angles to the horizon. They have been broken up by some disturbing

element beneath, and have left their edges outcropping at various angles from a level to a perpendicular. Along the range of South Mountain he will find the rocks of a different character from those in the valley, being a hard, compact, white sandstone, which rings when it is struck, and when broken has a splintery and sometimes discolored appearance. At the northern base of South Mountain he encounters the great limestone formation, which obtains throughout the whole length of Cumberland Valley. "It is usually of a bluish but occasionally of a grey and nearly black color, generally pure enough to yield excellent lime, but not unfrequently mixed with sand, clay, and oxide of iron. Flint stones and fossils are also occasionally met with in some parts of this formation. In the soil above it, iron ore is sometimes abundant enough to be profitably worked; and indeed some of the most productive ore banks in the State are found in it and its vicinity. Pipe ore and kindred varieties of that material have been obtained of good quality in several localities in this limestone region. About the middle of the valley, though with a very irregular line of demarcation, we meet with a dark slate formation extending to the foot of North Mountain; though its usual color is brown or bluish, it is sometimes reddish and even yellow. Lying between the great limestone and the coarse grey sandstone, it is sometimes intermingled with sandstone which contains rounded pebbles forming conglomerate, but this is too silicious to receive a good polish. The rocks of Kittatinny or North Mountain consist almost exclusively of this massive grey limestone of various degrees of coarseness. They are not valuable for either building or mineral purposes."\*

Iron ore in extensive, and copper in limited quantities have been found; "beneath the surface ore, inexhaustible deposits of magnetic iron conveniently near to valuable beds of hematite, which lie either in fissures between the rocky strata or over them in a highly ferruginous loam. This hematite is of every possible variety and of immense quantities. When it has a columnar stalactite structure it is known under the name of pipe ore. It usually yields a superior iron, and at the same time is easily and profitably smelted. It generally produces at least fifty per cent of metallic iron."

The nature and fertility of soil are determined by the character of the underlying rocks by whose disintegration it is produced. The limestone lands are very productive. The slate lands, well improved by lime and other fertilizers, and properly cultivated by skilled labor, yield abundant crops. These two kinds of soil, the limestone and the slate, are both rendered productive. In fact, the entire belt of land in the valley is susceptible of the highest cultivation, the only unproductive land lying along the sides of the mountain. And even this is prized highly for its timber; or, when cleared, for its grazing and fruit-growing qualities.

Says Dr. Wing: "The natural productions of the soil, when it was first discovered by white men, awakened admiration quite as much as the meadows and the fields of grain have done at a later period. A rich luxuriance of grass is said to have covered the whole valley, wild fruits abounded, and in some parts the trees were of singular variety. Of the trees there were many species of oak, white and black walnut, hickory, white, red and sugar maple, cherry, locust, sassafras, chestnut, ash, elm, linden, beech, white and scrub pine, dogwood and iron-wood. The laurel, plum, juniper, persimmon, hazel, wild currant, gooseberry, blackberry, raspberry, spice bush, sumac and the more humble strawberry and dewberry and wintergreen almost covered the open country; and their berries, in some instances, constituted no small portion of the food of the Indians and the early settlers."

\*State Geological Survey.

The climate of Cumberland Valley does not differ essentially from that which prevails in the southeastern portion of the State. Hedged in by mountains, the keenness and force of the Atlantic winds are necessarily somewhat broken and modified; and yet strong mountain storms occasionally break in upon its peaceful habitations. The statements of careful observers induce the belief that perceptible changes in climate have occurred in the valley since its first settlement. Owing, it is thought, to the disappearance of forests and the consequently increased drainage of the lands, many streams are less copious and violent, the averages of cold and heat are decreased, and the moisture of the atmosphere is perceptibly diminished. Dr. Rush, of Philadelphia, a close observer of the climatology of the State from 1789 to 1805, remarked that a material change had taken place since the days of the founders: the cold of winters and the heat of summers were less uniform than they had been for forty or fifty years before \* \* \* "The variability of weather in our State," he continued, "is found south of 41° of latitude, and north of that the winters are steady and in character with the Eastern and Northern States; but no two successive seasons are alike, and even the same months differ from each other in different years. There is but one steady trait, and that is, it is uniformly variable."

What Dr. C. P. Wing wrote in 1879, concerning Cumberland County, may be applied with equal force to its daughter, Franklin County. Hear him: "Within the past thirty years, there have not been more than a score of days when the thermometer fell below zero, and about as many when it rose above ninety-seven.

"The summers more nearly resemble each other than do either of the other seasons; most of the days are hot and clear, but interrupted by violent thunder gusts, heavy rains from the northeast and warm showers from the south. Snow sometimes covers the ground in winter for months, and at other times there is scarcely enough for sleighing. The prevailing winds are, in summer, from the northwest and southwest, the former bringing clear and the latter cloudy weather; in winter, the northwest winds bring clear, cold weather, and the northeastern, snow, storms and rain. The winter seldom sets in with severity until the latter part of December and commonly begins to moderate in February.\* Near the close of this latter month, or early in March, the snow disappears, and in the beginning of April the fruit trees blossom and vegetation commences. At this season, however, the atmosphere is often damp, chilly and stormy, and until the beginning of May, there are frequent returns of wet and disagreeable weather, Owing to these changes, vegetation advances very unequally in different years, and the promising blossoms of the early spring are often blasted by the frosts of April and May. The average of rain and snow fall for three years was found to be, for the spring, 9.05 inches; for the summer, 9.67; for the autumn, 7.68; for the winter, 7.61, and for the whole year, 34.01. The autumn is usually the most agreeable season. The mornings and evenings become cool about the middle of September, and soon after the equinoctial rain and after the first frosts of November commences that remarkable peculiarity of our climate, the 'Indian summer.' The name is probably derived from the Indians, who were accustomed to say they always had a second summer of nine days just before the winter set in. It was the favorite time for their harvest, when they looked to gather in their corn, and when, from accident or design, on their hunting excursions, the woods and grass of the mountains and prairies were burned and their game was driven from concealment.

\*The compiler of this history spent the time from February 11 to December 14, 1886, in Franklin County, during which he did not find it necessary to wear an overcoat.



Certainly a more delightful climate, all things considered, it would be difficult to find in the United States. A stagnant pool or swamp, sufficient to produce malarious disease, is probably not known, and is scarcely possible on account of the peculiar drainage of the soil."

## CHAPTER II.

### PIONEER SETTLERS.

TWO CLASSES: SCOTCH-IRISH, THEIR ORIGIN, ARRIVALS, CHARACTER AND LOCATIONS—GERMANS, SKETCH OF PERSECUTIONS, ARRIVALS, TRIALS, ETC.—TREND OF SETTLEMENTS IN CUMBERLAND VALLEY WESTWARD—SHIPPENSBURG A DISTRIBUTING POINT—SETTLEMENTS AT FALLING SPRING—SKETCH OF BENJAMIN CHAMBERS—OTHER SETTLEMENTS AND SETTLERS IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE COUNTY—LIST OF TAXABLES IN 1751-52—MASON AND DIXON'S LINE.

Ye pioneers, it is to you  
The debt of gratitude is due;  
Ye builded wiser than ye knew  
The broad foundation  
On which our superstructure stands;  
Your strong right arms and willing hands,  
Your earnest efforts still command  
Our veneration.—PEARRE.

**T**WO general classes of people constituted the early settlers of Cumberland Valley, viz: the Scotch-Irish and the Germans.

The Scotch-Irish were a numerous but honorable class who migrated to Pennsylvania and other Eastern States at an early day. The origin of the term is traceable to events that occurred early in the seventeenth century. James I, of England [reign 1603-25], was very desirous of improving the civilization of Ireland. The Irish Earls of Tyrone and Tyrconell having conspired against the English Government, and been compelled to flee the country, their estates, consisting of about 500,000 acres, were confiscated. These estates the king divided into small tracts, and induced many Protestant people from his own country (Scotland) to locate upon them on condition that possession should be taken within four years.

A second revolt occurring soon after, another large forfeiture of the six counties in the Province of Ulster followed, the confiscated property being seized by Government officials. The King, being a zealous Protestant, aimed to root out the native Irish who were all Catholic, hostile to his government and incessantly plotting against it. Their places he intended to supply with people concerning whose loyalty he had no doubt, the sturdy inhabitants of his own land, Scotland. Encouraged and aided by the Government, these Scotch went in great numbers across to the near Province of Ulster, and took possession of the lands, which had been hitherto neglected and almost ruined by their indolent occupants. They addressed themselves, at once, with intelligence and industry, to reclaim the country and introduce a higher material and social order of things. The counties of Antrim, Armagh, Caven, Donegal, Down, Fermanagh, Londonderry, Monaghan and Tyrone—names familiar to all intelligent Pennsylvanians—soon became prominent because of the new blood and brains introduced.

Thus Protestantism was planted in Ireland. Its Scotch advocates, like the Jews, have maintained a separate existence, refusing to intermarry with their Irish neighbors. Protestant in religion, they have steadily refused to unite with the Irish, Celtic in origin and Roman Catholic in faith. This marked isolation has continued through a period of more than 250 years.

In the succeeding reign of Charles I (1625-49), a spirit of bitter retaliation was engendered, on the part of the native Irish, against this foreign element, resulting in a most deplorable condition of affairs. Incited by two ambitious and unscrupulous leaders, Roger More and Philim O'Neale, the Irish Catholics began, October 27, 1741, a massacre which continued until more than 40,000 victims were slaughtered.

Owing to these persecutions and others of similar nature during the succeeding century, owing to the want of religious toleration by the reigning powers, owing to their inability to renew their land rents on satisfactory terms and owing to the general freedom offered them by William Penn in his new American colony—free lands, free speech, free worship and free government—these Scotch settlers left the north of Ireland and came to America by thousands, where they are known as Scotch-Irish.

According to Watson, these "immigrants did not come to Pennsylvania as soon as the Germans," few, if any, arriving prior to 1719. The first arrivals usually settled near the disputed line between Maryland and Pennsylvania. James Logan (an intelligent and influential representative of the Penn government, and though of Irish extraction thoroughly in sympathy with the Quaker principles) complains, in 1724, to the proprietaries of these people as "bold and indigent strangers" because they had taken up lands near the disputed line without securing proper authority from him as the representative of the Government. In 1725 he stated that at least 100,000 acres of land were possessed "by persons (including Germans) who resolutely set down and improved it without any right to it," and that he was "much at a loss to determine how to dispossess them." In 1728, 4,500 persons, chiefly from Ireland, arrived in New Castle. In 1729 Logan expressed his gratification that parliament was "about to take measures to prevent the too free emigration to this country," intimating that the prospects were that Ireland was about "to send all her inhabitants hither, for last week not less than six ships arrived." "It is strange," continued he, "that they thus crowd where they are not wanted. The common fear is that if they continue to come, they will make themselves proprietors of the province." In 1730 he again complains of them as "audacious and disorderly" for having, by force, taken possession of the Conestoga Manor, containing 15,000 acres of the "best land in the country." Of this they were, by the sheriff, subsequently dispossessed and their cabins burned. About the same time, he says, in another letter, "I must own, from my own experience in the land office, that the settlement of five families from Ireland gives me more trouble than fifty of any other people."

The captious spirit manifested by Logan against both German and Scotch-Irish settlers, and especially the latter, and which was subsequently shared, to some extent, by Peters, Dickinson and Franklin, is readily accounted for by his fear of losing his position in the Government, should any other than the Quaker influence prevail.

From 1730 to 1740 the influx was great. Settlements were commenced in Cumberland (then Lancaster) County in 1730 and 1731, the Chambers brothers having crossed west of the Susquehanna about that time. After 1736, during the month of September, in which year alone 1,000 families are said to have sailed from Belfast, the influx into the Kittochtinny Valley, west of

the Susquehanna, increased rapidly; for, in 1748, the number of taxables, not counting the fifty Germans, was about 800.

Soon after the erection of Cumberland County (1750), "in consequence of the frequent disturbances between the governor and Irish settlers, the proprietaries gave orders to their agents to sell no lands in either York or Lancaster Counties to the Irish; and also to make to the Irish settlers in Paxton, Swatara and Donegal Townships advantageous offers of removal to Cumberland County, which offers being liberal were accepted by many."

Injustice has been done to the Scotch-Irish settlers of these early days by two classes of writers: first, those who were actuated by jealousy, as was Logan, in his inability to see good in any classes not directly connected with the original Friend or Penn element; secondly, those who have failed to study carefully the circumstances which surrounded the Scotch-Irish immigrants in their settlements and conduct toward the Indians. Under these circumstances we are not surprised to hear Mr. Sherman Day, in his Historical Collections of Pennsylvania, call them "a pertinacious and pugnacious race," "pushing their settlements upon unpurchased lands about the Juniata, producing fresh exasperation among the Indians." "As the result of this," he continues, "massacres ensued, the settlers were driven below the mountains, and the whole province was alive with the alarms and excitements of war."

In reply to these serious charges, Judge George Chambers, in his "Tribute to the Principles, Virtues, Habits and Public Usefulness of the Irish and Scotch Early Settlers of Pennsylvania," a carefully written and most admirable little book, enters a most emphatic protest. Without attempting to present in detail the facts which enable him to reach his conclusions, we give a brief summary of his argument: Admitting the aggressive character of the early Scotch-Irish settlers in pushing into the forests and occupying lands, the outrages and massacres by the Indians were, nevertheless, not the direct result of these encroachments, but a retaliatory protest against the unjust manner in which their lands and hunting grounds had been taken from them by so-called purchases and treaties with the government. By the cession of 1737, the Indians were to convey lands on the Delaware to extend back into the woods as far as man can go in one day and a half. By the treaty of Albany, in 1754, between the Proprietary of Pennsylvania and the Six Nations, nearly all the lands claimed by them in the province were ceded for the small sum of £400. The dissatisfaction produced by this cession, which the Indians claim they did not understand, was fanned by the French into open hostility, manifesting itself in the indiscriminate and wholesale devastation and massacres following the Braddock campaign. The wrongs of the government, and not the encroachments of a few daring settlers, it is claimed by Mr. Chambers, produced these destructive Indian outrages. Gov. Morris, in his address to the Assembly, of November 3, 1755, clearly reminds them "that it seemed clear, from the different accounts he had received, that the French had gained to their interest the Delaware and Shawnese Indians, under the ensnaring pretense of restoring them to their country."

The Assembly, in their reply to Gov. Denny, in June, 1757, say: "It is rendered beyond contradiction plain, that the cause of the present Indian incursions in this province, and the dreadful calamities many of the inhabitants have suffered, have arisen, in a great measure, from the exorbitant and unreasonable purchases made, or supposed to be made of the Indians, and the manner of making them—so exorbitant, that the natives complain that they have not a country left to subsist in."—*Smith's Laws*.

A careful study of these people clearly shows that, while they were aggress-

ive, they moved along the line of a higher civilization; while they were firm in their convictions, they advocated the rights of man to liberty of thought and action; while they cherished many of the institutions and beliefs of the old country, they were intensely patriotic and loyal to the new; and while they possessed what they regarded the best lands, they were just in their dealings with the untutored red man. These were the people who laid broad and deep the foundations of social, educational and religious liberty in America.

The German immigrants, as a class, were hardy, industrious, honest and economical, retaining, to a great extent, the prejudices, superstitions, manners, language and characteristics of the *fatherland*. Like the Scotch-Irish, their migration to America was the result of a deprivation of certain religious rights in their native countries, and a desire to improve their physical condition in the new world.

Like the Scotch-Irish, they, too, were Protestants, belonging to different denominations: (1) The Swiss Mennonites were among the earliest to come, about the beginning of the last century, and settled in the neighborhood of Philadelphia and at Pequea and other points in what is now Lancaster County. They were orderly, honest, peaceable and advocates of non-resistant or peace principles. (2) German Baptists (Dunkards), Moravians, Seventh-day Baptists. (3) Lutherans and German Reformed, the latter two constituting the great body of the arrivals, and furnishing the aggressive element of the new settlers. They came later than the others and entered new fields.

Many of these early Germans, having first located in the State of New York, were dissatisfied with the unjust treatment received at the hands of the authorities, and therefore came to Pennsylvania. They wrote messages to their friends in Europe, advising them to shun New York and come direct to the province of Penn, which afforded superior inducements.

Their arrivals in the province were, briefly: Henry Frey came two years earlier than William Penn and one Platenbach a few years later. In 1682 a colony arrived and formed a settlement at Germantown; and in 1684-85, a company of ten persons was formed in Germany, called the Frankfort Land Company, of which F. D. Pastorius was appointed attorney. They bought 25,000 acres of land from Penn, in addition to other tracts. From 1700 to 1720, the Palatines, so called because they sprang principally from the Palatinate in Germany, whither they had been driven by persecutions in various parts of Europe, came in vast numbers. They suffered great privations. In 1708-09, more than 10,000 went to England, where, in a sickly and starving condition, they were cared for by the generous Queen Anne who, at an expense to herself of £135,775, alleviated their sufferings in that country and assisted them to come to New York and Pennsylvania. Their number was so great as to draw from James Logan, secretary of the province of Pennsylvania in 1717, the remark: "We have, of late, a great number of Palatines poured in upon us without any recommendation or notice, which gives the country some uneasiness; for foreigners do not so well among us as our own English people." In 1719 Jonathan Dickinson said: "We are daily expecting ships from London, which bring over Palatines, in number about six or seven thousand."

The arrivals from 1720 to 1730 were so numerous as to produce some alarm lest the colony should become a German one. Says Rupp: "To arrest in some degree the influx of Germans, the assembly assessed a tax of twenty shillings a head on newly arrived servants; for as early as 1722 there were a number of Palatine servants or Redemptioners sold to serve a term of three or four years at £10 each to pay their freight."

From 1730 to 1740, about sixty-five vessels well filled with immigrants,

having with them their own preachers and teachers, landed at Philadelphia, from which they scattered in various directions; many of these located in York County.

From 1740 to 1755, more than a hundred vessels arrived, some of them, though small, containing from 500 to 600 passengers. In the summer and autumn of 1749, not less than 12,000 came. This period—1740 to 1755—witnessed many outrages upon the unsuspecting passengers. Within the State were certain Germans known as *neulaenders*, who, having resided in this country long enough to understand the business, profited by the ignorance and credulity of their own people abroad. Going to various parts of Germany and presenting the new world in glowing colors, they induced, by misrepresentations and fraudulent practices, many of their friends and kinsmen to sell, and in some cases even to abandon their property and forsake their firesides in order to reach this new land of promise. Many, starting with inadequate means, were unable to pay their passage, and on arriving were sold for a series of years as servants, to liquidate their claims. These were called *redemptioners*, or *Palatine servants*.

The number of Germans in Pennsylvania about 1755 was from 60,000 to 70,000. About nine-tenths of the first settlers of York County, then including Adams, were Germans. The great influx into Cumberland County which, with the exception of a few English, was settled almost exclusively by Scotch and Scotch-Irish, began about 1770; though as early as the period from 1736 to 1745, there were found in the Conococheague settlements, the Snivelys, Schneiders, Piscackers, Liepers, Ledermans, Haricks, Laws, Kolps, Gabriels, Ringers, Steiners, Senseneys, Radebachs, Reischers, Wolfs, Schneidts.\* Rev. Michael Schlatter, a German reformed minister, in a letter dated May 9, 1748, thus describes a visit through the valley: "On the Conogogig we reached the house of an honest Schweitzer [supposed to be Jacob Snively, of Antrim Township,] where we received kind entertainment with thankfulness. In this neighborhood there are very fine lands for cultivation and pasture, exceedingly fruitful without the application of manures. Turkish corn (Indian maize) grows to the height of ten feet and higher, and the grasses are remarkably fine. Hereabout, there still remain a good number of Indians, the original dwellers of the soil. They are hospitable and quiet, and well affected to the Christians until the latter make them drunk with strong drink."

The original German has, by imperceptible changes, been gradually transformed into a being very unlike the original, known as the Pennsylvania Dutch. The latter has in him more of the democratic spirit, which ignores the clannishness of the olden time and forms friendships and alliances with people of other nationalities. The dialect, Pennsylvania Dutch, is *sui generis* an anomaly in the domain of language. Its possessor is a cosmopolitan, fond of social life, ambitious and industrious, and in these latter days quite fond of public office and other "soft places." He is destined to take the land.

The three original counties of Pennsylvania, established by William Penn in 1682, were Chester, Philadelphia and Bucks. Chester County included all the land (except a small portion of Philadelphia County) southwest of the Schuylkill to the extreme limits of the State. Lancaster County was formed and taken from Chester May 10, 1729; York was taken from Lancaster August 9, 1749. Cumberland County remained a part of Lancaster until it was itself erected a separate county, January 27, 1750. Franklin County, the then southwestern part of Cumberland, and known as the "Conococheague Settlement," was established September 9, 1784. To understand the early history of this county, the reader will need, therefore, to bear in mind two facts:

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1. Prior to January 27, 1750, its territory (with the exception of Warren Township) was found in the county of Lancaster.

2. From January 27, 1750, to September 9, 1784, it belonged to Cumberland County. Since the latter date (September 9, 1784,) it has had a distinct organization of its own.

Long prior to Greeley's famous advice, "Go west, young man," or Bishop Berkley's oft-quoted "Westward the course of empire takes its way," the tide of migration was toward the setting sun. Since the race began, the line of movement has been along the parallels, and in the direction of the receding darkness. The early settlers of the Kittatinny or Cumberland Valley came from the older eastern counties, where they located soon after their landing on the Atlantic coast. No record exists of those who may have wandered through this region on prospecting or hunting tours, if any such adventurers ever did make these hazardous trips. As early as 1719, John Harris had commenced a settlement near the present site of Harrisburg, and for many years afterward ran a ferry across the Susquehanna at that point known as Harris' Ferry. On either side of the river were Indian villages, the one where Harris lived being known as Peixtan or Paxtan. On the western side of the river, at the mouth of the Conodoguinet, at the present site of Bridgeport, and at the mouth of the Yellow Breeches, were three Indians towns, at which trading posts were established. At the last-named place, James Chartier, an Indian trader, had a store and landing place. It is claimed by some that James Le Tort, one of these traders, after whom the beautiful stream in Cumberland County was named, lived at a very early period at a place called Beaver Pond, near the present site of Carlisle.

What is now Cumberland County had settlements at various points away from the river. Richard Parker and his wife settled three miles north of Carlisle in 1724. His application at the land office in 1734 was for a warrant to land on which he "had resided ye ten years past." George Croghan, an Indian trader, whose name occurs frequently in early records, lived about five miles from the river on the north side of the Conodoguinet. He owned tracts in various parts of the county, a large one being north of Shippensburg. He did not cultivate all these, but changed about as his convenience and trade demanded. He was an Irishman of common education, and in later years lived at Aughwick or Old Town, west of the North Mountains, where he was trusted as an Indian agent. In the settlement commenced by James Chambers near Newville, then known as Big Spring, a group of inhabitants, so numerous as to form and support a religious society as early as 1738, was found, consisting of David Ralston, Robert Patterson, James McKehan, John Carson, John Erwin, Richard Fulton, Samuel McCullough and Samuel Boyd. Robert Chambers, brother of the preceding, as well as of Benjamin, who located at Falling Spring, formed a prosperous settlement near Middle Spring, about two miles north of Shippensburg, at the same early date. The first settlers were such men as Hugh and David Herron, Robert McComb, Alexander and James Young, Alexander McNutt, Archibald, John and Robert Machan, James Scott, Alexander Sterrett, Wm. and John Piper, Hugh and Joseph Brady, John and Robert McCune and Charles Morrow. In asking that the State road, which was laid out in 1735-36, might be directed through that neighborhood rather than through Shippensburg, the petitioners claimed that theirs was the more thickly settled part. By some\* it is claimed that in the Middle Spring settlement the first land in the Cumberland Valley taken under

\*Historical discourse of Rev. S. S. Wylie at the Centennial celebration of Middle Spring. This claim, however, is incorrect. Blunston's license to Benjamin Chambers at Falling Spring was dated March 30, 1734.



*Joseph Smith*





authority of the "Blunston Licenses\*" and assigned to Benjamin Furley, was located. According to the record in the county surveyor's office at Chambersburg, this tract, embracing some 1,094 acres and allowances, warranted December 16, 1735, and surveyed April 15, 1738, was situated on the Conodoguinet Creek in what was then Pennsborough Township, Lancaster County, but now Southampton Township, Franklin County. It was subsequently occupied by William, David, James and Francis Herron, William Young and John Watt.

Where Shippensburg now stands, a settlement was made as early as 1730. In June of that year, according to Hon. John McCurdy, the following persons came to that locality and built their habitations: Alexander Steen, John McCall, Richard Morrow, Gavin Morrow, John Culbertson, Hugh Rippey, John Rippey, John Strain, Alexander Askey, John McAllister, David Magaw and John Johnston. They were soon followed by Benjamin Blythe, John Campbell and Robert Caskey. From this settlement ultimately sprang a village older than any other in the Cumberland Valley. It was a distributing point for settlers, and hence important, as will be shown by the following letter written therefrom:

May 21, 1733.

DEAR JOHN: I wish you would see John Harris, at the ferry, and get him to write to the Governor, to see if he can't get some guns for us; there's a good when of ignus about here, and I fear they intend to give us a good deal of troublen, and may do us a grate dale of harm. We was three days on our journey coming from Harrisses ferry here. We could not make much speed on account of the childer; they could not get on as fast as Jane and me. I think we will like this part of the country when we get our cabbin built. I put it on a level peese of groun, near the road or path in the woods at the fut of a hill. There is a fine stream of watter that comes from a spring a half a mile south of where our cabbin is bilt. I would have put it near the watter, but the land is lo and wet. John McCall, Alick Steen and John Rippey bilt theirs near the stream. Hugh Rippey's daughter Mary (was) berried yesterday; this will be sad news to Andrew Simpson, when it reaches Maguire's bridge. He is to come over in the fall when they were to be married. Mary was a verry purty girl; she died of a faver, and they berried her up on rising groun, north of the road or path where we made choice of a peese of groun for a graveyard. She was the furst berried there. Poor Hugh has none left now but his wife, Sam and little Isabel. There is plenty of timmer south of us. We have 18 cabbins bilt here now, and it looks (like) a town, but we have no name for it. I'll send this with John Simpson when he goes back to paxtan. Come up Soon; our cabbin will be ready to go into a week and you can go in till you get wan bilt; we have planted some corn and potatoes. Dan McGee, John Sloan and Robert Moore was here and left last week. Remember us to Mary and the childer; we are all well. Tell Billy Parker to come up soon and bring Nancy with him. I know he will like the country. I forgot to tell you that Sally Brown was bit by a snak, but she is out of danger. Come up soon.

Yr. aft. brother,

JAMES MAGRAW.

The first settlement, in what is now Franklin County, was made in 1730, at Falling Spring (now Chambersburg)—the confluence of the two streams, Falling Spring and Conococheague—by Col. Benjamin Chambers and his older brother, Joseph. Between 1726 and 1730, four brothers, James, Robert, Joseph and Benjamin Chambers, emigrated from the county of Antrim, Ireland, to the province of Pennsylvania. They settled and built a mill shortly after their arrival, at the mouth of Fishing Creek, in what is now Dauphin County,

\*Samuel Blunston of Wright's Ferry (now Columbia) was authorized by the proprietaries, to make a partial survey of land and to grant to settlers permission to take up and improve, or continue to improve, such lands as they desired, with the promise that a more perfect title should be given them when the Indian claims should be extinguished. The Indians were also assured that these claims would be satisfied as soon as the pending Indian treaties should be completed. The first of these licenses was dated January 24, 1733-34 and the last October 31, 1737. Appended is a copy of one of these:

"LANCASTER COUNTY, ss.—By the Proprietary: These are to license, and allow Andrew Ralston to continue to improve and dwell on a tract of two hundred acres of land on the Great Spring, a branch of the Conodoguinet, joyning to the upper side of a tract granted to Randle Chambers for the use of his son, James Chambers; to be hereafter surveyed to the said Ralston on the common terms other lands in those parts are sold; provided the same has not been already granted to any other person, and so much can be had without prejudice to other tracts before granted. Given under my hand this third day of January, Anno Domini, 1736-7.

PENNSYLVANIA, ss.

SA. BLUNSTON."

where they occupied a tract of fine land. These brothers were among the first to explore and settle the valley. James made a settlement at the head of Great Spring, near Newville; Robert, at the head of Middle Spring, near Shippensburg, and Joseph and Benjamin at Falling Spring, where Chambersburg now stands.

By an arrangement among the brothers, Joseph returned to supervise their property at the mouth of Fishing Creek, and Benjamin remained to develop the settlement at Falling Spring. He built a one-storied hewed-log house which he covered with lapped cedar shingles secured by nails—an innovation upon the prevailing style of architecture, which consisted of a round log structure covered with a roof of clapboards, held in position by beams and wooden pins. Having completed this, the finest residence in the settlement, he addressed himself to clearing land, erecting necessary buildings and planning the future growth of the colony. Some time after this, Benjamin had occasion to visit his former homestead at Fishing Creek. Returning, he found his house had been burned by some avaricious person for the “sake of the nails,” which were a rarity in those days.

Subsequently Mr. Chambers received what was then the only authority for the taking up and occupying of land. The following is a copy of the interesting instrument, which was a narrow strip of common writing paper, the chirography on which would not stand the crucial test of modern straight lines, ovals and right and left curves.

PENNSYLVANIA, ss.

By order of the Proprietary. These are to License and allow Benjamin Chambers to take and settle and Improve of four hundred acres of Land at the falling spring's mouth and on both sides of the Conegochege Creek for the conveniency of a Grist Mill and plantation. To be hereafter surveyed to the said Benjamin on the common terms other Lands in those parts are sold. Given under my hand this thirtieth day of March, 1734.

LANCASTER COUNTY.

SAMUEL BLUNSTON.

A mill-wright by occupation, he at once erected a saw-mill and subsequently a flouring-mill. These were both indispensable to the comfort and growth of the settlement, and were evidently heralded as strong inducements for others to cast in their lot with this growing colony. The saw-mill stood on what is known as the “Island,” a few rods northwest of where the woolen-mill now stands; the flouring-mill, constructed mainly of logs, stood near the residence of its owner. It was shortly destroyed by fire, but its place was occupied by a new one, whose walls were made of stone.

Benjamin Chambers was upward of twenty one years of age when he settled at Falling Spring. His death occurring February 17, 1788, in his eightieth year, he must have been born about 1708 or 1709. Shortly after (1741), he married a Miss Patterson, residing near Lancaster, who was the mother of his eldest son, James. She lived but a few years. In 1748 he married a second time, his choice being a Miss Williams, the daughter of a Welsh clergyman living in Virginia. She bore seven children, viz.: Ruhamah, married to Dr. Calhoun; William; Benjamin; Jane, married to Adam Ross; Joseph, George and Hetty, married to Wm. M. Brown, Esq.

He used his influence with his acquaintances to settle in his neighborhood, directing their attention to desirable locations for farms. He was early commissioned a justice of the peace, and later a colonel of the militia organized. He served as a daysman to adjust many controversies between his neighbors, and thus became a general counselor in the community. During the controversy between Lord Baltimore and the Penns. concerning the boundary between Pennsylvania and Maryland, he went to England to assist, by his evidence and advice, in the adjustment of the difficulties involved. From England he went

to Ireland, his native soil, where he induced many acquaintances with their families to remove to his new settlement.

In 1764 Col. Chambers laid out the town of Chambersburg, whose history is sketched elsewhere in this volume. The history of this sturdy early settler is the history of the county and of the commonwealth for more than half a century. From the time he landed at the Falling Spring till his declining health rendered further activity impossible, he was the acknowledged leader of the people in all civil, military and religious movements.

We have no means of determining the exact order of settlements in other parts of the county.

In what is Antrim Township there must have been settlers as early as 1734. In the Johnston graveyard, near Shady Grove, is a tablet bearing the name of James Johnston, who died in 1765. "From documents still extant," says the inscription, "he settled on the land on which he died as early as 1735, and was probably the first white settler in what is now Antrim Township, Franklin County." He had two sons, James and Thomas, both of whom were colonels in the Revolutionary war. About the same time settlements were made near the present site of Green Castle, by Joseph Crunkleton, Jacob Snively and James Rody. Snively was the progenitor of a large and respectable family, many of whom still live in the township, concerning whom much will be said in the township and biographical sketches.\*

At that time the settlements in the county were known in the aggregate as the "Conococheague Settlement." Owing to the peculiar condition of land arrangements, settlers occupied certain tracts by virtue of a sort of "squatter possession," each one choosing a site according to his taste. Hence, families lived, often, for a series of years on tracts before they received proper legal authority for the same.

On the west bank of the Conococheague, near the present site of Bridgeport, in Peters Township, settled William McDowell in 1730 or 1731. He had a large family of sons and daughters, who became prominent in the subsequent development of the country. The records of the surveyor's office show that warrants for land were held in what is Peters Township, as early as 1737, by Rev. John Black and Samuel Harris; 1738, Andrew McCleary; 1742, Henry Johnston and John Taylor; 1743, James Glenn, William Burney and James McClellan; 1744, Robert McClellan. By McCauley it is claimed that some of these were settlers as early as 1730. They were mainly Scotch-Irish, as will be seen by the names.

Path Valley had early settlers, likewise. The records of the surveyor's office show that Samuel Bechtel had a warrant in what is now Fannett Township, for 176 acres, which bore date January 24, 1737, and was surveyed the 24th of the following May by Zach. Butcher, deputy surveyor. At that time it was in Hopewell Township, Lancaster County. The same records show that Thomas Doyle had a warrant in same region for 530 acres, dated November 29, 1737, and surveyed December 30 following. Neither of these men had neighbors immediately adjoining them, showing the settlements to be sparse. Settlements must have been made quite rapidly in the valley, notwithstanding its ownership by the Indians; for in 1750 Richard Peters, secretary of the commonwealth, in a letter to the governor dated July 2, in which he gives an account of the removal of certain citizens because of their encroachments on interdicted territory, says: "On Wednesday, the 30th of May, the magis-

\*Some of the earliest warrants found in the surveyor's office bear date as follows: 1737, John Mitchell, David McGaw; 1738, David Scott, George Reynolds; 1740-42, David Kennedy, Humphrey Jones; 1743-50, John Potter, Samuel McPherrin, John Brotherton, Robert Wallace, William Magaw, Thomas Foe, George Gibson, William Smith, Jacob Snively, William Allison, Abraham Gable and John Davison.

trates\* and company†, being detained two days by rain, proceeded over the Kittochtinny Mountains, and entered into Tuscara [Tuscarora] Path or Path Valley, through which the road to Alleghany lies. Many settlements were formed in this valley, and all the people were sent for, and the following persons appeared, viz.: Abraham Slach, James Blair, Moses Moore, Arthur Dunlap, Alexander McCartie, David Lewis, Adam McCartie, Felix Doyle, Andrew Dunlap, Robert Wilson, Jacob Pyatt, Jacob Pyatt, Jr., William Ramage, Reynolds Alexander, Samuel Patterson, Robert Baker, John Armstrong and John Potts, who were all convicted, by their own confession to the magistrates, of the like trespasses with those at Shearman's Creek, and were bound in the like recognizances to appear at court, and [give] bonds to the proprietaries to remove, with all their families, servants, cattle and effects, and having all voluntarily given possession of their houses to me, some ordinary log houses, to the number of eleven, were burnt to the ground, the trespassers, most of them cheerfully and a very few of them with reluctance, carrying out all their goods. Some had been deserted before, and lay waste."

John Hastin was one of the early settlers on the line of Lurgan and Letterkenny Townships. He may have radiated from Shippensburg as a center. The statement of his survey, made by Zach. Butcher, D. S., November 4, 1736, says: "By virtue of a warrant from the honorable proprietaries, bearing date \_\_\_\_\_, I have surveyed and laid out unto John Hastin, in the township of Hopewell, in the county of Lancaster, on the west side of the Susquehanna River, six hundred and three acres of land with allowance of six per cent." The warrant, it seems, though no date is given, was of prior time. Francis and Samuel Jones are represented as neighbors.

John Reynolds had a warrant for land, in what is now Lurgan Township, dated October 6, 1738, and surveyed May 16, 1743. His neighbors at the time were Robert Edmonson, Samuel Reynolds and Edward Shippen, Esq. In what is now Hamilton Township, warrants were issued in 1737 to Matthew Patton and George Leonard; in 1738 to David Black and Samuel Morehead. Their neighbors at the time were Samuel Jones, Nathaniel Newlins, Robert Patton, James Brotherton, Adam Hoops, Benjamin Gass, James Young, Thomas Morehead and Thomas Patterson. In Montgomery, as it now exists, was Philip Davis in 1737; James Harland and John Davyrich were his neighbors; in 1740, Thomas Evans, with David Alexander, John Davis and Aaron Alexander as neighbors; in 1743, William Maxwell, with John McLelland and Robert McCoy as neighbors; and in same year, Robert Culbertson, with William and Thomas Dinwiddy and James Gardner as neighbors. About the same time, also, Alexander Brown, Thomas Sellers, John McClellan, Walter Beatty, Alex White, Wilson Halliday and Martha Howry were settlers. In the present Southampton, Rev. John Blair and Thomas Edmundson had warrants as early as 1743.

In St. Thomas were, 1738, Thomas Armstrong; in 1742, John Holliday; 1743 and 1744, Robert Clugadge, James Campbell, George Galloway, Michael Campbell, William Campbell, George Cuming, John McConnell, Samuel McClintock, Robert Ritchey.

In Greene the oldest warrant found was that of Joseph Culbertson, in 1744. Alexander Culbertson had one dated 1749. Their neighbors at the time were John Neal, William Carr, Reuben Gillespie, John Stump. This settlement was known as Culbertson's Row.

At the early period we have thus far borne in mind, Little Cove seems not

\*Matthew Dill, George Croghan, Benjamin Chambers, Thomas Wilson, John Findlay and James Galbreath, Esqs., justices of the county of Cumberland.

†Under-sheriff of Cumberland County.

to have been settled, it being greatly exposed to Indian depredations. As a rule, warrants date from 1755, the earliest one found, to 1769, between which dates are found Enoch Williams, Rees Shelby, William Smith, William Pindell, Evan Phillips, Samuel Owen, James McClellan, Hugh Martin, John Martin, David Huston, Lewis Davis and David Brown.

Washington Township, it seems, was not settled so early as some of the eastern and southwestern districts. It and Quincy Township became largely the homes of the Germans, who crossed South Mountain from York and Adams Counties. Warrants from 1743 to 1750 embrace Michael Legate, John Markley, John Moorhead, James Johnston, Jacob Beesecker, Edward Nichols, Michael Raumsawher, Mathias Ringer, John Stoner, John Steiner, John Snowberger, James Whitehead and John Wallace.

In Quincy, between same dates, George Cook, William Patrick, John Leeper, James Jack.

It is much to be regretted that the names of these early pioneers, who struggled so heroically against the wilds of the forest and the depredations of the savages, have not been more carefully preserved. We append, however, a list of taxable names in 1751 and 1752. From it may be learned the general locations of these settlers:

#### TAXABLES' NAMES, 1751 AND 1752.

In Antrim Township—which embraced the territory now in Antrim, Washington and Quincy Townships—the taxables' names were as follows: William Allison, Widow Adams, Joshua Alexander, Thomas Brown, Jacob Batterly, William Brotherton, John Chambers, George Cassil, William Clark, William Cross, Joshua Coal, Josh. Crunkleton, Jr., Peter Craul, John Crunkleton, William Dunbar, Thomas Davis, John Davies, Henry Dutch, David Duncan, William Erwin, Robert Erwin, James Finley, William Grimes, Nicholas Gulp, John Gyles, Lorange Galocher, Thomas Grogan, George Gordon, Abraham Gabriel, Paulus Harick, Robert Harkness, William Hall, Nath. Harkness, Christian Hicks, Robert Hamilton, Adam Hoops, James Jack, James Johnston, Peter Johnston, Henry Kefort, James Kerr, David Kennedy, Widow Leiper, Peter Leiper, Kath. Leatherman, Dietrich Lauw, James Lilon, Thomas Long, William McGaw, Samuel McFaran, John Mitchel, William McAlmory, William Mearns, William McLean, George Martin, John Monk, John Moorhead, John McMath, William McBriar, David McBriar, James McBride, Josh. McFaran, David McClellan, James McClanahan, Hugh McClellan, Patrick McIntire, Arch. McClean, Samuel Monagh, William McClellan, John Moor, John McCoon, John McDowell, Alexander Miller, James McKee, Patrick McClarin, Edward Nichols, Thomas Nisbit, Jacob Pisacker, Thomas Patterson, John Pritchett, Thomas Poa, Henry Pauling, John Potter, James Paile, William Patrick, James Pattro, John Reynolds, William Rankin, William Ramsey, James Ramsey, John Roass, Mathias Ringer, Joseph Roddy, John Roal, Samuel Smith, John Scott, Robert Southerland, John Smith, James Scott, Daniel Scott, John Staret, Henry Stall, Jacob Snider, William Shanon, Jacob Snively, John Stoaner, Katharine Thomson, Anthony Thomson, Moses Thomson, Joseph Walter, John Willocks, John Wallace. Freemen: E. Alexander, Alex. Cook, W. Campbel, Jacob Gabrial, Hugh Galocher, Adam Murray, Hugh McKee, Daniel McCoy, Daniel McCowan, Wm. McGaughey, James McGowan, Joseph Morgan, James Ross, John Snively, Charles White, James Young—128.

In Guilford—including what is now Chambersburg—John Anderson, Wm. Adams, Thomas Baird, George Cook, Benjamin Chambers, Frederick Croft,

Peter Coaset, James Crawford, Edward Crawford, Mayant Duff, John Forsyth, Benjamin Gass, John Henderson, James Jack, Patrick Jack, James Lindsay, John Lindsay, Charles McGill, Wm. McKinney, John Mushet, John Noble, William Nujant, John O' Cain, Solomon Patterson, Robert Patrick, Nathaniel Simpson, Henry Thomson. Freemen: Archibald Douglass, Henry Black, Alexander McAlister, Robert Uart, 31.

In Hamilton—which then included the present township of Hamilton and about one-half of the present township of St. Thomas—Joseph Armstrong, Matthew Arthur, Josh. Barnet, James Barnet, Thomas Barnet, Jr., James Boyd, Thomas Barnet, Andrew Brattan, John Blain, Wm. Boal, Robert Barnet, John Campbell, Adam Carson, James Denny, Robert Donelson, John Dixon, Matthew Dixon, John Eaton, Josh. Eaton, James Eaton, Robert Elliot, Johnston Elliot, Wm. Eckery, John Galaway, James Hamilton, John Hindman, Alex. Hamilton, Edward Johnston, Patrick Knox, William McCord, Samuel McCamish, Samuel Moorhead, Thomas Patterson, Joshua Pepper, George Reynolds, William Rankin, John Swan, Widow Swan, Edward Thorn, Aaron Watson. Freemen: Dennis Kease, Josh. McCamish, 42.

In Lurgan—which then included the present townships of Lurgan, Letterkenny, Southampton and Greene—Benjamin Allworth, James Allison, Thos. Alexander, Andrew Baird, Jr., James Breckenridge, John Boyd, James Boall, James Boyd, Laird Burns, Robert Boyd, Samuel Buckenstos, William Barr, William Baird (turner), William Baird (at Rocky Spring), John Burns, Francis Brain, William Breckenridge, Alexander Culbertson, Archibald Campbell, Dennis Cotter, Joseph Culbertson, John Cessna, James Calwell, John Crawford, John Cumins, James Culbertson, Nathaniel Cellar, Oliver Culbertson, Samuel Culbertson, Samuel Cochran, Steven Colwell, William Cox, William Cochran, William Chambers, David Carson, Wm. Devanner, Jacob Donelson, William Erwin, John Evans, John Erwin, Andrew Finley, John Finley, Sr., John Finley, Esq., John Finley (sawyer), James Finley, Robert Finley, George Ginley, John Graham, Robert Gabie, Thomas Grier, William Greenlee, William Guthrie, John Grier, Arthur Graham, Isaac Grier, John Gaston, David Heron, Francis Heron, Gustavus Henderson, James Henderson, Joshua Henderson, James Henry, John Hawthorn, Christian Irwin, William Jack, Samuel Jordan, John Jones, Nathaniel Johnson, David Johnson, John Johnson, Thomas Jack, John Kirkpatrick, John Kirkpatrick, Jr., John Kerr, John Kennedy, James Kirkpatrick, John Lowrie, John Leckey, James Lawder, Robert Long, Samuel Laird, William Linn, William Linn, Jr., David Linn, Archibald Machan, Arthur Miller, Andrew Murphey, Alexander Mitchell, Alexander McNutt, Charles McGlea, David McCright, George Mitchell, Gavin Mitchell, Humphrey Montgomery, Henry Machan, John Miller, Esq., James McCamant, John McKeany, John McCall, James McCall, John McCrea, John McKee, John Mitchel, James Mitchel, John Mitchel, Jr., John McCrea, John Machen, Joseph McKibben, John McNaught, John McCappin, John Montgomery, John McCombs, Machan McCombs, Mat. McCreary, Robert McConnell, Robert Miller, Robert Machan, Thomas McComb, Thomas Miner, William McConnell, William Mitchell, William McNutt, William McCall, Charles Murray, Joseph Mitchell, Andrew Neal, James Norrice, Thomas Neal, James Ortan, David Paxon, George Pumroy, James Patterson, Mr. ——— Riley (at Mr. Hoops'), John Rippie, Josiah Ramage, James Reed, Sr., James Reed, Jr., James Reed, Samuel Rippie, Wm. Reed, Robert Reed (cordwainer), Charles Stewart, James Sharp, Robert Scott, Ranald Slack, William Turner, Alvard Terrence, Joseph Thomson, James Tait, Robert Urie, Thomas Urie, Abm. Wier, David Watson, Hugh Wier, John Weyley, John Weir, James Waid, John Wilson, Nathaniel

Wilson, Oliver Wallace, Wm. Withrow, Wm. Woods, Wm. Walker, Alexander Walker, William Young. Freemen: James Hawthorne, Morgan Linch, Geo. McKeaney, William Milrea, Charles Moor, George Ross, John Tait—176.

In Peters Township—which then included the present townships of Peters and Montgomery, and that part of St. Thomas Township west of Campbell's Run—Daniel Alexander, Andrew Alexander, Wm. Armstrong, Hezekiah Alexander, Adam Armstrong, Arthur Alexander, John Baird, James Blair, Alex. Brown, Thomas Barr, Ann Black (widow,) Thomas Boal, Samuel Brown, Wm. Barnett, Joshua Bradner, John Black, John Baird, James Black, Widow Brown, Robert Barnet, David Bowel, John Blair, George Brown, Wm. Clark, Robert Clugage, Wm. Campbell, Michael Carsell, Samuel Chapman, Thomas Calhoun, Michael Campbell, Robert Crawford, Patrick Clark, Wm. Campbell, Robert Culbertson, Charles Campbell, Thomas Clark, John Dickey, James Dickey, Widow Donelson, Wm. Dunwood, John Docherty, Samuel Davis, David Davis, James Davis, Widow Davis, Philip Davis, Joseph Dunlop, Arthur Donelson, David Davis, Nath. Davis, Josh. Davis, Thomas Davis, James Erwin, Widow Farier, John Flanaghin, James Flanaghin, Moses Fisher, James Galbreath, John Gilmore, Widow Garison, Samuel Gillespie, James Galaway, Josh. Harris, John Harris, Jeremiah Harris, Charles Harris, Widow Huston, James Holland, John Huston, John Hamilton, Joseph How, John Holyday, Wm. Holyday, Wm. Hanbey, David Huston, John Hill, James Holiday, Alex. Hotchison, Mesech James, Hugh Kerrell, Wm. Lowrie, Henry Larkan, Wm. Maxwell, James Mitchell, John Morlan, John Martin, James Mercer, John Mercer, Wm. Marshall, Wm. Moor, Widow McFarland, Andrew Morison, John McDowell, Alex. McKee, Robert McClellan, Wm. McDowell, Jr., Wm. McClellan, John McClellan, Andrew Moor, Wm. McDowell, James McConnell, Robert McCoy, Wm. McIllhatton, James McMahan, James Murphy, Wm. Morrison, James McClellan, Robert Newell, Victor Neely, James Orr, Thomas Orbison, Thomas Owins, Nathan Orr, Matthew Patton, John Patton, Francis Patterson, David Rees, James Rankin, Alex. Robertson, Wm. Semple, James Sloan, Richard Stevens, Andrew Simpson, Wm. Shannon, Hugh Shannon, Widow Scott, Alex. Staret, Collin Spence, John Taylor, James Wright, Wm. Wilson, John Wilson, John Winton, James Wilkey, James Wilson, Matthew Wallace, Moses White, John Wasson, Joseph Williams, John Wood, Joseph White, Thomas Waddle. Freemen: Robert Anderson, David Alexander, Robert Banefield, James Brown, James Blair, Gavin Cluggage, James Carswell, James Coyle, William Gueen, Alex. Hutchison, Ed. Horkan, John Laird, Alex. McConnell, Samuel Templeton, Wm. Tayler, James Wilson, James Wallace, Andrew Willabee, Oliver Wallace, David Wallace—162.

One of the complications in earlier times, along the southern portion of the county, was the difficulty which settlers had in determining whether their possessions were in Pennsylvania or Maryland. This involved the famous Mason and Dixon's line.

This remarkable line, alluded to by political writers and speakers through the whole period of our national existence, and even anterior to it, is named in honor of its surveyors, and marks the boundary between Pennsylvania and Maryland. Since 1820, when John Randolph was continually harping on the words "Mason and Dixon's Line," as Felix Walker, of North Carolina, was on "Buncombe," one of the counties of his district, it has been the line of demarkation between two distinct schools of politicians, the representatives of two opposing sections of territory.

The original controversy between the States, thus lying side by side, was waged with great spirit and varying results between the Lords Baltimore

and the Penn family, from 1682 to 1767. These various phases, interesting and exciting in themselves, can not here be given. The reader is referred to the special works which trace the controversy. It needs simply to be stated briefly that "on the 4th of August, 1763, the Penns—Thomas and Richard, and Frederick Lord Baltimore, then being together in London, agreed with Charles Mason and Jeremiah Dixon, two mathematicians and surveyors, to mark, run out, settle, fix and determine all such parts of the circle, marks, lines and boundaries, as were mentioned in the several articles or commissions, and were not yet completed; that Mason and Dixon arrived in Philadelphia, November 15, 1763, received their instructions from the commissioners of the two provinces, December 9, 1763, and forthwith engaged in the work assigned them; that they ascertained the latitude of the southernmost part of the city of Philadelphia (viz.:  $39^{\circ} 56' 29.1''$  north—or, more accurately, according to Col. Graham,  $39^{\circ} 56' 37.4''$ ), which was agreed to be in the north wall of the house then occupied by Thomas Plumstead and Joseph Huddle, on the south side of Cedar Street; and then, in January and February, 1764, they measured thirty-one miles westward of the city to the forks of the Brandywine, where they planted a quartzose stone, known then, and to this day, in the vicinage, as the star-gazer's stone; that, in the spring of 1764, they ran, from said stone, a due south line fifteen English statute miles, horizontally measured by levels, each twenty feet in length, to a post marked 'west;' that they then repaired to a post marked 'middle,' at the middle point of the peninsula; west line running from Cape Henlopen to Chesapeake Bay, and thence, during the summer of 1764, they ran, marked and described the tangent line agreed on by the proprietaries. Then, in the autumn of 1764, from the post marked 'west,' at fifteen miles south of Philadelphia they set off and produced a parallel of latitude westward, as far as the river Susquehanna; then they went to the tangent point, and in 1764-65 ran thence a meridian line northward until it intersected the said parallel of latitude, at the distance of five miles, one chain and fifty links—thus and there determining and fixing the northeast corner of Maryland. Next, in 1765, they described such portion of the semi-circle around New Castle, as fell westward of the said meridian, or due north line from the tangent point. This little bow, or arc, reaching into Maryland, is about a mile and a half long, and its middle width, 116 feet; from its upper end, where the three States join, to the fifteen-mile point, where the great Mason and Dixon's line begins, is a little over three and a half miles; and from the fifteen-mile corner due east to the circle, is a little over three-quarters of a mile—room enough for three or four good Chester County farms. This was the only part of the circle which Mason and Dixon ran."

In 1766-67 they continued the west line beyond the Susquehanna, extending the same to the distance of 230 miles, 18 chains and 21 links from the northeast corner of Maryland near to an Indian war-path, on the borders of a stream called Dunkard Creek. The hostile attitude of the Indians prevented Mason and Dixon from continuing the line to the western boundary of Pennsylvania. The remainder of the line, less than twenty miles, was subsequently run (1782) by other surveyors. The portion run by Mason and Dixon was certified by commissioners November 9, 1768, as having been properly marked by stones distant one mile from each other, every fifth mile-stone having on the north face the arms of Thomas and Richard Penn, and on the south face the arms of Lord Baltimore. These stones were oolitic rock, imported for the purpose from England.

These surveyors were paid twenty-one shillings each per day for services and expenses, from the time they came to this country till they reached Eng-





*James, O., Carson*



land. The amount paid by the Penns from 1760 to 1768 was £34,200, Pennsylvania currency.

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## CHAPTER III.

### INDIAN WAR.

INDIAN NATIONS DESCRIBED—WAR BETWEEN FRENCH AND ENGLISH—COLONIES INVOLVED—BRADDOCK'S DEFEAT AND ITS EFFECTS—FORTS LOCATED AND DESCRIBED—MASSACRES FROM 1754 TO 1765—CONFLICT BETWEEN THE CIVIL AND MILITARY AT FORT LOUDOUN.

AT the time the Cumberland Valley was opened up to the colonization of the white race, it was virtually in possession of the aggregation of tribes known as the Six Nations. At the opening of the seventeenth century, it is declared, "the lower valley of the Susquehanna appears to have been a vast uninhabited highway, through which hordes of hostile savages were constantly roaming between the northern and southern waters, and where they often met in bloody encounters. The Six Nations were acknowledged as the sovereigns of the Susquehanna, and they regarded with jealousy and permitted with reluctance the settlement of other tribes upon its margin."\*

The Six Nations were the Onondagas, Cayugas, Oneidas, Senecas, Mohawks and the Tuscaroras, the last-named tribe joining the other five from North Carolina in 1712. By the French they were called the Iroquois. The Lenni Lenape, another powerful Indian confederacy, disputed the claim of the Six Nations to this rich territory, and professed to be, as their name implies, "the original people." The Lenni Lenape were known among the white settlers as the Delaware Indians. They were divided into three principal tribes, viz.: the Turtle, the Turkeys and Monseys or Wolf tribes. Monseys or Wolf tribe occupied the country between the Kittatinny or Blue Mountain, and the sources of the Susquehanna and Delaware Rivers, and had settlements also on the banks of the Susquehanna. The Shawanees, also, by the permission of the Six Nations, held for a time the Cumberland Valley as a hunting-ground. This rivalry between these two great Indian Confederacies, the Lenni Lenape and the Six Nations, both of which laid claim to the original right to the soil of Pennsylvania, and hence to the Cumberland Valley, led to bloody conflicts, and greatly retarded the permanent settlement of the region between the Susquehanna and the Potomac. It led, also, to unpleasant complications in the securing of legal titles. The Indians had as serious disputes among themselves relative to their lands as the inhabitants of Pennsylvania and Maryland subsequently did. The result of this quarrel among the Indians was that the Six Nations overcame the Lenni Lenape and held them in a state of vassalage until the year 1756. The Shawanees ultimately proved bad neighbors to both the Delawares and the Iroquois, and were removed by the latter, in 1755, to the head waters of the Ohio.

For the reasons previously given, Kittatinny or Cumberland Valley was a hunting-ground for the Indians, and highly prized by them. None of the tribes made permanent settlement in its forests, which accounts for the absence

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\*Historical Collections of Pennsylvania.

of Indian relics so numerous in certain western and southern localities. With reluctance, therefore, did they leave this beautiful valley, and seek their wild game and fish elsewhere, and yet they finally consented to dispose of their cherished possessions. On the 11th of October, 1736, the chiefs of the Six Nations met in Philadelphia, and, reviving all past treaties of friendship, executed a deed conveying to John, Thomas and Richard Penn and their heirs, "all the said river Susquehanna, with the lands lying on both sides thereof, to extend eastward as far as the head of the branches or springs which run into the said Susquehanna, and all the land lying on the west side of the said river to the setting sun." The indefiniteness of this language was destined to result in serious trouble. Advantage of the ambiguity of treaties made with the Indians was taken by unscrupulous white men, and thus gradually the red man saw himself deprived of all he held dear; and yet it is true that no serious complaints were made by him until about 1742, and were then confined to unlawful settlements on lands in Tulpehocken, on the Juniata, Aughwick, Path Valley and on Licking Creek near the Potomac, which embraced the Big and Little Coves.

The French were eager and successful, too, in poisoning the Indian mind with a sense of their gross wrongs, and thus secured their co-operation against the regular British soldiers. The animosities existing between the two European governments were readily transferred to the rival colonies in the new world. Twenty years of cunning effort on the part of the French had resulted in winning the Indians to them as allies, in endeavoring to establish French supremacy in America. Since 1744, war had existed between England and France, but its effects had not been felt in the colonies. The settlers of this valley, isolated as they were, did not exhibit any fears of attack till 1748, when they banded together for the support of their home and foreign governments. Loyalty to his English majesty reigned in every heart. An associated regiment was formed in the valley and included among its officers the following from what is now Franklin County: Col. Benjamin Chambers, of Chambersburg; Maj. William Maxwell, of Peters; Lieuts. William Smith, of Peters; Andrew Finley, of Lurgan; John Potter, of Antrim; Charles McGill, of Guilford; John Winton, of Peters; Ensign John Randalls, of Antrim. At first some doubts existed as to the legality and expediency of these organizations, but these doubts were finally removed by a letter from the council to the proprietaries, dated July 30, 1748. "The zeal and industry, the skill and regularity of the officers have surprised every one, though it has been for them a hard service. The whole has been attended by such expense, care and fatigue, as would not have been borne or undertaken by any who were not warm and sincere friends of the Government, and true lovers of their country. In short, we have by this means, in the opinion of most strangers, the best militia in America; so that, had the war continued, we should have been in little pain about any future enterprises of our enemies. Whatever opinions lawyers or others, not fully acquainted with our unhappy circumstances, may entertain of it, it is, in our opinion, one of the wisest and most useful measures that was ever undertaken in any country."

The lull was but temporary. In 1753 war broke out in earnest. The French established a line of forts from the lakes to the sources of the Ohio, and thence along it to the Mississippi and down it to its mouth. They held the bow of the country, while the English held the string along the Atlantic. One of these strongholds was Fort Du Quesne, at Pittsburgh. Against it, in 1755, marched the English and provincial troops under command of Gen. Braddock, a skillful and experienced officer in ordinary warfare, but

unacquainted with the nature and intrigues of the Indian. Disregarding the wise suggestions of his subordinates, he was thoroughly routed by the French and Indians on the Monongahela July 9, 1755, and his demoralized and straggling army hurled back along the line of its advance, the merciless enemy hanging on flank and rear to increase the consternation and destruction.

The effect of this retreat can be better imagined than told. "News of contemplated attacks upon the settlements along the frontier from the Delaware to the Maryland and Virginia line came upon the people in quick succession, and some actual massacres, burnings and captivities were reported from the south, west and north. Even before Braddock's defeat, and when that General with his army had gone only thirty miles from Fort Cumberland, a party of 100 Indians, under the notorious Shingas, came to the Big Cove and to the Conolloways (creeks on the border of Maryland, in what is now Fulton County) and killed and took prisoners about thirty people, and drove the remainder from their homes." [Penn. Archives, Vol. II.]

The consternation which succeeded the defeat was inexpressible. The retreat left the whole frontier uncovered. The inhabitants, unprotected and undisciplined, were compelled to flee hastily or use such means of defense as were at hand. Men, women and children were ruthlessly slaughtered like dumb animals. A reign of terror prevailed everywhere. The occupations of civil life were suspended, and all efforts to secure safety by flight or resistance were resorted to. Gov. Morris, moved by the piteous appeals from the frontier, summoned the Assembly to convene November 3, when he presented the case clearly and demanded men and a law for calling out the militia. Petitions were pouring in upon him, asking for men and the munitions of war, and beseeching protection from the destruction raging on every hand. The Assembly was tardy. The people, to impress its members with the folly of the "non-resistance policy," actually sent some of the dead and mangled victims of savage cruelty to Philadelphia to be exhibited on the streets. Everywhere men flew to arms. Twenty-five companies of militia, numbering about 1,400 men, were raised and equipped for the defense of the frontier. The second battalion, comprising 700 men and stationed west of the Susquehanna, was commanded by Col. John Armstrong, of Carlisle. His subordinates were Capts. Hance Hamilton, John Potter, Hugh Mercer, George Armstrong, Edward Ward, Joseph Armstrong and Robert Callender. Of these, Joseph Armstrong was an early settler of Hamilton Township, this county. The following is the roster of his private soldiers, the names of the subordinate officers not being known:

John Armstrong.	James Eaton.	John McCamish.
Thomas Armstrong.	John Eaton.	William McCamish.
James Barnet.	Joshua Eaton.	Robert McConnell.
John Barnet.	James Elder.	John McCord.
Joshua Barnet.	George Gallery.	Jonathan McKearney.
Thomas Barnet, Sr.	Robert Groin.	John Machan.
Thomas Barnet, Jr.	James Guthrie.	James Mitchell.
Samuel Brown.	John Hindman.	Joshua Mitchell.
John Boyd.	Abram Irwin.	William Mitchell.
Alexander Caldwell.	Christopher Irwin.	Jon. Moore.
Robert Caldwell.	John Jones.	James Norrice.
James Dinney.	James McCamant, Sr.	John Norrice.
William Dinney.	James McCamant, Jr.	James Patterson.
Robert Dixon.	Charles McCamant.	Joshua Patterson.
William Dixon.	James McCamish.	William Rankin.

Jon. Rippey.	Matthew Shields, Sr.	William Swan.
Barnet Robertson.	Matthew Shields, Jr.	Charles Stuart.
Francis Scott.	Robert Shields, Sr.	Daniel Stuart.
Patrick Scott.	Robert Shields, Jr.	Devard Williams.
William Scott.	Jon. Swan.	Jon. Wilson.
David Shields.	Joshua Swan.	

The intense feeling of the time is shown by the following letters, which speak for themselves:

FALLING SPRINGS, Sabbath morning, Nov. 2, 1755.

To the inhabitants of the lower part of the county of Cumberland:

Gentlemen—

If you intend to go to the assistance of your neighbors, you need wait no longer for the certainty of the news. The Great Cove is destroyed. James Campbell left his company last night and went to the fort at Mr. Steel's meeting house, and there saw some of the inhabitants of the Great Cove who gave this account, that as they came over the Hill they saw their houses in flames. The messenger says that there are but one hundred, and that they are divided into two parts; the one part to go against the Cove and the other against the Conollaways, and that there are two French among them. They are Delawares and Shawnese. The part that came against the Cove are under the command of Shingas, the Delaware King. The people of the Cove that came off saw several men lying dead; they heard the murder shout and the firing of guns, and saw the Indians going into their houses that they had come out of before they left sight of the Cove. I have sent express to Marsh creek at the same time I send this; so I expect there will be a good company there this day, and as there are but one hundred of the enemy, I think it is in our power, if God permit, to put them to flight, if you turn out well from your parts. I understand that the West settlement is designed to go if they can get any assistance to repel them.

All in haste, from

Your humble servant,

BENJAMIN CHAMBERS.

SHIPPENSBURG, 2d November, 1755.

To Hon. Edward Shippen, Esq., at Lancaster:

Dear and Honored Sir:

We are in great confusion here at present—We have received express last night that the Indians and French are in a large body in the Cove, a little way from William Maxwell, Esq.; and that they immediately intend to fall down upon this county. We, for these two days past, have been working at our Fort here, and believe shall work this day (Sunday). This town is full of people, they being all moving in with their families—five or six families in a house. We are in great want of arms and ammunition; but with what we have we are determined to give the enemy as warm a reception as we can. Some of our people had been taken prisoners by this party, and have made their escape from them, and came in to us this morning.

As our Fort goes on here with great vigor, and expect it to be finished in fifteen days, in which we intend to place all the women and children; it would be greatly encouraging, could we have reason to expect assistance from Philadelphia by private donation of Swivels, a few great guns, small arms and ammunition, we would send our own wagons for them; and we do not doubt that upon proper application but something of this kind will be done for us from Philadelphia.

We have one hundred men working at Fort Morris with heart and hand every day.

Dear Sir, yours, &c.,

JAMES BURD.

CONOCOCHIEAGUE, Nov 6, 1755.

May it please your Honor:

I have sent enclosed two qualifications, one of which is Patrick Burns', the bearer, and a tomahawk which was found sticking in the breast of one David McClellan.

The people of Path Valley are all gathered in a small fort, and according to the last account, were safe. The Great Cove and Conollaways are all buried to ashes, and about fifty persons killed or taken.—Numbers of the inhabitants of this county have moved their families, some to York county, some to Maryland.

Hance Hamilton, Esq., is now at John McDowell's mill, with upwards of two hundred men (from York county) and two hundred from this county, in all about four hundred. To-morrow we intend to go to the Cove and Path Valley, in order to bring what cattle and horses the Indians let live. We are informed by a Delaware Indian, who lives amongst us, that on the same day the murder was committed, he saw four hundred Indians in the Cove; and we have some reason to believe they are about there yet.

The people of Shearman's creek and Juniata have all come away and left their horses; and there are now about thirty miles of this county laid waste. I am afraid there will soon be more.

I am your Honor's most

Humble servant,

ADAM HOOPS.

P. S. I have just received the account of our George McSwane, who was taken captive about 14 days ago, and has made his escape, and brought two scalps and a tomahawk with him.

Shortly after the Indians had made hostile incursions into the Great Cove and commenced their devastation, Sheriff Potter was in Philadelphia, as appears from the following extract, under date of November 14, 1755.—[Prov. Rec. N. 289.]

Mr. Potter, the sheriff of Cumberland being in town was sent for, and desired to give an account of the upper part of that county in which the Indians had committed their late ravages; and he said that twenty-seven plantations were burnt and a great quantity of cattle killed; that a woman ninety-three years of age was found lying killed with her breast torn off and a stake run through her body. That of ninety-three families which were settled in the two Coves and the Conolloways, forty-seven were either killed or taken, and the rest deserted.

The names of those murdered and abducted, besides those already mentioned, are given in the *Pennsylvania Gazette* of November 13, 1755, and are as follows:

Elizabeth Gallway, Henry Gilson, Robert Peer, William Berryhill and David McClelland were murdered. The missing are John Martin's wife and five children; William Gallway's wife and two children, and a young woman; Charles Stewart's wife and two children; David McClelland's wife and two children. William Fleming and wife were taken prisoners. Fleming's son and one Hicks were killed and scalped.

But the times demanded more than men and ammunition. Families needed to be put into some place of safety while their natural protectors were gone to overtake the cruel savages, who had burned houses and destroyed helpless women and children. This necessitated the building of private and public forts at such natural points as would best accommodate the people. Wisely these were distributed along the western line of the valley to guard against the hostile invasions from the west, and notably from Path Valley, Cove Gap and the Little Cove.

These forts answered several purposes: 1. They were places for the concentration of defenseless and helpless women and children while their natural protectors were absent from home. 2. They served as deposits for the surplus ammunition and other valuable stores needed in the settlements. 3. They served as rallying points, for protection and defense, to the frightened inhabitants.

At a meeting of the general committee of Cumberland County, convened by order of John Potter, sheriff of the county, at the house of Edward Shippen, October 30, 1755, at which eighteen persons\*, including Col. Benjamin Chambers, were present, it was resolved to build immediately five large forts, viz.: at Carlisle, Shippensburg, Col. Chambers', Mr. Steele's meeting-house and William Allison, Esq.'s, in which the women and children were to be deposited, from which, on any alarm, intelligence was to be sent to the other forts. It is thought to be doubtful whether this plan was executed in full.

*Chambers' Fort.*—This fort was erected by Col. Benjamin Chambers and located at the confluence of the Falling Spring and the Conococheague Creek,

\*Names: William Allison, John Irwin, Adam Hoops, James Burd, William Smith, James McCormick, Benjamin Chambers, Robert Chambers, H. Alexander, John Findlay, John Potter, Rev. Mr. Bay, John Mudgett, Samuel Reynolds, Rev. John Blair, John Smith, Alex. Culbertson, John Armstrong.

where Chambersburg now stands. Hon. George Chambers said: "It was erected in the winter and spring of 1756, being a stockade, including the dwelling house, flour and saw-mills of the proprietor (Col. Chambers); within the fort he erected a large stone building two stories in height, the waters of the Falling Spring running under part of it; for safe access to the water, its windows were small, and adapted to defense; the roof of it was covered with sheet-lead, to protect it against fire from the savages. In addition to small arms, Col. Chambers had supplied himself with two four-pound cannon which were mounted and used. Within the fort he remained in safety with his family throughout the whole series of Indian wars. It was also a place of shelter and security to many of the neighboring families in times of alarm. In a letter dated Harris' Ferry, October 17, 1756, Jas. Young pronounces it "a good Private Fort, and on an Exceeding good situation to be made very Defenceable." He feared lest the fort, with its two four-pound cannon, with "no-body but a few Country People to defend it," should be captured, and they used against Shippensburg and Carlisle. He recommended the removal of the guns, or a proper force stationed for their protection. When Gov. Denny directed these guns to be removed from Fort Chambers, he found his orders disregarded, as was proper under the circumstances.

*Davis' Fort* was erected by Philip Davis in 1756. It was about nine miles south of Fort Loudoun, near the Maryland line, at the northern termination of one of the Kittoctinny ranges, known in early times and since as Davis' Knob. It was sixteen and one-half miles from Chambers' Fort, and eight from McDowell's mill.

*McDowell's Mill.*—This fort was known by several names, as "Fort at McDowell's Mill," "McDowell's Mill," or "McDowell's." It was named in honor of its founder, John McDowell, who settled at and around the present site of Bridgeport, shortly after the Chambers settlement was made at Falling Spring. He erected a mill of logs, and some thirty yards from it a rude two story log house with a liberal supply of port holes. The mill and fort sites are now owned by Mr. Jacob Wister.

This fort, which occupied such a conspicuous place in the early history of the province for the period of only about two or three years, was built as early as 1754: for Col. John Armstrong, then stationed at Carlisle, in a "plan for the defence of the Frontier of Cumberland County from Philip Davies' to Shippensburg," issued in 1754, "ordered that one company cover from Philip Davies' to Thomas Waddel's; And as John McDowell's mill is at the most important Pass, most exposed to danger, *has a fort already made about it*, and there provisions may be most easily had—for these Reasons let the Chief Quarters be there; let five men be Constantly at Philip Davies', William Marshall's and Thomas Waddle's, which Shall be relieved every day by the patrolling guards; let Ten men be sent early every morning from the Chief Quarters to Thomas Waddle's, and Ten return from thence back in the evening. A likewise Ten men Sent from the Chief Quarters to the other extremity daily, to go by William Marshall's to Philip Davies', and return the same way in the afternoon. By this Plan the Whole Bounds will be patrolled every Day; a Watch will be constantly kept at four most important Places, and there will be every night forty-five men at ye Chief Quarters ready for any Exigence." The importance of the place is further seen in the fact that, when Gen. Braddock, in the spring of 1755, was passing on his way for the reduction of Fort Du Quesne, he urged Gov. Morris to hurry up the army supplies along the public road that passed near McDowell's mill. On the 3d of July, 1755, the Governor announces his compliance with the request and his purpose to "form the mag-



azine at or near McDowell's mill, and put some Stuccados around it to protect the Magazine and the people that will have the Care of it." In response, Gen. Braddock indicated his "Approbation of the Deposits being made at McDowell's Mill." In November of this year (1755), as we learn from a letter by Adam Hoops, commissary to Gov. Morris, "Hance Hamilton, Esq., was at John McDowell's Mill with about 400 men," to be used in gathering up the cattle and horses not destroyed by the Indians in Path Valley.

In consequence of the cutting of a new road to the Ohio, about two miles north, and in view of the indefensibility of McDowell's, it was determined to change the location of the fort; hence its successor.

*Fort Loudoun.*—In the autumn of 1756, Col. John Armstrong began the construction of this place of defense. Some difficulty was experienced in securing a suitable site. At last one was chosen near to Parnell's Knob, where one Patton lived, "near the new road," making the "distance from Shippensburg to Fort Lyttleton two miles shorter than by McDowell's." In a letter to Gov. Denny, dated at McDowell's, November 19, 1756, Col. Armstrong says: "I'm making the best preparation in my power to forward this Fort (Loudon), as well as to prepare by barracks, etc., all the others for the approaching winter. \* \* To-day we begin to Digg a Cellar in the New Fort, the Loggs and Roof of a new House having there been erected by Patton before the Indians burn'd his Old One. We shall apprise this House, and then take the benefit of it, either for Officers' Barracks or a Store-House; by which Means the Provisions may the sooner be mov'd from this place, which at present divides our strength." December 22, 1756, A. Stephens says: "The public stores are safely removed from McDowell's mill to Fort Loudoun—the barracks for the soldiers are built, and some proficiency made in the Stockado, the finishing of which will doubtless be retarded by the in clemency of the weather." Capt. Thompson, in a letter dated at Loudoun, April 7, 1758, mentions the arrival of forty Cherokee Indians at the fort, and that more were daily expected. He desires Gov. Denny's immediate directions as to how they were to be treated and supplied, as they had come without arms or clothes; they had come for service in the colonies.

Gen. Forbes, while on his expedition to Fort Du Quesne to expel the French and their Indian allies from the frontiers, addressed a letter from Loudoun (the town being distant a mile from the fort) to Gov. Denny, urging the hearty co operation of the authorities and people to secure the desired success. September 9, 1758, he wrote: "Everything is ready, for the army is advancing; but that I cannot do, unless I have a sufficient quantity of provisions in the magazines at Raystown." His march was resumed soon afterward, and continued till he reached Fort Du Quesne, which the enemy evacuated November 24, 1758. In October of the same year, Forbes recommended to the governor the necessity of distributing 1,200 men among the different forts, 100 of whom were to be stationed at Fort Loudoun.

Col. Bouquet having assumed command of the regular and provincial troops, left Carlisle (whither Gov. Penn had accompanied him) on his expedition westward early in August. "On August 13 their small army got to Fort Loudoun; but notwithstanding all the precautions taken to prevent desertions, the Pennsylvania troops were now reduced to 700 men. Further additions were therefore requested, and furnished by the governor. While here he received an account from Presque Isle, by Capt. Bradstreet, of peace being made with the Delawares and Shawnese; but Col. Bouquet, not believing they were sincere, proceeded forward from Fort Loudoun to Fort Pitt, where he arrived on September 17."—[Bouquet's Hist. Account.]

The name Pomfret Castle was first suggested, but was dropped and that of Loudoun (spelled Loudon at present) in honor of the Earl of Loudoun, lately arrived as commander-in-chief of His Majesty's forces, was adopted. It embraced over an acre of ground. The foundations were of stone, the superstructure of logs, bastions being placed in each corner. No vestiges of it remain at present. The site of the fort is owned by Mr. J. H. Horner of the village of Loudon.

*McCord's* was a private fort, erected probably in 1755 or 1756, along the base of Kittinghinn Mountains, north of Parnell's Knob, and intended, doubtless, for temporary occupation during the early Indian wars. It is believed to have been not many miles from Fort Loudoun, but its precise location can not be definitely fixed. It was attacked and burned by the Indians in April, 1756, and many captives taken and carried off. This circumstance greatly impaired confidence in private forts, and led to the early erection of those of greater security.

*Steele's Meeting-house.*—Judge Chambers, in a note published in the Appendix to Pennsylvania Archives, says: "The first fort of which I have information, in the Conococheague Settlement, which comprised nearly the whole of the County of Franklin, was at the Rev. John Steele's meeting house, which was surrounded by a rude Stockade Fort in 1755. It was erected shortly after Braddock's defeat, we suppose, as it was referred to in the Indian Invasion in November, 1755.\* It was situated where what is called *The Presbyterian White Church*, south of Fort Loudoun about five miles, and east of Mercersburg three miles. It was a place of notoriety during the Indian Wars." Upon a visit of the Indians to this settlement, in November, 1755," the Rev. Mr. Steele, with others, to the number of about 100, went in quest of them, but with no success." In a letter from Peters Township to Gov. Morris, dated April 11, 1756, Mr. Steele says: "As I can neither have the men, arms nor blankets, I am obliged to apply to your Honor for them; the necessity of the circumstances has obliged me to muster before two magistrates the one-half of my company whom I enlisted, and am obliged to order guns. I pray that with all possible expedition, 54 fire arms and as many blankets, and a quantity of flints, may be sent to me; for since McCord's Fort has been taken, and the men defeated and pursued, our county is in the utmost confusion, great numbers have left the county, and many are preparing to follow. May it please your honor to allow me an ensign, for I find a sergeant's pay will not prevail with men to enlist in whom much confidence is reposed."—[Penn. Arch., Vol. II, p. 623.]

*Waddle's* is sometimes referred to in the old records. It must have been a private fort built about the same time with the others, probably near what is now called Waddle's (sometimes Eckert's) graveyard.

*Allison's* was also a private fort near Greencastle, and served its purpose.

*Maxwell's.*—Where this was located the writer has not been able to ascertain. It was evidently a private fort or block-house in the general line of defense against the incursions of Indians from the west.

*Elliott's* stood in Path Valley, about a mile north of Fannettsburg, at the place now known as Springtown. It was erected in 1754 or 1755. At this place are half a dozen limestone springs, one of which was enclosed by the fort. At the time the barn of James and Samuel Walker, one mile south of Fannettsburg, was burned by the Indians, viz.: On the night of March 22, 1763, the neighbors collected together and scouts were sent by a by-path to

\* November ye 25, 1755. The Reverend John Steele at Conegochig: 2 quarter casks of powder; 2 cwt. of Lead.—[Government Account.]



*Geo Besord*



give alarm at the fort, so that it must have been still occupied by British soldiers.

*Baker's* is supposed to have been at or near the village of Dry Run.

The foregoing is by no means an enumeration of all the forts of a private character in Franklin County. The great danger, however, was to be apprehended from the west, and hence the wisdom of locating a line of these defenses from Parnell's to Casey's Knobs, and patrolling them regularly. From Path Valley and through Cove Gap the greatest danger was to be apprehended.

The massacres mentioned in the following pages are found in various records, which can not here be specified. It will be seen that they occurred more frequently and with greater malignity shortly after the defeat of Braddock's army.

In September, 1754, Joseph Campble was killed, near Parnell's Knob, by an Indian of the Six Nations, named Israel.

In February, 1756, two lads were taken at Widow Cox's, near Parnell's Knob, also a man named John Craig. They afterward escaped.

February 29, 1756, two boys were fired at by the Indians in the Little Cove. One was killed but the other alarmed the fort, and the Indians were pursued and driven away after a loss of four soldiers.

On the same day, a man named Alexander discovered a party of Indians near Thomas Barr's place, in Peters Township. The alarm was given, and an engagement ensued, in which several citizens were killed, one being Barr's son.

April 5, 1756, McCord's Fort was burned and many inhabitants killed and captured by the Indians. Immediately upon receipt of the news, Capt. Alexander Culbertson, with a company of fifty men, set out in pursuit, and overtook them at Sidling Hill, where a serious contest ensued, in which Capt. Culbertson was slain. So many were wounded, that a surgeon, living in Carlisle, was sent for, and even then much inconvenience was experienced. Following is a list of killed and wounded:

## KILLED.

Alexander Culbertson, captain.	Francis Scott.	James Robertson, weaver.
John Reynolds, ensign, Capt. Chambers' Co.	William Boyd.	James Peace.
William Kerr.	Jacob Paynter.	John Blair.
James Blair.	Jacob Jones.	Henry Jones.
John Layson.	Robert Kerr.	John McCarty.
William Denny.	William Chambers.	John Kelly.
	Daniel McCoy.	James Lowder.
	James Robertson, tailor.	

## WOUNDED.

Abraham Jones.	Benjamin Blyth.	William Hunter.
Francis Campbell.	John McDonald.	Matthias Ganshorn.
William Reynolds.	Isaac Miller.	William Swailes.
John Barnet.	Ensign Jamieson.	

Shortly after, Capt. Jacobs (Indian chief), with a band of forty savages, made an expedition into the Coves, burning and scalping. Hugh McSwine was taken prisoner, and afterward escaped on the leader's horse. This he took to Col. Washington, who gave him a commission as lieutenant.

William Mitchel, living in Conococheague, was shot and killed by a band of Indians, while at work in the harvest field.

On the 26th of May, 1756, John Wasson, a farmer living in Peters Township, was horribly mangled and scalped by a small party of Indians. His house was burned and his wife taken captive.

July 26, 1756, Joseph Martin was killed, and John and James McCollough captured in the Conococheague settlement.

August 27, 1756, William Morrison was captured and his house burned.

August 28, Betty Ramsey, her son and the cropper were killed and daughter taken prisoner.

November, 1756, in the upper part of the county, near Conococheague, a party of savages barbarously mangled a number of the inhabitants, and took many women and children captives. Following is a list of killed and missing:

## KILLED.

James McDonald.	John Woods, with his wife	John Culbertson.
William McDonald.	and mother-in law.	Elizabeth, wife of John
Bartholomew McCafferty.	Samuel Perry.	Archer.
Anthony McQuoid.	Hugh Kerrel.	

## MISSING.

James Corkem.	John Archer's four chil-	Samuel Neely.
William Cornwall.	dren.	James McCoid.

March 29, 1757, the Indians made a breach at Rocky Springs, where one woman was killed and eleven taken prisoners.

April 2, 1757, William McKinley and son were killed. He had left Chambers' Fort to visit his farm on the creek below Chambersburg, but was discovered and scalped by the Indians.

April 7, 1757, three families, two named Campbell and Patterson, were cut off at Conococheague, and barbarously treated.

April 23, 1757, John Martin and William Blair were killed at Conococheague, and Patrick McClelland wounded by savages.

May 13, 1757, William Walker and an unknown man killed at Conodoguinet.

June 24, 1757, Alexander Miller killed, and his two daughters captured at Conococheague.

July 2, 1757, a man named Springson killed near Logan's mill.

July 8, two boys taken prisoners at Cross's Fort, Conococheague.

July 27, man named McKisson wounded, and son captured at South Mountain.

August 17, 1757; William Manson and son killed at Cross's Fort, Conococheague.

September 26, 1757, Robert Rush, John McCracken killed, and five others captured near Chambersburg.

May 23, 1758, Joseph Galady killed, and his wife and child captured at Conococheague.

November 9, 1757, John Woods, his wife and mother-in-law, and the wife of John Archer, were killed, four children taken captives, and nine men killed near McDowell's mill.

April 5, 1758, one man killed and ten taken near Black's Gap, South Mountain.

April 13, 1758, one killed and nine taken near Archibald's, South Mountain.

For a long time after this no record of any massacres has been found; but doubtless many were committed, and many outrages perpetrated, of which nothing is known.

We are indebted to Capt. J. H. Walker, a descendant of James Walker, for the following well authenticated and detailed account of his captivity and escape from the Indians.

“About the middle of August, 1762, James Walker, who lived on the farm where John D. Walker now resides, near Fannettsburg, was on his way home from the fort at Loudon, and when near Richmond, on the old Braddock road, was fired at by a party of Indians. His horse was killed under him, and in falling the horse fell on him in such a way that before he could extricate himself the Indians captured him. They then took the saddle off his horse, and fastening it on his back compelled him to carry it, and started over the mountain westward. The first night they stopped near Fort Littleton, and to make their prisoner secure, they tied his hands and an Indian slept on each side of him. The next morning, discovering some horses grazing in the neighborhood of the fort, they made several attempts to capture them, but without success. After repeated failures they determined that their prisoner should make a trial of it, and lest he might wander off too far, or attempt his escape, they made a rope or line of hickory bark, and fastened to his leg, the Indians holding one end of the line, but the horses were shy, he met with no better success, and they were compelled to give it up, being fearful that they might be discovered from the fort. After remaining nearly the whole day and watching the operations at the fort, they again started westward. For several days they traveled by easy stages, crossing on their way the South or Rays-town branch of the Juniata River. At length, as they seemed to approach the Indian settlement, the party divided one evening, and left their prisoner in charge of two of their company for the night. Taking the precaution to tie him safely as before, they lay down, one on each side of him, and soon were in a sound sleep. The apparently sound sleep of their prisoner, however, was not real, as he had fully determined that now, if ever, was his opportunity to try to make his escape. He had a knife secreted about his person, which fortunately his captors had failed to discover. After long and patient effort, he succeeded in getting one of his hands loosed. He then worked his knife out of its hiding place, and cut the cords with which he was fastened. During this operation one of the Indians started as if about to rouse up, but their prisoner affected such soundness of sleep that his suspicions were allayed, and he soon went to sleep again.

“But this being too critical a position in which to remain very long, Mr. Walker, as soon as he thought it safe to do so, raised cautiously to his feet, but in doing so the same wily savage again awoke, and this time realizing the situation, grasped his tomahawk, and was about to spring to his feet, and while in the act of doing so Mr. Walker seized him by the hair, and quick as thought plunged his knife into the throat of his antagonist, who fell mortally wounded at his feet. The other Indian, being awakened by the scuffle, and the death knell of his companion, and supposing doubtless that they had been pursued by a party of whites, hastily fled, leaving Mr. Walker master of the situation. He knew too well the importance of having as great a space between himself and the scene of his encounter as practicable before daylight, and made all possible speed in the homeward direction. When daylight came he sought a secure hiding place, and remained there all day. His journey eastward was attended with many difficulties, and much suffering, as he traveled mostly by night to avoid recapture, and the country being a dense wilderness, he frequently became bewildered, and sometimes traveled in a wrong direction. Besides subsisting chiefly on roots, berries, etc., his flesh was torn with briars, and badly bruised when crossing the mountains, and forcing his

way through the thickets. At length, after many weary days and nights, he found his way back to the fort at Littleton, where he received the medical attention that his situation demanded. He was greatly weakened by the exposure and suffering, and the condition of his sores was so horrible, the worms having already got into them, that he was compelled to remain there for some time before he could be removed to his home."

In 1764, however, on July 26, three miles northwest of Greencastle, was perpetrated what Parkman, the great historian of colonial times, pronounces "an outrage unmatched in fiend-like atrocity through all the annals of the war." This was the massacre of Enoch Brown, a kind-hearted exemplary Christian schoolmaster, and ten pupils—eight boys and two girls. Ruth Hart and Ruth Hale were the names of the girls. Among the boys were Eben Taylor, George Dunstan and Archie McCullough. All were knocked down and scalped by the merciless savages. Mourning and desolation came to many homes in the valley, for each of the slaughtered innocents belonged to a different family. The last named boy indeed survived the effects of the scalping knife, but in a somewhat demented condition.

The teacher offered his life and scalp in a spirit of self-sacrificing devotion, if the savages would only spare the lives of the little ones under his charge and care. But no! the tender mercies of the heathen are cruel, and so a perfect holocaust was made to the Moloch of war by the relentless fiends in human form. The school-house was located on the farm now owned by Mr. Henry Diehl, and formerly owned by Mr. Christian Koser. It stood in a cleared field at the head of a deep ravine, surrounded by dense forests. Down this ravine the savages fled a mile or two until they struck Conococheague Creek, along the bed of which, to conceal their tracks, they traveled to the mouth of Path Valley up which and across the mountains they made good their escape to their village near the Ohio. The bodies were given, at the time, a burial in a common grave—a rude box containing the forms of the teacher and his associate victims.

August 4, 1843, or seventy-nine years after the slaughter, a number of the principal citizens of Greencastle made excavations to verify the traditional account of the place and manner of burial. Some remains of the rough coffin were found at quite a depth from the surface, and then the skull and other remains of a grown person, alongside of which were remains of several children. Metal buttons, part of a tobacco box, teeth, etc., were picked up as relics by those present, among whom were some of our citizens still living with us in a green old age, viz.: Dr. Wm. Grubb,\* Dr. J. K. Davison, George W. Ziegler, Esq., and Gen. David Detrich.

The question of erecting a monument to the memory of these unfortunates was agitated at different times, but never reached a tangible solution till 1885, when, as the result of a very spirited canvass of schools, Sunday-schools, churches, and private individuals, as well as by excursions and other legitimate agencies, about \$1,400 was raised for the purpose. Twenty acres of land was purchased, and the monument was finally unveiled August 4, 1885, in the presence of 5,000 people.

The meeting was called to order by Col. B. F. Winger, chief marshal. Mounting the base of the monument the Rev. Cort made a few preliminary remarks, and then four little girls and nine boys pulled the cords, the mantle of red, white and blue fell, and the monument stood forth a thing of beauty and strength, the delight of all beholders. It is indeed a massive affair. On the top of four feet of solid masonry underneath the ground are nearly four feet of

\* Since deceased.



dressed limestone of immense proportions from Hawbecker's Williamson quarry. On the top of this limestone foundation, which is five feet square, is placed the granite base of the monument, four feet square and seventeen inches high, and weighing 4,600 pounds. Next comes the polished die or sub-base, three feet square and two feet high, on the four sides of which are engraved the inscriptions. On the top of this stands the shaft of the monument, two feet square at the base, ten feet high and tapering gracefully to a pyramidal apex. The shaft weighs 4,100 pounds. Inclosing the monument is a very substantial iron fence, fifteen feet square. The following are the inscriptions:

On the east side:

SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF SCHOOL-MASTER ENOCH BROWN AND ELEVEN SCHOLARS, VIZ.: RUTH HART, RUTH HALE, EBEN TAYLOR, GEORGE DUNSTAN, ARCHIE McCULLOUGH, AND SIX OTHERS (NAMES UNKNOWN), WHO WERE MASSACRED AND SCALPED BY INDIANS ON THIS SPOT, JULY 26, 1764, DURING THE PONTIAC WAR.

On the north side:

ERECTED BY DIRECTION OF THE FRANKLIN COUNTY CENTENNIAL CONVENTION OF APRIL 22, 1884, IN THE NAME OF THE TEACHERS AND SCHOLARS OF ALL THE SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTY, INCLUDING COMMON SCHOOLS, SELECT SCHOOLS AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS. FOR A FULL LIST OF CONTRIBUTORS SEE ARCHIVES OF FRANKLIN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY OR RECORDER'S OFFICE.

West side inscription, next to grave:

THE REMAINS OF ENOCH BROWN AND TEN SCHOLARS (ARCHIE McCULLOUGH SURVIVED THE SCALPING) LIE BURIED IN A COMMON GRAVE, SOUTH 62½ DEGREES, WEST 14½ RODS FROM THIS MONUMENT. THEY FELL AS PIONEER MARTYRS IN THE CAUSE OF EDUCATION AND CHRISTIAN CIVILIZATION.

On the south side:

The ground is holy where they fell,  
 And where their mingled ashes lie,  
 Ye Christian people, mark it well  
 With granite columns strong and high;  
 And cherish well forevermore  
 The storied wealth of early years,  
 The sacred legacies of yore,  
 The toils and trials of pioneers.

The small monument was unveiled at the grave by Rev. Cort after a few preliminary remarks. It is a very chaste and pretty structure, composed, like the larger monument, of Concord granite. It is about seven feet high and two feet square at the base. On the side facing the grave is this inscription: "The grave of Schoolmaster Enoch Brown and Ten Scholars, massacred by the Indians July 26, 1764." Around it is also a solid iron fence ten feet square.

George W. Ziegler, Esq., was chosen president for the day, and made a short address, heartily approving the cause which had brought the people together and commending the monument committee for its faithful and energetic labors. Rev. J. D. Hunter then offered a very appropriate prayer. The Reformed Church choir, under the lead of Prof. Collins, assisted by a few amateurs, sang "America," "My Country, 'tis of Thee," and afterward "The Infant Martyrs," a hymn composed by Dr. Henry Harbaugh on the martyred babes of Bethlehem, who were slain by King Herod. The organization was completed by the election of the vice-presidents and secretaries, viz.:

Vice-presidents: Rev. J. Spangler Kiefer, Hagerstown, Md.; Gen. David Detrich, Dr. James K. Davidson, Capt. Jacob Diehl, Antrim; Jacob Hoke, Judge Kimmel, Rev. Herbert, Chambersburg; Jacob B. Brumbaugh, Peters; Simon Leeron, D. C. Shank, George J. Balsley, D. O. Nicodemus, Washington; Joseph Winger, Montgomery; Dr. Frick, Quincy; Rev. Knappenberger, John Hoch, Mercersburg; Rev. Bahner, Waynesboro; Rev. Riddle, Fairfax, Va.; Andrew K. Kissecker, Tiffin, Ohio. Secretaries: W. G. Davison, W. C. Kreps, Greencastle; Bruce Laudebaugh, G. W. Atherton, Mercersburg; William A. Ried, Antrim; A. N. Pomeroy, Chambersburg.

Rev. Cyrus Cort, chairman of the monument committee, then made the presentation speech, which was well received.

After a sumptuous dinner, Rev. J. W. Knappenberger, of Mercersburg, offered a short but appropriate prayer. Peter A. Witmer, of Hagerstown, Md., made an address heartily approving the work. He was followed by Rev. F. M. Woods, of Martinsburg, W. Va. John M. Cooper, of Harrisburg, read a very fine poem appropriate to the occasion. Dr. W. H. Egle, of Harrisburg, delivered the historical address of the occasion on "Pontiac and Bouquet." He complimented, in eloquent terms, Rev. Cyrus Cort\* for the intense zeal he had manifested in the erection of this, the people's monument—a tribute to the educational martyrs of the county. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. John R. Agnew.

One of the last massacres committed by the Indians in Franklin County, probably about the time of the Revolutionary war, was that of the Renfrew sisters (Sarah and Jane), on what is now the farm of A. J. Fahnestock, near Waynesboro. The girls, it is said, were washing clothes on the bank of the Little Antietam, when two Indians came upon them, and having stricken them down and taken their scalps, went to the little cabin standing on the hill and killed an infant, dashing its brains out against a tree. They then betook themselves in flight to the mountains, westward, but were pursued by two experienced hunters living in the neighborhood. The savages were finally overtaken in an open forest, in the Big Cove, engaged in eating wild plums. According to previous plans, the wary hunters approached sufficiently close to see the seeds of the plums drop, one by one. Raising their trusty guns, they fired, each bringing his victim to the ground. Scalping the savages and recovering the scalps of the girls, they hastily retraced their steps and reached the Renfrew home in time to deposit all four scalps by the coffin ready to be buried. The dust of the Renfrews now rests in an humble grave in what is known as the Burns grave-yard, on the Fahnestock place, and is marked by a simple slab of rough sandstone.

In 1765 a difficulty occurred between the military authorities at Fort Loudoun, under command of Lieut. Charles Grant, and certain citizens in Peters Township, under the leadership of James Smith. The whole affair grew out of the fact that certain Indian traders from Philadelphia were in the habit of smuggling lead, tomahawks, scalping knives, etc., through the lines and disposing of the same to the ruthless savages. With a band of men, blacked and painted, Smith, highly incensed at these damnable acts, ambushed and waylaid a company of traders, killing their ponies, capturing certain supplies and burning others. The traders repaired to the fort, and secured the services of a squad of Highland soldiers, under command of Sergt. Leonard McGlashan, to arrest the robbers, as the citizens were called. A number of innocent men were apprehended and thrown into the guard-house at the fort.

\*The writer is indebted for the facts contained in this account of the Enoch Brown massacre to Rev. Cort's excellent little volume, "Enoch Brown Memorial."

Smith raised 300 riflemen and marched to the fort, encamping on a high hill in sight of the works. "We were not long there," says Smith, "until we had more than double as many of the British troops prisoners in our camp, as they had of our people in the guard-house. Capt. Grant, a Highland officer who then commanded Fort Loudoun, then sent a flag of truce to our camp, where we settled a cartel and gave them above two for one, which enabled us to redeem all our men from the guard-house without further difficulty."

Grant retained a number of rifle guns which his men had taken from the citizens, refusing to deliver them until he had explicit orders from his superior, Gen. Gage. "As he was riding out one day," continues Smith, "we took him prisoner, and detained him until he delivered up the arms; we also destroyed a large quantity of gunpowder that the traders had stored up, lest it might be conveyed privately to the Indians. The king's troops and our party had now got entirely out of the channel of the civil law, and many unjustifiable things were done by both parties. This convinced me, more than ever I had been before, of the absolute necessity of the civil law in order to govern mankind."

This conflict between the civil and military authorities, the outgrowth of Indian difficulties, involved the magistrates of the township, the governor of the State and the commander-in-chief of the British forces in America. It was finally settled, but not without much difficulty and ill-feeling.

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## CHAPTER IV.

### THE REVOLUTION.

ITS CAUSES—LOYALTY TO THE MOTHER COUNTRY—EARLY MILITARY—ROSTER AND ROLL OF FRANKLIN MEN—FROM COLONIES TO STATES—HEROES FROM FRANKLIN COUNTY—ONE OF THE FIRST AMERICAN CANNONS, ETC.

THE colonists had hardly recovered from the cruelties and sufferings of the French and Indian war and the ensuing raids of the savages upon the scattered and defenseless settlers, when dark clouds began to gather in the distance, that were portentous of a coming storm of seven long years of cruel and bitter war between the feeble colonies and the mother country.

The century and a half preceding the breaking out of the Revolutionary war had been a long and severe school for the colonists and their ancestors to prepare them for the coming ordeal. Most of the immigrants were fugitives from cruel religious persecutions, and outlaws from their native lands. Those who escaped death emerged from dismal dungeons to skulk in caves and out-of-the-way places, and to hide, by strange disguises, from the inappeasable wrath of man, guilty of no crime save that of a determination to be free to think, act and serve their Divine Master in accordance with the dictates of their own consciences. This was a trying school in which to rear a people—it was the ordeal of fire, the baptism of blood; but it tended to mold characters of iron, to instill heroic blood, to plant the seed of liberty in the hearts of the people thus relentlessly pursued, and raise up heroes who feared nothing but their God. These poor, suffering victims had heard of the New World; and, in the dark perspective, it was to them the guiding star of promise, bidding them come.

They gladly fled from their native country and landed upon the shores of this continent—the land of the ignorant and treacherous savages. They were in the direst extremities of poverty, but rich in hope and deeply imbued with the first lessons in the love of freedom. Their awful persecutions, instead of driving them away from their religion and its practices, only made them the more determined in their convictions and more fearless in proclaiming their faith.

Nothing that has occurred in this world has had so powerful an influence upon mankind as the war for independence. All men realize that it made this a great, free and independent people. But this was only a part of what that righteous war effected. It gave liberty to mankind. It was the turning point in man's destiny upon earth. It was the enduring and ever-growing triumph in the struggle between right and wrong. It lifted up the human race, and, as an instance of how strong and wide-reaching its effects were, it need only be noticed that its good results were, and have been, as strong in Great Britain as they have been anywhere else, and the blessings of freedom she so strove to crush have penetrated her entire realms, and, like the gentle dews from heaven, have blessed all alike. Since the earliest traditions the earth has been chiefly the theater of bloody wars—wars of tribes; wars of nations; civil wars; wars for pelf, for power, for the ambition of rulers, and religious wars and crusades for sentiment. What a stream of blood it was! What a world of wo this raging stream bore upon its bosom! Rulers, besotted and beastly, made war; men were simply food-powder-victims driven to the bloody shambles; until the American Revolution, no war had been successfully waged for the rights of the people—for liberty of the souls and bodies of men.

In 1765 the people of Pennsylvania began to enter their first protest against the oppressive action of the mother country. At first these could not be called mutterings—they were merely the mild expressions of a loyal people against the manifold acts of injustice, with no thought of any one going further than words of the most respectful and loyal dissent. Their words fell upon dull ears; they were not heeded, and, even if noticed at all, they were only answered with silent contempt. In the course of time a public sympathy sprang up for the people of Boston. The outrages grew in numbers and severity, and in the course of the next decade men became alarmed, and then public expression and public action began to take place.

July 12, 1774, the people of Cumberland County met at Carlisle. John Montgomery presided over the meeting. The state of the country was briefly, very briefly, it seems, discussed, and steps were promptly taken that showed the temper of the men of those times. They unanimously passed resolutions condemning Parliament for closing the port of Boston; recommending a General Congress of the colonies; the abandonment of the use of British merchandise, and finally for the appointing of deputies to concert measures for the meeting of the General Congress. As emphatic as were the people of this meeting, there was no sentiment of revolt or war upon the mother country. Even after the war had actually commenced and the battle of Lexington had been fought, the loyalty of the people to their government is manifested by the action of the Assembly of Pennsylvania, in November, 1775, appointing delegates to represent the province in Congress, and expressly instructing them "that they, in behalf of this colony, dissent from, and utterly reject any proposition, should such be made, that may cause or lead to a separation from our mother country, or a change of the form of this government." This was in November, but the battle of Lexington occurred in the preceding April.

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*Archibald Fleming.*



days after the battle of Lexington, occurs the following: "Yesterday the county committee of Cumberland County, from nineteen townships, met on the short notice they had. About 3,000 have already associated. The arms returned are about 1,500. The committee have voted 500 men, besides commissioned officers, to be taken into pay, armed and disciplined, to march on the first emergency; to be paid and supported as long as necessary, by a tax on all estates real and personal." The next day they again met and unanimously voted they "were ready to raise 1,500 or 2,000 men," should they be needed, and also were ready and willing to put a debt of £27,000 per annum on the county. A number of companies from Cumberland County were soon ready, and marched to join Washington's army at the siege of Boston. One of these companies, it is known, was from what is now Franklin County. This was Capt. James Chambers' company. He was soon promoted colonel, and afterward became a brigadier-general; he and his company continued in the service during nearly all the seven years' war. Gen. James Chambers was the eldest son of Col. Benjamin Chambers, the founder of Chambersburg. His company joined Pennsylvania's first rifle regiment, under Col. William Thompson, of Cumberland County. This was the first regiment south of the Hudson that marched to the relief of Boston, and the historian says "their arrival attracted much attention; they were stout and hardy yeomanry, the flower of Pennsylvania's frontiersmen and remarkable for the accuracy of their aim"—an important desideratum at that time. This regiment had been enlisted under the resolution of Congress, July 14, 1775, authorizing the raising of six companies of expert riflemen in Pennsylvania, ten in Maryland, and two in Virginia. Each company was to contain 68 privates, 1 captain, 3 lieutenants, 4 sergeants, 1 corporal and 1 drummer. They rendezvoused at Reading, where the regiment was organized by the election of William Thompson, of Carlisle, colonel; Edward Hand, of Lancaster, lieutenant-colonel; and Robert Magaw, of Carlisle, major.

## ROSTER OF CAPT. JAMES CHAMBERS' COMPANY.

Captain—James Chambers.

First lieutenant—James Grier.

Second lieutenant—Nathan McConnell.

Third lieutenant—Thomas Buchanan.

Sergeants—David Hay, Arthur Andrews, Alex. Crawford.

## PRIVATES.

David Boyd.  
John Brandon.  
Johnson Brooks.  
James Black.  
Thomas Beatty.  
David Biddle.  
Michael Benker.  
Archibald Brown.  
Black Brown.  
John Brown.  
William Barnett.  
Timothy Campbell.  
William Campbell.  
Benjamin Carson.  
William Chestney.  
John Dermont.  
Joseph Eaton.  
John Everly.  
Abijah Fairchild.  
James Furmoil.  
John Fidd.  
William Gildersleeve.

Richard Henny.  
Peter Hogan.  
Geo. Houseman.  
John Hutchinson.  
Thomas Hutchinson.  
Charles Irwin.  
Francis Jamieson.  
Robert Joblier.  
Andrew Johnston.  
George Justice.  
Andrew Keith.  
Lewis Kettling.  
Michael Kelly.  
Thomas Kelly.  
Silas Leonard.  
David Lukens.  
Thomas Lochry.  
Patrick Logan.  
Nicholas Lowrie.  
John Lynch.  
John McCosh.  
James McElevé.

John McDonald.  
Michael McGibson.  
Cornelius McGiggin.  
James McHaffey.  
John McMurtrie.  
Patrick McGaw.  
Thomas Mason.  
Patrick Neale.  
William Parker.  
David Riddle.  
Thomas Rogers.  
Nicholas Sawyer.  
Joseph Scott.  
Jacob Shute.  
Moses Skinner.  
Timothy Styles.  
Patrick Sullivan.  
James Sweeney.  
James Symns.  
Thomas Vaughn.

This was not only the first company of infantry that went to the war from what is now Franklin, but it was the first from this valley. The account of the patriotic Chambers family, in the Indian wars and in the war of the Revolution, is very nearly as complete an account of the doings of the people of the county as can now be learned. Col. Benjamin Chambers had been the most conspicuous figure in southern Pennsylvania in the first Indian wars and raids in the valley. When the war for independence broke out, he was then too old to go to the battle-field, but his three sons, all of whom became eminent in the ranks of the colonial armies, were the first to heed the call of duty and rally the people around the flag of liberty. These were James, Williams and Benjamin. James, as related above, by rapid promotion for gallantry, was soon made brigadier-general. Williams and Benjamin were each promoted to captain, and all served during nearly the entire war.

A full account of the Chambers family may be found in the biography given elsewhere, but a brief *resume* is here given of the services in the field of Gen. Chambers, as it is, in a large measure, now the best account we can obtain of the part taken by the people in the war.

August 26, 1775, 400 men drawn from Cumberland County companies were placed under the command of Capt. James Chambers, and sent to Prospect and Ploughed Hill, near Boston, to protect a force of nearly 2,000 men, who were erecting a redoubt near the latter hill. Here they performed some hard and efficient service. In March, 1776, he was promoted lieutenant-colonel *vice* Col. Hand, appointed colonel in the place of Col. Thompson, who had been made a brigadier-general. Col. Chambers was ordered to Long Island, was in the battle of Flat Bush August 22, 1776, and also in the fight at King's Bridge. In his report of the operations at Flat Bush, among other things, he says: "Capt. John Steele acted with great bravery." In August, 1776, the Pennsylvania troops were selected as a reserve to cover the retreat of our army from Long Island. That body was composed mostly of troops from Cumberland and what is now Franklin County. September 26, 1776, Lieut. Col. Chambers was made colonel of his regiment, Col. Hand having been promoted. In June, 1777, his command was in New Jersey, and was among the first to enter New Brunswick, driving the enemy before it. September 11, 1777, his command was opposed to the Hessians, under Gen. Knyphausen, at Chadd's ford and Brandywine, where Col. Chambers was wounded in the side, Lieut. Holliday was killed, and Capts. Grier and Craig were wounded. With his command he was also in the battle of Germantown October 4, 1777, and in the fight at Monmouth June 28, 1778. He led the attack of Bergen Point July 20, 1780, and the command was highly complimented by Gen. Wayne for gallantry in this charge. He, with his command, was at White Plains, West Point, and in many other minor battles up to the time of his resignation in 1781. After his retirement he was three different times appointed to the command of a battalion in his native county. In 1794 he was appointed to command the Third Brigade of Pennsylvania troops, called out to quell the whisky insurrection. In 1798 he was again appointed to a similar command in anticipation of a war with France.

The substance of an article from the pen of Hon. John B. Linn, deputy secretary of the commonwealth, that appeared in the *Philadelphia Weekly Times* of April 14, 1878, is given below, confined as much as possible to those parts that refer to this action of the Franklin County men: "The Historical Society of Pennsylvania has in its temporary possession a very interesting relic of the revolution. It is the standard of the First Pennsylvania Rifle Battalion. \* \* \* This regiment was raised on the reception of the



news of the battle of Bunker Hill, and entered the trenches in front of Boston, August 8, 1775. It was in the skirmishes in front of Boston, and before the British evacuated that city it was ordered to New York to repel their landing there. \* \* \* The term of the battalion expired June 30, 1776, but officers and men in large numbers re-enlisted for three years, or during the war. \* \* \* It was at Long Island, White Plains, Trenton and Princeton under command of Col. Hand, and under the command of Col. Chambers, at Brandywine, Germantown, Monmouth, and in every other battle and skirmish of the main army until Col. Chambers' resignation in 1781.

Col. Chambers was succeeded by Col. Daniel Broadhead, May 26, 1781. The regiment, after this long service under Gen. Wayne, joined Gen. Lafayette at Raccoon Ford on the Rappahannock, June 10; fought at Green Springs, July 6; opened the second parallel at Yorktown. Gen. Steuben, in his orders dated October 21, says of this movement that he considered it the most important part of the siege. The regiment then went south with Gen. Wayne and fought in the last battle of the war at Sharon, Ga., May 24, 1782; entered Savannah in triumph July 11, and Charleston December 14, 1782; went into camp on James Island, S. C., May 11, 1783, and when the news of the cessation of hostilities reached there, they embarked for Philadelphia. In its services it traversed every one of the original thirteen States of the Union; for while in Boston Capt. Parr was ordered with a battalion to Portsmouth, N. H., to defend that point." In December, 1775, the Second Pennsylvania Regiment was formed. It was at first under the command of Col. John Bull, afterward under Col. John Philip De Haas.

Under a call from Congress for four more battalions, in January, 1776, Col. Irvine's Sixth Regiment was formed. It was composed of eight companies; and of these, three companies were mostly from Franklin County territory, to-wit: Company 3, Capt. Abraham Smith. There is some dispute as to whether Capt. Smith's company was from what is now Cumberland County, or from this county. The truth probably is, it was made up of men from both of them. The others were Company 4, Capt. William Rippey, and Company 8, Capt. Jeremiah Talbott.

It is now believed that Capt. Smith was from Lurgan Township, just north of the Franklin County line. There evidently were two Capt. Abraham Smiths from this and Cumberland County. One was a civilian; but which was which, the confusion in the records does not always make plain. One was of Lurgan and the other of Antrim Township. This fact is now evident.

The following are the names of the officers and men:

#### COMPANY NO. 3, OF IRVINE'S REGIMENT.

Captain—Abraham Smith, commissioned January 9, 1776.

First lieutenant—Robert White.

Second lieutenants—John Alexander, Andrew Irvine.

Ensigns—Samuel Montgomery, Samuel Kennedy.

Sergeants—John Beatty, Samuel Hamilton, Hugh Foster, William Scott, William Burke.

Corporals—William Burke, George Standley, John Moore, William Campbell, Seth Richey, William McCormick, William Drennon; William Cochran, fifer; John Fannou, drummer.

#### PRIVATES.

David Armor.

John Brown.

Patrick Brown.

John Blakeley.

John Brannon.

Philip Boyle.

Josiah Cochran.

Robert Craighead.

Anthony Creevy.

William Cochran.

James Dunlap.

Thomas Drennon.

William Downey.

Hugh Drennon.

Daniel Divinney.

Pat. Fleming.

William Gwin.

Alex. Gordon.

Robt. Gregg.	Michael McMullin.	Peter Runey.
Thomas Higgins.	James McKissock.	Alex. Reid.
James Holliday.	Adam McBreas.	Borthal Roharty.
Thomas Holmes.	John McDowell.	Thomas Smith.
John Hendricks.	Samuel McBrea.	Patrick Silvers.
Benj. Ishmail.	Robert McIlno.	Thomas Scott.
Robert Jarrett.	Alex. McKenny.	George Simpson.
Thomas Johnson.	John McKingham.	Robert Swinie.
Samuel Love.	John Montgomery.	John Stoops.
Geo. Lucas.	Alex. Moore.	Ad. Sheaver.
Nicholas Little.	Robert Miller.	William Stitt.
James Lowrey.	Hugh Milligan.	Peter Sheran.
Daniel McKusick.	Moses Powell.	Charles Tipper.
John McCollam.	Nathan Points.	John Todd.
William McCormick.	John Rannell.	Mich. White.
Michael McGarea.	Seth Richey.	James White.
Bryan McLaughlin.	Patrick Rogers.	John Wilson.
John McPetridge.	John Rannell, Jr.	John Young.

## COMPANY NO. 4. OF IRVINE'S REGIMENT.

Captain—William Rippey.

First lieutenants—William Alexander, Alexander Parker.

Second lieutenant—John Brooks.

Ensign—William Lusk.

Sergeants—John Hughes, Robert Watt, John McClelland, William Anderson.

Corporals—William Gibbs, Jeremiah McKibben, James McCulloh, George Gordon, Nath Stevenson; William Richards, fifer; Daniel Peterson, drummer.

## PRIVATES.

Jacob Anderson.	Cumberland Hamilton.	John McGaw.
Robert Barckley.	Neal Hardon.	Charles Malone.
Bernerd Burns.	George Hewitt.	George McFerson.
Robert Caskey.	Robert Irvine.	William Nicholson.
Henry Cartright.	Jacob Justice.	John Ortman.
Robert Cortney.	John Johnston.	John O'Neal.
Jacob Christyardinger.	Christopher Kechler.	Thomas Pratt.
Benjamin Cochran.	Francis Kain.	Thomas Parsons.
Hugh Call.	John Kelly.	Aaron Patterson.
John Collins.	William Lowry.	Charles Rasbrough.
William Dougherty.	Daniel Lavery.	John Rasbrough.
John Davison.	David Linsey.	John Rogers.
Joseph Devine.	James Lynch.	Thomas Reed.
Anthony Dawson.	John Madden.	Robert Robeson.
Thomas Dycke.	Josiah McCall.	Basil Regan.
James Finerty.	John McMichael.	John Stoner.
Hugh Forsyth.	James McComb.	Henry Scott.
Hugh Ferguson.	William McIntyre.	Alexander Stephenson.
Thomas Falls.	John Moore.	Nathan Stephenson.
William George.	James Mullin.	James Smiley.
Henry Girden.	Thomas McCall.	William Thompson.
Thomas Gell.	Philip Melon.	John Tribele.
Jacob Glouse.	Alexander McNichols.	Jacob Trash.
Nathan Hemphill.	James McCoy.	John Van Kirk.
Robert Haslet.	James McCon.	William Winn.
John Hendry.	David McClain.	John Wright.
William Henderson.	John McDonell.	Peter Young.
James Hervey.	Daniel McClain.	

## COMPANY NO. 8, OF IRVINE'S REGIMENT.

Captain—Jeremiah Talbott.

First lieutenant—John McDonald.

Second lieutenant—Alexander Brown.

Ensign—William Graham.

Sergeants—John McCollam, John Wilson, James Cupples, Samuel Mitchell.

Corporals—William Campbell, Robert Hunter, John Chain, John Reniston and John Milton, drummer; John Killin, fifer.

## PRIVATES.

Robert Asten.  
John Bradley.  
William Black.  
John Church.  
George Coghren.  
Francis Clark.  
Robert Carnahan.  
Charles Conna.  
John Campbell.  
Joseph Chambers.  
John Dinning.  
William Evans.  
John Faulkner.  
Hugh Fairness.  
James Gardner.  
Daniel Gibson.  
William Heaslett.  
John Heatherington.

Duke Handlon.  
John Higgins.  
Kern Kelley.  
Stephen Lyon.  
Jacob Lewis.  
Hugh Lilley.  
John Marten.  
Robert Mollon.  
Benj. Morrison.  
James McFarlan.  
Charles McRoun.  
Archibald McDonald.  
Matthew McConnell.  
Thomas McCreary.  
Charles McMullen.  
Thomas Mitchell.  
Charles Marry.  
Patrick Marry.

Able Morgan.  
Archibald Nickel.  
Andrew Pinkerton.  
Samuel Power.  
John Pollock.  
James Quarre.  
William Shaw.  
Mike Sesalo.  
John Shoemaker.  
James Sloan.  
John Totton.  
John Thompson.  
Hugh Thompson.  
William White.  
John White.  
John Welch.  
Robert Watson.  
Isaac Wiley.

In April, 1777, Capt. Talbott's company had been so reduced by hard service that it was recruited up to the required number. The following are the recruits that were then added:

John McCullum.  
John Foster.  
John Ferguson.  
Michael Black.  
John Wilson.  
Robert Hunter.  
John Brown.  
Gilbert Berryhill.  
Hugh Casserty.  
Charles Conner.  
George Corohan.  
Edward Hart.  
John Shoemaker.  
James Garland.  
James Loe.  
Jacob Weaver.  
Patrick Guinn.  
Joseph West.  
Peter Smith.  
John Smith.  
Michael Sitsler.

John McKinley.  
Charles Kelly.  
John Johnson.  
William Antrican.  
Michael Brown.  
John Milton.  
Henry Vaughan.  
James Ralls.  
Patrick Doyle.  
William McDonald.  
Michael Danfee.  
John Kellenough.  
Patrick Murrey.  
Conrad Carcass.  
William Gibbs.  
Thomas Whitely.  
Hugh Thompson.  
William Foster.  
Phelix O'Neal.  
John Crowl.

John Fullerton.  
Pat Boyle.  
Thomas Sherry.  
John Cavenaugh.  
Robert Burns.  
Andrew McGahey.  
William McCalley.  
Isaac Shockey.  
Christopher Row.  
Francis O'Harrah.  
Thomas Dunn.  
Daniel McCartney.  
Barney McGilligen.  
Thomas Aston.  
John Smith (tanner).  
Patrick McKinley.  
John Robinson.  
John Feaghander.  
William Campbell.  
Patrick McCullum.

In addition to the companies enumerated above, it is an established fact that there were the companies of Capts. James McConnell, William Huston, Robert Culbertson and Conrad Schneider—four full companies—that were from what is now Franklin County. These were recruited and all prepared to go to the front, but as they were among the last men enlisted, it is not positively known, nor are there any records by which the fact can be exactly stated, that they were ordered from the county and were in the field. Possibly they did not really join the Colonial Army, and this may account for the absence of them on the army rolls.

In the early part of 1777, the first battalion of Cumberland County militia was formed; commanded by Col. James Dunlap. The lieutenant-colonel was Robert Culbertson, of Franklin County. In this battalion were three companies that were from what is now Franklin County—the companies of Capts. Noah Abraham, of Path Valley; Patrick Jack, of Hamilton, and Charles Maclay, of Lurgan. The roster of Capt. Abraham's company was as follows:

Captain—Noah Abraham.  
First lieutenant—Archibald Elliott.

Second lieutenant—Samuel Walker.

Sergeants—James McConnaughy, Joseph Noble, Robert McConnell, Thomas Clark.

PRIVATES.

John Garven.	James Mitchell.	William Buchanan.
George Farmer.	David Armstrong.	David Neal.
Samuel Elder.	John McLellan, Jr.	John Bell.
William Elliott.	John Adams.	James Park.
Francis Elliott.	Samuel Mears.	Daniel Colbert.
Abram Elder.	William Adams.	Henry Varner.
George Dixon.	James Mackey.	William Cortz.
Alex. Douglas (weaver).	James Allen.	William Wright.
Henry Delmer.	Robert McGuire.	John Canady.
Patrick Dougherty.	John Brown.	Robert Walker.
Andrew Douglas, Sr.	Henry McGee.	Samuel Watson.
Samuel Campbell.	James Boggs.	William Woodrow.
James Carmady.	John Mackey.	Alexander Mear.
Hugh McCurdy.	Nathaniel Bryan.	Samuel McCauley.
Robert Alexander.	John Montgomery.	Samuel Woodrow.
Alexander McConnell.	Allen Brown.	James McLellan.
James Alexander.	James Nealy.	Patrick Davidson.
Charles Gibson.	Alex. Hopper.	Wm. McLellan.
James Harvey.	Adam Humberg.	Wm. McIbbins.
James Howe.	John Johnson.	John Means.
Andrew Hemphill.	Joseph Kilgore.	Nathan McColley.
William Harvey.	Alex. Long.	James Montgomery.
Henderson Harvey.	John McLellan.	Alex. Meor.

In Col. John Davis' Second Battalion, was Capt. Charles Leeper's company, of Lurgan Township. Capt. James McConnell, of Letterkenny, with his company, was in the Fourth Battalion.

The Sixth Battalion was mostly officered by Franklin County men, as follows: Colonel, Samuel Culbertson; lieutenant-colonel, John Work; major, James McCammont (McCalmont); adjutant, John Wilson; quartermaster, Samuel Finley; surgeon, Richard Brownson. The officers in Company No. 2, of this battalion were the following: Captain, Patrick Jack; first-lieutenant, William Reynolds; second lieutenant, James McLene; ensign, Francis Gardner. This company was recruited from Hamilton Township.

Company 3 in this battalion, was from Letterkenny Township, and the following officers: Captain, Samuel Patton; first lieutenant, John Eaton; second lieutenant, David Shields; ensign, William Ramsey. A company from Peters Township, No. 4, had the following: Captain, James Patton; first lieutenant, Thomas McDowell; second lieutenant, John Welsh; ensign, John Dickey. Company No. 5: Captain, Joseph Culbertson; first lieutenant, John Barr; second lieutenant, William Cessna; ensign, Hugh Allison. This company was from Lurgan Township. Company 6 as follows: Captain, William Huston; first lieutenant, William Elliott; second lieutenant, James McFarland; ensign, Robert Kyle. It is said this company was recruited from Montgomery, Peters and Hamilton Townships. To this company Rev. Dr. John King delivered a patriotic-address as they were about starting for the field.\*

Company 7 the following: Captain, Robert McCoy; first lieutenant, James Irwin; second lieutenant, Samuel Dunwoody; ensign, Walter McKinney—from Peters Township. Company No. 8 as follows: Captain, John McConnell; first lieutenant, Joseph Stevenson; second lieutenant, Geo. Stevenson; ensign, James Caldwell, from Letterkenny Township. In the Eighth Battal-

\*"The case is plain; life must be hazarded or all is gone. You must go and fight, or send your humble submission, and bow as a beast to its burden, or as an ox to the slaughter. The king of Great Britain has declared us rebels, a capital crime; submission therefore consents to the rope or the ax. Liberty is doubtless gone; none could imagine a tyrant king should be more favorable to conquered rebels, than he was to loyal, humble, petitioning subjects. No! No! If ever a people lay in chains we must, if our enemies carry their point against us, and oblige us to unconditional submission. This is not all. Our Tory neighbors will be our proud and tormenting enemies."

ion, colonel, Abraham Smith, of Franklin County. There were four other field officers from this county, named: Lieutenant-colonel, James Johnston; major, John Johnston; adjutant, Thomas Johnston; and quartermaster, Terrence Campbell.

Four companies in the Eighth Battalion were Franklin County men as follows: Company No. 1. of Waynesboro—Captain, Samuel Royer; first lieutenant, Jacob Foreman; second lieutenant, John Riddlesberger; ensign, Peter Shaver. Company 2, Lurgan Township—Captain, John Jack; first lieutenant, James Brotherton; second lieutenant, Daniel McLene; ensign, James Drummond. Company 3, from Antrim Township—Captain, James Poe; first lieutenant, Joseph Patterson; second lieutenant, Jacob Stotler; ensign, James Dickson. Company 8, Lurgan Township—Captain, John Rea; first lieutenant, Albert Torrence; second lieutenant, Alexander Thomson; ensign, Hugh Wiley. This is all the record now accessible concerning these companies.

In 1779 a company recruited from Path Valley was mustered into the service, and sent west to quell an Indian disturbance. This was Capt. Noah Abraham's company—First-lieutenant, Nathaniel Stevenson; second lieutenant, Adam Harman; sergeants, Joseph Ferguson, Campbell Lefever, James Hamilton, John Roatch; privates, Daniel Colbert, Neal Dougherty, Frederick Dougherty, Patrick Dougherty, Thomas Knox, Daniel Lavrey, William Love, Redmond McDonough, Mathias Maers, John Maghan, John Millison, James Megraw, Isaac Miner, James Russell, John Robinson, James Ray and William Walker.

At the same time another company went from Letterkenny Township: Captain, Samuel Patton; first lieutenant, Ezekiel Sample; sergeants, John Kincaid, William Spear; privates, John Bran, Thomas Crotley, Richard Cooper, George Hunter, Samuel Howard, John Hart, William Lowry, George Lamb, John Lytle, Henry Marshal, John Mathias (weaver), Lorans McReady, John Parker, William Patterson, Abram Rosenberry, William Sharp, John Welsh, Henry Williamson.

It is supposed the above enumeration includes all of the separate organizations that went to the war from what is now Franklin County. Just how many men did go cannot now be accurately told. That there were many who joined commands from other counties in small squads and singly, cannot be doubted; but on the rolls their identity is lost, and it is greatly to be regretted their names cannot be properly placed on the roll of the immortals.

There were men who enacted a conspicuous part in the Revolution outside of the line of military duty. For instance, in the Provincial Conference, 1776, the Province of Pennsylvania sent a full delegation, which met in Carpenter's Hall, in the city of Philadelphia. The delegates from Franklin were McLene, Allison, Maclay, Calhoun and Creigh.

Here and there, through all the annals of the Revolution, is to be found a hero, who was a native of what is now Franklin County. Of these Col. James Smith, a native of Peters Township, has left an illustrious record. As early as 1755, while engaged in opening a road from Fort Loudoun to Bedford, he was captured by the Indians. He was adopted in the Conewago tribe and remained with them until 1759, when he escaped to Montreal, and reached his home in 1760. In 1763 he was actively engaged against the Indians, as captain of a company of rangers. He then became an ensign in the English provincial army. In 1764 he served under Gen. John Armstrong, and was a lieutenant in Bouquet's expedition against the savages. In 1765 he was the leader of a band of settlers, who attacked the Indians, drove them off and burned

the goods of some Indian traders, because they were selling, to the savages, powder and lead. Some of Col. Smith's neighbors, who had nothing to do with this burning, were arrested by British officers and locked up in Fort Loudoun. Smith and his sturdy and fearless gang went to the rescue of their neighbors, captured the fort, released their friends and took more English soldiers prisoners than Smith's command numbered. Afterward more of Smith's neighbors were arrested for the burning of the Indian traders' goods, and this time confined in Fort Bedford. Again, Smith rallied his neighbors, assaulted the fort, captured the garrison and liberated the prisoners. Some time after, Smith was arrested for this. In making the arrest a struggle ensued and Smith's companion was killed. He was then charged with the killing and thrown in prison. A body of 600 of his neighbors gathered and marched to Carlisle and demanded his release. He made an address to his friends, refused to be released, and counseled them to peacefully go home. He was kept in prison four months, tried and acquitted. At once he was elected commissioner of Bedford County. He then removed to Westmoreland, and there was elected to the same office. In 1774, he was again a captain of rangers in the field, serving against the Indians. In 1776, he, in command of a company of rangers serving in the Revolutionary war, and with thirty-six men, defeated 200 Hessians, taking the most of them prisoners. Then for two years he was in civil offices. In 1777 Gen. Washington offered him a major's commission, but not liking the colonel of the regiment, he declined to accept it. He asked and was given permission to raise a battalion of rifle rangers to serve against the British in New Jersey. His major was James McCammont, a Franklin County man. When Col. Smith was disabled by disease, McCammont became commanding colonel. Col. James McCalmont (originally spelled McCammont), was born in Letterkenny Township, in 1739—a typical frontiersman, wonderfully made for the troublous time in which he was born. He was a brave man and an ardent patriot. His services to his country, in the Revolution, were invaluable. When the British occupied Philadelphia he was commanding a troop of rangers, and assigned to the duty of preventing the Tories of the interior from furnishing the enemy with supplies. While on this duty he captured a lot of Hessians in New Jersey; he not only made prisoners of them, but induced them to become settlers near Strasburg, where may be found their descendants to this day. He served as major in the Sixth Battalion of the Cumberland County troops under command of Col. Samuel Culbertson, another native of Franklin County, and an eminent Revolutionary soldier and patriot. After the war he was for many succeeding terms elected to the House of Representatives; in 1789, appointed judge, which position he held until his death, July 19, 1809.

Capt. Samuel Brady, already celebrated before the Revolution as an Indian scout, was, of course, the first to respond to his country's call to fight for liberty. He was under command of Col. Hand, at Princeton, and at the massacre of Paoli he barely escaped. He was promoted for bravery after the battle of Monmouth, and then was ordered to Fort Pitt (Pittsburg), to join Gen. Broadhead, with whom he soon became a great favorite, and was almost constantly employed as a scout. His father and brother had been massacred in 1778-79 by the Indians, and he never failed to wreak vengeance upon the savages at every opportunity. His name was a terror to the Indians. He died in West Liberty, Va., in 1800.

Col. Joseph Armstrong was one of the early settlers in Hamilton Township. He was a brave and fearless Indian fighter, commanding a company of rangers in 1755. After much service in the Indian wars, in 1776 he raised a



*Laurence Hammond*





battalion (the Fifth Cumberland Company), and marched to the defense of Philadelphia. Among his captains were John Andrew, Samuel Patton, John McConnell, William Thompson (became brigadier-general), Charles Maclay, James McKee, John Martin, John Rea (afterward brigadier-general), John Murphy, George Mathews and John Boggs. This command had been chiefly recruited from Lurgan, Letterkenny and Hamilton Townships. They were noted for their activity, bravery and alertness in punishing the country's enemies, as well as their rigid faith in Presbyterianism. It is said that a majority of them had been members of the old Rocky Spring Church. Capt. Charles Maclay's company, which numbered 100, was raised in Lurgan Township, and every man said to be six feet in height. This company suffered severely in the surprise of Gen. Lacy's command at Crooked Billet, Bucks County, May 4, 1778. Capt. Maclay and about half his company were killed. Gen. Lacy, in his report, says: "The wounded were treated in a manner the most brutal savages could not equal; even while living, some were thrown into buckwheat straw, the straw set on fire and burned."

In addition to these great Revolutionary heroes, there were noted: Rev. John Steele and Dr. Robert Johnston, his son, John Johnston, and many others..

#### ONE OF THE FIRST AMERICAN CANNON.

There are conflicting accounts, in different histories, on the subject of the making of the first cannon in this country. We are indebted for this account of the making of, if not the first certainly very close to being, the first wrought iron cannon in the world, to Mr. J. C. Burns, who writes from "near Waynesboro, May 3, 1886." He gives the current history of this successful effort at making a wrought iron cannon, omitting such portions of the generally published accounts, and making such additions as his information made necessary to arriving at the truth of the matter. "Another man in Cumberland County, about the same time, made two cannon, and one of these two was also captured at Brandywine, and, quoting from *Hazard's Register*, "is now in the Tower of London." He then alludes to a letter written by a British soldier soon after the battle of Brandywine, in which the writer refers to "two cannon of singular appearance and construction, captured" from the Americans. Evidently one of these cannon was the one of the two made by the Cumberland County man, and the other, the one made by Mr. Bourns. In further explanation, it may be stated, that John Bourns was the grandfather of J. C. Burns, whose account of the cannon is given, as taken from "McCaughey's Historical Sketch of Franklin County," with Mr. Burns' corrections:

"A century ago near the banks of the Antietam, three miles east of Waynesboro, Penn., stood a blacksmith shop. Here, in 1775, worked John Bourns, at his trade of sickle making. The war alarum rang over the country, and to John Bourns it brought the tidings that he, too, must do his share to free his fair land from the tyrant's yoke. He determined to try his skill on a wrought iron cannon. An extra pair of bellows was set up, and his brother—James Bourns—together with some neighbors, being called upon to give all necessary aid in keeping up a continuous hot fire for the purpose of welding, the work was begun. A core of iron was first prepared, and bars of iron were welded together one by one longitudinally around this core. The welding having been accomplished successfully, and the core withdrawn, the bore was brought to as perfect a degree of smoothness and circularity as was possible with the tools accessible. It is likely this was one of the first successful attempts ever made to manufacture a wrought iron cannon.

"This small cannon was taken to the army, and doubtless gave no uncertain

voice in freedom's favor. On the 11th of September, 1777, the battle of Brandywine was fought, and this cannon was captured and taken to England.

"John Bourns was drafted into the army previously to the battle of Brandywine, was in the battle himself, and no doubt regretted the loss of his pet when he learned that it had fallen into the hands of the enemy. On account of his superior skill as a smith, he was detached from active service and detailed to repair gunlocks and make bayonets for the use of the army.

"John Bourns was the father of the late Gen. James Burns, of Waynesboro, and he and William Burns—his brother—frequently related the story, heretofore given, to different persons. Readers will notice the change in the orthography of the names of the father and son."

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## CHAPTER V.

### WHISKY WAR.

ELEVEN YEARS OF PEACE—CAUSES OF THE WHISKY INSURRECTION—ITS PROSECUTION AND ITS SUBVERSION—SYMPATHY OF THE MILITIA, ETC.

FOR eleven long years after the close of the Revolution, or until 1794, the country was at peace, save a few unimportant Indian troubles, and as there was no one else to fight convenient to hand, some of the people of Fayette, Allegheny, Westmoreland and Washington Counties, of this State, concluded to get up an insurrection. Open rebellion was, therefore, proclaimed against the Government because of the excise tax on whisky. It was not the amount of tax on the whisky, but the principle and the Government's selection of that favored product of the land that fired the warlike souls of these good people. It was not any especial love of the "craythur" as an article of regular diet that caused these threatenings of internal war, but the fact that at that time pack-horses were the only mode of transportation, and the raw products of the farms could not be carried to the distant markets, except when reduced by distillation into whisky, the people felt that the excise tax was a blow at their industry that free men should not in any way tolerate. Hence, nearly every farmer had his still—often this was put up before he was able to erect his barn. Whisky was made everywhere, and, in a moderate degree, used in nearly every family. The evidence of the public sense on this subject of the use of intoxicants is furnished in a church trial. A preacher was tried for drunkenness; the proof was strong and clear; but the sessions let him off with a gentle reprimand, and returned him to his desk. The next year the same man was put upon trial for whistling on Sunday—conduct "unbecoming a minister, and showing a vacuity of mind." The sessions convicted, deposed him, and sent him from his church in disgrace. The wits of the day said he might "whistle for his back pay."

The spirit of insurrection was not wholly confined to the western part of the State—there were many warm sympathizers east of the mountains. Gen. James Chambers, in a letter to A. J. Dallas, from Loudon Forge, September 22, 1794, says: "On the 16th inst. I arrived in Chambersburg, and to my great astonishment I found the Rabble had raised what they Called a Liberty pole.

Some of the most active of the inhabitants were at that time absent, and, upon the whole, perhaps it was best, as matters has Since taken a violent change. When I came here I found the magistrates had opposed the sitting of the pole up, to the utmost of their power, but was not supported by the majority of the Cityzens. They wished to have the Royators Subject to the Law, and (Mr. Justice John Riddle, John Scott and Christian Oyster) the magistrates of this place, informed of their zealous wish to have them brought to justice, I advised them to call a meeting of the inhabitants of the town on the next morning, and we would have the matter opened to them and Show the necessity of Soporting Government, Contrassed with the destruction of one of the best governments in the world."

The meeting was duly convened in the "Coorthouse," and John Riddle made a "very animating address" to the people. Resolutions were drawn pledging them to support the justices in their efforts to bring the "Royators to Tryal." Gen. Chambers then further writes to the governor: "I am now happy to have in my power to request you, Sir, to inform his Excellency, the Governour, that these exertions has worked the desired change. The magistrates has sent for the men, the very same that erected the pole, and I had the pleasure of seeing them, on Saturday Evening, Cut it down; and with the same wagon that brought it into town they were oblidged to draw the remains of it out of town again. The Circumstance was mortifying, and they behaved very well. They seem very penetet, and no person offered them any insult. It has worked such a change, I believe we will be able Shortly to Send our Quota to Carlisle." This letter shows the temper of the people very plainly. It was only the great influence and firm stand by such men as Gen. Chambers that prevented the spirit of insurrection from becoming general all over the State. The people were very loth to respond to President Washington's call for troops to quell the turbulent elements of society. Secretary Dallas, September 10, 1794, says: "According to the information I have from several parts of the country, it appears that the militia are unwilling to march to quell the insurrection. They say that they are ready to march against a foreign enemy, but not against the citizens of their own State."

August 7, 1794, President Washington called for 12,950 troops, from Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The New Jersey and Pennsylvania troops assembled at Carlisle. Gov. Mifflin, of Pennsylvania, and Gov. Richard Howell, of New Jersey, commanded the respective troops of their State. The quota of this State was 5,196 men. The quota of Franklin County was 281 men. It was difficult to fill these quotas, but this county recruited its number and sent them to Carlisle. There they were met by President Washington,\* and the army reviewed by him. The Pennsylvania troops were in one division, under command of Maj.-Gen. William Irvine. It was divided into three brigades: the first commanded by Gen. Thomas Proctor, the second by Brig.-Gen. Francis Murray, the third by Brig.-Gen. James Chambers. In Chambers' brigade were the men from Franklin County. The troops passed through this county, by way of Strasburg, and crossed the mountains, passed through Fort Lyttleton, and reached Pittsburgh in November. This display of force by the Government ended the cruel war, and in ten days after their arrival in Pittsburgh, they started on their return home. They came by way of Greensburg, Ligonier. Bedford, Sideling Hill, Fort Lyttleton, Strasburg and Shippensburg, to Carlisle, where they were disbanded. Their entire term of service was about one month.

\*In his route to the western part of the State, Washington tarried over night, some say over Sunday, in Chambersburg, October 11, 1794, stopping with William Morrow in a stone hotel on South Main Street. Passing through Greencastle he was the guest of Dr. Robert Johnston.

## CHAPTER VI.

## FRANKLIN COUNTY ORGANIZED.

DATE OF ERECTION—PETITIONS IN FAVOR OF AND IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROJECT—FIGHT OVER THE COUNTY SEAT—THE FIRST COURT-HOUSE AND FIRST JAIL—EARLY COUNTY OFFICERS—ESTIMATE OF POPULATION—FIRST GENERAL ELECTION—OFFICIALS, ETC.

THE act of the Assembly creating Franklin County, was passed September 9, 1784. The county of Cumberland, the sixth formed in the province of Pennsylvania, was erected in 1750. It embraced 'all and singular the lands lying within the said Province to the westward of Susquehanna, and northward and westward of the county of York' (organized the year previous). It was 'bounded northward and westward with the line of the Province.' From this vast area and ample limits were subsequently constructed Bedford in 1771; a portion of Northumberland in 1772; Westmoreland from Bedford in 1773; Washington in 1781, and Fayette in 1783 from Westmoreland. Originally comprising two-thirds of the area of Pennsylvania, the county of Cumberland is well deserving the name "Old Mother Cumberland."

We first hear of efforts for the formation of the county of Franklin during the closing years of the struggle for independence in petitions therefor in 1780; but remonstrances were poured in upon the Assembly to postpone the subject until the Revolutionary war was over. No sooner was the prospect of peace heightened than renewed efforts were made by the inhabitants of the western parts of the county of Cumberland for a division, representing "the inconveniences and hardships which they suffer by the large extent of the said county, \* \* \* \* the great distance at which the said petitioners dwell from the town of Carlisle, where the courts of justice and the public offices of the same county are held and kept." On the 25th of March, 1782, the petitions therefor were ordered by the General Assembly to be referred to Moses Maclean, Mr. Agnew and Mr. Maclay, with directions to bring in a bill. A bill was subsequently reported and passed second reading, but the inhabitants of "New Town" Township petitioning to have Shippensburg included in the new county, while the inhabitants of Lurgan Township remonstrated forcibly against a division—the whole subject was dropped until the following Assembly. The next Assembly were not favorable to the new county project, and the matter was referred by them to their successors. The new Assembly had scarcely organized when a petition was received from John Clark for the appointment of register for the probate of wills for the new county to be erected out of Cumberland. This was Col. John Clark, of the town of York, a brave officer of the Revolution. His application was premature. Numerous petitions for the division of the county of Cumberland poured in upon the legislative body, with not a few remonstrances against the same. The latter were chiefly from Shippensburg and Lurgan Township, a portion of whose inhabitants preferred, since the former place was not considered eligible for the county seat, to remain with the old county. On the 16th of March, 1784, the committee to whom the petitions and remonstrances were referred reported the following:

*Resolved*, That a new county be granted and laid out, to begin on the York County line on the South Mountain; thence by a square line to be run from the said beginning to the North or Blue Ridge, leaving Shippensburg to the east of said line; thence from the summit of the said North Mountain by the ridges dividing the waters of Shearman's Valley from the waters of the Path Valley, to the Gap, near the heads of the said Path Valley joining Bedford County; thence by the Bedford County line to the Maryland line; thence by said line to the line of York County; thence by said county line to the place of beginning; to be called ——— county; and that the said new county town shall be established by law, at the well-known place called Chambers Town, and not elsewhere; and that a committee be appointed to bring in a bill accordingly.

On the 18th of March the resolution was read the second time, and Messrs. Rush, Coleman and McPherson were appointed a committee to bring in a bill. As yet it will be seen no name was mentioned in connection with the new county project. The committee appointed were Jacob Rush, of Philadelphia, subsequently president judge of the courts of that city; Robert Coleman, of Lancaster, the great iron master, and the head of that family so intimately connected with the iron trade of Pennsylvania, and Col. Robert McPherson, of York County, a brave soldier of the Revolution, and the grandfather of Hon. Edward McPherson, of Gettysburg; a remarkable committee—gentlemen of culture, and eminent in public affairs. To them must the credit be given of naming the county Franklin for that patriot, sage and philosopher, whose reputation was even then world-wide. It was a deserving honor, and the first in successive ones which, next to the immortal Washington, has given name to more towns and counties than any other in the American Union.

On the 25th of March the bill was reported and read the first time. Four days after, it was read the second time and ordered to be printed. Then followed a flood of petitions, for and against not only the division of the county, but the location of the county seat. For the latter, Greencastle and Shippensburg were anxious to be selected, although the latter was unwilling to be included within the limits of the new county unless it was thus honored. Greencastle contended that it was equally as central as Chambers' Town, and much better situated with reference to the back counties and to Maryland.

On the 25th of August, the Assembly took up the bill and debated it at length, which was continued on the 30th. On the 6th of September a clause was adopted to the effect "that the inhabitants of the new county of Franklin should have their full proportion or share of what moneys were raised for Cumberland County uses, after all just demands against said county of Cumberland, before passing this act, are paid."

On the 9th of September, 1784, the bill "was enacted, and signed by the speaker," and thus was erected the county of Franklin with Chambers' Town as the seat of justice, "and not elsewhere."

The active parties in petitioning the Assembly for the new county and to fix the northern boundary line at Big Spring (now Newville), so as to include all of Hopewell Township in the county to be formed, were John Rannels, John Johnson, James McCamont, John Scott, Dr. George Clingin, Samuel Royer, Pat Campbell, Patrick Vance, Nat McDowell, Richard Brownson, George Mathews, Oliver Brown, James Campbell, Thomas Campbell, John Colhoun, John Holliday, John Crawford, Josiah Crawford, Edward Crawford, John Boggs, Jeremiah Talbot, William Rannels, Joseph Armstrong, James Brotherton, Benjamin Chambers, Benjamin Chambers, Jr., Joseph Chambers, James Chambers, William Chambers and others.

During the progress of the struggle to strike off the new county, some of the people of Lurgan Township opposed the measure *in toto* "because the militia battalion, and the religious societies to which they belonged, would be divided and thrown into different counties, and the social intercourse requisite

in these respects would be greatly obstructed," not to mention the burdens that would come of having to erect a new court-house, etc. They therefore prayed to be left quietly in Cumberland County. The people of Greencastle wanted their town to be the county seat, but Chambers' Town prevailed, and soon all was well, and the new county was thus started upon her long career of prosperity and glory.

The act of the Assembly, organizing the county, appointed James Maxwell, James McCammont, Josiah Crawford, David Stoner and John Johnston trustees, to procure ground for county buildings. The act also provided for the county commissioners to pay over to the trustees \$3,200, to be expended in erecting a court house and jail.

September 28, 1774, Col. Benjamin Chambers, by deed, for the nominal consideration of \$26.66 $\frac{2}{3}$ , conveyed to the county the parcel of ground on which the court-house stands, "to be used as a site for a court-house and public buildings and no other," and in the same deed conveyed to the county the lot on the north side of East Market Street, opposite the "Washington House," for a jail.

The trustees contracted with Capt. Benjamin Chambers to build the court-house, and with David and Joshua Riddle to build the jail. The cost of the court house, which was not entirely finished until 1794, was \$4,100. The work on the jail progressed even more slowly, it not being completed until 1797.

The old court-house was of brick, two stories high, and about fifty feet square. It stood immediately west of the present building, its eastern wall being about four or five feet distant from the western end of the present court house, and it was occupied by the courts and public offices whilst the new building was being erected. It was then torn down and the portico and steps of the present building were put up on a part of its site. It was well and substantially built, presented a rather pleasing appearance, and was fully sufficient for those early times. The main front faced Market Street, and there was a heavy cornice all around the building. There were a cupola and bell on the building. The spire was surmounted by an iron rod with a large copper ball on it next the top of the spire; then above that a rooster, and above the latter a smaller ball. The main entrance was on the southern front, but it was not used for many years. A door in the western end, near the southern corner, was the usual place of entrance. Opposite this last door was another door in the eastern end, opening into the yard. The court hall occupied all the lower floor. Along its southern side was a tier of seats for spectators, some three or four in number, rising high up on the wall. These were put in after the building was completed, and they crossed over and closed up the main door in the south side of the room. Between these seats and the bar (which occupied nearly one-half of the floor) there was a space of about ten feet in width, paved with red brick. The bar was raised some two or three feet above this pavement, and the judge's seat, which was on the north side of the room, was some two or three steps above the bar. The traverse jury box was on the east side of the bar, and the grand jury box on the west side, adjoining the stairs leading to the second story, in which there was a grand jury room and two traverse jury rooms. The floor of the court-room was paved with brick. It was warmed by two ten-plate stoves, into which full length cordwood could be put. In one corner stood an old hydrant, the solitary visible memorial of the old water-works.

The old court-house was torn down in 1842, and a new one erected at a cost of \$45,545. The contractors were Philip Miterhouse, carpenter, and Silas Havy, mason. This building was totally destroyed by the rebels in 1864,

and the next year the work on the new and present elegant building was commenced. It was completed at a cost of \$52,683.25.

The old jail was of stone, two stories high, about 40x60 feet in size, and stood on the northeast corner of Second and Market Streets, where Judge Rowe's residence now stands. It was often crowded with poor debtors in those early days, men who were so unfortunate as to be in debt and had neither goods nor money with which to pay their liabilities. To honest men it was a fearful place; but rogues laughed at its nail-studded doors, iron bars, and thick but poorly-constructed walls. Between the date of the formation of the county, in 1784, and the completion of the old stone jail, in 1798, persons charged with the commission of grave offenses were kept in the jail at Carlisle. The county accounts for those years contained many items for the expenses of taking prisoners to Carlisle, keeping them there and bringing them here for trial. Persons charged with offenses of a minor grade were kept in a temporary prison, and there are also numerous charges for "repairs" to that prison—for "iron for bars," for "leg bolts, manacles, etc." and for the pay of those who acted as "guards" at the prison. Tradition says that this prison was an old log house on the lot now the property of Levi D. Hummelsine, on the west side of South Main Street. That it was some such insecure place is evidenced by the expenditures made upon it above referred to, and also from the fact that, in 1785, the commissioners of the county paid Samuel McClelland £2 5s. 6d. for "underpinning the prison." There were no brick buildings here in 1785, and only three stone ones, viz.: Chambers' Fort, John Jack's tavern and Nicholas Snider's blacksmith shop. All the rest were of logs, small and inconvenient, and it must have been one of the worst of these that was used as a prison, as only such a one could have needed "underpinning," and require bars, leg bolts, manacles and guards to keep its inmates safely. The first jailor was Owen Aston, who lived in a small house east of the prison. In 1818 the New jail was erected to supply a long-felt want. This is the present jail building.

*County Officers.*—From 1784 to 1809 Edward Crawford was, by appointment, prothonotary, register, recorder and clerk of the court. He had erected a building for an office on East Market Street—the site now occupied by the law office of Kennedy & Stewart. The old county offices were not completed until October, 1806. This building stood about twenty feet east of the old court-house, facing Market Street; cost, \$2,500. It was of brick, two stories, 40x25 feet. The prothonotary's and clerk's offices were in the west end, the register's and recorder's in the east end, a division hall in the center. In the rear of each office was a narrow vault for the records. On the second story were the offices of the county commissioners, county treasurer, deputy surveyor, etc. This building was torn down when the new court-house was commenced, in 1842.

The act erecting the county provided that the court of common pleas and quarter sessions should be held four times a year, and that the quarter sessions should sit "three days each term, and no more." Edward Crawford was in Philadelphia when the act was passed creating the county, and was the same day appointed and sworn in as prothonotary, etc.

The following papers are the first of their kind found in the records of Franklin County after its erection, September 9, 1784. The books from which they were taken were opened by the skilled and long-continued officer whose modest preface to Deed-book A was as follows: "Franklin County erected by Act of Assembly passed 9th September, 1784, and this Record Book A begun in pursuance thereof.

EDW. CRAWFORD."

## FIRST DEED RECORDED.

1. Date of instrument: April 18, 1782.
2. Parties: Robt. Dixon, Hamilton Township, Cumberland Co., Pa., to William Dixon, his son, same twp.
3. Property: 276 acres and 64 perches, and usual allowances in Hamilton Township.
4. Consideration £15 specie, as well as natural love and affection.
5. Witnesses: Robert Boyd and John Dickson.
6. Acknowledged before Jno. Rannells, Justice of Cumberland Co.
7. Recorded 13 day of December, 1784.

## FIRST MORTGAGE RECORDED.

1. Date: April 20, 1784.
2. Parties: Jacob Ziegler Carpenter, of Guilford Township, Cumberland Co., to Jabob Schmiesser and Peter Menges, of York County.
3. Property: Lot 246 and buildings thereon, in town of Chambersburg.
4. Consideration: £17, 7s. 10a.
5. Witnesses: } Philip Ziegler,  
                  } George Philip Ziegler.
6. Recorded Oct. 11, 1784.

## FIRST RECORDED WILL.

*In the Name of God, Amen.*—I Hans Michael Millar of Antrim Township County of Franklin and State of Pennsylvania being weak in body but of sound Memory (Blessed be God) do make and Publish this my last Will and Testament in Manner following that is to say, all my Just Debt & Funeral Expenses, be paid by my Executors hereafter mentioned. First I give and Bequeath unto my Beloved Wife Elizabeth the sum of two hundred Pounds of good and lawfull money of Pennsylvania specie all my household Furniture one Bay Mare and two Cows which she shall Choose. In case my wife Elizabeth should marry the above sum of Two hundred pounds to be Equally Divided among my sons and daughters. Secondly I give and Bequeath to my son Daniel that Plantation he lives on lying and Being in Frederick County Maryland Two hundred and thirteen acres to him his Heirs and assigns forever, he paying the sum of four Hundred Pounds good and lawfull money of Pennsylvania specie in five years after my Decease to my executors. Thirdly I give and Bequeath unto my daughter Rebecca Rence Two hundred Pounds good and lawfull money of Pennsylvania specie to be paid in one year after my Decease. Fourthly I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Hannah Cigar the one-half of the Plantation she now lives on it being upon New Creek which emptys into the North Branch of Potomack in Virginia under the Allygany Mountains in Hampshire County. Fifthly I give and Bequeath unto Christian Baker The sum of forty Pounds in one year after my Decease, and also one Hundred and Sixty Pounds specie which Peter Baker stands due to me at this time. Sixthly I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Maryann Stoner the sum of two Hundred and Ten pounds lawful money of Pennsylvania specie in one year after my Decease. Seventhly I give and Bequeath unto my Daughter Susanna Stover the sum of two Hundred and Ten Pounds good and lawfull money of Pennsylvania specie to be paid in one year after my decease. Eighthly I give and Bequeath unto my son John the Farm and Plantation it being in Antrim Township Franklin County, which I now live on. Also a Negro Boy named Charles one sorrell mare and Colt and all my farming utensils. Ninthly I give and Bequeath unto my son Michael the one-half of the Plantation that John Cigar lives on to him and his heirs and assigns, to be divided equally between my Daughter Hannah Cigar and my son Michael at the Discretion of my executors. All my movable stock that is not Bequeathed I give unto my son John, also any sum or sums of Money that should remain as over-plush after the Discharging of the Bequeathments to be equally divided amongst my sons and Daughters. My son John and my son in law Abraham Stoner to be my whole and sole executors of my last Will and Testament, in Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty-eighth Day of September, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-four 1784.

Signed Sealed in the Presence of

ELIAS DAVISON

HENRY PAWLING

his  
HANS MICHAEL X MILLAR  
mark  
her  
ELIZABETH X MILLAR  
mark

Edward Crawford was also commissioned justice of the county, September 15, 1784. Six days after the county was formed, the first county court convened, the justices being Humphrey Fullerton and Thomas Johnston, for





*William Orr.*



Antrim Township, and James Finley, of Letterkenny Township—all of them formerly justices of Cumberland County. There were no jurors summoned to this first court, no causes for trial, and the strong inference is, no lawyers were present, except John Clark, of the York bar, who appeared to plead guilty to the crime of matrimony, and by the court was married to Miss Bittinger, daughter of Nicholas Bittinger, of Mont Alto Furnace. He appeared in court, and upon his own request was admitted to the bar, the first attorney so admitted in the county.

The second session of the county court convened Thursday, December 2, 1784, in the second story of John Jack's stone tavern, which stood where Miller's drug store now is. This building was burnt in 1864. The judges present were William McDowell, of Peters; Humphrey Fullerton, of Antrim; James Finley, of Letterkenny. Crawford was clerk. Talbot was sheriff. The grand jurors were James Poe, Henry Pawling, William Allison, William McDowell, Robert Wilkins, John McConnell, John McCarney, John Ray, John Jack, Jr., John Dickson, D. McClintock, Joseph Chambers and Joseph Long.

The courts were held up stairs, and tradition says the crowd was so great as to strain the joists of the floor, causing great alarm to the court and bar, and others in the house. That the courts were held in John Jack's house for several years, while the court-house was being built, and up until 1789, inclusive, is conclusively shown by the following extracts from the county expenditures, found in the annual accounts of the commissioners for the years named, viz:

1785—By an order to John Jack for the use of his house to hold courts in, etc.....	£12 7s. 6d.
1789—By a draw given to Margaret Jack (John's widow), for the use of house to hold courts in.....	£9
1790—Order to Mrs. Jack for fire wood and candles for the court.....	£4 4s. 5d.
A change was then made, for in—	
1790—An order was issued to Walter Beatty for preparing a place for court.....	£15 6s.

This place was no doubt some temporary selection. Walter Beatty was the sub-contractor, under Benjamin Chambers, for the building of the court-house. The court-house and the old stone jail were then being built. The latter must have been gotten under roof at least in 1791, for that year the commissioners paid Walter Beatty "for preparing for the court to sit in the prison, £15 19s." In 1793 the commissioners, by order of the court, paid to Walter Beatty, £10 10s. "for detaining his hands from work on the court-house." The judges took possession and occupied the court-house for county purposes before it was finished, and ordered Mr. Beatty to be paid for the lost time of his hands, as aforesaid.

County courts, as thus constituted, continued to administer justice until the adoption of the constitution of 1790. That instrument went into force, for most purposes, on the 2d of September, 1790, but the third section of the schedule to it extended the commissions of the justices of the peace and judges then in office until the first day of September, 1791.

#### JUSTICES WHO WERE JUDGES.

The following list gives the names of the justices of the peace who were judges of the county courts for this county, from the 9th of September, 1784, to the 2d of September, 1791, with the townships they were appointed from and the dates of their respective commissions, which ran for seven years:

William McDowell.....	Peters.....	November 13, 1778.
Humphrey Fullerton.....	Antrim.....	April 18, 1782.
Thomas Johnston.....	Antrim.....	April 18, 1782.
James Finley.....	Letterkenny.....	March 1, 1783.
Edward Crawford, Jr.....	Chambersburg.....	September 11, 1784.
James Chambers.....	Peters.....	September 17, 1784.
George Matthews.....	Hamilton.....	February 4, 1785.
John Rannels.....	Guilford.....	March 1, 1785.
Noah Abraham.....	Fannett.....	October 31, 1785.
John McClay.....	Lurgan.....	November 2, 1785.
Richard Bard.....	Peters.....	March 15, 1786.
Samuel Royer.....	Washington.....	March 27, 1786.
John Scott.....	Chambersburg.....	August 4, 1786.
John Boggs.....	Chambersburg.....	August 4, 1786.
James Maxwell*.....	Montgomery.....	August 26, 1786.
John Haring.....	Southampton.....	November 1, 1786.
John Andrew.....	Guilford.....	April 16, 1787.
John Martin.....	Chambersburg.....	December 8, 1787.
James Maxwell.....	Montgomery.....	September 17, 1788.
William Henderson.....	Greencastle.....	September 25, 1788.
James M'Calmont.....	Letterkenny.....	September 23, 1789.
Christian Oyster.....	Chambersburg.....	July 16, 1790.
Thomas Johnston.....	Antrim.....	September 29, 1790.

The population in the new county can only be arrived at approximately. In 1786 the records show there were taxables in the county 2,291, divided among the townships as follows:

TOWNSHIPS.	Free-holders.	Non-Free-holders.	Freemen.	Total.
Antrim .....	195	83	53	331
Franklin .....	99	8	54	161
Fannett .....	119	55	34	208
Guilford.....	102	38	30	170
Hamilton.....	145	53	39	237
Letterkenny.....	159	47	39	245
Lurgan.....	57	24	21	102
Montgomery.....	136	55	29	220
Peters.....	108	72	37	217
Southampton.....	86	27	27	140
Washington.....	151	60	49	260
Totals.....	1,357	522	412	2,291

From this can be estimated the total population at about 13,000 at the time the county was formed. By the census of 1790, the first taken of the county, the population was 15,655; in 1800, 19,633; 1810, 23,173; 1820, 31,892; 1830, 35,037; 1840, 37,793; 1850, 37,956; 1860, 42,121; 1870, 45,365; 1880, 49,855.

The first general election in the county was held October 12, 1784, in Chambersburg, that being the only polling place in the county. The county was entitled to elect one member of the Supreme Executive Council, and three representatives in the Legislature. James McLene was elected councilor, to serve three years; James Johnston, Abraham Smith and James McCalmont were elected representatives; Jeremiah Talbot, sheriff; John Rea, coroner; James Poe, John Work, John Beard, county commissioners. As some index of the number of votes the new county was able to poll, it may be stated that the vote on county commissioners was as follows: James Poe, 822; John Work, 421; John Beard, 339.

By act of the Assembly, September 13, 1785, the county was divided into

\*Commissioned president of the courts.

two election districts: the first district, composed of the townships of Antrim, Peters, Guilford, Lurgan, Hamilton, Letterkenny, Franklin (Chambersburg), Washington, Southampton and Montgomery, to vote at the court-house, in Chambersburg; the second district was Fannett Township, to vote at the house of Widow Elliott.

In 1787 the county was divided into four election districts: the First to be composed of the townships of Guilford, Franklin, Hamilton, Letterkenny, Lurgan and Southampton, to vote at the court-house, in Chambersburg; the Second District, Fannett Township, to vote at Widow Elliott's; the Third District, composed of Antrim and Washington Townships, to vote at the house of George Clark, in Greencastle; the Fourth District, Peters and Montgomery Townships, to vote at James Crawford's, in Mercersburg.

The first tax collected in the county was for the year 1785, and by townships is as follows:

Districts.	Collectors.	State Tax.	County Tax.
Antrim.....	Samuel McCullock..	£365 5s. 7d.	£57 1s. 4d.
Franklin.....	William Shanon.....	69 1 7	11 19 11
Fannett.....	Nathaniel Paul.....	179 4 8	30 19 10
Guilford.....	Peter Fry.....	223 6 9	36 8 2
Hamilton.....	William Dickson....	207 7 10	35 7 8
Letterkenny.....	George Stinger.....	320 11 7	54 18 9
Lurgan.....	Gavin Morrow.....	298 0 5	50 16 4
Montgomery.....	Thomas Kennedy....	312 6 5	51 7 4
Peters.....	Hugh McKee.....	272 10 1	44 10 0
Washington.....	Frederick Foreman..	262 16 11	44 15 2
		£2,510 11 10	£418 4 6

Being, for State purposes.....\$6,694 91  
 For county purposes.....1,115 27

PROTHONOTARIES.

1784-1809—Edward Crawford, Jr.	1854-57—Abraham K. Wier.
1809-21—John Findlay.	1857-60—Hiram C. Keyser.
1821-24—John Shryock.	1860-63—Abram C. Kaufman.
1824-30—John Hershberger.	1863-66—K. S. Taylor.
1830-36—John Flanagan.	1866-69—William H. McDowell.
1836-39—Joseph Minnich.	1869-72—George W. Welch.
1839-45—Mathias Nead.	1872-79—John A. Hyssong.
1845-48—Thomas P. Bard.	1879-82—John M. McDowell.
1848-51—James Wright.	1882-85—James Sweney.
1851-54—Isaac H. McCauley.	1885 —M. R. Brown.

REGISTERS AND RECORDERS.

1784-1809—Edward Crawford.	1818-21—Peter Spyker Dechert.
1809-18—John Findlay.	1821-24—Joseph Culbertson.

REGISTER AND RECORDER AND CLERK OF ORPHANS' COURT.

1824-30—John Findlay, Jr.

## REGISTERS AND RECORDERS.

1830-36—Paul I. Hetich.	1857-60—George W. Toms.
1836-39—Joseph Pritts.	1860-63—Edward C. Boyd.
1839-42—Henry Ruby.	1863-69—Henry Strickler.
1842-45—John W. Reges.	1869-72—Hiram T. Snyder.
1845-48—James Watson.	1872-79—Adolphus A. Skinner.
1848-51—Benjamin Mentzer.	1879-82—John S. Sollenberger.
1851-54—David Oaks.	1882-85—C. H. Fulweiler.
1854-57—George H. Merklein.	1885 —Frederick T. Snyder.

## CLERK OF THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS, OYER AND TERMINER AND ORPHANS' COURT.

1784-1809—Edward Crawford.	1821-24—John Shryock.
1809-21—John Findlay.	

## CLERK OF QUARTER SESSIONS AND OYER AND TERMINER.

1824-30—John Hershberger.

## CLERK OF QUARTER SESSIONS, OYER AND TERMINER AND ORPHANS' COURT.

1830-36—Richard Morrow.	1860-66—William G. Mitchell.
1836-39—Joseph Morrow.	1866-69—Thaddeus M. Mahon.
1839-45—John Wood.	1869-72—Bernard A. Cormany.
1845-48—John M. Fisher.	1872-75—Lewis W. Detrich.
1848-51—Josiah W. Fletcher.	1875-79—W. Rush Gillan.
1851-57—Henry S. Stoner.	1879-85—Van T. Haulman.
1857-60—B. Y. Hamsher.	1885 —J. A. Benedict.

## SHERIFFS.

1784-87—Jeremiah Talbot.	1835-38—James Burns.
1787-90—John Johnston.	1838-41—George Hoffman.
1790-93—Henry Work.	1841-44—William Gilmore.
1793-96—Robert Shannon.	1844-47—Adam McKinnie.
1796-99—George Hetich.	1847-50—John W. Taylor.
1799-1802—John Hetich.	1850-53—Thomas J. Earley.
1802-05—John Brotherton.	1853-56—William Skinner.
1805-08—Jacob Snider.	1856-59—Jacob S. Brown.
1808-11—Jacob Merkle.	1859-62—William McGrath.
1811-14—William Alexander.	1862-65—Samuel Brandt.
1814-17—Thomas Alexander.	1865-68—John Doebler.
1817-20—Jeremiah Snider.	1868-71—J. W. Fletcher.
1820-23—John McClay.	1871-75—S. F. Greenawalt.
1823—David Washabaugh.*	1875-78—John Sweeney.
1823-26—Archibald Fleming.	1878-81—Michael Gable.
1826-29—Joseph Culbertson.	1881-84—W. C. Skinner.
1829-32—David Washabaugh.	1884-87—Luther B. Kurtz.
1832-35—Ennion Elliott.	1887 —Jacob S. Mowery.

## CORONERS. †

1784—John Rea.	1789—George Clark.
1785—John Johnston.	1790—George Clark.
1786—Conrad Snider.	1793—Matthew Duncan.
1787—Conrad Snyder.	1796—Archibald Rankin.
1788—George Clark.	1801—Archibald Rankin.

\*June to November, 1823.

†Years named indicate date of appointment.

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1805—James Campbell.   | 1829—Allen K. Campbell.  |
| 1809—Andrew Robeson.   | 1832—John Tritle.        |
| 1812—Robert Liggett.   | 1835—James McDowell.     |
| 1815—William Young.    | 1838—William Slyder.     |
| 1817—Thomas McKinstry. | 1841—Alexander Hamilton. |
| 1820—William Young.    | 1844—John M. McDowell.   |
| 1824—David Washabaugh. | 1849—James Burns.        |
| 1827—James Burns.      |                          |

For a long period coroners refused to qualify, their work being performed by justices of the peace in their several townships. No records of the coroners therefore appear.

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|------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1864—Victor D. Miller. | 1882—Geo. S. Hull.                    |
| 1867—Victor D. Miller. | 1885—Geo. S. Hull, present incumbent. |
| 1879—Robt. W. Ramsey.  |                                       |

## COUNTY TREASURERS.

County treasurers were appointed by the county commissioners until the act of May 27, 1841, provided for their election, in October of that year, to hold office for two years from the first Monday in January after their election.

The following is a list of the names of those persons who have been treasurers of this county, with their years of service:

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1785-90—Dr. George Clingan. | 1839-42—Henry Smith.          |
| 1790-93—Matthew Wilson.     | 1842-44—Joseph Pritts.        |
| 1793-96—John Riddle.        | 1844-46—George K. Harper.     |
| 1796-1806—Patrick Campbell. | 1846-48—George Garlin.        |
| 1806-09—David Denny.        | 1848-50—William McLellan.     |
| 1809-12—Jacob Heyser.       | 1850-52—Lewis Denig.*         |
| 1812-14—Henry Reges.        | 1852-54—Washington Crooks.    |
| 1814-17—John Hershberger.   | 1854-56—Daniel K. Wunderlich. |
| 1817-20—Jacob Heyser.       | 1856-58—J. Smith Grier.       |
| 1820-23—William Heyser.     | 1858-60—William D. McKinstry. |
| 1823-24—Samuel G. Calhoun.  | 1860-62—John Stouffer.        |
| 1824-25—Dr. John Sloan.     | 1862-64—George J. Balsley.    |
| 1825-27—Hugh Greenfield.    | 1864-66—James G. Elder.       |
| 1827—William Hamilton.      | 1866-68—John Hassler.         |
| 1827-30—Daniel Spangler.    | 1868-70—George W. Skinner.    |
| 1830-32—Joseph Pritts.      | 1870-72—William Reber.        |
| 1832—Henry Smith.           | 1872-74—Samuel Knisley.       |
| 1833-36—Jasper E. Brady.    | 1874-76—Hiram M. White.       |
| 1836-39—George Garlin, Jr.  |                               |

## FOR THREE YEARS UNDER NEW CONSTITUTION.

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1876-79—Elias K. Lehman. | 1882-85—W. H. H. Mackey.  |
| 1879-82—John L. Grier.   | 1885-88—Jacob N. Flinder. |

## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

- 1785—James Poe, John Work, John Beard.  
 1786—John Work, James Poe, John Beard.  
 1787—John Beard, James Poe, John Work.  
 1788—Robert Boyd, James McConnell, William Allison.  
 1789—James McConnell, William Allison, Josiah Crawford.  
 1790—William Allison, Josiah Crawford, Matthew Wilson.

\*Jeremiah Snider was elected treasurer in October, 1849, but not being able to give the bond required by law, he resigned January 7, 1850, and the county commissioners that day appointed Lewis Denig to fill the vacancy.

- 1791—Matthew Wilson, James Poe, Daniel Royer.  
 1792—Matthew Wilson, James Poe, John Work.  
 1793—James Poe, Daniel Royer, James Chambers.  
 1794—Daniel Royer, James Chambers, George Hetich.  
 1795—James Chambers, George Hetich, Henry Work.  
 1796—George Hetich, Henry Work, William Scott.  
 1797—Henry Work, William Scott, William Allison.  
 1798—William Scott, William Allison, James Irvin.  
 1799—William Allison, James Irvin, John Holliday.  
 1800—James Irvin, John Holliday, Nathan McDowell.  
 1801—John Holliday, Robert McDowell, David Maclay.  
 1802—Robert McDowell, David Maclay.  
 1803—Robert McDowell, David Maclay, William Rankin.  
 1804—Robert McDowell, David Maclay, Archibald Rankin, Jacob Heyser.  
 1805—William McClay, Archibald Rankin, Jacob Heyser.  
 1806—William McClay, Jacob Heyser, Patrick Campbell.  
 1807—Jacob Heyser, Patrick Campbell, John Royer.  
 1808—Patrick Campbell, James Smith, Jacob Dechert.  
 1809—Jacob Dechert, John Rothbaust, Robert Crooks.  
 1810-11—John Rothbaust, Robert Crooks, William Alexander.  
 1812-13—David Rankin, John Cox, Ludwig Heck.  
 1814—John Cox, Ludwig Heck, Isaac Eaton.  
 1815—Ludwig Heck, James McDowell, John M. Maclay.  
 1816—James McDowell, John M. Maclay, William Bleakney.  
 1817—John M. Maclay, William Bleakney, Philip Berlin.  
 1818—William Bleakney, Philip Berlin, William Rippey, Jr.  
 1819—Philip Berlin, William Rippey, Jr., David Besore.  
 1820—William Rippey, Jr., David Besore, Frederick Miller.  
 1821—Frederick Miller, David Besore, Andrew Thomson.  
 1822—David Besore, Frederick Miller, Andrew Thomson.  
 1823—Andrew Thomson, James Walker, Jacob Wunderlich.  
 1824—Jacob Wunderlich, Philip Laufman, David Fullerton.  
 1825—Jacob Wunderlich, Philip Laufman, Benjamin Keyser.  
 1826—Philip Laufman, Benjamin Keyser, William Heyser.  
 1827—William Heyser, Benjamin Keyser, John Walker.  
 1828—William Heyser, John Walker, Daniel Shaffer.  
 1829—John Walker, Daniel Shaffer, John Radebaugh.  
 1830—Daniel Shaffer, John Radebaugh, John Walker.  
 1831—Daniel Shaffer, John Radebaugh, Jacob Walter.  
 1832—John Radebaugh, Jacob Walter, Samuel Dunn.  
 1833—Samuel Dunn, Joseph Culbertson, John Cox.  
 1834—Joseph Culberston, John Cox, Tobias Funk.  
 1835—John Cox, Tobias Funk, George Hoffman.  
 1836—Tobias Funk, George Hoffman, George Johnston.  
 1837—George Hoffman, John Johnston, John Johnston (of George).  
 1838—John Johnston, John Johnston (of George), George Hoffman.  
 1839-40—John Johnston (of George), D. Washabaugh, Emanuel Hade.  
 1841—D. Washabaugh, Emanuel Hade, William Seibert.  
 1842—Emanuel Hade, William Seibert, Garland Anderson.  
 1843—William Seibert, G. Anderson, James Burns.  
 1844—G. Anderson, James Burns, Jacob Oyster.  
 1845—James Burns, Jacob Oyster, Thomas Pumroy.  
 1846—Jacob Oyster, Thomas Pumroy, James Davison.



- 1847—Thomas Pumroy, James Davison, George A. Madeira.  
 1848—James Davison, George A. Madeira, Dewalt Keefer.  
 1849—G. A. Madeira, Dewalt Keefer, John A. Shank.  
 1850—D. Keefer, John A. Shank, George S. Eyster.  
 1851—John A. Shank, George S. Eyster, James Lowe.  
 1852—George S. Eyster, James Lowe, John Alexander.  
 1853—James Lowe, John Alexander, John Huber.  
 1854—John Alexander, John Huber, Jos. Johnston.  
 1855—John Huber, Jos. Johnston, Robert McIlvaney.  
 1856—Jos. Johnston, Robert McIlvaney, Samuel Myers.  
 1857—Robert McIlvaney, Samuel Myers, D. M. Leisher.  
 1858—Samuel Myers, D. M. Leisher, John S. Nimmon.  
 1859—D. M. Leisher, John S. Nimmon, J. A. Eyster.  
 1860—J. S. Nimmon, J. A. Eyster, Jacob S. Good.  
 1861—J. A. Eyster, Jacob S. Good, James D. Scott.  
 1862—Jacob S. Good, James D. Scott, John Nitterhouse.  
 1863—James D. Scott, John Nitterhouse, John Downey.  
 1864—John Nitterhouse, John Downey, Henry Good.  
 1865—John Downey, Henry Good, John Armstrong.  
 1866—Henry Good, John Armstrong, Daniel Skinner.  
 1867—John Armstrong, Daniel Skinner, Jonas C. Palmer.  
 1868—Daniel Skinner, J. C. Palmer, William Shinafield.  
 1869—J. C. Palmer, William Shinafield, E. K. Lehman.  
 1870—William Shinafield, E. K. Lehman, J. B. Brumbaugh.  
 1871—E. K. Lehman, J. B. Brumbaugh, S. M. Worley.  
 1872—J. B. Brumbaugh, S. M. Worley, R. J. Boyd.  
 1873—S. M. Worley, R. J. Boyd, Jacob Kauffman.  
 1874—R. J. Boyd, Jacob Kauffman, W. D. Guthrie.  
 1875—Jacob Kauffman, W. D. Guthrie, Samuel Coble.  
 1876-79—Daniel Gelwix, James Patton, J. Watson Craig.  
 1879-82—Wm. S. Reed, John Kyner, Frank Creamer.  
 1882-85—Daniel Potter, Henry Omwake, Martin Miller.  
 1885-88—Jacob Middour, Jacob S. Snively, John Waidlich.

## CLERKS TO COMMISSIONERS.

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1784-88—Unknown.             | 1843—James R. Kirby.        |
| 1788—Robert Boyd.            | 1844-46—I. H. McCauley.     |
| 1789-96—Unknown.             | 1846-50—A. H. McCulloh.     |
| 1796-99—James Parks.         | 1850-53—John M. Fisher.     |
| 1799—William Scott.          | 1853-56—Thomas L. Fletcher. |
| 1800—William Orbison.        | 1856—Jacob Sellers.         |
| 1801-04—William Ward, Jr.    | 1857—William Gelwicks.      |
| 1804-06—Thomas G. McCulloh.  | 1858—Jacob Sellers.         |
| 1806—J. M. Russell.          | 1859—Samuel Longenecker.    |
| 1807—E. B. Mendenhall.       | 1860-71—George Foreman.     |
| 1808-11—Henry Reges.         | 1871—H. C. Koontz.          |
| 1811-15—William M. McDowell. | 1872—H. C. Keyser.          |
| 1815-18—Peter S. Deckhert.   | 1873-75—H. S. Shade.        |
| 1818-27—Daniel Spangler.     | 1875—H. C. Keyser.          |
| 1827—Hiram Cox.              | 1876—Thomas M. Nelson.      |
| 1828-36—John Colhoun.        | 1876-77—T. M. Nelson.       |
| 1836-42—Richard Morrow.      | 1880—E. G. Etter.           |
| 1842—Henry Smith.            | 1886—D. S. Hager.           |

## PARTIAL LIST OF COUNTY AUDITORS.

- 1785-88—Unknown.  
1788—James Johnston, Benjamin Chambers, James Irwin.  
1789-93—Unknown.  
1793-94—Benjamin Chambers, James Irwin, John Rea.  
1794-98—Unknown.  
1798-1800—James Ramsey, John Brown.  
1800-01—John Brown, James Buchanan.  
1802—James Buchanan, Nicholas Clopper.  
1803—Nicholas Clopper, George Hetich.  
1804—George Hetich, William Scott.  
1805—Nicholas Clopper, William Scott, Robert Smith.  
1806—William Scott, Robert Smith, Thomas Brown.  
1807—Robert Smith, Thomas Brown, John Gilmor.  
1808—Thomas Brown, John Gilmor, John Holliday.  
1809—John Gilmor, John Holliday, David Rankin.  
1810—D. Fullerton, David Maclay, Henry Thompson.  
1811—Henry Thompson, David Fullerton, D. Maclay.  
1812—Henry Thompson, Robert Robison, Joseph Scott.  
1813—Robert Robison, Joseph Scott.  
1814—Patrick Campbell, David Eby, William Scott.  
1815—David Eby, Andrew Robison, William Alexander.  
1816—William Alexander, Sr., Andrew Robison, John Walker.  
1817—John Walker, John Culbertson.  
1818—John Walker, John Culbertson, James McCoy.  
1819—John Culbertson, James McCoy, John Flanagan.  
1820—James McCoy, John Flanagan, Thomas McClelland.  
1821—John Flanagan, George Hetich.  
1822—Thomas McClelland, George Hetich, Thomas Waddell.  
1823—George Hetich, Joseph Grubb.  
1824—Thomas Waddell, Joseph Grubb, William Gamble.  
1825—Joseph Grubb, William Gamble, Thomas Carson.  
1826—William Gamble, Thomas Carson, John Walker.  
1827—Thomas Carson, John Walker, Isaac Ward.  
1828—John Walker, Jacob Negley, John Findlay, Sr.  
1829—Isaac Ward, Jacob Negley, John McClintock.  
1830—Jacob Negley, Archibald S. McCune.  
1831—Archibald S. McCune, J. Allison.  
1832—J. Allison, James Colhoun.  
1833—Jacob Heyser, Joseph Pumroy.  
1834—Jacob Heyser, Joseph Pumroy, John McClintock.  
1835—Joseph Pumroy, John McClintock, John Witherow.  
1836—John McClintock, John Witherow, Jacob Negley.  
1837—John Witherow, Jacob Negley.  
1838—Jacob Negley, William Fleming, David Lytle.  
1839—William Fleming, David Lytle, John Orr.  
1840—David Lytle, John Orr, J. B. Guthrie.  
1841—John Orr, J. B. Guthrie, John Deardorff.  
1842—J. B. Guthrie, John D. Work, John Deardorff.  
1843—John Deardorff, John D. Work, Robert Wallace.  
1844—Samuel Lehman, Robert Wallace, John Tritle.  
1845—Robert Wallace, John Tritle.  
1846—John Tritle, John Johnston, Abram Stouffer.



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*Robert M Baird*



- 1847—John Johnston, Abram Stouffer, Joseph Snively.  
 1848—Abram Stouffer, Joseph Snively, Thomas Carson.  
 1849—Joseph Snively, Thomas Carson, B. A. Doyle.  
 1850—Thomas Carson, B. A. Doyle, George W. Zeigler.  
 1851—B. A. Doyle, George W. Zeigler, James L. Black.  
 1852—G. W. Zeigler, James L. Black, W. A. Shields.  
 1853—William A. Shields, William Armstrong, David Spencer.  
 1854—William Armstrong, David Spencer, W. S. Amberson.  
 1855—D. Spencer, W. S. Amberson, John Bowman.  
 1856—W. S. Amberson, John Bowman, C. W. Burkholder.  
 1857—John Bowman, C. W. Burkholder, D. H. McPherson.  
 1858—C. W. Burkholder, D. H. McPherson, William Fleagle.  
 1859—D. H. McPherson, William Fleagle, J. R. Brewster.  
 1860—William Fleagle, Andrew Davison, John Downey.  
 1861—John Downey, Andrew Davison, George Jarrett.  
 1862—John Downey, George Jarrett, D. K. Wunderlich.  
 1863—George Jarrett, D. K. Wunderlich.  
 1864—D. K. Wunderlich, D. B. Martin, W. S. Amberson.  
 1865—D. B. Martin, W. S. Amberson, M. Martin.  
 1866—W. S. Amberson, D. B. Martin, Samuel W. Nevin.  
 1867—M. Martin, Samuel W. Nevin, Samuel Myers.  
 1868-69—Samuel W. Nevin, Samuel Myers, Joseph Mowers.  
 1870—Samuel Myers, Joseph Mowers, J. W. Winger.  
 1871—Joseph Mowers, J. W. Winger, John C. Tritle.  
 1872—J. W. Winger, John C. Tritle, John A. Sellers.  
 1873—John A. Sellers, John Cressler, Samuel Taylor.  
 1874—John A. Sellers, John Cressler, H. R. Harnish.  
 1875—J. Cressler, H. R. Harnish, Samuel Taylor.  
 1876—Samuel Taylor, W. H. Blair, William M. Gillan.  
 1876-79—Samuel Taylor, W. H. Blair, Wm. M. Gillan.  
 1879-82—Simon Lecron, James W. Duffield, William Frye.  
 1882-85—Aaron F. Snoke, D. C. Clark, Lemuel Snively.  
 1885-88—Samuel S. Reisher, John Pensinger, George W. Johnston.

## POOR-HOUSE.

The Act of Assembly for the erection of the "House for the employment and support of the poor" of the county was approved by the governor, March 11, 1807. The second section of the act provided that at the election to be held in October, 1807, five persons should be elected "to determine upon and fix the place on which the buildings should be erected," and also that there should be elected "three persons to be directors of the poor," one to serve for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, their terms to be determined by lot.

William Allison, David Fullerton, John Colhoun, Col. Joseph Culbertson and John Maclay, were elected the commissioners to fix the site for the poor-house, and Robert Liggett, James Robinson and Ludwig Heck were elected directors of the poor.

The commissioners selected the farm of Thomas Lindsay (the site of the present poor-house) as the place where the poor-house should be erected, and in the year 1808 the directors purchased it for the sum of \$8,200. The farm then contained 165 acres, and had a stone farm house, barn, etc., upon it. This house was somewhat enlarged, and used until the year 1811, when the large stone building, now standing, was put up.

In the years 1853-54, the large brick house was erected at a cost of about \$12,000. The farm now contains about 210 acres.

The following lists contain the names of the directors of the poor-house, its stewards, treasurers, attorneys, clerks and physicians, from the year 1807 to the present time, so far as they could be ascertained:

DIRECTORS OF POOR-HOUSE.

- 1808—James Robinson, Robert Liggett, Ludwig Heck.  
 1809—Robert Liggett, Ludwig Heck, Henry Etter.  
 1810—Ludwig Heck, Henry Etter, Isaac Eaton.  
 1811—Henry Etter, Isaac Eaton, Samuel Radebaugh.  
 1812—Isaac Eaton, Samuel Radebaugh.  
 1813—Samuel Radebaugh, Matthew Lind.  
 1814—\_\_\_\_\_, Matthew Lind, John Vance.  
 1815—Matthew Lind, John Vance, Philip Berlin.  
 1816—John Vance, Philip Berlin, John Snider.  
 1817—Philip Berlin, John Snider, John Rudisil.  
 1818—John Snider, John Rudisil, Matthew Patton.  
 1819—John Rudisil, Matthew Patton, D. Washabaugh.  
 1820—Matthew Patton, D. Washabaugh, J. Stouffer.  
 1821—D. Washabaugh, J. Stouffer, William McKesson.  
 1822—J. Stouffer, William McKesson, John Snider.  
 1823—William McKesson, John Snider, Thomas Yeates.  
 1824—John Snider, Thomas Yeates, Jacob Heck.  
 1825—Thomas Yeates, Jacob Heck, A. Thompson.  
 1826—Jacob Heck, A. Thompson, John Davison.  
 1827—A. Thompson, John Davison, Thomas Yeates.  
 1828—John Davison, Thomas Yeates, John Vance.  
 1829—Thomas Yeates, John Vance, John Coble.  
 1830—John Vance, John Coble, Samuel Dechart.  
 1831—John Coble, Samuel Dechart, Nicholas Baker.  
 1832—Samuel Dechart, Nicholas Baker, James Davison.  
 1833—Nicholas Baker, James Davison, John Radebaugh.  
 1834—James Davison, John Radebaugh, John Orr.  
 1835—John Radebaugh, John Orr, Jacob Oyster.  
 1836—John Orr, Jacob Oyster, John Whitmore.  
 1837—Jacob Oyster, John Whitmore, William Linn.  
 1838—John Whitmore, William Linn, Samuel Campbell.  
 1839—William Linn, Samuel Campbell, Philip Nitterhouse.  
 1840—Samuel Campbell, Philip Nitterhouse, James Davison.  
 1841—Philip Nitterhouse, James Davison, Matthew Patton.  
 1842—James Davison, Matthew Patton, Upton Washabaugh.  
 1843—Matthew Patton, Upton Washabaugh, John Monn, Jr.  
 1844—Upton Washabaugh, John Monn, Jr., Samuel Lehman.  
 1845—John Monn, Jr., Samuel Lehman, John S. Detwiler.  
 1846—Samuel Lehman, John L. Detwiler, Daniel Bonebrake.  
 1847—John L. Detwiler, Daniel Bonebrake, Fred. Boyer.  
 1848—Daniel Bonebrake, Fred. Boyer, John Wise.  
 1849—Fred. Boyer, John Wise, David Hays.  
 1850—John Wise, David Hays, S. Detwiler.  
 1851—David Hays, S. Detwiler, Jacob Garver.  
 1852—Samuel Lehman, Jacob Garver, Martin Newcomer.  
 1853—Jacob Garver, Martin Newcomer, D. O. Gehr.

- 1854—Martin Newcomer, D. O. Gehr, James Ferguson.  
 1855—D. O. Gehr, James Ferguson, Josiah Besore.  
 1856—James Ferguson, Josiah Besore, Jacob Weaver.  
 1857—Josiah Besore, Jacob Weaver, M. Gillan.  
 1858—Jacob Weaver, M. Gillan, Jacob Strickler.  
 1859—M. Gillan, Jacob Strickler, David Spencer.  
 1860—Jacob Strickler, David Spencer, J. S. Latshaw.  
 1861—David Spencer, J. S. Latshaw, William Harris.  
 1862—J. S. Latshaw, William Harris, Samuel Seacrist.  
 1863—William Harris, Samuel Seacrist, John Døbler.  
 1864—Samuel Seacrist, John Døbler, John H. Criswell.  
 1865—John H. Criswell, James H. Clayton, Martin Heintzelman.  
 1866—John H. Criswell, James H. Clayton, Martin Heintzelman.  
 1867—James H. Clayton, Martin Heintzelman, John Gillan, Jr.  
 1868-69—Martin Heintzelman, John Gillan, Jr., J. R. Smith.  
 1870—John Gillan, John Smith, Fred. Long.  
 1871—J. R. Smith, Fred. Long, Peter McFerren.  
 1872—Fred. Long, Peter McFerren, David Deatrick.  
 1873—Peter McFerren, David Deatrick, Jacob Kreider.  
 1874—David Deatrick, Jacob Kreider, Amos Stouffer.  
 1875—Jacob Kreider, Amos Stouffer, William Bossart.  
 1876—Amos Stouffer, William Bossart, Henry Lutz.  
 1877—William Bossart, Henry Lutz, B. F. Funk.  
 1878—Henry Lutz, B. F. Funk, Jacob Frick.  
 1879—B. F. Funk, Jacob Frick, John Lindsay.  
 1880—Jacob Frick, John Lindsay, Benjamin Lehman.  
 1881—John Lindsay, Benjamin Lehman, H. B. Angle.  
 1882—Benjamin Lehman, H. B. Angle, John E. Maclay.  
 1883—H. B. Angle, John E. Maclay, Geo. W. Brindle.  
 1884—John E. Maclay, Geo. W. Brindle, Charles A. Clark.  
 1885—Geo. W. Brindle, Charles A. Clark, John A. Witherspoon.  
 1886—Charles A. Clark,\* John A. Witherspoon, H. C. Funk.†  
 1887—John A. Witherspoon, John H. Crisswell, Levi D. C. Houser.

## STEWARDS OF POOR-HOUSE.

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|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1808-14—Daniel Shrøder.    | 1854-56—David Piper.        |
| 1814-21—Benjamin Gruver.   | 1856-59—William Shinafield. |
| 1821-27—Richard Morrow.    | 1859—John Bowman.           |
| 1827-30—Philip Lauffman.   | 1860-64—James Chariton.     |
| 1830-33—Andrew McLellan.   | 1864-66—William McGrath.    |
| 1833-39—Col. John Snider.  | 1866-68—John Ditzlear.      |
| 1839—David Fegley.         | 1868—David Piper.           |
| 1840-43—William J. Morrow. | 1869-73—Samuel Brandt.      |
| 1843-45—Emanuel Crosland.  | 1873-84—Joseph Middouer.    |
| 1845-54—Samuel Jeffries.   | 1884-87—Augustus H. Etter.  |

## TREASURERS OF POOR-HOUSE.

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1808-14—David Denney.   | 1823—John Sloan.         |
| 1814-21—Unknown.        | 1824-27—Hugh Greenfield. |
| 1821-23—William Heyser. | 1827-30—Daniel Spangler. |

\*Died, and vacancy filled April 27 until January, 1886, by the appointment of Levi D. C. Houser, who, at the November election, was elected for a full term of three years.

†Died and vacancy filled July 17 by the appointment of John H. Crisswell until January 1, 1886, who, at the November election, was elected for two years, Mr. Funk's unexpired term.

1830-32—Joseph Pritts.	1849-56—D. S. Fahnestock.
1832-35—Henry Smith.	1856-58—J. Smith Grier.
1835—Jasper E. Brady.	1858-61—John W. Reed.
1836-38—William Bard.	1861-69—Charles Gelwicks.
1838—Henry Ruby.	1869-72—Alex. Martin.
1839-43—Daniel Dechert.	1872—Thomas Metcalfe.
1843-45—William Flory.	1873-80—Hugh B. Davison.*
1845-48—Daniel S. Fahnestock	1881-87—S. Miller Shillito.
1848—James Wright.	

## CLERKS TO DIRECTORS OF POOR-HOUSE.

1808-14—Elijah B. Mendenhall.	1831—John Colhoun.
1814—F. Hershberger.	1832—James R. Kirby.
1815—Matthew Lind.	1833-35—John Smith.
1816—D. C. Dehart.	1835-37—John W. Reges.
1817—James McKay.	1837-40—Richard Morrow.
1818-21—Henry Reges.	1840-43—Jacob Heck.
1821-23—Daniel Spangler.	1843-45—Hugh B. Davison.
1823-27—Richard Morrow.	1845-48—Charles W. Heart.
1827—Hiram Cox.	1848-50—John W. Reges.
1828-31—William S. Davis.	

## ATTORNEYS AND CLERKS OF POOR-HOUSE.

1851-56—Lyman S. Clarke.	1873-76—James A. McKnight.
1856-59—J. Wyeth Douglass.	1876-77—Frank Mehaffey.
1859-62—Snively Strickler.	1878—John M. McDowell.
1862-66—William S. Everett.	1879-82—N. Bruce Martin.
1866-69—E. J. Bonebrake.	1882-85—Loren A. Culp.
1869-73—John R. Orr.	1885-87—J. F. Linn Harbaugh.

## PHYSICIANS OF POOR-HOUSE.

1808—Abraham Senseny.	1848-49—N. B. Lane.
1809-14—John Sloan.	1850-52—John King.
1815-18—Andrew McDowell.	1853—John Lambert.
1819-20—George B. McKnight.	1854—A. H. Senseny.
1821-23—A. J. Dean.	1855—S. G. Lane.
1824-26—Samuel D. Culbertson.	1856-57—A. H. Senseny.
1827—Peter Fahnestock.	1858—W. H. Boyle.
1828—N. B. Lane.	1859-61—S. G. Lane.
1829-30—Andrew McDowell.	1862-63—James Hamilton.
1831-32—Jeremiah Senseny.	1864-65—J. L. Suesserott.
1833—D. S. Byrne.	1866-67—J. C. Richards.
1834-35—J. Bayne.	1868—C. L. Bard, T. J. McLanahan.
1836-37—A. H. Senseny.	1869-72—W. H. Boyle.
1838—John Lambert.	1873-75—T. J. McLanahan.
1839-41—J. Evans.	1876-77—Samuel G. Lane.
1842-43—J. C. Richards.	1878-81—T. J. McLanahan.
1844—William H. Boyle.	1882-85—Charles F. Palmer.
1845-47—John Lambert.	1886-87—John P. Seibert.

## CHAPLAINS OF POOR-HOUSE.

1872-78—Augustus Bickley.	1881-87—Augustus Bickley.
1879-80—Philip Hamman.	

\*Mr. Davison died, and on April 5, 1880, S. Miller Shillito was elected to fill remainder of year.



Mr. Sicklely commenced holding religious service at the poor-house in 1836, and continued with few interruptions until 1872, when he was regularly elected chaplain, with a salary.

## DEPUTY SURVEYORS UNDER APPOINTMENT FROM THE SURVEYOR-GENERAL.

- 1736—Zachariah Butcher, Lancaster County.  
 1743-1746—Thomas Cookson, Lancaster County  
 1750—Col. John Armstrong, Cumberland County.  
 1784—Matthew Henderson, of Cumberland County, to——  
 1784-96—Matthew Henderson, of Lurgan Township.  
 1796-1804—Daniel Henderson.  
 1804-09—Thomas Kirby, Chambersburg.  
 1809-13—Thomas Poe, Antrim.  
 1813-21—Archibald Fleming, Antrim.  
 1821-24—William S. Davis.  
 1824-29—William Hamilton, Peters or Montgomery.  
 1830-34—William S. Davis, Chambersburg.  
 1834-36—Seth Kline, Greene.  
 1836-37—William S. Davis, Chambersburg.  
 1837-39—Samuel M. Armstrong.  
 1839-45—Hugh Auld, Chambersburg.  
 1845-47—Augustus F. Armstrong, Chambersburg.  
 1847-50—Hugh Auld, Chambersburg.

## COUNTY SURVEYORS.

By the act of the 9th of April, 1850, county surveyors were directed to be elected to serve for the term of three years each.

The following persons have filled the office:

- 1850-56—Emanuel Kuhn, St. Thomas.  
 1856-62—John B. Kaufman, Letterkenny.  
 1862-71—Emanuel Kuhn, Chambersburg.\*  
 1871-75—John B. Kaufman, Letterkenny.  
 1875-78—John W. Kuhn, Peters.  
 1878-87—John B. Kaufman, Letterkenny (present incumbent).

## PROSECUTING ATTORNEYS.

Prior to the passage of the act of 1850, providing for the election of district attorneys, the State's attorney or prosecuting attorneys were the deputies of the attorney-general for the time being, appointed by him, and removable at his pleasure. The court records prior to 1842 having been burned, it is not possible to make more than a partial list of the former prosecuting attorneys, as follows:

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|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1789-90—John Clark.                 | 1824—Frederick Smith.      |
| 1790-1802—William Brown.            | 1842-45—Wilson Reilly.     |
| 1802-12—William Maxwell, Gettysburg | 1845-47—William R. Rankin. |
| 1813—William M. McDowell.           | 1847-49—George W. Brewer.  |
| 1819—Matthew St. Clair Clarke.      | 1849-51—Hugh W. Reynolds.  |

## DISTRICT ATTORNEYS.

Elected under the act of 3d of May, 1850, to serve three years, from first Monday in November after election.

\*Resigned April, 1871, and John B. Kaufman was appointed for the unexpired term. Mr. Kaufman was also elected for the full term in October, 1871.

1851-54—James S. Ross.	1872-75—Theodore McGowan.
1854-57— { Thomas B. Kennedy.	1875-78—Oliver C. Bowers.
{ Lyman S. Clarke.	1878-81—Oliver C. Bowers.
1857-60—Lyman S. Clarke.	1881-84—Chas. A. Suesserott.
1860-63—George Eyster.	1884-87—W. J. Zacharias.
1863-72—William S. Stenger.	1887 —Hiram J. Plough.

## JURY COMMISSIONERS.

Elected under the act of 10th of April, 1867, to serve for three years.

1867-70—Addison Imbrie, William Boyd.

1870-73—W. H. H. Mackey, Elias Patton.

1873-76—John Gilbert, A. H. Etter.

1876-79—J. C. McCulloh, Lewis Lecron.

1883—George S. Coover, David M. Lowry.

1886—John E. Harvey, L. H. Henkell.

## COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS OF COMMON SCHOOLS.

Selected under act of May 8, 1854, to serve for three years.

1854-57—James McDowell, Hugh      1869-72—Samuel Gelwix.

J. Campbell.

1872-75—Jacob S. Smith.

1857-63—Philip M. Shoemaker.

1875-81—S. H. Eby.

1863-66—Andrew J. McElwain

1881-87—Harry A. Disert.

1866-69—Philip M. Shoemaker.

## CHAPTER VII.

## INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

LANDS AND LAND TITLES—INDIAN TRAILS—ROADS—BRIDGES—TURNPIKES—INNS OR TAVERNS—MILITIA—MUSTER DAYS—MAIL ROUTES AND POSTOFFICES—POSTMASTERS—RAILROADS—CUMBERLAND VALLEY RAILROAD—FIRST SLEEPING CAR EVER MADE—FRANKLIN RAILROAD—SHENANDOAH VALLEY RAILROAD—HARRISBURG & POTOMAC RAILROAD—WESTERN MARYLAND RAILROAD—BALTIMORE & CUMBERLAND VALLEY RAILROAD—MONT ALTO RAILROAD—MONT ALTO IRON WORKS, ETC.

WHEN the white man came here he found all the lands in the possession of the Indians. Their title was simply that of tribal possession. There was no individual ownership, and to this day that race spurns the idea of individual property in land. When civilization put its foot down to stay upon this continent it taught these children of the forest the sad lesson to them, of not only individual title to land but title acquired by right of discovery and conquest.

By grant from England, William Penn became the proprietary of the lands that constitute the commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The spendthrift king was in debt to the Penn estate something over £16,000, and it was an easy matter for him to pay his debts by granting anything the creditor might want in the New World. Penn, by his agents first, and then in person, came on and entered upon his possessions. He used every means to bring immigrants here, and was very liberal in conferring titles to all who wished to occupy land.

After Penn had purchased of the English Government what he had supposed was an indefeasible title to the land described in his grant, and his agents came to occupy the same, he found that his title was disputed by tribes of Indians—first the Five Nations and afterward the Six Nations. He met them in the spirit of the utmost fairness, and again purchased what he had already paid his king in full for. And more than once he had to buy the title to the same property from new claimant tribes, and in some instances, where the same tribe had sold and spent the proceeds of the sale, they demanded a second payment. Even these unreasonable claims were attended to and the second payments cheerfully made.

Penn sold at very cheap rates to immigrants wanting to settle upon lands. He was as lenient to the absurd claims of some squatters, who here and there took possession and resisted his rights, as he had been to the ignorant Indians, in his sales generally reserving a small quit rent per acre, or in case of town lots, per lot, to be paid to proprietary per annum. In this way came all the titles to lands in Pennsylvania prior to the Revolution. When the independence of the colonies was established, the right of eminent domain and the title to all lands, not transferred to individuals, rested in the General Government, a satisfactory compensation having been made the proprietaries in the adjustment of the subject.

The modern convenient plan of sectionizing land was then unknown. A purchaser would get a grant for so much land in a certain locality, and then locate it and mark it out as his judgment dictated, his first consideration being a spring of water, and then to curve and crook his lines to get where he supposed would be the best land.

#### TRAILS.

The setting sun, the mountain passes, and the topography of mountain and valley, determined the course of the Indian trails—the only highways known to the savages. The “war-path” was a term full of meaning. Bloody and senseless wars were the chief end in life of the most of them, and the trails from tribe to tribe usually meant “the war-path”—the thin trails worn in the primeval rocks by the generations of painted braves on their bloody missions.

These Indian trails directed the white man to the heart of the wilderness. They were the primitive roads pointing his course in his slow voyage from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The adventurous hunters would discover and first follow up these trails, and then tell the young immigrants of the wonders of the country they had seen. It was a hunter, that had looked upon Falling Springs and the surrounding beautiful land, who told young Chambers about it, and determined him to come here. By following the trail leading from about Harrisburg toward the Potomac, as directed by the hunter, the Chamberses were led to the spot that will ever be a monument to the memory of that illustrious family.

#### ROADS.

In 1736 the first road was laid out in the Cumberland Valley. It would be most probably termed in these days a bridle road, that is, a road over which the trains of pack-horses could travel and carry, as they did, the articles of commerce of that day. In the year named, the court of Lancaster appointed Col. Chambers, and five others, to view roads and survey important lines. In 1735 a road had been ordered to be made from Harris' Ferry toward the Potomac River, and Col. Chambers and party surveyed the route and “blazed it out.” This first road, strange as it seems now, met with considerable opposition “from a number of inhabitants on the west side of the Susquehanna.” It

was originally intended to extend only from Harris' Ferry to Letort Springs, (Carlisle.)

*Military Road, 1755.*—This road extended from McDowell's Mill, near Chambersburg, "over the mountains to Raystown (Bedford), by the forks of the Youghiaghenny, to intersect the Virginia road somewhere on the Monongahela," being supposed indispensable for the supply of Braddock's troops on the route to Fort Du Quesne, and after their arrival. One of the commissioners to lay out this road was Adam Hoops, of Antrim. A route was surveyed from a gap in the mountain near Shippensburg over an old Indian trail to Raystown. The road was from ten to thirty feet wide, according to the work necessary to construct it; it was completed to Raystown in June. Braddock's defeat rendered further work unnecessary, and it was stopped.

In 1768 the first public road extending through this county and into Fulton County was ordered by the court of quarter sessions of Cumberland County. It was an extension of the old "Harris' Ferry toward the Potomac" road. When made, it ran through Peters, Antrim and Washington Townships, as they are now formed.

At the April session of the court of Cumberland County, 1761, a petition of the people of Peters Township was presented, asking for a road, saying that they have no prospect for a standing market for the produce of the county, only at Baltimore, and having no road leading from their township to said town of Baltimore, and flour being the principal commodity their "township produceth, and having two mills in said township, viz.: John McDowell's and William Smith's," they pray the court to appoint men to view and lay out a road from each of said mills to meet at or near the house of William Maxwell, and from thence to run by the nearest and best way toward said town of Baltimore, until it intersects the "temporary line," or the line of York County. The court appointed Henry Pawling, James Jack, John Allison, Joseph Bradner, John McClellan, Jr., and William Holliday, viewers, any four of them to make a report. No report was made until April, 1768, when the viewers reported in favor of granting the petition of the people of Peters and Hamilton Townships. But the branch roads to the mills were restricted to be bridle roads. They were to unite at or near James Irwin's mill, in Peters Township; thence crossing to the Conococheague Creek, at the mouth of Muddy Run; thence through Antrim Township to Nicholson's Gap, in the South Mountain, from there to Baltimore. Thus it mainly followed the old trail; the trail being superseded by a bridle road, and this by a wagon road, and the last by a turnpike. This was the regular order of development that has now resulted in the railroads—the first and main lines of which substantially follow the great Indian trails.

In 1768 the court appointed Edward Crawford, Jonah Cook, George Brown, William McBrier, William Holliday and William McDowell, viewers, to locate a road from James Campbell's, near Loudon, through Chambersburg, to the county line in Black's Gap. This is now substantially the route of the present turnpike road.

When Chambersburg was laid out as a town, the road toward Shippensburg crossed the spring at the present fording on King Street, and following its course through the Indian burial place and the yard of the Presbyterian Church, finally joined the present road in front of the church, and pursued its eastward course several rods distant from the present turnpike, but nearly parallel with it. The only place where the Conococheague could be crossed near the southern limit of the town was at the lower fording, at Lemon's factory, where the bridge now is. At this ancient fording Col. Chambers once



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kept a flat-boat for carrying foot passengers. Two roads ran westward from the ford, one of which, now Franklin Street, wound over the hill to Market Street, and then proceeded directly west. The other ran through Wolfstown and formed a junction with the former at Western Point, about a mile from town.

Of the roads in early times in the county, Dr. W. C. Lane, in *Public Opinion*, June 26, 1877, says: "In the infancy of the settlement the facilities which merchants now enjoy for bringing their goods from the eastern cities were unknown. Then we were not within a few hours' ride of Philadelphia, and could not order goods one day and receive them the next. Turnpikes were yet among the things of the future, and goods from the East were slowly drawn over the rough roads, in small and lumbering wagons, and many days were required for the journey. Commercial intercourse with the West was carried on exclusively by means of pack-horses, and the process of sending goods to, or bringing them from, this remote part of the State, was both slow and expensive; as a necessary consequence, merchandise of all varieties then commanded a much higher price than it does now. This mode of transporting goods on pack-horses from Chambersburg ran into the beginning of the present century. The roads from Chambersburg to the West were then narrow and rough, and wagons could hardly be drawn over them, and pack-horses were, necessarily, almost exclusively used as a means of transportation. Long strings of these horses, with small bells suspended from their necks, and laden with salt, iron and goods of various kinds, were accustomed to start from the town on their weary march to their distant destination. A wooden pack-saddle was fastened on the back of the horse, and over this was placed bent bars of iron, on the curved and projecting ends of which sacks of salt, iron bars and cast iron utensils of various kinds were strapped. Each horse carried about 200 pounds, and many weary days were spent in traversing the country over which they passed. It will not be forgotten that, at this early date, the western counties of the State were sparsely settled, and that the manufacture of iron, salt and different other commodities, was yet undeveloped. Hence, the people of these sections were entirely dependent upon the East for these indispensable articles of daily use. We may incidentally remark that, about the year 1790, Mr. John Gilmore, of Strasburg, sold salt at his store in that town, for transportation to Washington County, on pack-horses, at \$8 per bushel. Other articles of trade brought correspondingly high prices. In the few following years the roads over the mountains were widened and otherwise improved, and wagons then took the places of pack-horses. The usual time required for a loaded wagon to make the trip from Chambersburg to Pittsburg, and return, was three weeks. The average price of freight between these places was \$10 per hundred.

#### BRIDGES.

The first consideration to the settlers, in order to live at all, was roads. They had to have salt and iron. These they could, after a fashion, carry over the rough and narrow roads they made. The growth of their wants soon compelled the making of wagon ways, and then it was some time before they felt compelled to put bridges across the streams. They contented themselves with "fords"—shallow places—where, by a little work in digging the banks, it was possible to cross on the wagons with light loads, but here, as in many places in the mountain passes, they would "double teams," and in mud and water, and in sore trials and labor, after spending the most of a day at a bad crossing, they would pass over. Then selecting places of narrow and steep banks they would make rude bridges. These were very imperfect affairs—often

washed away by the freshets that went raging down the mountain streams, and many were the freighters and travelers who had to go into camp and patiently wait the subsidence of the waters. When the waters had gone down, the people would replace the washed-away first bridge with one better constructed, but still their inexperience often deceived them as to what the stream could do the next effort it made, and sometimes the second and third bridges would follow down the stream like the first one.

#### TURNPIKES.

The building of the first turnpike road was an era in the history of the development of the county. The people heard of its promised advantages, and the probabilities of its ever being really made, with some incredulity. The national and State governments willingly lent their aid to the construction of these important improvements. Better ways for commercial intercourse among the distant communities were imperative. The great Mississippi Valley was being rapidly taken up by settlers, and the stupendous national project was conceived of a great highway from Baltimore to the Mississippi River, through the States of Maryland, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. The work upon this enterprise was carried on for nearly a generation. It was never completed to the Mississippi River, but was built to Vandalia, the then capital of Illinois. It was the wants, the foresight and energy of the people of Franklin that caused the commencement of this national road.

The turnpike road from Chambersburg to Baltimore was made in 1809, and the first broad-wheeled wagon which passed over it was made by Mr. Philip Berlin, of Chambersburg in that year.

The Pittsburgh turnpike was made about 1820. The first stage coach from Chambersburg to Pittsburgh "passed over a rough and narrow mountain road in the year 1804."

The construction of the Western turnpike gave an active impulse to trade, and goods were shipped over it in great broad-wheeled wagons in large quantities. The business activity of Chambersburg and the surrounding country then greatly increased. Several lines of stages started daily for Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Baltimore, besides other lines, which reached less distant places. The town then was a great thoroughfare for travel, and at all seasons the town's hotels were filled with travelers. The public highways were soon lined with blacksmith and wagon-makers' shops, stage and hack stands, and trading places. The tavern yards were crowded with wagons, and merchants were busily engaged receiving and shipping goods. Large numbers of men were thus employed. The road from Chambersburg to Pittsburgh was often lined with long files of broad-wheeled wagons, with their high bows covered with heavy canvas, and drawn by those teams of powerful draught horses, for which Pennsylvania was once famous, many of whose necks were mounted with bearskin housings and tinkling bells.

The following account kept by Henry R. F. Mollwitz, keeper of the North Mountain turnpike gate, leading from Loudon to McConnellsburg, for the years 1830 and 1834, exhibits at one view the amount of traveling, etc., on the turnpike, during those years.

During the year	1830	1834	1830	1834
Broad wheeled wagons.....	6641	6359	Riding horses.....	3116 2817
Narrow wheeled ".....	495	374	Draft horses.....	39824 42330
Single horse ".....	761	1243	Heads of cattle.....	5834 6457
Carriages.....	138	107	Sheep.....	2180 2852
Two horse wagons.....	318	779	Hogs.....	1180 40
Gigs.....	18	00	Carts.....	18 00



The first turnpike company in the State was incorporated in April, 1792; but it was not built till about 1814, when many similar companies were chartered, and the public mind became deeply interested in their building. The State was a liberal subscriber to such enterprises. Every State in the Union subscribed largely to its enterprises of internal improvements. During these times three important turnpike roads were constructed into Franklin County, and to each of these the State contributed liberally. The three roads were: The Carlisle and Chambersburg road (this received from the State \$100,000); the Chambersburg and Bedford road (\$175,000); and the Waynesboro, Green-castle and Mercersburg road (\$25,000).

#### INNS OR TAVERNS.

Inns or taverns were numerous in those days. It is said that nearly every tenth house along the turnpike was a hostelry, whose yards were nightly filled with wagons, and whose tap-rooms were thronged with noisy and hilarious teamsters. A violin was then considered an indispensable adjunct to a country tavern; and, moved by its inspiring notes, the jolly crowd often stamped and thundered through the "stag dance," the Virginia reel, and the "hoe down." The fun was fast and furious, especially when the throng was maddened by their frequent and generous potations of the "worm of the still;" then a brawl and promiscuous fight was not unfrequent, and bloody noses and blackened eyes were the proud badges of the royal fun they had had. Certainly these were wild times—but they were jolly. The good old days of the wayside taverns; the era of Concord coaches and their "great men" drivers, who were the heroes *par excellence*, whether mounted upon their box, the "ribbons" guiding the prancing horses, the long whip, and the winding horns blowing defiance and triumph in the face of a gaping world, like the heralds of the plumed knights of old; or in the bar-room, the center of an admiring crowd, to which they gave their condescending and oracular "Yes; with a little sugar, please." They were the country taverns' truly great men. The flattering "treats" of the men, the gracious smiles of the blooming bar-maid, were theirs exclusively. What a picture of rural life and happy content your recollection conjures up! Now all is gone. The shrill whistle of the flying engine has blown out of this world even those great heroes, the stage-drivers. Your memory lingers now like a fading tradition—ye have passed away, like a dissolving view—a silent tear to your shades.

#### MILITIA.

The earliest settlers were, soon after landing here, compelled to resort to some mode of military organization, by the action of the Indians. Then there were the conflicting claims to the country by the Spaniards, French and English. The different settlements, as they happened to be from different nations of Europe, were often given to raids upon neighboring colonies, and sometimes drove them off and destroyed their property; at other times they were content to take the colony under their authority, and incorporate the conquered colonists with their own society. Except the Quakers, all the people were more or less militant. As early as 1750, nearly every able-bodied man was in some way or other connected with the militia of his county. The Indians had become so troublesome that parties, when they went out to open new roads, had to go as armed squads of militia. In 1755 Col. James Smith, who afterward became eminent in the wars of the country, was captured by the Indians while in the act of opening a road from Loudon to Bedford.

After the Revolution the Assembly enacted laws for the regular organiza-

tion of the militia, and appointed officers to take charge thereof, and to hold regular encampments and muster days. All the people of the county enrolled in the militia were required to meet upon the muster days, and to bring their guns and learn the drill of arms. Those who had no guns, the State being too poor to supply any, were requested to use a stick or, as some did, a corn stalk; and, hence, the name of "cornstalk militia" was at one time a term quite common. These muster days were eventually great annual events in the county. Here the people met, discussed political and current events, arbitrated disputes, fought out old quarrels, and some drank whisky and rather indiscriminately frolicked and fought, as opportunity offered. In the early part of the century the authorities ordered a change in the uniform from a black to a white cockade in the hats of the militia. In counties where the Federal party was the stronger, this order created in some places almost riots, and in many there were acts of insubordination and open denunciation of the order. Companies would put on the required cockade while in the ranks drilling, but, the moment the commanding officer would say "dismiss," they would tear off the regular cockades and trample them under foot, and from their pockets produce and place in their hats the other color cockade, and thus boisterously parade the town. Many court-martials of militia officers occurred for insubordinations, and the two political parties for a while were the "white cockades" and the "black cockades."

#### POSTOFFICES, MAIL ROUTES, ETC.

It sounds strange to the people of to-day, to say that, for six years after the formation of the county, there was not a postoffice, or mail facilities of any kind, in the county, or in this part of the commonwealth. People in those days wrote letters and watched for opportunities to send them by the hands of some party going to their destination. The Government sent letters to its army officers only by special couriers. Business men sent and received important business letters, and remitted and received money by the hands of persons going from one to the other. The freighters were, of course, a common convenience in this respect. But off these routes of general travel, it was a very difficult matter to communicate with friends. Practically then at one time, after there were certainly as many as 10,000 people in what is now Franklin County, neither letters nor papers were brought into the county. The first provision of the Government authorities, that refers to this county, was a resolution of Congress, passed May 20, 1788. It provided that the Postmaster-General be directed to employ *posts* for the regular transportation of the mails between the city of Philadelphia, and the town of Pittsburgh, "by the route of Lancaster, Yorktown, Carlisle, Chambers' Town and Bedford," and that the mail be dispatched, "once in each fortnight from the said postoffices respectively."

The first postoffice in the county was established in Chambersburg in June, 1790. The settlement was then sixty years old, and all this time the people had to supply their imperative necessities by such means as they could find. For many years thereafter, as the reader will see by reference to the dates of the establishment of the postoffices as given below, it was only the few principal offices in the county that had any mail connections with one another. For a long time regular mails could only be sent from Chambersburg to Shippensburg; Chambersburg to Greencastle; Chambersburg to Mercersburg, and Mercersburg to Hagerstown. Papers, circulars and political addresses preceding a hotly contested election were distributed by horseback couriers, each political party sending out its distributors. These pony riders would usually start from the county seat on the first of the week, each provided with horns to

blow when he would approach a hamlet or some leading citizen's house. The people would gather, they would distribute their important mail matter, and in this way go all over the county. These trips would occupy about the entire week. Barney O'Neil and Theo. Ditz, both living near Chambersburg, were such mail carriers.

A copy of the Chambersburg *Gazette* of June 19, 1793, contains a list of settlers in the Chambersburg postoffice as follows: David Adams, Falling Springs; Patrick Boyle; Mathew Brown; Mary Brettow, care John Scott, Esq.; John Bigham, care Hugh Bigham; Thomas Cooper, James Crawford, Greencastle; Archibald Cunningham, care James Finley, Esq.; Andrew Dougherty, care J. Mahoney; James Dodds, care James Ramsey; John McDonald, care John Gilmore; John Dorans, care John King; Thomas Downing, care Dr. Huey; David Ewing, care Andrew Kennedy; Christopher Ferris, Greencastle; Mathew Fleming, care Rev. John King; John Grimes, care John Martin; Andrew Givins, Tuscarora Valley; John Glenn, Mercersburg; William Guthrie, Southampton Township; John Gilmore, Strasburg; James Gregg, care John Calhoun; Thomas Henderson, hatter; Eleanor Hayes, care Samuel Calhoun; James Henderson, care John Scott; Charles Hunter, care James Ramsey or John Parkhill; Lenox Hallam, care Capt. Beatty; James Henderson; Andrew Irwin, care Samuel Quigley; Robert Kidd, care Alexander Dobbin; John Kennon, care James Gailey; James Kelly, care James Ramsey; John Miller, Coyer's Creek; William McKee, James McCaslin, John McCurdy, John McKillop, Alexander McCracken, care James Ramsey; William McCleneghan, care James McCleneghan; Samuel McMillin, Burnt Cabins; Robert Martin Cooper, care Geo. Clark; Thomas Mitchell, Susanah McShane, care Rev. John King; William Martin, Sherman's Valley; Walter McKinney, care John King; John Neal, care Thomas Lucas; Robert Porter, Robert Peebles, Hamilton Township; Archibald Patterson, shoe-maker; Robert Patterson, cooper; Nathaniel Rankin, Greencastle; Thomas Stewart, James Semple, Mrs. Polly Stokes, Charles Victor Shook, Peter Shields, Joseph Thompson, Henry Work, Esq., M. Williams, Peter Walter, Jacob Year, John Urr.

The following is an alphabetical list of the postoffices in the county and the postmasters, with dates of appointments:

Altenwald.—Jacob B. Cook, December 21, 1881.

Amberson's Valley.—Benjamin J. Culbertson, December 16, 1850; Samuel Shearman, June 21, 1852; John Creamer, June 25, 1853; Jeremiah B. Jones, March 29, 1865; John M. Shearer, July 2, 1866; John A. Shoemaker, April 28, 1874; Francis L. Shoemaker, August 3, 1885.

Antietam (late Quincy).—Abraham Stoner, July 16, 1839; changed to Quincy September 2, 1841.

Black's Gap.—Robert Black, June 15, 1869; changed to Greenwood Mills, September 29, 1869.

Black's Gap (late Greenwood Mills).—Robert Black, February 9, 1870; Nannie C. Bohn, September 23, 1885.

Blue Ridge Summit (late Monterey Springs).—A. C. Roosman, April 5, 1876; Maggie L. Chapman, January 7, 1881.

Bridgeport Mills.—Martin Hoover, February 15, 1837; discontinued May 10, 1842; re-established with Jacob Phillipi, December 19, 1873; changed to Lemasters, April 6, 1877.

Brown's Mills.—Andrew Dalrymple, May 14, 1867; Hiram Young, April 15, 1869; John H. Grayson, April 1, 1870; John T. Valentine, March 31, 1871; Jeremiah R. Young, February 25, 1876; Hiram Young, January 15, 1878; Henry C. Gelwicks, April 14, 1882; James B. Weicht, March 17, 1886.

Carrick.—Samuel Dunn, April 16, 1834; John Dunn, May 8, 1843; Benjamin H. Eshleman, February 8, 1849; discontinued December 24, 1849.

Carrick Furnace.—George W. Swank, July 5, 1860; William Noonan, February 26, 1864; discontinued, January 19, 1865; re-established with Samuel H. Brown, postmaster, October 23, 1872; Alvin W. Horning, January 12, 1874; changed to Metal, May 19, 1884.

Chambersburgh.—John Martin, June 1, 1790; Patrick Campbell, July 1, 1795; Jeremiah Mahoney, January 1, 1796; John Brown, July 5, 1802; Jacob Deckert, April 7, 1818; John Findlay, Sr., March 30, 1829; John Findlay, July 9, 1836; William Gilmore, November 24, 1838; George H. Harper, April 3, 1841; David D. Durboran, July 8, 1842; John McClintock, February 3, 1846; Nicholas Pearse, April 18, 1849; John Noel, May 13, 1853; John Liggett, April 13, 1858; John W. Deal, April 15, 1861; Mathew P. Welsh, September 19, 1866; John A. Seiders, April 8, 1869; Daniel O. Gehr, April 21, 1877. E. W. Curriden, November 14, 1884; James Sweney, October 19, 1886.

Clay Lick.—Elam B. Winger, April 21, 1862; Joseph W. Winger, February 17, 1866; Jacob M. Winger, December 2, 1874; Albert C. Winger, March 21, 1881; Jacob M. Winger, February 11, 1885; William B. Zullinger, July 24, 1886.

Concord.—Edward W. Doyle, April 1, 1811; Edward Doyle, January 16, 1816; James Wilson, April 3, 1826; William R. Pumroy, June 15, 1849; William Johnston, June 10, 1853; Solomon B. Hockenberger, March 13, 1861; Tillie E. McElheny, March 20, 1886; Rachel J. McElheny, April 10, 1886.

Doylesburgh.—Philip T. Doyle, May 23, 1854; Joseph M. Doyle, April 29, 1856; John Goshorn, February 11, 1865; Isaac Clugston, December 15, 1869; Alva C. Clugston, February 6, 1879.

Dry Run.—William Campbell, Jr., February 5, 1825; James Ferguson, May 27, 1839; Thomas Wilson, April 27, 1849; John E. Kerr, December 1, 1853; William W. Piles, January 16, 1854; Henry S. Doyle, June 21, 1856; James H. Craig, February 23, 1859; James M. Rankin, June 29, 1861; George E. Stewart, September 27, 1866; William H. H. McCoy, March 19, 1869; Wilson H. Coons, January 6, 1882; J. B. Elder, July 30, 1885.

Edenville.—Levi L. Springer, December 21, 1882; William C. Hartman, November 9, 1885.

Fannettsburgh.—James Sweeney, March 30, 1809; Chamber Anderson, April 11, 1820; James Brewster, December 19, 1834; Jacob Flickinger, April 14, 1838; William Uttz, June 14, 1839; John Kyle, May 16, 1845; Mary Kyle, October 5, 1848; William W. Skinner, September 23, 1850; John S. Skinner, May 1, 1854; Mary Kyle, July 19, 1853; John S. Skinner, May 1, 1854; George W. Swank, February 6, 1855; John Kegerries, November 1, 1855; Mary A. Kegerries, June 7, 1860; George A. Miller, December 22, 1870; Robert E. Tyler, October 23, 1873; John J. Basore, January 6, 1875; Jacob B. Wine-  
man, December 9, 1885.

Fayetteville.—John Darby, September 4, 1826; Frederick Ashbaugh, March 20, 1827; James D. Rea, December 27, 1831; Charles P. Cummings, June 14, 1832; William B. Cummings, October 21, 1835; R. M. French, January 24, 1837; Joseph Boggs, June 22, 1841; R. M. French, July 29, 1845; Mary A. French, April 8, 1846; Hiram Heysinger, September 27, 1855; William Richey, April 24, 1857; David F. Richey, October 18, 1859; Joseph Boggs, June 17, 1861; Upton J. Cook, January 23, 1866; Jacob Oyler, August 29, 1866; William N. Horner, March 19, 1869; John D. Boggs, January 6, 1882; John N. Baxter, September 14, 1885.

Five Forks.—William H. Brown, March 5, 1873.

Foltz.—Appleton Berger, April 2, 1880; Thomas O. Bradley, November 1, 1882; George F. Grove, May 15, 1884; John A. Wister, August 24, 1885.

Fort Loudon (late Loudon).—Thomas G. McGuire, June 22, 1883; John H. Metz, July 30, 1885.

Greencastle.—John Watson, April 4, 1797; David Watson, June 29, 1837; Jacob F. Kreps, July 7, 1845; George Eby, February 27, 1849; William W. Fleming, April 9, 1849; William McCrary, June 11, 1853; George Eby, May 28, 1861; Eli Fuss, July 29, 1868; George H. Miller, May 6, 1869; Henry P. Prather, December 18, 1871.

Green Village.—James McAnulty, September 12, 1827; John E. McGaw, March 9, 1832; Thomas Sturgis, April 16, 1832; William Blankney, February 22, 1833; Charles W. Lego, June 18, 1841; William Blankney, February 3, 1843; John P. Wallace, May 4, 1849; Thomas H. Wallace, November 28, 1881; John Ditzlear, September 23, 1885.

Greenwood Mills, (late Black's Gap).—Robert Black, September 29, 1869; changed to Black's Gap, February 9, 1870.

Jackson Hall.—John S. Kerr, May 12, 1827; Frederick Roemer, February 2, 1830; John P. Baker, March 16, 1835; William McCleary, May 30, 1837; John Underlich, April 11, 1839; John C. Tritle, June 21, 1853; Thomas C. Fitzgerald, September 19, 1854; Jacob C. Snyder, July 5, 1860; John McKnight, May 8, 1861; Jeremiah Y. Herman, March 30, 1868; James A. Davidson, December 22, 1870; Charles A. W. Baker, March 20, 1872; Frederick J. Pfoutz, March 27, 1879; changed to New Franklin August 21, 1882.

Keeffer's Store.—Lewis Keeffer, August 25, 1849; Isaac H. Thompson, July 29, 1853; Lewis Keeffer, December 29, 1854; Jonathan Strine, December 20, 1855; discontinued, December 5, 1856; re-established, with Philip D. Weaver, postmaster, May 13, 1858; George Westhafer, December 12, 1859; discontinued, April 18, 1864; re-established with William Karper, postmaster, October 20, 1864; discontinued, February 9, 1871.

Keefers.—Jacob A. Karper, December 9, 1879; Daniel G. Hoover, March 10, 1882; Jacob A. Karper, September 24, 1883; Joshua A. Phillips, November 19, 1884.

Lemasters (late Bridgeport Mills).—Samuel Plum, April 6, 1877; Edgar B. Diehl, May 11, 1885.

Loudon.—Nicholas Baker, May 2, 1814; William H. Brotherton April 8, 1817; Alexander Elder, February 1, 1819; William H. Brotherton, June 27, 1821; John Easton, October 18, 1823; Benjamin Stinger, December 24, 1828; Hugh L. McGaw, February 14, 1831; William Minich, October 11, 1833; Jane Minich, August 5, 1850; John Mullan, December 10, 1852; Jacob Snyder, July 5, 1860; Eliza L. B. Madden, December 4, 1861; John Thompson, December 14, 1863; John H. Jarrett December 28, 1866; William Burgess, March 19, 1869; Hettie A. Easton, June 28, 1872; Thomas G. Maguire, October 2, 1878; changed to Fort Loudon, June 22, 1883. (This office was at one time called Loudontown.)

Lurgan.—D. D. Swanger, February 27, 1886; Mary E. Swanger, April 14, 1886.

Marion.—William Martin, March 2, 1833; Abraham Scott, April 5, 1834; Emanuel Kuhn, January 21, 1835; John S. Scheible, March 29, 1837; John Clugston, April 2, 1838; Jacob Greenawalt, July 9, 1847; Jacob A. Swigert, October 9, 1865; Andrew Statler, March 10, 1874; Samuel S. Ledy, October 19, 1885.

Mason & Dixon.—Abraham B. Barnhart, May 15, 1868; Jacob H. Brewer, April 25, 1871; Huron A. Huyett, July 17, 1872; Henry B. Harnish, Octo-

ber 9, 1875; Frank H. McLaughlin, May 25, 1877; Henry P. McLaughlin, March 25, 1886.

Mercersburgh.—James Bahn, January 1, 1803; George King, October 1, 1803; James McCoy, January 1, 1808; William B. Guthrie, January 22, 1813; Peter W. Little, February 11, 1822; Robert King, May 5, 1827; Elliott T. Lane, July 15, 1829; Daniel Shaffer, April 30, 1834; Thomas P. Bard, June 24, 1841; Daniel Shaffer, January 21, 1845; Sarah H. Findlay, April 18, 1849; Eliza Carson, April 14, 1853; Maggie G. Grove, March 29, 1861; John Hoch, September 26, 1866; Elizabeth Rice, March 6, 1867; Wilson L. Harbaugh, February 17, 1879; W. A. Shannon, July 24, 1885 (at first called Messerburgh).

Metal (late Carrick Furnace).—Alvin W. Horning, May 19, 1884; George W. Swank, April 16, 1886.

Midvale.—M. R. Nevin, February 24, 1881; Oscar W. Good, March 24, 1881; Jacob F. Good, November 28, 1881.

Mongul.—William A. Baer, April 14, 1882.

Mont Alto.—John Kuhn, December 14, 1843; discontinued, December 9, 1845; re-established with Peter Heefner, August 15, 1846; Joseph F. Walter, April 21, 1848; Ephraim J. Small, May 29, 1849; Peter Heefner, July 15, 1853; George W. Toms, August 27, 1853; discontinued, June 22, 1855; re-established with George W. Toms, June 30, 1855; Ephraim J. Small, October 6, 1855; John Small, November 21, 1857; John Keis, May 28, 1861; Ralph Smith, May 17, 1866; Henry Shiery, October 17, 1866; Ephraim J. Shank, April 10, 1869; David Ziegler, April 24, 1873; David Knepper, January 9, 1882; Edward M. Small, July 24, 1885.

Monterey Springs.—Henry Yingling, September 28, 1870; changed to Blue Ridge Summit, April 5, 1876.

Mount Parnell.—John Mullan, April 3, 1862; Charles Gillan, April 6, 1866; James D. McDowell, April 1, 1878; John A. Gillan, March 2, 1880; Alexander Dale, March 28, 1881; discontinued, August 19, 1881.

Mowersville.—Jacob H. Snoke, March 3, 1868; A. S. Bashore, February 8, 1875; Andrew B. Gross, October 15, 1879; Samuel Taylor, March 15, 1881; David R. Frehn, September 23, 1885; James F. Geyer, March 25, 1886.

New Bridge.—Harmon P. Piper, September 8, 1868.

New Franklin (late Jackson Hall).—Jeremiah Hoover, August 21, 1882.

New Guilford.—George Trittle, December 17, 1849; discontinued, August 31, 1852; re-established with Jacob Snyder, December 17, 1852; Nathan R. Hutchinson, January 9, 1856; John L. Wingert, December 27, 1856; John Wolfkill, October 17, 1859; discontinued, February 27, 1866.

Opher.—John H. McMullen, April 16, 1883; discontinued, January 12, 1885.

Orrstown.—James B. Orr, June 26, 1836; William L. Smith, March 19, 1849; Ephraim Bear, April 26, 1850; Jacob R. Zearfoss, March 4, 1852; Henry Ruby, January 18, 1853; Cyrus B. Ruby, October 9, 1855; James B. Orr, May 24, 1857; William Orr, Jr., March 12, 1858; David T. Bard, December 18, 1860; Jacob Kindig, March 25, 1861; Samuel Knisley, March 16, 1864; David L. Powders, January 9, 1872; Samuel Knisley, April 20, 1874; David E. Kendig, December 9, 1875; Lottie A. Kendig, January 5, 1883; Samuel Knisley, July 7, 1884; John A. Zullinger, July 20, 1885.

Pen Mar.—Charles A. Rouzer, April 16, 1883.

Pleasant Hall.—Charles Whealan, August 28, 1851; Jonathan Strine, May 9, 1855; Charles Whealan, December 14, 1855; John S. Myers, May 11, 1859; Albert M. Hunter, May 1, 1860; Abraham Keefer, April 20, 1863;



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discontinued October 20, 1873; re-established with Isaac Burkholder, postmaster, January 13, 1876; Abraham W. Hoover, February 14, 1882.

Quincy.—Jacob Byer, March 27, 1830; George Wertz, November 2, 1832; changed to Antietam July 16, 1839.

Quincy (late Antietam).—James McKinley, September 2, 1841; Jacob Firor, May 28, 1846; William B. Raby, December 15, 1846; John B. Waynant, December 14, 1848; Jacob S. Zeigler, March 22, 1849; David Piper, August 12, 1852; Hugh Logan, June 11, 1853; John R. Smith, December 21, 1853; George A. Anderson, May 2, 1854; discontinued October 12, 1860; re-established with David Wertz, October 31, 1860; John R. Smith, October 3, 1866; Samuel Secrist, October 24, 1866; William B. Raby, January 20, 1868; Elam B. Wingar, March 19, 1869; David Sommers, May 8, 1871; Christian W. Good, July 1, 1874; Levi C. Kefmer, January 16, 1878; Benjamin R. Summer, August 6, 1885.

Richmond Furnace.—William Burgess, May 23, 1872; Charles Hoffman, December 7, 1876; John A. Diehl, March 18, 1878.

Rocky Spring.—Barnard Fohl, May 4, 1839; Robert E. Tolbert, March 7, 1844; discontinued April 1, 1847.

Rowzersville.—Samuel Gonder, January 22, 1873; Charles H. Buhrman, June 26, 1873; Anie E. Gresanam, December 13, 1880.

Roxbury.—William Reynolds, February 5, 1822; Godlieb Wunderlich, January 17, 1823; Thomas Rumroy, May 1, 1826; William I. Thompson, March 12, 1832; George A. Dougherty, February 3, 1837; Robert Gilmore, March 14, 1839; Samuel Stailey, June 24, 1841; William Deardorff, April 1, 1851; William J. G. Thompson, April 7, 1852; John Taylor, January 20, 1853; Esrom D. Weaver, October 9, 1855; George W. Saltsman, April 9, 1861; John M. Saltsman, December 18, 1862; Robert A. Hamilton, November 23, 1885.

Saint Thomas.—James Edwards, February 21, 1824; William G. Sterrett, March 20, 1832; James Edwards, April 20, 1835; Henry Smith, April 18, 1837; Daniel S. Hossler, December 7, 1848; Barnard Fohl, May 4, 1849; Christian W. Burkholder, July 7, 1853; William D. Dickson, January 14, 1858; Barnard Fohl, March 29, 1861; Michael H. Keyser, September 22, 1862; William D. Dickson, March 19, 1869; William L. Gillem, October 10, 1872; Cyrus C. Gelwicks, August 14, 1885.

Scotland.—George R. McIlroy, June 29, 1849; James W. Dunmire, April 15, 1854; James S. Chambers, July 5, 1861; William Wallace, Jr., April 25, 1866; Henry Sleichter, June 15, 1869; John G. Youst, April 4, 1881; William L. Craig, August 4, 1885.

Shady Grove.—Charles McCauley, April 15, 1852; Jacob B. Waynant, May 13, 1854; discontinued, April 25, 1856.

Shady Grove.—Frank B. Snively, December 7, 1860; Melchi Snively, May 4, 1879; William T. Phillips, August 24, 1885; John F. Wilt, April 29, 1886.

Spring Run.—William A. Mackey, November 13, 1850; Isaac Clugston, November 22, 1858; William A. Mackey, July 5, 1861; William M. Nesbitt, August 21, 1877; William S. Elliott, September 7, 1880; Daniel Wolff, March 20, 1883.

State Line.—David Brumbaugh, Jr., February 9, 1830; Joseph Gilbert, May 28, 1834; Jacob Felmlee, April 2, 1838; Gearhart Brenner, April 1, 1843; William Martin, June 12, 1843; Jacob Felmlee, August 15, 1844; discontinued, February 13, 1845; re-established with John Rearick, postmaster, January 6, 1845; Daniel S. Barnhart, June 20, 1857; John Rearigh, August 15, 1859; John A. Orr, September 10, 1861; Daniel B. Hade, June 17, 1869;

George W. Harbaugh, June 15, 1874; Jacob A. Witmer, September 10, 1875; Henry R. Harnish, June 7, 1877; Philip N. Brumbaugh, August 24, 1885.

Stone Bridge.—Isaac Kuhn, September 22, 1873; discontinued May 6, 1875.

Strasburgh.—George Beaver, July 1, 1797; George McClellan, April 23, 1798; William McClellan, August 4, 1823; changed to Upper Strasburgh February 28, 1829.

Sylvan.—John Zimmerman, June 6, 1843.

Sylvan.—William Bowers, February 3, 1837; discontinued, February 9, 1842.

Upper Strasburgh (late Strasburgh).—William McClellan, February 28, 1829; James McFarland, March 14, 1839; John Grove, July 2, 1841; William Gilmor, December 26, 1844; William S. Doyle, May 9, 1849; John Grove, June 10, 1850; Philip Karper, July 14, 1853; Josephus M. Wolfkill, November 2, 1855; Samuel Gilmore, June 9, 1858; James S. Slyder, July 5, 1861; William W. Britton, March 24, 1865; Frederick C. Karper, December 10, 1880; Jacob V. B. Leedy, May 11, 1885.

Upton (late Whitestown).—George Cook, July 24, 1837; Robert J. Boyd, November 15, 1867.

Warren Point.—Archibald S. Winger, February 11, 1878; discontinued August 26, 1878.

\*Waynesborough.—Michael Stoner, December 19, 1807; Joseph Deardorf, September 22, 1830; Thomas Walker, February 28, 1833; Michael M. Stoner, May 2, 1837; John W. Stoner, December 17, 1840; James Brotherton, July 19, 1845; James Brotherton, Jr., February 15, 1849; Jacob R. Welsh, June 13, 1853; Thomas G. Pilkington, May 28, 1861; Nancy Pilkington, February 10, 1863; Andrew G. Nevin, September 30, 1864; Jacob R. Welsh, November 26, 1866; Andrew G. Nevin, May 6, 1869; Matilda R. Nevin, February 5, 1875; George Middow, January 19, 1882; James P. Lowell, March 12, 1886.

Welsh Run.—John Eldon, May 17, 1830; James Watson, February 16, 1832; Thomas Bowles, February 16, 1839; William H. Craig, June 18, 1859; Thomas Bowles, February 18, 1862; John R. Stover, December 27, 1877; Henry G. Chritzman, December 12, 1881; Frank T. Elliott, December 3, 1884.

Whitestown.—George Cook, July 10, 1837; changed to Upton, July 24, 1837.

Williamson.—E. H. Hagerman, August 20, 1872; Upton G. Hawbecker, September 23, 1885.

Willow Hill.—Charles Fleming, September 24, 1878; Edgar S. Bock, April 24, 1882.

Wingerton.—Philip Wiesner, January 22, 1884.

Yetter.—Christian Yetter, May 17, 1881; discontinued February 16, 1882.

Zullinger.—David Zullinger, February 23, 1882.

Zero.—Lewis Ripple, February 7, 1837; John P. Baker, July 28, 1838; discontinued, April 10, 1839.

#### RAILROADS.

The Cumberland Valley Railroad is the oldest road in this section, and among the pioneer roads of the country. Its history is the history of the railroads of this valley, as well as the interesting story of the simpler, crude beginnings that have grown into the great railroad system of the country. The simplest statement of the facts is a story full of interest to the general reader.

The Cumberland Valley Railroad Company was chartered by the Legislature of Pennsylvania on the 2d of April, 1831, to construct a railroad from

\*First called "Waynesburgh or Waynesboro."

Carlisle to a point on the Susquehanna River at or near Harrisburg. The charter, having expired by limitation of time, was revived by an act of Assembly of the 15th of April, 1835, and authority extended to construct the road from the Susquehanna River to Shippensburg and Chambersburg. In accordance with the provisions of the charter, in order to organize the company, an election for officers and managers was held on the 27th of June, 1835, in the borough of Carlisle with the following results: President, Thomas G. McCulloh, of Chambersburg; treasurer, Joseph B. Mitchell, of Philadelphia; secretary, Abraham Hendel, of Carlisle; managers, Samuel Alexander, Charles B. Penrose, Lewis Harlan, Frederick Watts, John K. Neff, John Grigg, David Mahon, Frederick Byers, Philip Berlin, Thomas Chambers, Charles S. Border, George W. Himes. The board of managers, at a meeting held on the 21st of August, 1835, selected William Milner Roberts for chief engineer.

On the 23d of October, 1835, Mr. W. Milner Roberts reported to the board of directors the results of his survey of the line from the Susquehanna River, opposite Harrisburg to Chambersburg. He estimated the cost of building the road to a connection with the Harrisburg & Lancaster Railroad, including the bridge across the Susquehanna at \$564,064, and the average annual receipts of the road at \$284,617.50. He calculated on 100 passengers each way per day at 3 cents per mile, and 35,000 tons of through freight and 51,950 tons of local freight, all at the rate of  $4\frac{1}{2}$  cents per ton per mile.

On February 21, 1836, the Pennsylvania Legislature granted authority to bridge the Susquehanna and connect with the Pennsylvania Canal, and the Harrisburg, Portsmouth, Mount Joy & Lancaster Railroad, and authorized the managers of the Cumberland Valley Railroad to manage for uninterrupted communication of trade and travel between Chambersburg and Philadelphia.

The Cumberland Valley Railroad was opened for travel from White Hill to Carlisle in August, 1837, and through to Chambersburg in November of the same year. The first locomotive and cars were hauled across the Harrisburg Bridge (a part of which still stands), and over the turnpike to White Hill. The locomotive had two driving wheels, wooden spokes, was named "Cumberland Valley," and was built by William Norris in Philadelphia. The passenger cars were like the old stage coaches. They had been run on the State road from Philadelphia to Columbia, and would seat, inside and out, fourteen passengers each. The railroad track consisted of cross ties laid four and a half feet apart upon the ground without ballast, upon which were laid oak stringers 5x9 inches, on which bar iron five-eighths of an inch thick and two and a quarter inches wide was spiked. The ends of the iron bars were mitred, and the bar which extended on the inside of the track would become pressed away from its connection, so as to be caught on the flange of the wheels going in an opposite direction, causing them to turn up against the bottom, and sometimes through the car. As a protection against the turning up of bars, the bottoms of the cars were covered with two-inch plank, inside of which was a lining of boiler plate, and at the time the road was opened to Chambersburg, the iron was not laid for about three miles from Chambersburg, and the cars were run in on the wooden stringers.

The railroad bridge across the Susquehanna was built in 1837-38, and completed in January, 1839, when on the 16th of that month it was opened for travel and connection made with the Harrisburg & Lancaster Railroad. A poster, bearing pictures of the primitive locomotive and train, was issued by Mr. T. G. McCulloh, president of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, January

25, 1839, announcing that "on the first day of the next February the regular train of passenger cars would commence running as follows:

"Leave Chambersburg at 4 o'clock in the morning; arrive at Harrisburg at 8, at Lancaster at 12, and at Philadelphia before 6 P. M. Returning, it will leave Harrisburg as soon as the cars from Philadelphia arrived, about 5 o'clock in the evening, and arrive at Chambersburg at 10 P. M."

The first sleeping-car ever used on any railroad was put in use on the Cumberland Valley Railroad in the spring of 1839, a historical fact of great importance, because it was the first of the kind in the world. The berths were upholstered boards, in three rows, one above the other, held by leather straps, and in the daytime were folded back against the walls—very simple and plain in construction, but comfortable, and in all essential features the germ of the luxurious sleeper of the present day. At that time travel between Philadelphia and Pittsburgh was by rail to Chambersburg, and stage from Chambersburg to Pittsburgh. Passengers going east reached Chambersburg about midnight, and left about 1 A. M., reaching Harrisburg about 5 A. M.

The oldest extant report of the operations of the Cumberland Valley Railroad was made by President McCulloh for the year 1839. In it he deploras "the general financial depression of the country, due to the error which has everywhere prevailed, of forcing public improvements further than the means of the country would justify." "We start," he says, "with half means, and are then forced to finish on credit at a ruinous cost, and one experience has been an example of this prevailing error." He finds hope, however, in the fact that "we are an energetic and elastic people, and with care and economy our wonted prosperity will soon be attained." He announces the purchase of three locomotives for \$21,250, and two passenger cars at \$4,175; that two passengers and one freight train are run each day between Chambersburg and Harrisburg, and that no injury has been done to any passenger since the road has been operated—two and one-half years.

On the 27th of April, 1840, Thos. G. McCulloh tendered his resignation as president of the company, and on the same day Chas. B. Penrose, of Carlisle, was elected by the board of managers to fill his place.

On the 26th of April, 1841, Chas. B. Penrose tendered his resignation of the presidency of the company, having accepted the position of solicitor of the treasury, under the administration of Gen. Harrison, at Washington. Upon its acceptance, on the same day Frederick Watts was unanimously chosen by the board to fill the position, which he held for thirty-two continuous years.

The next report of which we find a copy was made by Hon. Frederick Watts, president for the year 1842, in which he states that the universal depression of the last few years has had its effect upon the business of the company; but that it is hoped that prosperity will again bless the country, and if it does, he is confident that the stock of the Cumberland Valley Railroad will be profitable to its owners. The total earnings for the year were \$70,116.82.

For the year 1849 the earnings were \$101,084.77, and the tonnage, which is for the first time shown, was 37,439, of which 7,818 was flour, 5,126 ore, 4,247 coal, 2,123 grain, 2,237 lumber. It is stated in the report for the year 1849 that "arrangements have been made to relay the road with heavy T rail."

In March, 1832, the Franklin Railroad was chartered by the Pennsylvania Legislature, and on January 16, 1837, by the Legislature of Maryland. The road was built from Chambersburg to Greencastle in 1837, and to Hagerstown in 1841. It was run by steam-power for two years, when an arrangement was

made with the Cumberland Valley Railroad to operate the line and its own motive power was sold. It is worthy of note that the first cab ever put on a locomotive was placed on one of the Franklin Railroad locomotives, named "Washington," at the shops of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, in Chambersburg, in 1841. The Franklin Railroad was only operated a short time by the Cumberland Valley Railroad, when steam-power was withdrawn, and it was then operated by Mr. D. O. Gehr, of Chambersburg, with horse-power. It was never profitable, and was sold several times, until, in 1860; it was rebuilt and laid with T rails. The Cumberland Valley then contracted to run it, and, with some changes in the contract, continued to do so, except during the time of its possession and partial destruction by the rebels, until 1865, when the two roads consolidated.

In October, 1862, the rebels destroyed the shops and depot buildings in Chambersburg, and on June 15, 1863, they made another raid, destroying all company property in the town, and tearing up and destroying five miles of the track of the Franklin Railroad.

The rebel raid and burning of Chambersburg July, 1864, also caused the company great inconvenience and loss.

In 1871 the Southern Pennsylvania Railroad was opened from Marion to Richmond, Penn., and leased by the Cumberland Valley Railroad.

In the year 1872 the Mont Alto Railroad was completed from a point near Scotland to Mont Alto.

In 1873 the Hon. Frederick Watts, who had been president of the Cumberland Valley Railroad for thirty-two years, declined a re-election, as he had accepted the position of commissioner of agriculture at Washington, and Mr. Thomas B. Kennedy, of Chambersburg, was elected president. In this year the Martinsburg & Potomac Railroad was completed, and leased by the Cumberland Valley Railroad.

In June, 1882, the Shenandoah Valley Railroad was opened from Hagerstown to a connection with the Norfolk & Western Railroad, at Roanoke, Va., making a through line via the Cumberland Valley, between the northeast and southwest. From the year 1837 up to this time the business of the Cumberland Valley Railroad had been entirely local, that is, it had originated or terminated at local points on its road.

The management of the Cumberland Valley Railroad has always been in close sympathy with the patrons of the road, giving all possible accommodations, and the benefit of the best transportation facilities of the times, keeping pace in improvements with the best and most enterprising railroad companies of the country.

*The Old "Tape Worm" Line* was chartered about the same time the Cumberland Valley Railroad was—or in 1835. This was the day of the rage of internal improvements in the country. Thad. Stevens stood sponsor to this enterprise for many years. He was then a resident of Gettysburg, and had iron mills in Franklin County, and he wanted a railroad to his mills. The charter was for a road to start at Gettysburg, to run into Franklin County and then turn south, tapping the heart of the southern country wherever it was advisable and most convenient. The State made a large appropriation to the road, and the managers, when they came to spend the money, commenced all along the line. The result was, a great deal of money was expended, the appropriations were exhausted, the State internal improvement scheme collapsed, and the work stopped, and not a mile of the road was completed, and practically this was the end of the "Tape Worm."

*The Harrisburg & Potomac Railroad* was chartered in 1870, as the

Mermar Iron & Railroad Company. Its chief promoters were Daniel V. and Peter A. Ahl, of Newville. It was originally intended to pass through the county via Shippensburg, Mont Alto, Quincy and Waynesboro, but owing to financial difficulties was never completed.

*The Baltimore & Cumberland Valley Railroad* was organized in 1876, to run from Chambersburg by a direct line through Waynesboro to a junction with the Western Maryland Railroad, at a point on the west slope of the Blue Ridge, two and one-half miles east of Smithsburg, and seventy-two miles west from Baltimore, the line to be built in the interest of the Western Maryland Road, and, when constructed, leased by it and operated. The length of the line, twenty-one miles, made the distance from Chambersburg to Baltimore ninety-three miles, thus lessening the old route, via Harrisburg, forty miles. The road was built, and May 18, 1886, the Cumberland Valley Railroad Extension Company leased the line to the Western Maryland Railroad, at an annual rental of \$32,700. This is one of the most valuable lines now in Franklin County. It opens up to the trade of the county, not only a competing line to the eastern ports, but is the great highway to the South—to Memphis, New Orleans, Savannah and all southern points.

*Mont Alto Railroad.*—In 1872 the Mont Alto Railroad, extending from Mont Alto to a connection with the Cumberland Valley Railroad at a point three and one-half miles northeast of Chambersburg, was built by the Mont Alto Railroad Company, Geo. B. Wiestling, engineer and superintendent.

It was opened for business on October 2, 1872. It was ten and one-quarter miles in length. During 1878 and 1879 the line was extended to Waynesboro, Penn., making the entire line eighteen miles in length. The extensive iron ore fields in the Mont Alto region were largely depended upon to furnish tonnage to the railroad, and it is only in prosperous stages of the iron business that this can be realized.

In 1875 the magnificent summer resort, Mont Alto Park, was improved and opened by Geo. B. Wiestling, and has received the evidence of high appreciation by the liberal patronage bestowed upon it by the public.

*Mont Alto Iron Works* consist of a blast-furnace, steam bloomery, refinery, machine shops, foundry, blacksmith, carpenter and wheel-wright shops, charcoal kilns, two saw-mills, seventeen developed iron mines, seven farms and 20,000 acres of ore and timber lands. In prosperous times it employs 500 men, 75 horses and mules and 21 steam engines.

The furnace was built in 1807-08, by Daniel and Samuel Hughes, of Maryland. At first it was what is known as a "quarter stack," and was 31 feet high, and 8 feet diameter of boshes. It was operated with cold blast; the water-wheel was 30 feet in diameter. The first output was from two to three tons per day of pig iron, but this only accumulated hands for want of transportation. To reach markets, the pig iron was hauled by wagon to the Potomac River, at Williamsport, and then waited for a rise in the water, to be taken down on flat-boats.

A foundry was built in 1815, and then the pig iron was made into stoves and hollow ware on the grounds, which were then wagoned to Baltimore. For some time the iron was not remelted to cast, but was dipped out of the furnace and poured into the molds. A cupola furnace was put up, and then the iron was remelted.

In 1811 the Messrs. Hughes brought over an expert, Mr. Overmeyer. He leased land in East Antietam Valley, five miles from Mont Alto, and erected a bloomery, forge and saw-mill, and commenced manufacturing hammered bar iron. In 1832 a rolling-mill was put up near the bloomery, on East Antietam

Creek. This was at that time supposed to have the best power of any mill in the country, and therefore could roll the largest bars of iron.

In 1835 the Messrs. Hughes built nail works near the above rolling-mill. These were eventually burned.

In 1864 the entire Mont Alto plant was purchased by the Mont Alto Iron Company, Geo. B. Weistling, superintendent. The furnace was enlarged to 37 feet high, and nine feet diameter of boshes; two additional tuyeres were introduced, making it a three-quarter stack, and steam-power was introduced. The output was fifteen tons a day of pig iron. Another enlargement was made in 1880; the stack increased in height, the boshes made nine and one-half feet, and other modern improvements were introduced. Capacity then became thirty-five tons of pig iron per day.

The *Caledonia Iron Works* were constructed in 1837, by Thad. Stevens and James D. Paxton, in Greene Township. These men were the firm until 1848, when a heavy indebtedness caused a change, and Stevens bought out Paxton, and assumed the entire indebtedness. The new proprietor put Mr. Wm. Hammett in charge as superintendent, who filled the place for twenty years, and was succeeded by Mr. John Swaney who had charge of them at the time of their destruction in 1863. In the plant were about 20,000 acres of good ore and lumber land. The ore was converted into blooms and marketed in the eastern cities—average price \$65 to \$75 per ton. It is supposed that Stevens lost considerable money by his iron-mills. The mill and machinery were entirely destroyed during the war, by order of Gen. Early.

*Mount Pleasant Iron Works* were established by the Chambers, about 1783. They afterward passed into the possession of the Kings, Dunns and Doyles, respectively. Through all these various changes, they were operated more or less successfully, until 1829, when they were permanently closed. Being among the earliest of iron-mills in the country, they served in their time a valuable purpose.

The Carrick furnace, four miles north of the Mount Pleasant works, was the substitute that made the latter such a prime necessity. The Carrick furnace was erected about 1830, and continued to be operated through various changes, until 1844, when it closed down for want of patronage.

The Richmond furnace, in Metal Township, at the time of the general depression of the iron trade of the country, banked its furnaces and closed up. It is fully equipped for the production of iron, and it is the intention to start it again into full operation as soon as a change in the trade will warrant it.

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## CHAPTER VIII.

### WAR OF 1812-15.

CAUSE OF THE WAR—DECLARATION OF WAR—FRANKLIN COUNTY COMPANIES—INCIDENTS OF THE WAR.

FREE trade and sailors' rights" was the Nation's watch-word, that culminated in the second war with Great Britain. The mother country seems to have forgotten that the colonies had relinquished maternal dependence, and were living a national existence of their own. The right to search

our merchant vessels upon the high seas, and also the right to impress seamen, found in such merchant service, was the provoking cause to the national motto given above.

June 12, 1812, Congress declared war against Great Britain, and the President called upon the people to take up arms.

It is not proposed here to give a history of the ensuing war. That is a part of the general history of our country. The part taken therein by Franklin County is the boundary limit of this chapter.

During the three years of hostilities thirteen companies of Franklin County men were recruited and sent to the field of action. Some time before actual hostilities were declared our people anticipated the coming struggle, and in the towns, villages and rural districts the nuclei of military organizations were formed. A large number of these was found in this county, many of them ready on short notice to march in effective martial display to the front. We have the names of the Antrim Greens, a rifle company of 60 men; Franklin County Light Dragoons, 41 men—captain, Mathew Patton; Mercersburg Rifles, 72 rank and file—captain, James McDowell; Concord Light Infantry, 30 men—captain, Michael Harper; Chambersburg Union Volunteers, 51 men—captain, Jeremiah Snider. These companies at once tendered their services, through County Brigade Inspector William McClellan, to the Government.

The first detachment of troops left the county September 5, 1812. This was composed of the Union Volunteers, the Franklin Riflemen, the Concord Light Infantry, the Mercersburg Rifles and the Antrim Greens—total, 264, officers and men. The quota of the county was 507, and the deficiency was made up by draft from the militia. Maj. William McClellan was in command of the detachment. They were sent to the northwest frontier, proceeding there by way of Bedford, Pittsburgh and Meadville, reaching the latter place in September. The troops were there re-organized into four regiments—two of rifles and two of infantry. Jeremiah Snider was elected colonel of the First Regiment, John Purviance, of the Second Regiment. The four regiments being formed into a brigade, under Gen. Tannahill, Dr. Samuel D. Culbertson, of Chambersburg, was appointed surgeon-in-chief; John McClintock became captain of Snider's company, on latter being made colonel, and Geo. K. Harper was promoted to the vacant lieutenantancy in Snider's company. The companies of Capts. McClintock, Reges and Harper were in Col. Snider's regiment, and those of Capts. Oaks and Hays in Col. Jared Irwin's regiment. Immediately after the re-organization, the command marched to Buffalo, reaching there in November, where it went into winter quarters, and remained until discharged, their term of enlistment expiring in January, 1813.

#### CHAMBERSBURG COMPANY.

Captain—Jeremiah Snider.

Lieutenant—John McClintock.

Ensign—Owen Aston.

Sergeants—John Stevenson, Alexander Allison, John Calhoun, Andrew Calhoun.

Corporals—Robert Haslett, William Tillard, H. Ruthrauff, John Reed.

Musicians—William Donaldson, Henry Bickney.

#### PRIVATEs.

Timothy Allen.  
John Andrews.  
Joseph Barnett.  
Samuel Beatty.  
David Blythe.

A. L. Crain.  
Andrew Clunk.  
David Clouser.  
John Cummings.  
George Faber.

Robert Foote.  
Hugh Greenfield.  
Isaac Grier.  
Peter Glossbrenner.  
John Hunter.





Joseph Wenger



George Heist.  
Horace Hill.  
John Hutchinson.  
Thomas Harvey.  
Daniel Hood.  
Andrew Lindsay.  
James Murray.

Alexander McConnell.  
Spencer McKinney.  
Elisha Nabb.  
John Phillipy.  
John Plummer.  
Stephen Rigler.  
William Shannon.

George Sampson.  
Moses H. Swan.  
William Taylor.  
Joshua Wilson.  
James Wilson.  
Bernard Wolf.

## CAPT. REGES' COMPANY.

Captain—Henry Reges.  
First lieutenant—Jeremiah Senseny.  
Second lieutenant—John Musser.  
First sergeant—Peter Flack.

## PRIVATES.

John Bayle.  
John Baughman.  
Robert Cunningham.  
John Cook.  
Edward Crawford.  
Arthur Dobbin.  
John Denig.  
John Essig.  
Isaac Erwin.  
John Favorite.  
John Gilwicks.  
William Grice.  
Joseph Good.  
John Gilmore.

Philip Grim.  
Christian John.  
George W. Lester.  
Josiah Lemon.  
Isaiah Lamer.  
Robert. McMurry.  
John Mumma.  
Hugh Marmon.  
Hugh McConnell.  
Hugh McNulty.  
John Martin.  
Benjamin Matthews.  
James McConnell.  
William Pollock.

Richard Runion.  
John Radebaugh.  
John Robinson.  
John Reilly.  
Jacob Snyder.  
Joseph State.  
Henry Smith.  
Thomas Schools.  
Joseph Severns.  
Daniel Sailer.  
John Whitney.  
James Wise.  
George Wilson.  
George Zimmerman.

## CAPT. OAKES' COMPANY.

Captain—Andrew Oakes.  
Lieutenant—Thomas Wilson.  
Ensign—George Zeigler.  
Sergeants—Peter Cramer, Jacob Gudtner, Jacob Fletter, James Pennell.  
Corporals—William Dugan, George Sharer, Henry Sites, Jacob Garresene, Thomas Brady, John Poper.

## PRIVATES.

William Bolton.  
George Bettes.  
Henry Brendlinger.  
Joseph Byerly.  
Samuel Bender.  
William Carroll.  
Patrick Dugan.  
Evan Evans.  
William Foster.  
Thomas Fletcher.

John Gaff.  
John Garner.  
William Gordon.  
Richard Keller.  
Samuel Martin.  
James McCurdy.  
Samuel McLaughlin.  
William Ovelman.  
Thomas Plummer.  
William Scully.

George Shaffer.  
Samuel Smith.  
John Snyder.  
John Sreader.  
George Stuff.  
George Uller.  
Samuel Weidner.  
Daniel Weidner.  
Christian Willhelm.

## CAPT. HAY'S COMPANY.

Captain—Patrick Hays.  
Lieutenant—John Small.  
Ensign—Samuel Elder.  
Sergeants—James McQuown, Jacob Small, Jacob Williams, George Spangler.  
Corporals—Joseph Herrington, John Donothen, John Mull, Daniel Leer, Jacob Cain, Jacob Wise.

## PRIVATES.

James Bennett.  
Isaac Brubaker.  
Samuel Campbell.  
Joseph Cunningham.  
Henry Cline.  
John Crouch.  
William Cooper.  
Samuel Craig.  
John Clapsaddle.  
Alexander Dunlap.

John Dunlap.  
Fredik Divelbiss.  
David Deitrick.  
James Elder.  
Jacob Groscope.  
Peter Gaster.  
Jonas Hissong.  
John Hastler.  
Abraham Hodskins.  
John Harris.

William Hart.  
John Heart.  
Jacob Hodskins.  
John Hallin.  
James Halland.  
John King.  
Peter Kyler.  
Robert McFarland.  
James McDowell.  
William McCurdy.

Robert McQuown.	Samuel Martin.	Peter Teach.
John Mowry.	Charles Pettet.	James Walker.
Campbell Montgomery.	Henry Suffecool.	Henry Weaver.
William McQuown.	William Stewart.	Daniel Welker.
Charles McPike.		

## HARPER'S COMPANY FROM PATH VALLEY.

Captain—Michael Harper.  
 Lieutenant—William McKinzie.  
 Ensign—John Campbell.  
 Sergeants—William Irwin, James McKinzie, John Widney, Hugh Barrack.  
 Corporals—Jeremiah Baker, Francis McCullogh, Samuel Campbell, James Girmeren.

## PRIVATES.

John Cannon.*	James Hockenberry.	Isaac Scooly.
James Dever.	Peter Hockenberry.	William Smith.
Barnabas Donnelly.	George Irwin.	Richard Scott.
David Evans.	James Linn.	James Taylor.
Barnabas Fegan.	Samuel Phillips.	Peter Timmons.
Jere Hockenberry.		

In 1814, in obedience to orders from the Government, Gov. Snyder ordered a draft upon the State for troops. Franklin, Cumberland, York and Adams Counties' quota under the call was 1,000 men, the men from this county to assemble in Loudon on the 1st of March. Capt. Samuel Dunn, of Path Valley, had a company of forty men. These at once volunteered. The balance of the county's quota was 175 men. Capt. Samuel Gordon's full company from Washington, and Capt. Stake's partial company from Lurgan, rendezvoused at Loudon, Wm. McClellan in command, who took them to Erie, leaving Loudon March 4. Maj. McClellan's official report says the command, 221 privates, was officered by one major, three captains, five lieutenants, and two ensigns. At Erie they were put in the Fifth Regiment, commanded by Col. James Felton; James Wood, of Greencastle, was major; Thomas Poe, of Antrim, adjutant. The latter was a brave and gallant soldier. He was a man born to command. It is told of him that by the mere power of his presence he quelled an outbreak of his men in camp, and by a word forced them to go quietly to their quarters. He fell mortally wounded at the battle of Chippewa, July 6, 1814.

Capt. Jacob Stake lived between Roxbury and Strasburg. Dr. W. C. Lane says of his command: "He went as a captain of drafted men as far as Erie, at which place his company was merged into those of Capts. Dunn and Gordon."

## DUNN'S COMPANY.

Captain—Samuel Dunn.  
 First lieutenant—James McConnell.  
 Second lieutenant—Robert Foote.  
 Third lieutenant—John Favorite.  
 Ensign—William Geddes.  
 Sergeants—John Suively, Samuel Baker, James McHenry, John M. Shannon.

## PRIVATES.

Levi Black.	James Connor.	Abraham Flagle.
John Brandt.	Samuel Creamer.	Jacob Frush.
Jesse Beams.	John Cunningham.	Jere Gift.
George Bryan.	James Compton.	Hugh Henderson.
Fredk. Boreough.	Barnabas Clark.	Nehemiah Harvey.
Anthony Bates.	Thomas Cummings.	Edward Heil.
John Barclay.	Benj. Davis.	Henry Halby.
John Brewster.	Samuel Davenport.	Thomas Hays.
Hugh Baker.	John Doyle.	Robert Hunter.*
John Beatty.	James Elliott.	John Humbert.
William Buchanan.	Robert Elder.	Henry Hess.
Andrew Barclay.	Joseph Fingerty.	Robert Johnston.

\*Afterward colonel of the Fiftieth Regiment.

Enoch Johns.	John Marshal.	John Smith.
John Krotzer.	James McKim.	John Swanger.
James Keever.	Absalom McIlwee.	Jacob Staley.
Michael Kester.	John Murray.	William Sheets.
James Kirkwood.	Joseph Noble.	John Stewart.
Benjamin Long.	John Noble.	Barney Shipton.
David Lightner.	John Over.	John Stake.
Tobias Long.	Joseph Phipps.	David Trindle.
Noah Macky.	Thomas Penwell.	William Woods.
John McConnell.	George Plucher.	Richard Wright.
Robert McConnell.	Mathias Panther.	John Walker.
James Morhead.	William Reed.	George Wrist.
John McDowell.	Charles Runion.	William Williams.
Adam Meyers.	William Ramsay.	William Westcott.
George Macomb.	Philip Roan.	John Young.
John Miller.	Jacob Stevick.	Robert Young.
William McClure.	Peter Schell.	John Young.
Samuel Mateer.	Samuel Swope.	Jacob Zettle.
William Moore.	John Shell.	

This company was in service seven months, in the battles of Chippewa and Lundy's Lane; guarded prisoners captured on the frontier to Albany, N. Y. They were mustered out at Albany.

## GORDON'S COMPANY, MARCH 1, 1814.

Captain—Samuel Gordon.  
 First lieutenant—William Dick.  
 Second lieutenant—William Patton.  
 Third lieutenant—James Burns.  
 Ensign—William Miller.  
 Sergeants—Hugh Davison, Charles Miller, James Scott, Josiah Gordon.  
 Corporals—Joseph Arthur, James Hall, Joseph Shilling, John Podman, Philip Mason,  
 William Burgiss.

## PRIVATES.

Thomas Allen.	Joseph Flora.	John McClay.
William Alsip.	John Fisher.	Phillip Myers.
Martin Beard.	Michael Fritz.	William Mahaffy.
Henry Baugher.	Henry Geiger.	Murdock Mitchell.
Benjamin Bump.	George Glaze.	John McCurdy.
George Burr.	Moses Getrich.	Robt. McClelland.
Fred'k Bevenson.	John Greenly.	Daniel Mentzer.
John Baker.	John Graham.	G. M. Miller.
Michael Borer.	John Huber.	George Miller.
Jacob Baker.	Joseph Hoffman.	George Neff.
Peter Baker.	William Hardin.	Joseph Neal.
Michael Bear.	Geo. Harmony.	Nathan Phipps.
Adam Brown.	James Hardy.	Abraham Piaceare.
Conrad Croft.	John Hawk.	William Pearslake.
John Coon.	Peter Harger.	Thomas Poe.
John Craig.	John Irwin.	Erasmus Quarters.
Richard Cahil.	David Johnston.	Andrew Robertson.
William Clem.	John Jeffery.	William Reesemen.
John Carver.	Nathaniel King.	John Ritter.
William Clark.	Jacob Keefer.	Adam Rankin.
Richard Donahoe.	William Kline.	Adam Ream.
William Divebiss.	William King.	Christopher Sites.
John Dowman.	Peter Keefer.	Fredk. Stumbaugh.
Edward Detrick.	Mathew King.	Jacob Stauffer.
Geo. Davis.	James Logan.	Nicholas Smith.
Saml. Dean.	Benj. Lewis.	Jacob Smith.
Jacob Deemer.	Jacob Liepert.	Henry Satin.
John Davis.	John McColley.	Joseph Tice.
Adam Duncan.	John McConnell.	James Thompson.
Jacob Eby.	Alexander McMullen.	Henry Unger.
George Ensminger.	Peter Myers.	William Wolf.
William Edwards.	William Miller.	William Whitman.
Nathaniel Ftps.	John McNeal.	Henry Weaver.

August 24, 1814, the Americans, under Gen. Winder, were defeated at the battle of Bladensburg; the same day the British entered Washington and burned the capitol and other buildings. This fired anew the hearts of the people. The people by common impulse rang the bell and assembled in meetings. The people at one of these meetings, in Franklin County, dispatched one of their number as a messenger to the national authorities to learn if more troops were wanted or would be accepted. The news borne by the messenger was gladly received, and word returned that the Government wanted more troops. When the people learned this they gave expressions to their joy, and all the bells of the town were rung, drum and fife corps paraded the streets, and in a few days seven companies were organized, equipped, and on their way to Baltimore. One of them was a troop of cavalry, from Mercersburg, under Capt. Mathew Patton, which marched to Baltimore, but their services were not accepted as cavalry were not needed, but the majority of the troops determined to go to the war, disposed of their horses, and joined different companies of infantry.

The following are the rosters of the companies that left the county in the early part of September, 1814:

#### CHAMBERSBURG COMPANY.

Captain—John Findlay.  
 First lieutenant—John Snider.  
 Second lieutenant—Greenberry Murphy.  
 Ensign—John Hershberger.  
 Sergeants—Joseph Severns, Andrew Rea, Henry Smith, Jeremiah Senseny, Jacob Fedder.  
 Corporals—John Robison, Geo. W. Lester, Jacob Heck, Jacob Bickley.

#### PRIVATEES.

Jacob Abrahams.	Jacob George.	Samuel Nogel.
John Berlin.	John Gillespy.	John Nitterhouse.
Peter Bonebrake.	Jacob Glosser.	Jacob Neff.
John Baxter.	John Gelwicks.	John Nixon.
James Buchanan.	Michael Helman.	John Porter.
John Brindle.	Thomas Hall.	Edward Ruth.
William Bratten.	William Harman.	Jacob Reichert.
Benj. Blythe.	James Huston.	John Radebaugh.
John Baughman.	Daniel Helman.	Elijah Sargeant.
John Bucher.	Isaac Irvin.	Charles Stuard.
Jacob Bittinger.	Thomas Jones.	Samuel Shillitto.
Abraham Burkholder.	William Kinneard.	Daniel Sharp.
Fred'k Best.	David Keller.	William Sipes.
John Campbell.	Thomas Kaisey.	Jacob Spitel.
James Carberry.	Jacob Laufman.	Ross Sharp.
Conrad Clouse.	John Lucas.	Joseph Suttley.
Daniel Crouse.	Reuben Monroe.	John Tridler.
Joseph Cope.	Robert McAfee.	John Todd.
John Clugston.	Daniel McAllister.	Joseph Wilson.
McFarlin Cammel.	William McKesson.	Benj. Wiser.
Conrad Draher.	William McKean.	James Walker.
Daniel Dechert.	William Mills.	Jacob Wolfkill.
William Dugan.	Samuel McElroy.	Josiah Wallace.
James Dixon.	Soyer McFaggen.	David White.
John Eaton.	John Milone.	Matthew Wright.
Simon Eaker.	David Mentzer.	James Westbay.
Benj. Firnwalt.	Jacob McFerren.	Hugh Woods.
Henry Fry.	Cammel Montgomery.	William White.
Thomas Fletcher.	David Mumma.	George Young.
Henry Gauter.	Ludwick Nitterhouse.	George Zimmerman.

#### CULBERTSON'S COMPANY.

Captain—Samuel D. Culbertson.  
 First lieutenant—John McClintock.

Second lieutenant—George K. Harper.

Ensign—John Stevenson.

Sergeants—Andrew Calhoun, John Calhoun, Stephen Rigler, Alex Allison.

Corporals—Hugh Greenfield, James Wilson, Samuel Beatty, John Andrew.

PRIVATES.

John Arntt.  
Henry Burchett.  
John Besore.  
Samuel Brand.  
Mathew Besore.  
George Beaver.  
James Crawford.  
Augustus Capron.  
William Cook.  
James Campbell.  
Edward Crawford.  
Edward Capron.  
Peter Crayton.  
John Devine.  
William Denny.  
Joseph Duffield.  
John Denig.  
John Daugherty.  
Joseph Erven.  
Benj. Fahnestock.  
William Ferry.  
Isaac Grier.  
Jacob Grove.  
Henry Greenawalt.  
William Grove.  
Paul Heoflich.

John Holmes.  
William Heyser.  
Joseph Housem.  
John Hutchinson.  
George Harris.  
Herman Helfmire.  
John Hinkle.  
Michial S. Johns.  
William Jamison.  
George Jasousky.  
John Kindline.  
Jacob Kelker.  
Andrew Lindsay.  
William M. McDowell  
John McBride.  
Patrick Murray.  
John McCormick.  
George B. McKnight.  
Thos. G. McCulloh  
Henry Merklein.  
John Nunemacher.  
Wm. Nochtwine.  
George Oyster.  
John O'Neal.  
Samuel Porter.  
William Reynolds.

James D. Riddle.  
Phillip Reges.  
John Reed.  
Samuel Ruthrauff.  
William Richey.  
Adam Roemer.  
George Simpson.  
William Schoeplin.  
John Snider.  
Samuel Shillitt.  
William Shane.  
Daniel Stevenson.  
Jacob Smith.  
David Trittle  
Robert Thompson.  
Abraham Voress.  
Bernard Wolff.  
Jacob Widefelt.  
John Weaver.  
John Whitmore.  
John B. Watts.  
James Warden.  
Joseph Wallace.  
George Wilson.

BARD'S COMPANY.

Captain—Thomas Bard.

First lieutenant—James McDowell.

Second lieutenant—John Johnston.

Ensign—Joseph Bowers.

Sergeants—A. T. Dean, G. Duffield, Thomas Smith, G. Spangler.

Corporals—William Smith, Thomas Grubb, William McDowell, Thomas Johnston.

Fifer—John Mull.

PRIVATES.

John Abbott.  
John Brown.  
Archibald Bard.  
Robert Carson.  
Samuel Craig.  
John Coxe.  
John Cox, Jr.  
John Campbell.  
Joseph Dick.  
Joseph Dunlap.  
John Donyhon.  
Jeremiah Evans.  
Peter Elliott.  
John Furley.  
John Glaze.  
William Glass.  
Joseph Garvin.  
Henry Garner.  
Leonard Gaff.  
James Garver.  
William Hart.  
James Harrison.

William Houston.  
Joseph Harrington.  
Fred'k Henchy.  
James Hamilton.  
John Harrer.  
Samuel Johnson.  
John King.  
John Liddy.  
James McDowell.  
William McDowell, Sr.  
James McNeal.  
John McCurdy.  
John Maxwell.  
John McClelland.  
George McFerren.  
Augustus McNeal.  
Robert McCoy.  
William McKinstury.  
Thomas C. McDowell.  
James Montgomery.  
Samuel Markle.

John McCulloch.  
Charles Pike.  
Mathew Patton.  
David Robston.  
William Rankin.  
Thomas Speer.  
George Stevens.  
Conrad Stinger.  
James Sheilds.  
John Sybert.  
William Stewart.  
David Smith.  
Thomas Squire.  
William Wilson.  
James Walker.  
Christopher Wise.  
Samuel Witherow.  
John Werlby.  
Thomas Williamson.  
John Witherow.  
Thomas Waddle.

## ROBISON'S COMPANY.

Captain—Andrew Robson.  
 First lieutenant—John Brotherton.  
 Second lieutenant—James Mitchell.  
 Ensign—Jacob Besore.  
 Sergeants—James Walker, Andrew Snively, Thomas Wilson, Archibald Fleming  
 Corporals—John Randail, George Bellows, George Sackett, Alex Aiken.  
 Paymaster—William Carson.

## PRIVATES.

William Armstrong, Jr.	John Gaff.	Jacob Poper.
John Allison.	John Garner.	James Poe.
Robert Bruce.	Edward Gordon.	J. Piper.
Samuel Bradley.	Fred'k Gearhart.	John Park.
Robert Brotherton.	Joseph Hughes.	A. B. Rankin.
John Billings.	William Harger.	John Reed.
William H. Brotherton.	John Henneberger.	John Rowe, Sr.
Frederick Baird.	William Irwin.	Roger Rice.
William Bratten.	James Johnston.	John Rogers.
Henry Beatty.	William Krepps.	John Shira.
James Brotherton.	Jonathan Keyser.	John Shearer.
John Boggs.	George Kuy.	Henry Sites.
Benjamin Core.	Mathew Kennedy.	Robert Smith.
George Clark.	James McGaw.	Charles Stewart.
James Camlon.	William H. Miller.	Samuel Statler.
Walter B. Clark.	Samuel McCutchen.	George Speckman.
Frederick Carpenter.	Abraham McCutchen.	John Shaup.
William Clark.	John McClellan.	Adam Saylor.
William Coffroth.	John McCune.	George Schreder.
James Davison.	James McCord.	John Snyder.
Jesse Deman.	William Moreland.	George Uller.
William T. Dugan.	John Miller.	William Vanderaw.
John Dennis.	John McCoy.	George Wallack.
George Flora.	Adam McCallister.	John Weaver.
David Fullerton.	William McGraw.	Thomas Welsh.
Samuel Foreman.	John McConnell.	Christian Wilhelm.
Robert Guinea.	Archibald McLane.	Thomas Walker.
William Gallagher.	John B. McLanahan.	James Wilson.
Peter Gallagher.	Samuel Nigh.	Christian Wise.
Hugh Guinea.	Robert Owen.	Alexander Young.

## FLANAGAN'S COMPANY.

Captain—John Flanagan.  
 Lieutenant—William Bivins.  
 Ensign—Daniel McFarlin.  
 Sergeants—Robert Gordon, George Cochran, William Downey and George Foreman.

## PRIVATES.

Samuel Allison.	James Gettys.	Joseph Misner.
Christian Bechtel.	George Gettys.	John Oellig.
Hugh Blair.	Daniel Haulman.	Maximillian Obermeyer.
John Bowman.	David Heffner.	George Price.
David Beaver.	Peter Haulman.	Robert Ray.
John Bormest.	Daniel Hartman.	Abraham Roberson.
William Barnet.	James Harshman.	John Sheffler.
William Call.	James Hayden.	Alex. Stewart.
James Duncan.	George Koontz.	John Stoner.
Joseph Fulton.	John Logan.	Adam Stonebraker.
James Fullerton.	Daniel Logan.	David Springer.
Jacob Fry.	James McCray.	George Weagley.
Loudon Fullerton.	William Mooney.	David Weaver.
Samuel Green.	William McDowell.	

## ALEXANDER'S COMPANY.

Captain—William Alexander.  
 Lieutenant—Francis McConnell.  
 Ensign—James Barkley.



Sergeants—John Maclay, Richard Childerson, Peter Foreman, William Young.  
 Corporal—John Sterrett.

## PRIVATES.

James Alexander.	George Houston.	Hugh Maxwell
Thomas Childerstone.	James Irwin.	John McKee.
Edward Dunn.	James Jones.	John Neal.
John Elder.	David Kyle.	Peter Piper.
Noah Elder.	James KcConnell.	John Patterson.
Andrew Foreman.	John Little.	John Ryan.
William Finnerty.	Robert Lewis.	William Shutter.
Thomas Geddis.	Robert McMillon.	Arthur Sheilds.
John Harry.	James McKibben.	John Vanlear.
Samuel Hockenberry.	Robert McCleary.	David Witherow.
John Hill.	John McAllen.	James Wallace.
Thomas Harry.	Joseph McKelvy.	Peter Wilt.

These companies formed a regiment, Col. John Findlay commanding. After Findlay's promotion Lieut. William Young became captain. The other field officers of this regiment were major, David Fullerton; surgeon, John McClelland; first mate, Dr. John Boggs; second mate, Dr. Jesse McGaw; adjutant, James McDowell; quartermaster, Thomas G. McCulloh; sergeant-major, Andrew Lindsay; quartermaster-sergeant, William Carson; paymaster-general, George Clark.

These troops continued in active service until September 23 following when they were mustered out.

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## CHAPTER IX.

### MEXICAN WAR.

TEXAS AND MEXICO—WHIG AND DEMOCRAT—COUNTER ARGUMENTS—DECLARATION OF WAR—FRANKLIN COUNTY COMPANY—ITS SERVICES.

TEXAS had revolted and conquered its independence from Mexico, and asked to become a part of the Union. The Lone Star State was of herself a great and rich empire in territory, and when she knocked at the doors of the United States for admission as one of the sister States, to the average American there was a strong desire to bid her come and welcome. Had Mexico quietly consented at that time, and abandoned all claims to still control the independent State, it is highly probable it would have peacefully become a member of the Union, and Mexico would have avoided a disastrous war with this country, and the consequent loss of her immense territories north of the Rio Grande; and then, too, it is probable that the annexation of Texas would not have caused a political feud in the United States, over which discussion became heated, and new political issues were made—presidents were elected, and eminent politicians were defeated in their ambitious purposes.

When a national question in this country assumes a political phase it is curious to watch its accidental outcomes. Men apparently shut their eyes and rush forward in spite of the most solemn warnings of their neighbors. They care only to know what their political rival wants them to do, and then they set their faces like steel to accomplish the very opposite. Thus, by curious accident, the Mexican war became, in the minds of men of that time, a Democratic war; and the Whigs, as a party, were placed in the position as opposed to the

annexation of Texas. To demonstrate how purely accidental were the controlling influences among men, we give an incident that occurred between a Democratic and a Whig politician in Illinois in 1844. They were two bright and ambitious young men—both, afterward, becoming eminent in the Nation's councils. They lived in the same village in southern Illinois, and each was striving for his party nomination for congressman. In order to advertise their claims they agreed to travel together over the vast district, and hold in each county joint discussions. They started out on the absorbing topic of both Whig and Democrat, the annexation of Texas, ranged on different sides. They were bright, witty, brilliant and eloquent, and they drew nearly equal to a circus in the Illinois back counties. But, in taking sides, the Whig favored annexation, and the Democrat opposed it. Thus they had passed over about two-thirds of the district, when the long delayed news from the National Democratic Convention reached them, and lo, it had nominated Polk, and upon the strongest kind of a Texas annexation platform. Here, indeed, was a kettle of fish. What could they do? Why, simply, just what they did do—swap sides and continue their trip and discussion through the remainder of the district, hammering each other over the heads, each with the other's own arguments.

Congress passed a bill admitting Texas into the union of States, and on the 4th of July, 1845, the Legislature of Texas, by solemn act, approved of the measure, and the union was consummated. Mexico considered this as an act of war; and withdrew her minister from Washington. Some feeble and possibly half-hearted attempts to tide over the threatened conflict were made by the United States, and then the two nations declared war, and at once began marshalling their armies. In the early part of 1846 our armies had marched to the border lines of Mexico, and after a brief halt they invaded the country of the enemy. The declaration of war was made by Congress, May 11, 1846, and \$10,000,000 voted to furnish the army, and the President was authorized to call for 50,000 volunteers. The temper of our people is shown by the fact, that at once 200,000 volunteers offered themselves, and from every part of the Union it was a race among companies and regiments to get in first. Everywhere companies were formed that the Government was compelled to reject.

Franklin County sent one company. This was recruited in 1847, by Martin M. Moore, of Washington, who had procured authority to enlist a Pennsylvania company for the Mexican war. He opened a recruiting office in Chambersburg, and soon filled his company, and it left Chambersburg, March 17, 1847, for the seat of war, numbering 122 men, rank and file, officered as follows:

Captain—Martin M. Moore.

First lieutenant—Charles T. Campbell.

Second lieutenants—Horace Haldeman, Washington Meads.

Third sergeant—James S. Gillan.

Corporals—Michael W. Houser, J. R. Thompson, Henry Remley.

#### PRIVATES FROM FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Jacob Arbaugh.  
James S. Bigger.  
John Bricker.  
Joseph Bricker.  
Fredrick Berkle.  
Fredrick Baker.  
William Bittinger.  
James Briley.  
John Beamhop.

George Barmord.  
Emanuel Burns.  
David Beard.  
Hugh P. Coxé.  
Washington Cramer.  
Jeremiah Douglas.  
Mathew Downs.  
John Davis.  
George Eldridge.

William Fisher.  
William Johnson.  
Jeremiah Keefer.  
Henry Koyler.  
Samuel Kraft.  
Amos Lightner.  
George Miller.  
Daniel Miller.  
James McCullough.



George R Ziegler



John Mehaffey.  
 Alexander McCarthey.  
 John McCumsch.  
 William I. McClellan.  
 Joseph McMahan.  
 Joseph Nave.  
 John A. Pierson.  
 Jacob Pentz.  
 William Robison.

Henry Ray.  
 Lewis Rummel.  
 William Retter.  
 Henry Reafsnider.  
 Hezekiah Stuff.  
 John C. Sheffield.  
 David M. Stump.  
 John Suders.  
 Henry Sheaffer.

Thomas Shoemaker.  
 John Sheaffer.  
 Joseph Welch.  
 Jacob West.  
 Jacob Williams.  
 John Zumbro.  
 John Harnish.  
 Joseph Grimes.  
 David Cordell.

Although we have no complete list of the men of Company B, Eleventh United States Infantry, as furnished by the War Department, yet we give only those that were known to be from Franklin County.

This company marched to Pittsburgh, by way of Bedford, where it received some additional recruits. It arrived with the army at Brazos Santiago, in April, 1847, and for some time was in garrison at Tampico, where a number of men died of yellow fever. From here it went to Vera Cruz, and from there to the City of Mexico. The company was in active service until the close of the war, July 4, 1848.

Capt. Moore was dismissed from the service at Tampico, and Charles T. Campbell was promoted to captain, and was in command until our army was mustered out. At the time of the close of the war it was in the interior of the country, about seventy-five miles from the City of Mexico. When the company reached New York on its return home in July, 1848, its force of 100 men had been reduced to about twenty-four men in the line.

There were other men recruited who went to the war from this county in addition to those given above in Company B. Capt. Whipple and Lieut. Hanson got recruits for their command here. Then we are informed that there were several Franklin County men who joined commands that went out from Cumberland County, and their identity as Franklin County men was thereby lost.

Captain Charles T. Campbell is now a resident of Scotland, Dak., to which point he removed from Franklin County, some years ago.

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## CHAPTER X.

### THE PRESS.

INTRODUCTORY—FIRST NEWSPAPER—PRESS OF CHAMBERSBURG—PRESS OF WAYNESBORO—PRESS OF MERCERSBURG—PRESS OF GREENCASTLE.

**T**HE corner-stones of modern civilization are the family, the school, the church and the state.

The family is the origin of all government—the germ of all organization. Upon it all social and political institutions rest. From it all others derive their vitality and inspiration. Without its economy, the body politic and the social fabric could not exist. The family may be regarded a preparatory university, whose president is the father, and whose chief instructor is the loving and faithful mother. All science and all art are taught in this university. The most important lessons in life are the “things learned at that best

academy, a mother's knee," embracing the names and qualities of objects and actions; government, philosophy, religion, political economy, theology, poetry, literature, music—all the gems of an encyclopedic education.

From this preparatory school pupils are admitted to the conventional school under the control of a licensed master or mistress. New lessons and new duties are to be learned. Certain personal rights must be sacrificed to enjoy certain privileges that are desired. True republicanism is cultivated. Genuine philanthropy is developed, and the pupil qualified to enter intelligently the next grade—the church. It is the great theological institution intended to teach the higher duties and responsibilities of a moral and pious life. Self-control, charity, benevolence, consecration, devotion, unselfishness—all these are its legitimate purposes to accomplish. Its work done efficiently, the subject is prepared to occupy his appropriate position in the state; in other words, to become an intelligent, conscientious citizen. Three sets of agencies, each working efficiently in its own sphere, have co-operated to produce the highest type of manhood, the conception which inspired Holland to write:

"God gives us men! a time like this demands  
Strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands;  
Men whom the lust of office does not kill;  
Men whom the spoils of office can not buy;  
Men who possess opinions and a will,  
Men who have honor—men who will not lie;  
Men who can stand before a demagogue  
And damn his treacherous flatterers without winking,  
Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog  
In public duty, and in private thinking."

Men may condemn the evils of church and state; they can not be divorced. As well attempt to separate youth and manhood, the soil and its crop, or any cause from its effect. If the child is the father of the man, the family, the school and the church are the progenitors of the state.

But as society is organized, the life-blood of all these institutions is the modern newspaper. It is the food of all. In its greed it has usurped the prerogative formerly enjoyed by the oral teacher, secular and religious. It is the accepted text-book of the ordinary laborer, the learned divine and the profoundest statesman. It is more powerful than the throne, which it makes and unmakes at will. It is, in our modern civilization, the life-blood of the body politic. Hence the power and the responsibility of the press.

In the history of English journalism occurs this account of the growth of the newspaper: "First we have the written news letter, furnished to the wealthy aristocracy; then, as the craving for information spread, the ballad of news, sung or recited; then the news pamphlet, more prosaically arranged; then the periodical sheet of news; and lastly, the newspaper."

The English newspaper was born in London, in 1622. Its liberty at first was greatly restricted, nothing being allowed publication until it had passed proper official inspection. In its struggle for independence, the press had to undergo many prosecutions and trials unknown to the present generation. The blood of martyrs is the seed not only of the church, but of the press as well. Governmental influence with the subject-matter of the newspaper was regarded a divine right; hence we are not astonished to find the House of Commons resolving, in 1729, that "it is an indignity and a breach of privilege of the House of Commons for any person to *presume to give*, in written or printed newspapers, any account or minutes of the debates or other proceedings of this House or any committee thereof." In 1764 the editor of the *Evening Post*, of London, was fined £100 by the House of Lords, for mention-

ing the name of Lord Hereford in his paper. The good work continued, however, till the press was disenthralled.

France had much difficulty in liberating the press. During the reign of Louis Napoleon there were 6,000 prosecutions of publishers; but they finally succeeded, and France can hear from plebeians, sentiments which the throne did not dare to utter. Not by German battalions only was the usurper overthrown. He was shot through and through by the paper bullets of a hostile and enraged public press.

In America the first newspaper was published at Boston, September 25, 1690, by Benjamin Harris, the printing being done by Richard Pierce. Its name, *Public Occurrences, both Foreign and Domestick*, was very significant. The only copy now in existence is preserved in the State office in London. Others sprang up in regular order, until to-day the American press stands forth as one of the greatest bulwarks of national liberty—the proudest monument of the progressive spirit of the age.

A sentence or two may serve to sketch the editor who realizes the nature of the trust he holds.

1. An editor, like a poet, is born, not made. A plug hat, a waxed mustache, a cigar and a goose quill, will not necessarily edit a paper successfully. Profanity, bad grammar, excessive slang and whisky, are not the indispensable requisites of modern journalism.

2. He has an inherent right to be both a gentleman and a scholar. He should be sufficiently educated, at least, to express an original thought occasionally, in good Anglo-Saxon. Scissors and paste have their legitimate sphere, but this does not imply that he should have “just enough learning to misquote,” nor does it require that he should demonstrate in his own case that, “to follow foolish precedents, and wink with both eyes, is easier than to think.”

3. He should be a leader in public sentiment. It is his province to mould the thought of his constituents. On every new issue he should be able to sound forth the clarion notes of truth and progress, and lead his readers to occupy advanced grounds in the face of ignorant opposition. Some one has truly said: “To know *how to say* what others only know *how to think*, is what makes men poets and sages; but to *dare* to say what others only *dare to think*, is what makes them heroes or reformers or both.”

4. He should have a conscience on matters that affect the public weal. A newspaper is not private property in the sense that it is to reflect only the wishes and piques of its manager. It represents a constituency whose consciences it ought to respect, while it aims to educate them. It can not be made the vehicle for giving vent to private ill-will. For that reason it ought to treat an opponent with courtesy, so long as he exhibits marks of sincerity.

The press of Franklin County has had an existence since the opening of the last decade of the eighteenth century and has had some able representatives in the ranks of journalism. As will be seen from the lists that are to follow, these daily, weekly and monthly heralds of light and life, have been exceedingly numerous, but many of them, having accomplished their mission, did obeisance to an apparently disinterested public, and silently departed to enjoy the rewards of achieved fame. For the information, and in many cases, the language contained in these brief sketches, obligation is publicly acknowledged to those faithful chroniclers of Franklin County History, Dr. W. C. Lane,\* Judge Henry Ruby† and I. H. McCauley, Esq.‡

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†In *Shippensburg News* of October 16, 1875.

‡Historical Sketch of Franklin County.

## PRESS OF CHAMBERSBURG.

From the organization of the county, in September, 1784, to July 14, 1790, no newspaper was published in Franklin County, all sheriffs' proclamations, notices of candidates for office, offers of real estate for sale, estrays, runaway negroes, desertions of bed and board by wives, obituaries, divorce and sale notices, etc., being printed in the *Carlisle Gazette and Repository of Knowledge*.

As the population of Chambersburg increased, one of its chief wants was a weekly journal, to "note the passing tidings of the times." This want was eventually supplied by the advent of Mr. William Davison, from Philadelphia, who, in the month of June, 1790, issued the first number of the first newspaper published in Franklin County. The name of this primitive journal was *The Western Advertiser and Chambersburg Weekly Newspaper*. It was a small, dingy sheet of three columns to the page, and 10x15 inches in size. Its contents consisted mainly of advertisements and a few extracts from London and Eastern journals, and an occasional ponderous and drowsy original communication upon some political or literary subject. It was singularly dignified and dull. The price of the paper was 15 shillings per annum. Mr. Davison did not more than fairly start his enterprise, before his health began to decline, and he was obliged to call to his assistance Mr. Robert Harper, brother of the late George Kenton Harper. Mr. Harper came to Chambersburg in 1792, and took charge of the paper. Mr. Davison dying soon afterward, Mr. Harper then became its sole proprietor. In 1793 Mr. Harper changed the elaborate title of the journal to the simpler one of *The Chambersburg Gazette*. This name it retained until the year 1796, when it was further changed to *The Franklin Repository*. Soon after Mr. Robert Harper became the owner of the paper, he associated with himself in its publication a gentleman named Dover. This connection existed only a few months, and was severed by Mr. Dover's withdrawal. In the year 1800, Robert Harper sold the establishment to his brother, George Kenton Harper.\* The latter gentleman had previously learned the art of printing in the office in Chambersburg, although, at the time of the purchase, he was a resident of Philadelphia. Under the able and judicious management of George K. Harper, the *Repository* became one of the most extensively circulated and influential journals in the interior of the State. The *Repository* was published by Mr. George K. Harper for a period of thirty-nine years, and was then sold to Joseph Pritts, who was publishing the *Chambersburg Whig*, and by whom the two papers were united under the title of the *Repository and Whig*.

This venerable and influential old journal was successively owned by many companies and individuals, until it fell into the most competent hands of Col. Alexander K. McClure, by whom it was enlarged and otherwise improved. Its title was, by this gentleman, again changed, and its old and honored name of *The Franklin Repository* most appropriately given it. Under Col. McClure's proprietorship, it became an acknowledged political power in the State. The paper is now owned† and edited by Maj. John M. Pomeroy, and it may be said with perfect truth and candor, and without any invidious disparagement of the very many able gentlemen by whom it had formerly been conducted, that its present proprietor exhibits in its management a combination of energy, enterprise, tact and ability which, at least, have never been exceeded in its past history. *The Repository* has always been a fearless and able defender of the principles of the

\*D. B. Kirby, of Chambersburg, has a copy of the *Repository*, dated February 20, 1800, which was marked No. 44 of Vol. IV. Its subscription price is put at \$2.25 per year. G. K. Harper is its owner and publisher. In its columns is a notice that Geo. K. Harper had bought of Robert Harper the *Minerva*, showing its publication in the last century. See McCauley's denials, *in loco*.

†See statement at close of this sketch of the press of Chambersburg.



old Whig and Republican parties, in whose defense it has been compelled to break many a lance; and, in its mature age of eighty-seven years, it exhibits more than the vigor and energy which characterized its earlier days.

*The Repository* was first issued from an old log house, originally built and used for a blacksmith shop, which stood on the lot now occupied by Mr. Jacob Snider's book store. It was then removed to a small one-story weatherboarded building, which stood on Main Street, near the corner of the Diamond, on the lot on which Mr. Thomas E. Paxton's store now stands.

For many years the *Repository* was the only newspaper published in Franklin County. At length, about the year 1809, a Democratic rival, called the *Franklin Republican*, was issued by Mr. John Hershberger. Previously, however, two papers, one in English and the other in the German language,\* had been published for a few years. The names of these papers have not been ascertained, although extended inquiry has been made. The English paper was now united with the *Franklin Republican*. On relinquishing the business of printing in 1816, Mr. Hershberger sold his office to John McFarland, by whom the publication of the English journal was continued; but who discontinued the German paper for want of adequate support. McFarland sold the paper to John Sloan, who published it until his death, a few years after the purchase. Mr. Sloan died about the year 1824. The late Joseph Pritts, who had been employed in the office of Sloan, married his widow, and thus became the owner of the printing establishment. Mr. Pritts continued to publish the paper in the interest of the Democratic party, until the anti-Masonic excitement in 1834, when he became a member of that organization, and purchased an anti-Masonic newspaper which had previously been established by James Culbertson. The two papers were then conjoined and the name changed to *The Chambersburg Whig*, which it bore until it was merged into the *Franklin Repository*, in 1839. Mr. Pritts having thus abandoned the Democratic party, that organization was left without an organ, until the *Franklin Telegraph* was started about the year 1831, by Messrs. Ruby & Maxwell. This partnership continued but six weeks, at the end of which time James Maxwell withdrew. Mr. Ruby then selected another partner named Hatnick. Mr. Hatnick dying after a partnership of only nine months, Mr. Ruby became sole proprietor of the paper, and continued its publication until the year 1840, making it an able and successful exponent of the principles of the party in whose interests it was established. Having been appointed one of the associate judges of Franklin County, Judge Ruby sold his journal to Messrs. Brown & Casey. These gentlemen, after conducting it for several years, sold it to John Brand, who changed its name to the *Chambersburg Times*. Mr. Franklin G. May bought the paper from Mr. Brand, and held it until April 6, 1846, when he transferred it to E. R. Powell. During the proprietorship of Mr. Powell, its name was changed to the *Valley Sentinel*. In January, 1850, it was purchased by Frederick Smith, Esq., and edited by his son, Alfred H. Smith, until April, 1851, when this gentleman moved to Philadelphia. Messrs. Nead & Kinneard then became the owners of the *Sentinel*, under whose management it remained until late in the year 1852, when it was sold to Messrs. P. S. Dechert & Co.; and,

\*One of these was called *Der Redliche Registrator*. Its publisher and editor, F. W. Schoepflin, announced in the *Repository* of December 21, 1813: "The first number of this paper will be issued from this office to-morrow." He says, further: "Nearly the whole contents of this paper is weekly translated from the latest English papers, which, together with the quick conveyance by mails running in all directions from Chambersburg, enables its patrons to receive information of the occurrences of our own and foreign countries as early as they could through any of the English weekly papers." It must be remembered, that at that time all mail matter was distributed by carriers but once a week, and yet these crude facilities were highly appreciated. The German population in the county, too, was an important factor at this early date. Says Judge Ruby: "There were but few families in the town or country that did not then understand the German language, which accounts for two weekly papers being sustained in that language." After Mr. Schoepflin's death, in 1825, the office was sold to Henry Ruby.

its apposite name, after appearing for a season in company with the *Spirit*, as the *Spirit and Sentinel*, died away.

The *Valley Spirit* was started in Shippensburg, by John M. Cooper and Daniel Dechert, in July, 1847, under the title of the *Valley Spirit and Cumberland and Franklin County Democrat*. In July, 1848, it was moved to Chambersburg, and conducted under the firm of P. S. Dechert & Co., with Mr. Cooper as editor. In 1852 the firm bought the *Sentinel*, and united the two papers. In 1857, the *Valley Spirit*, which had dropped part of its original name, became the property of George H. Mengel & Co., and was published by them until 1862, when it was purchased by B. Y. Hamsher & Co., who retained it until 1867, when it passed into the hands of Messrs. J. M. Cooper & Co., and in 1868 Mr. Cooper withdrew from the establishment, Messrs. Wm. S. Stenger and Augustus Duncan becoming its proprietors. In 1876 Mr. Joseph C. Clugston purchased the paper, and reinstated its old and popular editor, Mr. Cooper, in the editorial chair.

The *Valley Spirit* is an ably-managed and vigorous publication, and is an able and fearless advocate of the principles of the great party to which it belongs; and its influence is not limited merely to the locality in which it is published, but is sensibly felt in the politics of the State. In that peculiar tact, as well as talent, so essential to the successful editor, Mr. Cooper was gifted in an eminent degree. October 1, 1879, the paper was purchased by its present owners, John G. & D. A. Orr, from J. H. Wolfkill, through whom it had come from Clugston and Cooper. On the 2d of August, 1886, John G. and D. A. Orr purchased at sheriff's sale the *Franklin Democrat and Daily Herald*, and immediately began the publication of a morning daily known as the *Valley Spirit*. In a prominent position on its second page stands this epitome of its own history: "Established, 1847. Founded in 1831, merged in *Valley Spirit*, 1852—*Franklin Telegraph, Chambersburg Times, Cumberland Valley Sentinel*. Founded in 1858; merged in *Valley Spirit*, 1862—the *Independent, the Times*. Founded in 1878; merged in *Valley Spirit*, 1886—the *Daily Herald*. Founded in 1882; merged in *Valley Spirit*, 1886—the *Franklin County Democrat*." Both daily and weekly editions show the highest style of mechanical execution, and the contents of each are newsy and spicy, evidencing careful and painstaking research. It is a pronounced anti-Randall Democratic exponent of the theories of government.

In July, 1853, Mr. Robert P. Hazelet started a folio sheet, devoted more especially to literature, which he called the *Transcript*. It became the Know-Nothing organ in the fall of 1854, and was subsequently merged into the *Repository*, under the title of the *Repository and Transcript*, and, after a titular fellowship of a few years, ultimately perished.

In 1854, Messrs. Kell & Kinneard started an educational monthly, called the *Tutor and Pupil*, which had an ephemeral existence.

David A. Werz instituted *The Independent* in 1858, a handsome and able paper, which attracted much attention for its literary ability, but sold it in April, 1859, to William I. Cook and P. Dock Frey. A few months later, namely, on the 7th of October, 1859, they transferred it to Frey & Foltz, who converted it from a neutral into a Republican paper. On the 31st of August, 1860, it again changed owners, and Messrs. William Kennedy and Jacob Sellers converted it into a Democratic organ, as an exponent of the principles of the Douglas wing of the party, in opposition to the *Valley Spirit*, which supported Breckenridge. After holding it a few years it was united with the *Valley Spirit*, as the *Valley Spirit and Times*, and, a short time after, its distinctive title passed into oblivion.

In the year 1814, the Hon. Henry Ruby moved to Chambersburg, and was apprenticed to a German printer named F. W. Schoflin, who was publishing a German paper in connection with Mr. George K. Harper. This paper was soon afterward sold to Mr. Schoflin. Mr. Schoflin died in 1825, and his paper was managed by Mr. Ruby, for his widow, for a period of six months, at the expiration of which time he bought the office. He continued its publication for some time after the publication of the *Franklin Telegraph*, but under a new name, and eventually sold it to Mr. Victor Scriba, by whom it was removed to Pittsburgh. Mr. Scriba changed its name to *Freiheit's Freund*, and it soon attained a large circulation and much influence among the German population of Pittsburgh. Another German paper was started in Chambersburg, by John Dietz, in 1824, but enjoyed a very brief existence, dying in its second year.

During the time embraced by these publications, a large number of papers were launched upon the treacherous waves of popular favor, but soon stranded on the hidden rock of impecuniosity, and sank even beneath public recollection. A notable exception to this statement, however, was the *Transcript*, established in 1853 by Robert P. Hazelet. This paper aspired to the establishment of a literary reputation, in which it secured a marked degree of success. It was then purchased by the Know-Nothings, and upon the sudden collapse of that political monstrosity, was merged into the *Repository*, and lived a short time longer in the *Repository and Transcript*.

*The Despatch*, a semi-weekly paper, was started in the spring of 1861, by George H. Merklein and P. Dock Frey, under the firm of George H. Merklein & Co., and lived until the spring of 1863.

*The Country Merchant*, an advertising sheet, was issued in July, 1866, by M. A. Foltz, and was succeeded, in 1869, by *Public Opinion*, a progressive weekly newspaper, devoted to advanced Republican principles. It deals especially with news of a local nature, always giving the preference to such, but, at the same time, it never neglects matters of national or State import or information of general interest. The people of Franklin County have always had in it a true friend. Their interests have been its interests, and it has fought their battles with vigor from the moment that it first saw the light.

The first issue appeared on the 20th of July, in the year above named, and met with immediate success. It rapidly became a leading paper, not only in its own county, but throughout the whole of the Cumberland Valley, its views being quoted far and wide. It has continued to hold this prominence, and is to-day one of the most influential newspapers in southern Pennsylvania. And at the present time, as in the past, it is representative of its title, and is truly a reflex of public opinion.

With the commencement of its third volume, in July, 1871, the *Opinion* enlarged, and in 1885 it re-enlarged, thus becoming one of the largest weeklies published in its section of the State. It has now a circulation of about 2,500, and goes into the best families in the county.

*The Silver Cornet*, a monthly musical journal, was published by P. Dock Frey & Co., coming into the world of letters in September, 1869, "and piping out" at the somewhat immature age of seven months.

*The People's Register* was started in 1876 as the *Centennial Register*. It is a patent outside, and was edited by Rev. J. G. Schaff until the time of his death, when it passed into the hands of his sons, who are still publishing it. In the summer of 1886, they began the publication of an evening daily which has met with a favorable reception. The *Register* has given special attention to educational news and articles, and thus has become the teachers' friend in the county.

*The Farm Journal* and *Experimental Farm Journal* were issued successively by George A. Dietz & Co., and were extensively circulated.

The first religious journal published by the German Reformed Church was a monthly pamphlet called *The Magazine of the German Reformed Church*, and was issued at Carlisle, Penn., under the editorship of Rev. Dr. Lewis Mayer. It appeared in November, 1827. In 1829 it was removed to York, Penn. In 1832, its title was changed to *The Messenger of the German Reformed Church*, and the numbers were designated as the New Series. In 1834 it was changed to a semi-monthly, in a quarto form, which was continued until July, 1835, at which time it was removed to Chambersburg. Its title was now changed to the *Weekly Messenger* and was issued weekly. A specimen number of the paper was published in July, but the regular issue did not begin until the September following. The numbering as a new series again commenced, which has been continued to the present date. In December, 1848, the name of the paper was further changed to that of *The German Reformed Messenger*. In September, 1867, the title was again changed to *The Reformed Church Messenger*, because the word "German" had been omitted in the church itself. The office in Chambersburg was destroyed by the rebels in 1864, and its place of publication was then transferred to Philadelphia. Its name is now simply *The Messenger*, and it is edited by the accomplished and scholarly divine, Rev. P. S. Davis, D. D., ably assisted by Samuel R. Fisher, D. D., and others. For a time after the removal of the paper to Chambersburg, it was published by Joseph Pritts, and subsequently by Henry Ruby, until the church established a printing office of her own, in the Masonic Hall, on Second Street, in 1840. The old Mansion House on the east side of the public square was then purchased, refitted, and the office removed into it.

The late Rev. Benjamin S. Schneck, D. D., became editor of the *Messenger* in 1835, after its removal to Chambersburg, and occupied this position until the year 1844. In the beginning of 1840, the Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D. D.,\* became associated with him in its editorial management. Dr. Schneck's relation to the paper, which was suspended in 1844, was resumed in the fall of 1847, and continued until the year 1852. During Dr. Schneck's pastorate in Gettysburg, Penn., in 1834, he began the publication of a semi-monthly in the German language, styled the *Christliche Herold*. The publication of this journal was transferred to Chambersburg in 1840, and issued under the name of the *Christliche Zeitschrift*. Dr. Schneck then took charge of it, changing its name to that of *Reformirte Kirchenzeitung*, and continued this relation until the destruction of the office in 1864, when it was removed to Philadelphia, with the exception of an interval of five years, from 1852 to 1857, when it was edited by the Rev. Samuel Miller.

For a time the *Saturday Local* was published by Joseph Pomeroy & Co. Having accomplished its mission, it quietly took its departure to the sweet by-and-by.

In the foregoing sketch it is stated that the *Repository* is owned and edited by Maj. John M. Pomeroy, and a merited compliment is paid him. Since that was written by Dr. W. C. Lame, the daily *Franklin Repository* has been established, which is now in its fourth volume. It has, like the weekly, attained a large circulation, and is, with the *People's Register*, an evening paper. Until November 26, 1886, it was published and edited by the Pomeroy Bros.; but owing to certain complications, growing out of the right of title, it was sold by Sheriff Kurtz to T. M. Mahon and H. Gehr for \$2,200, and immediately leased by them to its former managers. The paper is now under

\*Since deceased.



*H. Harbaugh*



the management of John H. Pomeroy and A. Nevin Pomeroy, lessees and publishers.

The *Repository* is the oldest paper in the Cumberland Valley, and its pages, from 1793 to the present, contain the substantial history of the county. Its influence upon the population of the county through these years has been wonderful. It requires little sacrifice to be able to concur in the sentiment of Hon. Henry Ruby, himself an old printer and a competent judge, "that few towns in Pennsylvania have newspaper establishments conducted with as much ability as the *Franklin Repository*, *Valley Spirit* and *Public Opinion* of Chambersburg."

## PRESS OF WAYNESBORO.

In Rupp's "History of the Five Counties," 1846, is this simple statement: "A weekly paper—*Waynesboro Circulator*—is published by M. C. Grote."

The *Village Record*, weekly, was founded March 13, 1847, by D. O. & W. Blair. D. O. Blair afterward studied medicine and went to Abingdon, Ill., where he died. W. Blair had sold his interest to his brother, but in 1851 repurchased it and has retained it every since. It was during the war published regularly till the time of Lee's invasion in 1863, when an interruption occurred. The outside was printed June 19, and the inside July 31. Rebel soldiers pied his type and overturned his cases, producing confusion which required several weeks to overcome.

By virtue of continuous services, Mr. Blair is entitled to be known as the Nestor of the Franklin County press.

The *Keystone Gazette* was established in 1876, as a Democratic weekly, by J. C. West and W. C. Jacobs. In 1878 Jacobs retired. In 1880, S. M. Robinson bought it, but in 1882 sold to N. Bruce Martin and Jas. B. Fisher, who conducted it as an independent paper till January 1, 1885. At the last date, Mr. Fisher bought Martin's interest, and conducted the paper till March, 1886, when D. B. Martin assumed editorial control, with Fisher as manager.

The *Brethren Advocate*, a religious weekly periodical, was published at Waynesboro from August 5, 1879, to July 5, 1882. It was published in the interests of the German Baptist or Brethren Church. The contributors to its columns were some of the ablest writers of the sect. D. H. Fahrney was publisher. Size of sheet, 22x32.

## PRESS OF MERCERSBURG.

In 1846, *The Mercersburg Visitor*, weekly, was published by McKinstry and Doyle.

The *Mercersburg Journal* was established in 1846. It is a weekly, neutral in politics and has a good local circulation. Its present owners and managers are M. J. Slick and George Hornbraker. It has passed through a number of changes, which can not be given.

In 1851-52, the *Mercersburg Review* was published in the interests of Marshall College. It was a bi-monthly, and sold at \$3 per year.

## PRESS OF GREENCASTLE.

The first paper started in the town was called the *Conococheague Herald*, and was published by E. Robinson, August, 1848. In a few months it was sold by him to Charles Martin. After running it a year, he sold it to A. N. Rankin, who in turn disposed of it to Elliott B. Detrich, by whom the name was changed to the *Franklin Intelligencer*. At his death the paper passed into the hands of McCrory and Bonner, who named it the *Franklin Ledger*. When

Bonner died, the new firm, Strickler & McCrory changed the name to *The Pilot*. Mr. Strickler retiring, McCrory ran the paper on his own responsibility for several years, when he sold it to Robert and William Crooks. The first brother soon withdrawing from the firm, the other continued the paper till 1867, when he sold to Rev. John R. Gaff, who associated M. D. Reymer with himself, and changed the name to *The Valley Echo*. In 1867 Col. B. F. Winger purchased the paper and, with the aid of Geo. E. Haller, the present proprietor, ran it till January 6, 1876, at which time he sold the establishment to the present owner and manager.

The *Greencastle Press* was established by Col. B. F. Winger, after retiring from *The Valley Echo*, in 1876, and has been controlled by him ever since. At present his associate in the management and editorial work is J. C. Seacrest. It is a weekly, and has a good circulation in that portion of the county.

About the opening of the war, a small paper was published at Concord by a brother of J. W. C. Goshorne, but after a time it was removed to the West.

In 1886 the *Path Valley News* was established at Fannettsburg, and is still in existence.

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## CHAPTER XI.

### AGRICULTURE.

A BUSINESS OF FIRST IMPORTANCE—ITS PROMISING FUTURE—IMPROVEMENTS INTRODUCED—JUDGE WATTS—THE FIRST REAPER—FIRST STOCK IN THE COUNTRY—WHEAT AND CORN—HESSIAN FLY—IMPROVED IMPLEMENTS—A WONDERFUL FEAT WITH THE SCYTHE—AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES, OFFICERS, ETC.

FROM the land comes the life of every living, breathing, thing. It is the nourishing mother of animal and vegetable life. It is the beginning of all existence, and "dust to dust" is the common end. The soil and the climate are the determining factors in the growth and quality of the world's civilization. From the soil comes all that we can possess—the best type of manhood, the great cities with their spires and minarets gleaming in the morning sun, the army with banners, the armadas whose sails fleck every sea, the maiden's blush, the bubbling laughter of childhood, the sweet bondage of love, the restful haven of home, are all from this one common, fruitful source. The dull soil, the primeval rocks from which all soils are made, bore the great secrets of life.

It has been well said that were you to show a man, sufficiently versed in the subject of the rocks, a new world, that by an examination of the soil and rocks he could tell exactly what kind of men, the degree of civilization, the boundary line of their improvements, in farming and in all other industries, the new world would eventually evolve. This might seem to some a sweeping assertion, but by all men of tolerable culture it is accepted without further question.

Of all vocations in life that of the farmer brings him in closer relations to the land than that of any other class of men. To perfect his education, practically and scientifically, is to make him the master of the philosophy of the most vital subject that can affect life, because he is in the position of first import-



ance, and when his energies are properly directed, it will of itself place him high and supreme above all others. The fundamentals of our physical life have always rested primarily upon the tillers of the soil, and to the coming farmer will mankind go for the higher qualities of mental life as they have already gone for their physical existence. The rudest tillers of the soil in the darkest ages learned, by patient experiments, some of the lessons the land had to give its children. However limited their acquirements may have been, they were the first lessons in nature's supreme university, whose final diplomas will attest to the best type of minds the earth can produce. The coming farmer will understand the physical laws of this fountain of life at which he toils, sows and reaps. The schools will then teach that all knowledge is simply understanding the mental and physical laws that hedge us about, that form and shape us in every way from the cradle to the grave. Then, too, will be revealed to the world the important secret that there is nothing so wholly practical as real knowledge. When this great age shall dawn upon the race, then will the unfortunate city boy go to the farmer's school to learn the true knowledge—to be educated. In that age the great man, "the sun crowned," to whom is accorded universal respect and honors, will be that farmer with the most knowledge of the soils he tills.

The improvement in the manner of cultivating the soil—the introduction of machinery—has distinguished the last half of this century. It is not a great while ago that farming, stock raising and all branches of the business, were greatly matters of chance. Mostly the farmer would plow and sow, and gather his crops after the manner of his ancestors. He then did not concern himself about drainage, or fertilizing, or improving his stock, or better implements of husbandry. Now the poorest farmer makes some effort to inform himself. He has learned to read agricultural papers and books, to meet and interchange ideas with his fellow-farmers, and thus he bestows and receives valuable hints and a more accurate knowledge of his own affairs. Agricultural schools are the evidences of what this important class are beginning to do for themselves. These steps along the line of advancement once came very slow, but now they are keeping abreast with the age. These are the most cheering signs of our times. Already he realizes fully that he is in a position to experiment and study cause and effect. This is the beginning of his real school, and once in the right path he will never turn aside. By these means he lifts himself above the narrow selfishness that too often characterizes nearly all other classes of men.

#### IMPROVEMENTS INTRODUCED.

Reforms move slowly. They are required, as Herbert Spencer says, to pass through three stages: First, that of indifference; second, that of violent opposition; third, that of adoption. Improvements in the material and methods of farming are, by no means, an exception to this general law.

It was the writer's good fortune lately to have a pleasant interview with Hon. Fred. Watts, of Carlisle, touching the changes in farming that have characterized the community. Said he: "About the middle of June, 1839, I was driving in a carriage with my wife from New York to Philadelphia, there being at that time no railroad communication. Near Trenton, N. J., I was met in the road by a former resident of Carlisle Barracks, Lieut. Wm. Inman, of the United States Navy, who invited us to spend the night at his house on the farm. We went over. The next day he showed me a field of beautiful wheat which was rapidly ripening for the harvest. He told me that two years prior to that time he had procured three bushels of the seed near Leghorn, Italy, and was now raising his second crop. I obtained from him six barrels of the same kind, and

sowed it on my farm near Carlisle. This was the introduction into the United States of the beautiful variety of wheat for a long time very popular and known as *Mediterranean*. From the six barrels which I sowed it was spread through the Cumberland Valley, and into other portions of the State.

"It was in the summer of 1840," continued the judge, "I bought a McCormick reaper, and brought it to my farm. When harvest came I determined to test its power in a twelve-acre field that would yield at least thirty-five bushels per acre. When the appointed time came there were present from five hundred to a thousand persons anxious to witness the signal failure of 'Watts' folly,' as they called the machine.

"The wheat stood well. The team was started, the cutting was excellent; the draught was not heavy, but the general decision was that one man could not remove the wheat rapidly enough from the machine. The team could not be driven more than ten or twelve rods till it was necessary to stop and rest the raker and straighten up his sheaves. Finally a well-dressed gentleman, of ordinary size and pleasant demeanor, came up and asked whether he might be permitted to remove the wheat for a few rounds. Being answered in the affirmative, he mounted the machine, and took the raker's stand. With perfect ease he raked off the wheat, nor did he seem to labor hard. After two or three rounds the spectators reversed their former decision and unanimously agreed that the machine was a complete success. 'Watts' folly' became a favorite, and thus was introduced into the Cumberland Valley the first McCormick, the original reaping machine of the United States. The well-dressed gentleman who did the raking was Cyrus H. McCormick, the inventor of the American reaper."

Similar illustrations might be adduced relative to the difficulties that attended the introduction of left-handed steel plows, threshing machines, improved varieties of fruit and stock, and the general elements of agricultural improvements. The organization of agricultural and horticultural societies, the publication of State and National reports, the teaching of botany, physiology, geology and agricultural chemistry, the wide-spread distribution of farm journals, and the general education of the people by all rational means have tended to hasten reforms. The good work is going on. Scientific farming is destined to be not only a lucrative calling, but an intensely interesting intellectual one.

#### FIRST STOCK INTRODUCED.

The first animals brought to America from Europe were imported by Columbus, in his second voyage in 1493. He brought over seventeen ships, laden with European trees, plants and seeds of various kinds, and a number of horses, a bull and several cows. The second lot of horses, the first having all been destroyed soon after landing, was in 1539, by De Soto—a large lot of horses and thirteen cows. The Portugese took cattle and swine to Nova Scotia and Newfoundland in 1553. Thirty years after, they had increased so much that Sir Richard Gilbert was tempted to land there to get supplies of cattle and hogs, but his vessel was wrecked. In 1609 three ships landed at Jamestown, with many emigrants and the following domestic animals: 6 mares, 1 horse, 600 swine, 500 domestic fowls, and a few sheep and goats. Other domestic animals had, however, been introduced there. In 1610, an edict was issued in Virginia, prohibiting the killing of domestic animals, on penalty of death. By 1617 the swine had increased so rapidly that the people were obliged to palisade Jamestown to prevent being overrun by them. In 1627, the Indians in Virginia subsisted mostly upon wild hog meat.

In 1648, some of the settlers had a good stock of bees. In 1657, sheep and mares were by law forbidden to be exported from the colony.

The first importation of domestic animals into New York was in 1625, by the West India Company. These consisted of horses, cattle, sheep and swine. In 1750, the French in Illinois had numbers of horses, cattle and swine.

#### WHEAT.

The first raising of wheat antedates history. Its native country even is not known. It was brought to this country by the earliest settlers, and was first sown in Massachusetts by a man named Gosnold in 1602. It is known that it was raised in Virginia in 1611, but here it was for many years neglected for the cultivation of tobacco. Prior to the Revolution, Pennsylvania, among a few other provinces, raised enough for the home market and shipped wheat to the West Indies.

In 1776 there was entailed upon the country the enduring calamity—the Hessian or wheat fly, which it is supposed came from Germany, in some straw employed in the debarkation of Howe's troops, on the west end of Long Island.

#### CORN.

This was called sometimes maize, and for a long time was called Indian corn. But now it is corn and is known, used and cultivated throughout the civilized world. It is indigenous to the Western Hemisphere. Once it was the accepted saying in this country, "cotton is king," but in the past quarter of a century, cotton has abdicated, and now "corn is king."

Corn is still found growing in its wild state from the Rocky Mountains in the north to the humid forests of Paraguay, where, instead of having each grain naked, as is always the case after long cultivation, it is completely covered with glumes or husks. Columbus found corn cultivated on the island of Cuba at the time of discovery.

The first successful attempt to raise it by the English in this country was in 1608, on the James River, by the colonists sent over by the London Company. They pursued the mode that they saw the Indians practice.

#### OATS.

It is known that oats have been raised at least from the times of Pliny. The plant was introduced in North America early in the seventeenth century.

In the early years of this century, the farming implements used were of the primitive kind. The old wooden plow was the means of preparing the ground; then came the Carey plow, and finally the iron moldboard was introduced with constant improvements to date, and we now have the gang plow, the sulky plow and others in almost endless variety. Men of middle age now can easily remember when there was no corn planted except that dropped from the hand. The mower and reaper came, and then the reaper and binder, until now a well stocked agricultural store would be a veritable curiosity—a world's agricultural implement fair—to those who left the farm only a few years ago. There are men now living who can remember when grain was cut only by the ancient sickle—the scythe and cradle were in their day a great invention. They were an advance like the reaper and binder are to the scythe.

#### THE CHAMPION CRADLER.

In putting away the old "cradle" it is appropriate to here record what may be considered an extraordinary feat by a gentleman now living, and the truth of which is so well attested that its correctness cannot be questioned.

During the harvest of 1858, the gentleman in question, an expert cradler, cut ten acres of grain in a single day. The feat being noised abroad, some newspaper ridiculed the statement as being absurdly ridiculous. In the meantime, the report reached the ears of a firm in the Empire State, the proprietors of the Millard Fillmore Manufacturing Company, of Claysville, N. Y., who wrote him to inquire whether he could cut ten acres of wheat provided they should make a cradle just to suit his wants; if so, they would be pleased to make him the implement, and present it to him with their compliments. He responded to the effect that if they would make an implement as ordered, he would undertake to cut twelve acres. They agreed. In due time his cradle came, a marvel of beauty and strength. The blade was sixty-five inches in length, and made of silver steel, cost alone \$25. The only difference between this cradle and the ordinary one, was in point of size and the slight curvature of the blade at its heel.

The long-expected time finally arrived, judges were appointed, and the champion was authorized to begin his day's task, the limits being from sunrise to sunset. From far and near the people came, some to witness, as they predicted, a failure; some to gratify idle curiosity, and others to see the modern Hercules actually accomplish his thirteenth wonder.

He had employed a physician to traverse the field with him, and to give such medical advice as circumstances required. Under the physician's advice he worked bareheaded, cutting the grain regularly by going around the field. He was clad in linen pants and shirt and ordinary slippers. He took no solid food during the day, nor halted at noon. Once every two hours he stopped briefly to whet his scythe, and then pushed ahead, cutting a swath eleven feet wide and five feet deep at every clip. He made, on an average, twenty-two clips per minute.

About 2 o'clock in the afternoon, a heavy thunder storm came up, the rain falling in torrents. The lightning flashed, the blade gleaming as it was thrust into the heavy grain. Slippers were thrown aside, and still the heroic man pushed on, determined to redeem his pledge or die in his tracks. No solid food was taken, but liquid nourishment was consumed under the advice of the physician. Sometime during the afternoon, an old hunter suggested to the physician that a piece of raw beef taken between the teeth would benefit the man. It was done, a man being dispatched to Mercersburg to procure a piece which was held and the juice absorbed. At night only the fibres remained.

As the sun sank behind the western hills the judges called time. His task was done. The field was subsequently surveyed, and measured something over twelve acres and a half. It is located near the village of Mercersburg, Franklin Co., Penn. The product of this remarkable day's cradling was 365 dozen shocks of wheat, yielding, when threshed, 262 bushels of grain. The labor of four men was required to bind after him.

The gentleman who did this work, and whose constitution was thoroughly shattered by it, is Michael Cromer, at present the genial and popular conductor on the South Penn Railroad from Chambersburg to Richmond. He never speaks of it with pride, the honor having been gained by wrecking a constitution of unusual vigor and power. A more accommodating railroad official it has not been our good fortune to meet anywhere. At the age of fifty-eight years he still has the respect of everybody who is acquainted with him.

In the early part of this century the farmers of Franklin County began agitating the subject of forming county agricultural societies. Exactly what year the first meetings of the people were held, looking toward organizing, is

not definitely known. The following is found in a chance copy of an old paper: "The Agricultural Society of Franklin County held a meeting at the court-house the 1st day of June, 1824. James Riddle, Prest.; T. G. McCullough, Secy.

"Note—The members of the society are expected to pay up their annual contribution on or before the day of meeting at Chambersburg.

"Tuesday, June 5, 1827, a meeting of the Agricultural Society of Franklin was held. T. G. McCullough, Secy."

Exactly when these society meetings were organized, how long they continued, or exactly their manner of organization is not definitely known. The organization was in advance of the county agricultural societies as they now exist.

The first regular organization was in the year 1853—the charter members being Judge James Kennedy; George Chambers, vice president, S. M. Armstrong, recording secretary; James Mills, corresponding secretary; Alex. K. McClure, treasurer.

The grounds were fifteen acres, about one mile west of Chambersburg, which is now the colored cemetery. It belonged to Judge Kennedy.

In 1854 the society held a most successful fair. To the novelty of the occasion, Alex. K. McClure succeeded by personal efforts in securing Horace Greeley to come and deliver an address on agriculture. The address was of course able, edifying and interesting. Col. McClure was at that time publishing the *Repository* and was so pleased with the address that he appealed to Mr. Greeley to permit him to publish it. The great editor placed the manuscript in his hands and the hieroglyphics were as inscrutable as the characters on a tea-chest. After many patient efforts the services of D. S. Early (who was drowned in Philadelphia in 1855) were called in, and he finally translated the strange characters into English, and the address was printed. But when once in print it richly repaid the labor it had cost. Its advice to the farmers deserved to be not only printed in Col. McClure's paper, but also to have been hung up over the portals of every farm house in the country, and to be read and re-read at least once every year.

The second list of officers for the society, elected in 1853, for the year 1854, were: President, George Chambers; vice-president, William Heyser; recording secretary, S. M. Armstrong; corresponding secretary, James Nill; treasurer, Alex. K. McClure. At the fair in 1853, Daniel F. Robenson delivered an address on agriculture.

The following officers were elected for the Franklin County Agricultural Society for the year 1855: President, William Heyser; vice-presidents, William McDowell, James Davidson, James Lowe, Samuel Thompson; managers, Daniel Trostle, F. S. Sambaugh, George Aston, Jacob Heyser, William Bossert, Hez. Easton, Peter Brough, Martin Newcomer, Christian Stouffer, Jacob Garver, Benjamin Snively and James Crawford; recording secretary, S. M. Armstrong; corresponding secretary, Jacob Heyser; treasurer, A. K. McClure.

*Farmers and Mechanics Industrial Association* was the third agricultural association formed in the county. A meeting was called in Chambersburg, Tuesday, January 18, 1859. Col. James B. Orr, president, John Ruthrauff, J. Watson Craig, William Bossert, Capt. Samuel Walker, David Spencer, Esq., John Ditch, John W. Taylor, Joseph G. Cressler, Samuel Gilmore, Samuel Alexander, Jacob B. Cook, John Thomas, Benjamin Chambers and Hon. James J. Kennedy, vice-presidents; Francis Northcraft and William D. McKinstry, secretaries. A committee of two from each township, and two from Chambersburg, appointed to solicit membership for the new organization, as follows:

Antrim—John Ruthrauff, Benjamin Snively; Chambersburg—J. W. Taylor, A. R. Hurst; Fannett—Samuel Holliday, Simon Miller; Greene—Jacob Garver, S. Breckenridge; Guilford—G. W. Immell, F. Walk; Hamilton—William Bossert, Henry Keefer; Letterkenny—S. Gilmore, Samuel Lehman; Lurgan—Thomas Pumroy, D. C. Byers; Metal—Capt. S. Walker, Jacob Flickinger; Montgomery—J. Watson Craig, J. L. Rhea; Peters—A. E. McDowell, S. Alexander; Quincy—Jacob Secrist, John A. Shank; Southampton—D. Hays, David Spencer, Esq.; St. Thomas—Charles Gillan, John Miller; Warren—A. H. McCulloh, Jacob Zimmerman; Washington—Abraham Bar, H. X. Stoner.

On motion, Hon. John Orr, John W. Taylor, and David M. Leshner were appointed a committee to wait upon the last board of managers of the defunct old Agricultural Society of Franklin County, and learn if they will contribute to the present company as soon as formed, the funds, lands, and other property of said defunct body.

Andrew N. Rankin, Col. James B. Orr, and Mr. John Ruthrauff appointed a committee to draft a constitution.

An able and highly instructive address was delivered by William McLellan. A constitution was adopted.

Andrew N. Rankin, Dr. Samuel G. Lane, Jacob Henninger, Jacob N. Snider and Peter B. Housum were appointed the county executive committee.

Officers elected at a meeting, June 7, 1859, to serve the ensuing year, as follows: President, Col. James B. Orr; vice-presidents, William Bossert, James Davison, S. Armstrong, Bradley and Henry Keefer; recording secretary, Wm. S. Everett; corresponding secretary, Andrew N. Rankin; treasurer, Emanuel Kuhn; managers, John Ruthrauff, J. Watson Craig, Benjamin Chambers, Esq., Jacob Heyser, Peter Stenger, Esq., Capt. Samuel Walker, David M. Leshner, William Cline, David A. Wertz, William B. Gabby, Robert Clugston, and James G. Elder.

A fair to be held in October, continuing four days, was provided for.

The old society promptly turned over their assets to the new society.

*The Franklin County Agricultural Society* was organized October 19, 1875. The board of directors were; James Scott, president; Dr. J. L. Suesserott, vice-president; Calvin Gilbert, secretary; William Heyser, treasurer; Dr. E. Culbertson, James A. McKnight, John P. Culbertson, M. A. Keefer. Dr. A. H. Senseny, E. J. Bonebrake, Peter Kreighbaum, M. A. Foltz, W. F. Eyster, and John Forbes,

The last board: Dr. J. L. Suesserott, president; A. H. Etter, vice-president; Calvin Gilbert, secretary; William Heyser, treasurer; John P. Culbertson, James A. McKnight, M. A. Keefer, E. J. Bonebrake, M. A. Foltz, Jere Rhoadarmer, N. P. Grove, A. A. Skinner, John Gerhig and W. P. Slaughenhaupt. It ceased to exist in 1882 or 1883.

*Pet Stock Association* in 1879-80 was in a flourishing condition. Its meetings were held in Repository Hall, Chambersburg. The following were the officers: President, L. L. Springer. Vice-Presidents, Rev. F. F. Bahner, Waynesboro; H. C. Greenawalt, Fayetteville; J. M. Long, Loudon; Solomon Sellenberger, Guilford; Dr. W. C. Lane, Orrstown; John Croft, St. Thomas; P. E. Kreps, Greencastle; Dr. Martin, Mercersburg; H. S. Gilbert, Chambersburg; C. C. Schreiber, Chambersburg; G. R. Colliflower, Chambersburg; Dr. B. Bowman, Chambersburg. Recording Secretary, W. E. Tolbert. Corresponding Secretary, T. M. Nelson. Treasurer, A. H. McCulloh. Auditor, J. P. Keefer. Executive Board, N. P. Grove, J. N. Snider, Rev. A. S. Hartman, J. M. Gable, J. L. Senseny, H. C. Seibert. Superintendent, N. P. Grove.



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## CHAPTER XII.

## THE MEDICAL PROFESSION.

INTRODUCTORY VIEW OF THE HUMAN STRUCTURE—SKETCHES OF PROMINENT DECEASED PHYSICIANS—EPIDEMICS—MEDICAL SOCIETIES—ROSTER OF PRESENT PHYSICIANS.

THE proper study of mankind is man" is a truth very generally conceded. This embraces a knowledge of man in all his departments and relations—his origin, his mental and physical structure, his duties to himself, to his kind and to his creator, and his destiny.

Our subject has to do mainly with but one principal department, man's physical nature, "the house I live in." This house is truly a complex and interesting structure, two stories and a half in height, the windows all being in the half story or cupola. Its frame-work is such as to compel an inspired man to say admiringly of his own body: "I am fearfully and wonderfully made." It has the power of locomotion, being removed from one point to another with ease and rapidity. This house has a firm and perfectly fitted framework, well covered with weather-boarding, and thoroughly joined together by cords properly adapted to their purpose. Within it has a most remarkable system of machinery, consisting of engines and fans and boilers and tubes and valves, and all the arrangements to run it successfully. The expression, "the house I live in," implies two beings, the house and its occupant. We are all renters. Like the snail, we carry about us and with us, everywhere, a temporary dwelling place. With ordinary care, it may be held seventy years, the allotted period of life. With abuse, it must be vacated on short notice—often without any notice.

There are comparatively few good housekeepers. Carlyle, learned and caustic, confessed that when seventy years old he discovered he had a stomach. Sidney Smith said every man living to the age of seventy had eaten forty wagon loads more than he needed. The majority of mankind live from day to day in utter ignorance and in many cases utter defiance of the simplest laws of their being. Strange as it may seem, the race was not aware till it had reached the opening of the seventeenth century that the heart sends a life-fluid coursing through the system; and but for the courage of Dr. Harvey, in announcing and defending the doctrine of the constant circulation of the blood, mankind would, doubtless, be to-day enveloped in like ignorance.

It is within the memory of not the oldest inhabitant, that all sorts of diseases were cured by the sorcerer's incantation or pow-wow; that the use of a buzzard's gizzard, immersed in vinegar, would cure every species of snake bite; that rubbing of skunk oil or goose fat upon the side would cure pleurisy; that the hanging about the neck of a spider incased in a thimble would cure whooping-cough; that the letting of a small quantity of blood from the chief vein of the arm would relieve the patient from earthly ills; that the sight of the moon over the left shoulder was indicative of good luck; that the washing of the cat's face indicated the approach of visitors; that vegetables planted in the dark of the moon would produce rank tops but no fruit; that the paring of finger nails on Friday was indicative of ill-luck, etc.

The age of superstition is not wholly past when people imagine that the

ills of mankind may be removed by charms and spells and certain faith cures. Until people realize that certain causes produce certain effects and that nothing short of the removal or modification of the cause can produce any permanent change, no marked reform can be hoped for.

One of the hopeful signs of the times is the fact that the rudiments of anatomy, physiology and hygiene are being introduced into our common school courses of study. Children need to learn that sound health depends upon proper eating, sleeping, drinking and exercising, and not upon the particular locality occupied, or the amount of foreign substances taken into the system; that good habits of life, early established, will continue steadfast friends all along the journey and insure happiness; that a vigorous and pleasant old age depends upon the foundation laid in youth; and that not by a change of climate necessarily, but by heeding nature's laws, perfect health is secured.

Physicians will have an easier and pleasanter practice when their patients are intelligent in these fundamental matters. Doctors will then become what they were intended to be, and what the good sense of all intelligent ones suggests they should be, the confidential and successful health advisers of the people. An intelligent obedience to health laws will supplant the indiscriminate and often hurtful use of patent nostrums and strong medicines.

Through all these difficulties medical science has had to advance. Its position to-day is the result of much empiricism, and the recording of observations made. It must of necessity be a growth, the concentrated wisdom of the ages.

It is much to be regretted that no records of the early medical practice in the county are accessible. Rebel flames consumed, in 1864, much of what had been collected in that line. In the following pages will be found such facts as could be gathered from a variety of sources. Dr. W. C. Lane, of Mercersburg, has kindly contributed the personal sketches of a number of prominent physicians, all written in his inimitable style. His brother, Dr. S. G. Lane, has furnished the material relative to the early diseases and epidemics of the county.

Had the registration now in force existed from the early settlement, many facts connected with the profession, which are now wholly lost, would have been preserved. The past may not be remedied: the future may be secured by an adoption of the wise policy of preserving records carefully and fully.

#### EARLY MEDICAL HISTORY OF CHAMBERSBURG.

The first physician who ever practiced medicine within the present limits of Franklin County was Dr. Hugh Mercer, subsequently the distinguished general of the Revolution.

#### DR. HUGH MERCER.

Hugh Mercer was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, in 1721, and, after receiving a liberal education, devoted himself to the study of medicine. At the memorable battle of Culloden, between the forces of Charles Edward and the Duke of Cumberland, Dr. Mercer served as a surgeon's assistant; and, after the defeat of the Scotch army, and the flight of the Pretender, he left his native country, a refugee, and came to America. He settled near Greencastle, Franklin Co., Penn., about the year 1750. At that early date, this region was an almost unexplored wilderness, and it is difficult to understand why the cultivated young physician should select so wild a location, in which few white men were yet to be found. He remained there until the Indians, emboldened by the defeat of Braddock, in 1755, made frequent and bloody forays into the country east of the Kittatinny Mountain. To protect themselves from these

murderous irruptions, the settlers formed themselves into several companies of rangers, of one of which Dr. Mercer was appointed captain. His commission is dated March 6, 1756. His field of operation extended from the Welsh Run District, and Mercersburg, into remote regions along the foot of the mountain. His headquarters were frequently at McDowell's Fort, situated at the present village of Bridgeport. Dr. Mercer's company formed a part of the force of Col. John Armstrong, with which he surprised and destroyed the Indian village at Kittatinny, in the fall of 1756. On this occasion, he marched from Fort Shirley, in Huntingdon County, at which post he discharged the duties of surgeon to the garrison, as well as those pertaining to his military station. At Kittanning, he was severely wounded in the shoulder, by a rifle bullet, and was carried from the field to a place of safety. But becoming separated from his comrades, he was soon surrounded by the savages, and saved himself from capture by crawling into the trunk of a fallen and hollow tree. During the progress of the fight, the Indians passed over the tree in which he was concealed; but, not suspecting his presence, he remained undiscovered. After the rout of the foe, Mercer crept from his hiding place, and found that his friends had also left the field of battle. His situation was now one of no ordinary embarrassment and danger. Faint from the loss of blood, and suffering from a severe wound, he was alone in the wilderness, surrounded by a savage foe, at a distance of more than one hundred miles from any settlement, and without the means of procuring subsistence. Under these trying and discouraging circumstances, the dauntless courage of the heroic soldier did not desert him. He determined to pursue his way as best he could toward Fort Cumberland, which then stood where the town of Cumberland, Md., was subsequently built. On his slow and painful journey he lived on roots, berries and the body of a rattlesnake, which, with much difficulty, he managed to kill and skin, in consequence of the wound received at Kittanning having rendered his right arm powerless. After encountering many and great privations, he at length reached the Fort, just as his strength was about sinking under the fatigue and suffering he had so long endured. He slowly recovered from his wound, and, in the summer of the following year, 1757, he was commander of the garrison in the fort at Shippensburg, then the verge of the frontier of the province. On December 4, 1757, he was commissioned major in the "forces of the Province of Pennsylvania," and "was posted west of the Susquehanna." Mercer accompanied the command of Gen. John Forbes, in his expedition in the following year, against Fort Du Quesne. During this march he first met Washington, then a brigadier-general of Virginia troops; and, at this period, began the intimate and enduring friendship which existed between these two distinguished men. After the evacuation and burning of Fort Du Quesne, by the French and Indians, Mercer, now promoted to colonel, was left in command of the post, and by him the fortification was partially rebuilt. Two hundred of Washington's Virginia troops formed part of the garrison, which comprised in all 409 men.

After the conclusion of the French and Indian war and the evacuation of the Western forts by their French garrisons, Col. Mercer temporarily retired from military life, and, at the solicitation of Washington, left his home in the wilds of Pennsylvania, taking up his abode at Fredericksburg, Va., where he resumed the practice of medicine. He was living in Fredericksburg at the beginning of the Revolution, and was commissioned colonel of one of the Virginia regiments in the patriot army. Through the influence of Washington he received the appointment of brigadier-general. He accompanied Washington on his retreat through New Jersey, and "rendered him valuable aid at the

battle of Trenton." At the battle of Princeton in 1777, Mercer led the vanguard of the American army, and, while exhibiting admirable skill and courage in the management of his command, his horse was shot under him and he was forced to continue the fight on foot. He was quickly surrounded by a number of British soldiers and ordered to surrender. Unheeding the summons he drew his sword and vigorously began the unequal contest with his overpowering foes. At length he was beaten to the ground with their muskets, and, after brutally thrusting him with their bayonets, they left him, supposing life had fled. He was carried to a neighboring house by Maj. Armstrong, a son of his old commander, Col. John Armstrong. When Washington heard the sad fortune of his friend and compatriot, he sent his nephew, Maj. Lewis, to watch over the last hours and minister to the wants of the dying hero. A few days after the battle, Mercer died in the arms of Maj. Lewis. In private life Mercer was mild and retiring, and his gentle and amiable deportment gave no indication of the dauntless bravery he so often displayed in sanguinary conflicts with savage and civilized foes.

Whether the professional visits of Dr. Mercer extended to the settlement at the Falling Spring, we have no means of ascertaining; but beyond doubt they did, as there was at that time no physician but himself in the Conococheague settlement, which then included the district between Chambersburg and his place of residence. At a much later day the physicians of Chambersburg were in the habit of making much longer professional rides.

In the early days of Chambersburg, the hardy settlers were unacquainted with the luxuries and refinements of more cultivated society, and their primitive habits and modes of living rendered the services of a physician rarely necessary. In most new settlements of that day, there were men among the sturdy pioneers who possessed some general knowledge of the more simple diseases, and the means by which they could be successfully treated. Thus, they were enabled to dispense with the services of the medical man, until the growth of the community, and the introduction of the many enervating customs of fashionable life, multiplied their diseases, and required the aid of those who made diseases and their treatment their special study. The people of the Conococheague formed no exception to this rule.

Many years ago, the Hon. George Chambers told the writer that his grandfather, Col. Benjamin Chambers, the founder of the settlement, was in the habit of gratuitously prescribing for his neighbors, and performing the operations of extracting teeth and bleeding when they were required.

#### DR. JOHN CALHOON.

However, as the settlement increased in numbers, and the habits of the people changed, a physician was needed, and Dr. John Calhoun came to the place. We know little about Dr. Calhoun's early life, further than that he was a native of Cumberland County, and a gentleman of education who had been regularly instructed in the science of medicine. He married Miss Ruhamah, daughter of Col. Chambers, and lived in the white weather-boarded house on the northeast corner of Main and King Streets. He lived there for some years, and, in 1782, began the erection of the fine stone building north of the Falling Spring Church, now owned and occupied by William L. Chambers, Esq. Dr. Calhoun died in the same year, in the forty-second year of his age. The building was completed and occupied by his widow. During a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Calhoun, Col. Benjamin Chambers received his summons to depart; and, after an illness of a few hours, died on the 17th of February, 1783, aged about eighty years. The departure of this noted man was calm and peaceful, and free from physical suffering.

## DR. ABRAHAM SENSENY.

The next physician who settled in Chambersburg was Dr. Abraham Senseny, the first of a family of physicians who adorned the medical profession, and whose professional labors extended through a century of the history of Chambersburg. It is sad to remember that, only now, this conspicuous family has no medical representative in the community in whose growth and interest they were so prominently identified for so long a period. Dr. Senseny was born in New Holland, Lancaster County, in 1761. At an early age he went to York and began the study of his profession. In 1799, he went to Hagerstown, Md., with the design of locating in that town. But, not liking the place, he came to Chambersburg, where he remained a short time, and then returned to York, and recommenced his medical studies, and remained in that town until the fall of 1781, when he finally settled permanently in Chambersburg. At that early date the town was small and the inhabitants few in number. The only street then laid out was Main Street, which extended from the site of the Reformed Church to the residence of Dr. Calhoon, which was some distance beyond the majority of the buildings. Dr. Senseny lived in a small log house, which stood near the residence of the late Dr. B. S. Schneck, on East Market Street. Between his house and the Public Square were only three or four small log houses, mostly surrounded by woods. Near the residence of Dr. Senseny was a considerable hill, on part of which the academy now stands. This hill, which was largely removed by the grading of the streets and the making of the railroad, was covered with thick woods, which abounded in wild animals of different varieties. Mrs. Senseny told the writer, many years ago, that the wolves could be heard howling upon the hill at nightfall, and that they often ventured near enough to the margin of the woods to enable her to see their lank and grisly forms from her door. On Market Street, between the Diamond and the Conococheague Creek, no houses had been built, and the original forest yet remained. Col. Chambers lived on the bank of the creek, near the western extremity of the King Street bridge, and his orchard covered many acres, extending to Market Street on the south, and to Franklin Street on the west. The only place where the creek could be crossed was at the ford, where the fine bridge now spans the stream at the western end of Queen Street. This ford was crossed by means of a flat boat belonging to Col. Chambers. Dr. Senseny practiced his profession in Chambersburg and the surrounding country for a period of sixty-three years, and had a large practice, and was considered a safe and judicious practitioner. He was the first physician to the Franklin County Alms House, his term of service beginning in 1808, the year in which the institution was built. Dr. Senseny died suddenly, of apoplexy, in February, 1844, when he had nearly completed his eighty-third year.

## DR. ALEXANDER STEWART.

Dr. Alexander Stewart was a native of Edinburgh, Scotland, and received his medical education at the celebrated university of that city. We know nothing of his early life. He was appointed surgeon's mate in the Third Pennsylvania Regiment, in the Continental Army, and served in the general hospital for three years, from 1776 to 1779. On the 16th of October, 1779, he was appointed surgeon of the regiment. He resigned his position January 1, 1783, and settled in Chambersburg. He was induced to go there by the influence of Maj. Allison, a soldier of the Revolution, and then a resident of the town. Many of the older citizens will remember the brave old soldier who lived so long among them. The writer has had access to an old day-book which

belonged to Dr. Stewart, and which contains charges against many of the old and most influential citizens of Chambersburg and its neighborhood. It will be observed that the professional visits of the Doctor extended many miles from his home, and into remote regions whose people wished to avail themselves of his professional skill. The charges extend through the years 1783-84-85-86. A few of these entries we will transcribe. On the 13th of March, 1783, appear the following items: "Col. Benjamin Chambers. To Miss Hetty, Sal. Glaub. 1 oz." "Col. James Chambers, To family visit, 15 shillings; August 17th, 1783, To Betsy, 12 pil. Mercury, 2s. 6d." "Col. Crawford (at creek), 23 September, 1783, To 6 vomits, 4s." "Andrew Phillips (cross the ford), To son, vomit, 2s." "John Andrew (spring), Dec. 8, 1783, to the Schoolmaster, Cath. 1s." "Samuel Ireland (Fort Loudon), July 16, 1783, To son, vomit, 1s. 3d." "Mr. Lang (Minister), June 26, 1784, To a poor man a vomit and cathartic, by your desire." "Capt. Benjamin Chambers, Nov. 23, 1783, To 1 dr. Camphor 1s. 6d." "Col. Culbertson, May 5, 1783, To son, visit and dressing toe, 8 shillings." Among other names appear those of William Chambers, Col. James Young. John Calhoon, Mr. McCulloh (at Fullerton's Mill, father of the late Thomas G. McCulloh, Esq.), Edward Crawford, Sr., Samuel Dryden, Walter Beatty, George Chambers, Joseph Chambers, Maj. Boggs, Alexander Culbertson, John Eaton (mountain fort), William Wier (below Claren's gap), John Ramsey (Tuscarora Valley), against whom the following entry is made on the 28th of September, 1783, "To visit, reducing fractured tibia and fibula 1£—10 shillings." Nathan McDowell, John Kerr (near Town), James Crawford (in the corner), Mr. Brown (Big Spring), Capt. Piper (near Fort Loudon), Humphrey Fullerton, Esq., Fergus Moorhead, Jeremiah Galvin (Rocky Spring), Col. John Thomson, John Morton (Tuscarora Valley), Nicholas Snider, Alexander Crawford, Mr. Elliott (Path Valley), Josiah Allen, William Wallace (in town), Capt. Conrad Snider, John Moor (Back Creek), Maj. Talbot, Col. Watson, M. Fawver (minister), John Jack, John Vance and William Dickie (West Conococheague). These, as well as many other names in this quaint old book, are conspicuously distinguished in the early history of Franklin County, and many of them were brave soldiers in the Revolution. The Doctor's practice was large, and, as is obvious from the extracts from his account book, of the highest respectability.

Citizens of Bedford, McConnellsburg, Big Spring and other equally distant localities, were also among the Doctor's large clientage. Dr. Stewart built and resided in the white rough-cast house, on the corner of Queen and Water Streets, which, after his death, was for many years occupied by his brother-in-law, the late Maj. Allison. Dr. Stewart died in 1793.

#### DR. ANDREW M' DOWELL.

Dr. Andrew McDowell was brought up in the neighborhood of Mercersburg, and prosecuted his medical studies at the University of Pennsylvania, from which institution he received the degree of M. B., in the year 1787. Soon after the completion of his studies, he located in Chambersburg, and entered upon the active practice of his profession. He remained here until the year 1831, when he relinquished his profession, moved to Mercersburg, Penn., and lived with his son, Dr. John McDowell, a prominent practitioner of that town, until the occurrence of his death, at an advanced age, in the year 1846. Dr. McDowell had another son, Dr. Andrew, who resided in Pittsburgh, and ranked among the most prominent physicians of Western Pennsylvania. Dr. McDowell was a fine classical scholar, and, during his residence in Chambersburg, enjoyed a large and respectable practice.

## DR. CLINGMAN.

A Dr. Clingman lived in Chambersburg for six or seven years, between the years 1788 and 1798. He was a man of fine ability and character, and stood high in the estimation of the public. His manners were agreeable and his address very pleasing. Yet, he made little effort to secure a medical practice, and, consequently, his success was rather limited.

## DR. ANDREW BAUM.

Dr. Andrew Baum, a native of Germany, lived in Chambersburg in the year 1790, and occupied the house owned by the late Col. Elder, nearly opposite the Falling Spring Church. He was a graduate of one of the celebrated German universities, and was a fine scholar and an accomplished physician. He remained in Chambersburg only two or three years, and then removed to Demarara, where he died, after the accumulation of a very large fortune.

## DR. WILLIAM B. SCOTT.

The next physician in regular succession was Dr. William B. Scott. Dr. Scott was a son of Judge Scott, of Hunterstown, Adams Co., Penn., and settled in Chambersburg about the year 1793. He was certainly here very early in the following year, because his name frequently occurs in an old day-book of 1794, which the writer had in his possession. He left town probably in 1804 or 1805. Dr. Scott was highly respected and was very popular on account of his fine social qualities and professional attainments. His friends were many, and his practice was large.

## DR. JOHN SLOAN.

Dr. John Sloan was born in the County Tyrone, Ireland, in the year 1760. Of his early years, no information can now be obtained, but the fact that he was a licentiate of Dublin College of Surgeons, and the additional assurance presented in his advertisement, when he moved to Chambersburg, "that he had attended the different classes in the profession, for nine years in London, with the practice of their hospitals for that time;" and, further, that he had "practiced ten years in Europe, and four years in the city of Philadelphia." Dr. Sloan acted a prominent part in the Irish rebellion of 1798, and was seized by the British Government and confined in the military barracks at Claremont. After a few days' confinement in that place, he was tried for treason, convicted and sentenced to death. Through the intercession of the Rev. Hugh Boleyn, a Presbyterian divine, with his friend, Lord Caledon, the latter exerted his influence with Lord Henry Murray, the commander of the force engaged in the suppression of the rebellion, and thus secured a commutation of the sentence to one of one thousand lashes and banishment from the country, within fourteen days, the original sentence to be enforced, provided he should ever return. The execution of this inhuman sentence was begun; but, before receiving one half of the number of lashes ordered, the surgeon of the station declared that his life would be forfeited, should the whole number be inflicted. He was, accordingly, released, and left Ireland as soon as he had recovered sufficiently to embark for America. He arrived in Philadelphia in the beginning of the year 1799, with his body cruelly lacerated by the brutal punishment he had received, by order of the British Government. He remained in Philadelphia, and practiced his profession until 1803, when, on November 22, of that year, he moved to Chambersburg. Dr. Sloan died in August, 1831, aged seventy-one years.

## DR. THOMAS WALMSLEY.

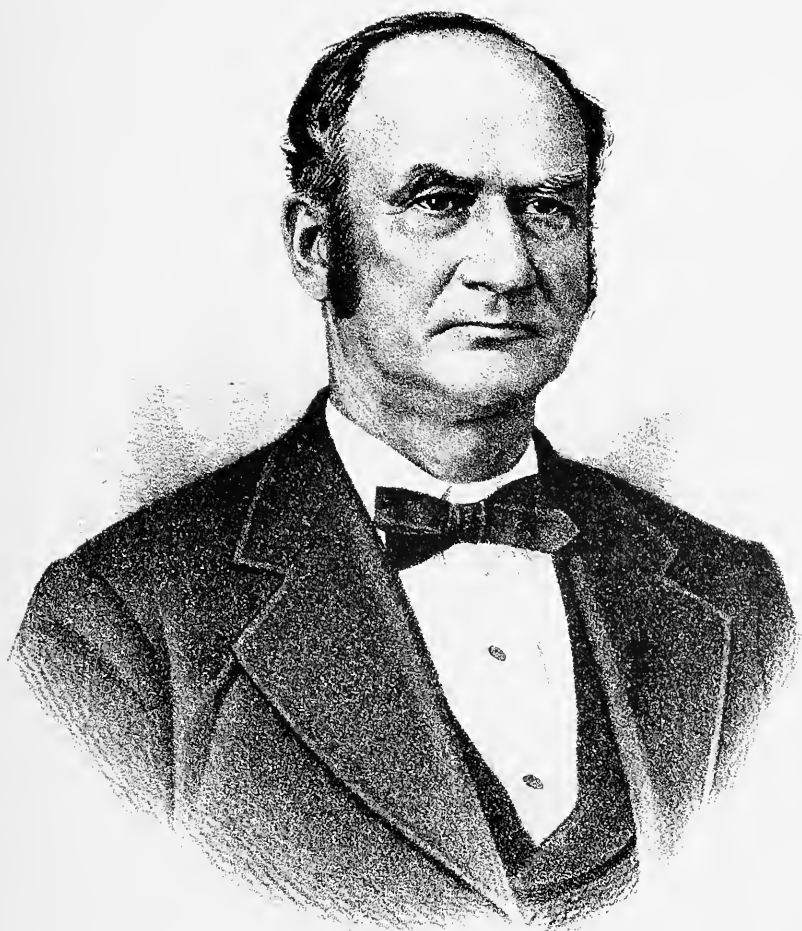
Dr. Thomas Walmsley completed his medical studies in Philadelphia, in 1803, and moved to Chambersburg soon afterward. He remained there only a short time, and went to Hagerstown in the summer of 1805. He died soon after his settlement in his new home. Dr. Walmsley was a gentleman of fine intellect, and possessed a fondness for scientific investigations, which he pursued with ardor and enthusiasm. As a physician he occupied the highest rank among his brother physicians, both in Philadelphia and Chambersburg, while with some of the most distinguished of the former he was associated in his medical pupilage. In his death science lost an ardent and devoted follower.

## DR. SAMUEL D. CULBERTSON.

Among the most distinguished men of the Cumberland Valley, the late Dr. Samuel Duncan Culbertson holds a conspicuous place. Dr. Culbertson's ancestors belonged to the famous Scotch-Irish, who were chiefly instrumental in rescuing the beautiful valley from its savage invaders in the old French and Indian wars, and were ardent and uncompromising patriots all through the dark days of the Revolution. Robert Culbertson, the father of the Doctor, was captain of a company of Cumberland County troops in the Fifth Battalion of Col. Joseph Armstrong, as early as the summer of 1776. On the 14th day of August, at a meeting of the supreme executive council of Pennsylvania, held in Philadelphia, it was "ordered, that Robert Culbertson, Esq'r. be appointed Waggon Master of said county (Cumberland), in the room of the said Matthew Gregg," resigned. This was a responsible position in the military service of the State, and its duties were by no means indicated by its title. Previous to this date he had been promoted to lieutenant-colonel. This promotion had been made as early as April, 1778. Samuel D. Culbertson was born on his father's farm, at the head of "Culbertson's Row," on the 21st of February, 1786. He was educated at Jefferson College, Canonsburg, Pa. After the completion of his college course he began the study of medicine in the office of Dr. Walmsley, in Chambersburg. When that gentleman moved to Hagerstown, in 1805, young Culbertson accompanied him; and, when the death of Dr. Walmsley occurred soon afterward, the young student continued his studies in the office of Dr. Young, with whom his deceased preceptor had formed a partnership. He returned to Chambersburg in 1807, and began the practice of medicine, and soon secured a very large and respectable business. Before his settlement in Chambersburg, he attended one course of lectures in the University of Pennsylvania.

In 1836, as an acknowledgment of his professional skill and attainments, he received the honorary degree of M. D. When the President made a requisition on Pennsylvania for her quota of troops to resist the invasion of the British army in 1812, the Doctor marched as first lieutenant of Capt. Jeremiah Snider's company of volunteers. When the troops had all assembled at Meadville, the place of rendezvous, and were formed into a brigade, he was appointed surgeon-in-chief of the brigade, and remained in the field until the expiration of the time for which the troops had enlisted, and then returned home and resumed his practice. The peaceful vocation of a physician's life was, however, soon again interrupted by the rude alarm of war. When the news of the threatened attack of the British on Baltimore, in 1814, reached Chambersburg, Dr. Culbertson immediately raised a company of volunteers, of which he was unanimously chosen captain, and marched without delay to the relief of that city. When the enemy retired and the services of the company were no longer needed, he marched it home, and again resumed his pro-





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fessional labors. He continued in active and laborious practice until the year 1832, when he retired from the ranks of a profession which he had so signally adorned, in favor of Drs. Lane and Bain, whom he had associated with himself a few months previously. After his retirement from practice, he did not lose his interest in medical affairs, and was habitually consulted by his medical brethren in emergencies and difficult or obscure cases. His wise counsel was always cheerfully rendered whenever sought. After his retirement from his profession, he became extensively engaged in the manufacture of straw boards, in conjunction with G. A. Shryock and several other gentlemen of Chambersburg. Subsequently he bought the interests of his partners, and, the business proving highly lucrative and successful, he finally retired with a large fortune. Dr. Culbertson's contributions to medical literature were not extensive, but they were original and valuable. "A lengthy report of a case treated by him was deemed of sufficient value to be appended to a work on kindred diseases by a writer of authority; and a communication of his on a vexed question in physiology attracted the hearty commendations of the celebrated Prof. Chapman," so long the most eminent member of the medical profession in America.

Dr. Culbertson died August 25, 1865, aged seventy-nine years, leaving a reputation, possibly yet unrivaled, certainly unexcelled, in the medical history of Franklin County.

#### DR. JEREMIAH SENSENY.

Dr. Jeremiah Senseny was a native of Chambersburg, and a son of Dr. Abraham Senseny. He studied medicine under the instruction of his father, and began the practice of it in the year 1809. Dr. Senseny pursued his professional business with much ardor and enthusiasm until the beginning of the war with England, in 1812, when he promptly enlisted as a private in the company of Capt. Henry Reges, in the fall of that year. At Meadville, when the brigade was formed, he was appointed assistant to Dr. S. D. Culbertson, the surgeon-in-chief, but was soon compelled to resign the office in consequence of failing health. In 1814 he again volunteered in his country's defense, and went with Capt. John Findlay to Baltimore, as one of the officers of the company commanded by that gentleman. At the close of the war he resumed his practice in Chambersburg, which, for many years, was very large and lucrative. He died August 6, 1863, at an advanced age.

#### DR. ALEXANDER T. DEAN.

Dr. Alexander T. Dean located in Chambersburg in 1815, after the close of the war, in which he had taken an active part as a volunteer. He was a member of a company that was formed in the neighborhood of Mercersburg, and proceeded to Buffalo, in 1812. Previous to his removal to Chambersburg he had resided for a short time in Huntingdon, Penn., his native county. In 1816 he formed a partnership with Dr. Watkins, which, however, was not long continued. In 1824 he and Dr. N. B. Lane formed an association, which continued until 1826, and was dissolved by the contemplated removal of Dr. Dean to Harrisburg, which event occurred in 1828. Dr. Dean was a gentleman of very superior intellect, and possessed varied and extensive acquirements. In medical lore, especially, he was thoroughly skilled. Although possessing a great fondness for the literature of his profession, his mind was, perhaps, rather too metaphysical and speculative for the dry details and unbending facts of medicine. He was a fluent and graceful speaker, and an elegant and accomplished writer. Having suffered from severe attacks of rheumatism, as well as from occasional hemorrhages from the lungs, he was, to a considerable degree, unfitted for encountering the arduous duties per-

taining to the practice of medicine. Dr. Dean practiced in Harrisburg from his removal from Chambersburg, in 1828, until the autumn of 1834, when his valuable life was destroyed by cholera. Dr. Dean was forty-six years old when so suddenly called away, and he died much lamented by a large circle of admiring friends, to whom his many estimable qualities, of both head and heart, had greatly endeared him.

DR. THOMAS G. WATKINS.

Dr. Thomas G. Watkins lived and practiced in Chambersburg from the autumn of 1814 to the close of the year 1816. He then returned to Virginia, in which State he had previously resided. He was a gentleman of fine appearance and address, and was the possessor of much medical knowledge and skill. However, he soon became unpopular with the people of the town, in consequence of the exorbitant fees which he demanded for his professional services.

DR. GEORGE B. M'KNIGHT.

Dr. George B. McKnight was a native of Chambersburg, and the son of the Rev. Dr. John McKnight, for some years pastor of Rocky Spring Church. Dr. McKnight was also engaged in the war of 1814, and was a member of the volunteer company commanded by Dr. Culbertson. At the close of the war he was appointed surgeon in the army, in which capacity he served until the year 1824, when he resigned and settled in Chambersburg. He remained in practice there until 1829, when he received an appointment in the navy.

DR. PETER FAHNESTOCK.

Dr. Peter Fahnestock practiced in Chambersburg from 1825 to 1837, removing to Pittsburgh in the latter year. After residing in that city for several years, he went to Indiana, in which State he died many years ago.

DR. JOSEPH LANGSTON.

In the year 1830, Dr. Joseph Langston went to Chambersburg and engaged in the practice of his profession. He was an Englishman, and had been licensed by the College of Apothecaries, of London, but had not received, as that association does not confer, the title of doctor of medicine. Afterward he devoted his attention particularly to surgery, and, as a practical surgeon, his acquirements were considered quite respectable. He was a skillful operator, and, had sufficient opportunities offered, he would, doubtless, have distinguished himself in that branch of medical science. He left town in 1883, and returned to England.

DR. WM. ELDER AND DR. ALEX. SHIELDS.

Dr. William Elder and Dr. Alexander Shields began the practice of medicine in Chambersburg nearly at the same time. Dr. Elder began in 1834, and remained until 1836, and then moved to the western part of the State, and, we believe, lived at one time in the city of Pittsburgh. Dr. Shields practiced between the years 1833 and 1835, and then went to Springfield, Ill., where he entered into a medical partnership with the late Dr. Edmund Culbertson, of Chambersburg. Dr. Elder had a fine literary taste, which he assiduously improved, and became a lecturer on slavery and temperance, of much power and acceptance. He was an able, eloquent and effective speaker.

DR. DAVID JAMISON.

Dr. David Jamison, a young physician of Baltimore, located in Chambersburg in 1832, with the design of making that town the theater of his future

professional labors. But his hopes were destined to an early and fatal disappointment. A short time after his arrival, in the night of October 13, 1832, he was seized with cholera, during its first visitation to Chambersburg, and, before the dawn of the morrow, his spirit had fled to another sphere, beyond the grave.

## DR. WILLIAM A. FINLEY.

Dr. William A. Finley, after having been largely engaged in the practice of his profession for more than twenty years in Shippensburg, Penn., moved to Chambersburg in 1836. His career was lamentably short, as he died suddenly in the next year. Dr. Finley was a gentleman of fine literary cultivation and general acquirements, and was very popular as a man, as well as a physician. His acquaintance with history, both ancient and modern, sacred and profane, was large and accurate. He had a special fondness for poetry, and, among modern poets, Burns was his favorite, most of whose poems he had committed to memory, and extracts from which, on proper occasions, he was fond of quoting. He was a gentleman of imposing presence; and, in manner, was courteous and attractive. As a physician he was held in high esteem by his medical brethren, as well as by the community at large.

## DR. WILLIAM H. BOYLE.

Dr. William H. Boyle was born on Rathlin Island, off the northern coast of Ireland. In his infancy his family came to America, and lived successively in Upper Strasburg, Shippensburg, and, finally, in Chambersburg. In his boyhood it was the intention of his father that his son should adopt the trade followed by himself, that of the tailor. Accordingly William took his place upon the board, and worked industriously at his calling, and gradually became inducted into the mystery of cutting and making garments. He soon found that his trade was not quite congenial, and longed for a larger and more conspicuous sphere of usefulness. Dr. William A. Finley, of Shippensburg, a former friend of the family, moved to Chambersburg, and furnished the opportunity. The young aspirant for medical fame entered the office of Dr. Finley, and pursued his studies with untiring zeal and assiduity. The pleasant relations between the young student and his preceptor were, unfortunately, terminated by the sudden death of Dr. Finley, in 1837. Soon after that untoward event, he entered the office of Dr. N. B. Lane, under whose direction his studies were continued and his pupilage ended. In 1841, Dr. Boyle began the practice of medicine in Chambersburg. In recognition of his high professional character and attainments, the Pennsylvania Medical College conferred on him the honorary degree of M. D. Dr. Boyle was distinguished for the versatility of his talents, and was a remarkably fluent and piquant writer. During the years 1851-52 he was editor of the *Valley Sentinel*, a Democratic newspaper, which was subsequently merged into the *Valley Spirit*. Dr. Boyle was a most kind and generous friend. Those who applied to him for sympathy or relief, were never sent away empty. The work of charity and of love, which is comprehended in nearly a half-century of a life devoted to the amelioration of human infirmity and suffering in their diversified forms, can not be fully appreciated here, but must wait for its full revelation in eternity. Dr. Boyle was, in the truest sense, a self-made man. He had not the advantages of an early education, and his pathway through life was rugged, and, often, beset with thorns. But he trod it bravely, and grew stronger as he walked, and strewed it with blessings upon the poor, the lowly and the sorrowing, who were soothed and comforted by the kind ministrations of this "beloved physician." Dr. Boyle died on the 9th of April, 1877, aged about sixty years.

## DR. JOHN LAMBERT.

Dr. John Lambert moved to Chambersburg in the year 1837, from Waynesboro, where he had been engaged in practice. He had also previously practiced in Maryland. Dr. Lambert was an energetic and capable physician, and soon acquired a respectable share of the practice of the town and neighborhood. His manners were hearty and pleasing, and his acquaintance rapidly grew into large proportions. After an active life of many years, Dr. Lambert died September 27, 1872.

## DR. JOHN M'CLELLAN.

There is another distinguished physician, without some reference to whom this sketch would be singularly incomplete. We refer to the late Dr. John McClellan, of Greencastle. Although Dr. McClellan was never a resident of Chambersburg, yet, living so near it and visiting it so often, professionally, as he did, and exercising so large an influence over its medical affairs, we may, without violence to the unity of our task, speak of him among the prominent physicians of the town. Dr. McClellan was a native of Franklin County, and was brought up near the place where his long and useful life was spent. At an early age he went to Philadelphia and began the study of medicine in the office of the celebrated Dr. Benjamin Rush, one of the most illustrious names in American history. Dr. McClellan remained in the office of his distinguished preceptor for nearly three years, during which time he also attended the lectures delivered in the University of Pennsylvania, and, in due time, received from that institution, then the only medical school in America, the degree of Bachelor of Medicine, as, at that date, the degree of M. D. was not yet conferred by the university on its graduates. After the completion of his pupilage under Dr. Rush, he received from him the following flattering testimonial:

I do hereby certify that Dr. John McClellan hath studied Physic under my care as an apprentice near three years, during which time he hath diligently and punctually attended all the Medical Lectures given in the University; also the Pennsylvania Hospital. He hath since undergone the usual examination, public and private, and hath entitled himself, with reputation, to a Degree in Medicine. I beg leave to recommend him as a gentleman of abilities and knowledge in his profession—of great integrity—of amiable manners—and of irreproachable moral character. He carries with him not only the esteem of his preceptors in Physic, but of all who have known him in the course of his studies.

BENJAMIN RUSH, M. D.,

*Professor of Chemistry in the University of Pennsylvania.*

PHILADELPHIA, April 30th, 1788.

The same year in which Dr. McClellan received this flattering recommendation he settled in Greencastle, and unremittingly practiced his arduous and exacting profession for the long period of fifty-eight years. For ten or twelve years before his death he partially withdrew from the general labors of the profession, and devoted his time particularly to the more intricate duties of a physician's life, such as consultations and the more important surgical operations. Dr. McClellan was a man of sound judgment, and thoroughly acquainted with medical science in its widest range. He was, of course, a judicious and successful practitioner. He had, however, an especial fondness for the practice of surgery, for which his steady hand and firm nerve and extensive knowledge of anatomy admirably fitted him. He was a bold and dextrous operator, and, among others, successfully performed most of the more difficult and hazardous operations of the art. In private life Dr. McClellan was kind, courteous and unaffected. His manners were hearty and sympathetic, and his fine moral character and great professional ability have made him one of Franklin County's greatest and most esteemed citizens. He died in June, 1846, at the advanced age of eighty-four years.

## DR. JOHN CUSTIS RICHARDS.

One of the cultivated and successful physicians of Chambersburg, whom his medical brethren and the people generally delight to honor, was the distinguished and lamented subject of our sketch. Born in Baltimore, Md., June 1, 1812, of highly reputable Welsh ancestry, and possessed in his childhood of superior social advantages, he began life with all the preparation which a careful and systematic education could furnish. Under the admirable scholastic training, for five years, of Rev. R. H. Davis, in charge of an academy at Bell Air, Md., and six months' practical instruction at Burlington, N. J., he was admirably qualified to enter the Sophomore class at Yale College in 1830. After eighteen months he was called home by the severe illness of his mother and brother, both of whom died soon after his return. He at once began his studies for the medical profession under the direction of Dr. Samuel Baker, professor of anatomy in the Medical University of Maryland, and graduated in 1834, his diploma being issued by the university just mentioned. After his graduation he began a very successful professional career in Baltimore, but the city practice being distasteful to him, he removed to Chambersburg in 1837. His professional skill, combined with unusual personal graces, soon secured an extensive and lucrative practice in the best families of the town and adjoining country.

During the war of the Rebellion he was unswerving in his attachment to the Government, and willingly made any personal sacrifice for its defense and support. In the early part of the war he had charge of a soldiers' hospital in Chambersburg, and later held the position of aid on the staff of the surgeon-general of the State. At the burning of the town in 1864 he lost all his property, the accumulation of many years of patient toil. He regretted most, however, the destruction of his papers and his well-stocked library. The Doctor was one of the organizers of the first medical society of the county in 1854, and always held a prominent place in its list of officials and active workers. When its successor was established, he took an equally active part in its affairs. He was twice married, and left a widow, three daughters and one son, at the time of his death, June 11, 1874. His family life was a most happy one—the sunlight so freely exhibited in his intercourse with people generally being particularly manifested in the domestic circle. He was careful and conscientious in his practice. His diagnosis of disease was rational and thorough; his treatment prompt to the demands of duty, and his intercourse with other physicians always in harmony with the most rigid code of professional ethics. His presence with the sick was the impartation of joyful hope, his whole expression being of the inspiring class. His varied experience in life, his retentive memory, his fine conversational powers, which utilized his vast store of reminiscences and pleasing anecdotes, made him an agreeable companion.

Dr. S. G. Lane, who knew him long and intimately, thus speaks of him: "Dr. Richards was a notable man in many respects. He was remarkably handsome; his fine physique was developed and invigorated by athletic training in his youth, and by field sports, which he enjoyed throughout his life; he was a splendid type of elastic strength. Added to his fine presence were rare graces of address and demeanor, courtesy, affability, refinement—all the pleasing traits which constitute the gentleman. His disposition was kind and affectionate; he was warmly attached to his friends; of a gentle, forbearing temperament, averse to contentions and controversies, yet compelling respect. Dr. Richards was a higher style of man still; he was a faithful Christian—a full member of the Falling Spring Presbyterian Church. In the public progress,

and in the limited movements of the community about him, he took an active interest. During the rebellion his heart was loyal to the government, and his sympathies and anxieties were keenly enlisted in the cause of the Union and freedom.”

DR. WILLIAM MAGAW.

Among the distinguished men of Franklin County was Dr. William Magaw, of Revolutionary fame. He was a native of Carlisle, and a brother of Col. Robert Magaw, commander of the Fifth Pennsylvania Battalion, which was captured by the British at Fort Washington, on November 16, 1776. In June, 1775, James Chambers, son of Col. Benjamin Chambers, of Chambersburg, enlisted a company of volunteers in the town and neighborhood, and marched at once to join the American Army, then lying before Boston. This was styled the First Company of the First Pennsylvania Rifle Battalion, which was commanded by Col. William Thompson, of Carlisle. Subsequently, Edward Hand, of Lancaster, became its colonel, and the battalion was known as Hand's Rifle Battalion in the army at Cambridge. Of this battalion Dr. Magaw was appointed surgeon, his commission bearing date June 25, 1775.

The Rifle Battalion enlisted for one year, at the expiration of which time it re-enlisted as the First Regiment of the Pennsylvania Line, with Col. Edward Hand as its commander. This brave officer was soon afterward appointed brigadier-general, and Col. Chambers succeeded to the command of the regiment on the 26th of September, 1776. Dr. Magaw re-enlisted as third lieutenant, and also surgeon, August 10, 1776, and was promoted to a second lieutenantcy January 16, 1777, thus acting in a two-fold capacity, as a military and medical officer. He was then transferred to the Ninth Pennsylvania Regiment and finally to the Fourth Pennsylvania, January 17, 1781. It appears from the record (Pennsylvania Archives, Second Series, Vol. X), that he was also surgeon of the Fourth Pennsylvania, before receiving his appointment as surgeon of the First, on its organization in 1776.

After leaving the army he settled in Mercersburg, practiced medicine for many years, and became the owner of much valuable land near the town. At length, when well stricken in years, he was taken to Meadville by his son, William, in whose family he lived the residue of his days, which, however, were not many.

DR. ROBERT JOHNSTON.

An equally distinguished man was Dr. Robert Johnston, a native of Antrim Township, and also a surgeon in the Revolution. Col. James Johnston, the eldest brother of Robert, was a soldier in the Revolution. “Col. Thomas Johnston, the second brother, was adjutant of the detachment of troops under Gen. Wayne which was surprised and slaughtered at Paoli, September 20, 1777. He twice served as colonel in the Revolutionary war.” [McCauley.] The third son, Robert, entered the medical profession. At a meeting of the committee of safety, held in Philadelphia, January 16, 1776, it was resolved, “that Dr. Robert Johnston, recommended by Drs. Thomas Cadwallader, Thomas Bond, Adam Kuhn and William Shippen, Jr., according to a former resolve of this board (January 4, 1776,) is hereby appointed surgeon to the Sixth, or Col. William Irvine's Battalion, to be raised by order of the Congress.” He continued in service until 1781, “when he was ordered by Gen. Greene, to leave the regimental service and assist the wounded officers and soldiers of the American Army, prisoners in the British hospital in Charleston, S. C. Dr. Johnston died November 25th, 1808, near Waynesboro, Franklin County, Penn., and is buried in the Johnston graveyard, now (November, 1879), on



the Whitmer farm near that place." [Pennsylvania Archives, New Series, Vol. X.]

## DR. JESSE MAGAW.

Dr. Jesse Magaw, son of Dr. William Magaw, was born and brought up in Mercersburg. He studied medicine with his father, and began the practice of his profession in his native town. He was a medical officer in the American Army in the last war with England. He was married to Maria, widow of Samuel Johnson, and sister of the Hon. James Buchanan, late President of the United States. He died September 29, 1823. He is buried in a neglected graveyard, situated a short distance east of the town of Mercersburg.

## DR. D. HAYES AGNEW.

This eminent surgeon of Philadelphia, who was one of the prominent physicians called to the bedside of President Garfield during his eighty days' struggle with the assassin's mortal wound, was at one time a practicing physician of Franklin County, as will appear from the following letter in reply to an interrogatory submitted him.

1611 CHESTNUT ST., PHILADELPHIA, PENN.  
May 10, 1886.

MR. J. FRAISE RICHARD,

*Dear Sir:*—Immediately after I graduated, I settled for a very short time near Upton, contemplating, if the locality promised well, to remain permanently. My stay was brief.

Yours truly,

D. HAYES AGNEW.

The Doctor graduated about 1838, and shortly afterward published in the *Repository* the following card:

Dr. D. H. Agnew offers his professional services to all who may favor him with their calls. He may be found at Mr. Thomas McCausland's, near the Greencastle and Mercersburg turnpike, midway between the above named places.  
May 10, 1839.

Probably some of the older citizens in Peters, Montgomery and Antrim Townships remember him well as their family physician.

## EXPLANATORY.

A few words explanatory of the above may be in order, if not absolutely required. It was not the design of the writer to present a full and complete medical biography of the physicians of Chambersburg. His purpose was to sketch those who lived and practiced there in the early years of its settlement and growth, and to embrace a period terminating a half century ago. In short, his main object was to rescue from oblivion those pioneers in the profession who were identified with the early history of the town. It would have been a pleasing task for him to have followed the history down to the present day; but this was obviously impossible, and would for many reasons, have been impracticable. This is the less to be regretted, as it is to be presumed that sketches of Drs. N. B. Lane, A. H. Senseny and most, if not all, of the accomplished medical gentlemen of Chambersburg will appear in the special biographical department.—*W. C. L.*

## EPIDEMICS.

In 1821 an epidemic of fever prevailed in Franklin County. It is thus described in the graduating essay of Dr. N. B. Lane, which was published by the faculty of the University of Pennsylvania, and can be found on the pages of *The American Medical Recorder*, July, 1823:

"The disease was distinguished by the following symptoms: Dullness, languor, lassitude, pains in the bones, sickness of stomach, coldness, a creeping

sensation along the back, and pain in the side; the tongue was natural; vomiting sometimes appeared in the first stage, and the bowels were costive; the skin was dry, shriveled and cold. These symptoms were soon followed by the fever, during which the pulse was not very full, but quick and frequent; the skin very hot and dry, and the fever high, often continuing for twenty-four hours; the tongue was parched, and furred in the middle, and of a brown color; the thirst was excessive, and drinks taken into the stomach were frequently rejected; the bowels were torpid; the eyes wild and sometimes fixed and dull; the countenance gloomy and clouded; great debility and inclination to sleep prevailed, with the mind often disordered and delirious and the respiration anxious and uneasy. The third stage commenced, sometimes in twelve, and often not till twenty-four hours had elapsed. The perspiration was sometimes free, at others cold and clammy, and, in general, partial and imperfect. The patient often complained of illness for several days; but, in many instances, was taken suddenly after slight exercise. They were attacked equally in the day and night. The disease assumed the intermittent, remittent and continued types; it first appeared in the quotidian, tertian, quartan and double tertian forms, and its type was sometimes characterized by coma and convulsions of an hysterical and epileptic character. It was, however, generally tertian in its type and continued so. It sometimes varied, becoming quartan, quotidian and very often remittent. The changes at times were sudden, but not unfrequently protracted and slow, before they exhibited the symptoms of the new type; the intermissions were rather feverish and short. In the neighborhood of Chambersburg, this epidemic first appeared in the latter part of July, spread more extensively in August, gained its height in September and finally terminated in November. It was general; whole families were confined at once. It did not, however, prove fatal, few deaths only occurring, and those taking place after the third paroxysm in the soporose form of the disease, or after relapses, which were frequent, occurring three or four times in the same person, and were sometimes produced by the slight exposure.

“In other parts of the county, for instance in the neighborhood of Mercersburg, a small town sixteen miles southwest of Chambersburg, the disease prevailed to a more alarming extent, as also in the neighborhood of Greencastle and Waynesburg, both small towns situated in a southern direction; the former distant eleven and the latter fifteen miles. From a very respectable practitioner of the former place, I understood the disease first made its appearance in his neighborhood in harvest, and was likewise very destructive. Immediately in our borough, it was as healthy as usual; the cases which occurred were principally confined to its suburbs, and along the water-courses.” The disease was recognized as miasmatic, and treated accordingly.

From a letter of Dr. N. B. Lane, written to his sister, Mrs. Hayman of Georgetown, D. C., dated September 30, 1823, we make the following quotations: “There has been much sickness in Franklin County this season, but particular in this neighborhood. Dr. Culbertson” (the leading, but not the most employed physician in the town) “has ridden from four o’clock in the morning, till three o’clock, three nights in succession; his shop was often so full that many could not get speaking to him for hours after being in. There have not been many deaths in proportion to the number sick, but many have died notwithstanding. Business never was so dull in our place since my first recollection of it; but it is owing to the sickness. The diseases are bilious fever, ague and fever and dysentery; the last has been most obstinate, and has but lately made its appearance.”



*S. M. Skimmer*



Cholera has twice invaded Chambersburg, in 1832 and in 1852, and proved very destructive. It is a striking fact that the first case, in each visitation, occurred in the same house, located in a healthy and central part of the town. Such instances, however, have been reported in the history of the pestilence. The first case in the epidemic of 1832 was a boy who had just returned home from Hagerstown, Md., where the cholera was prevailing. Excepting persons who had visited Chambersburg, no cases, we believe, occurred in the country.

Dysentery prevailed endemically in Chambersburg in 1850, and carried off several of our foremost citizens. In 1850 it raged along the foot of the North Mountain, and in 1885 it appeared violently in the same region, having its center in Mercersburg.

Typho-malarial fever frequently spreads along the mountain side, and erysipelas and puerperal diseases are more frequent there than in the center of the valley. With the exceptions noted, Franklin County has had no epidemics or endemics, worthy of special record.

#### MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS.

Franklin County has had several medical societies. Owing to the destruction of newspaper files and the records of these societies, we can give but an imperfect sketch of them as obtained from various sources.

In the *Franklin Repository* of January 4, 1825, we find the following record. The previous notice could not be found, but its nature may readily be inferred.

“In pursuance of previous notice, a large number of the physicians of Franklin County and its neighborhood met at the house of Col. John Findlay; and upon having organized themselves by calling Dr. Culbertson to the chair, and appointing Dr. Dean and Dr. Findlay, of Shippensburg, secretaries, adopted the following resolutions:

*Resolved* (1st). That a medical society be established in Chambersburg, to meet semi-annually, and that Drs. Dean, Culbertson, McKnight, Lane and McDowell, be appointed a committee to draft a constitution, and make a report thereof at the first meeting of the society, which will be held on the 7th of February, at early candle light.

*Resolved* (2d). That one of the objects of this convention is to establish a uniform and fixed mode of charging, *suited to the state of the times*, the publication of the bill of rates, which has been agreed upon, be delayed until after the meeting in February next, in order that the physicians who could not make it convenient to attend, may again have an opportunity of being present, and voting upon a revision of its several items.

*Resolved* (3d). That the mode of charging which shall have been agreed upon and published, be considered as the standard by which all contested accounts shall thereafter be settled in case they are referred to any of the members of this society.

*Resolved* (4th). That the annexed regulations, which have been read to the convention, be published as the Rule of Conduct by which the members of this society shall be governed in their intercourse with each other and the sick. [Not found in my text.—R.]

*Resolved* (5th). That all those members of the medical profession in Franklin County, and its immediate neighborhood, who do not attend the next meeting, or express their approbation of its proceedings, by letter or otherwise, be considered as inimical to the objects of the society, and unwilling to subject themselves to the government of the set of rules to which the convention feel fully persuaded every honorable minded physician will at once subscribe.

*Resolved*. That the above proceedings be signed by the chairman and secretaries, and be published.

A. T. DEAN, W. A. FINLEY—*Secretaries*.

S. D. CULBERTSON, *Chairman*.

This meeting is thus reported:

“An adjourned meeting of the physicians of Franklin County, and elsewhere, was held at Col. John Findlay’s, in Chambersburg, on Monday evening, the 7th of February, and after organizing themselves for business, by calling Dr. John McClellan to the chair, and appointing Drs. McDowell and

Lane, secretaries, the constitution for a medical society, to be called the Medical Society of Franklin County, was reported and adopted. The following gentlemen were then elected officers for the ensuing year, viz.: "Dr. John McClellan, president; Drs. S. D. Culbertson and A. Heatherington,\* vice-presidents; Dr. A. T. Dean, corresponding secretary; Dr. N. B. Lane, recording secretary; Dr. A. N. McDowell, treasurer; Drs. A. McDowell, Sr., G. B. McKnight and L. Byrne, standing committee.

It was then resolved:

*First*, That the fee-bill, which had been reduced to suit the state of the times, be signed by all the physicians belonging to the society, and take effect from the 1st of January next.

*Second*, That all medical bills be presented for settlement, as far as practicable, at the expiration of every year, and where any account is settled within six months after it has been contracted, a discretionary power be left with the physician to make a discount.

*Third*, That all physicians who belong to this society shall proceed to settle up their back accounts as soon as practicable.

*Fourth*, That Dr. A. T. Lane, the corresponding secretary, be authorized to open a correspondence with the different medical societies which are now in existence in the State of Pennsylvania, or which may be hereafter organized, in order that such measures may be devised and adopted as will be best calculated to suppress quackery, not only within the immediate neighborhoods of such societies, but over the whole State; and that in order to the more effectual attainment of this end, the combined talents and influence of such societies be so directed as will be most likely to procure the enactment of a law for the regulation of the practice of medicine in this Commonwealth.

*Fifth*, That the corresponding secretary be further authorized to open such correspondence with individuals, and with the different medical associations, as will best tend to the advancement of medical science, or in any way promote the honor, usefulness or dignity of the medical profession.

*Sixth*, That we, the members of the Medical Society of Franklin County, agree to subject ourselves to be governed by, and most rigidly adhere to, all the rules and regulations which are laid down in the Medical Ethics of Dr. Percival, and which have already been published in the papers of this place.

*Seventh*, That these proceedings be signed by the president and secretaries.

JNO. MCCLELLAN, *President*.

N. B. LANE, A. N. MCDOWELL—*Secretaries*.  
Chambersburg, February 15, 1829.

No further reports of the proceedings of this association can be found, except this little extract from an old paper, which shows that the organization was still in existence in the year 1829:

On the 16th of December, 1828, notice was given by N. B. Lane, Recording Secretary, of a meeting to be held first Monday in January for the election of officers for ensuing year.

The next account we find of any meeting of the disciples of Æsculapius is taken from the *Transcript* of November 21, 1853, as follows:

At an incidental meeting of many of the physicians of the county in Chambersburg, on the 26th ult., E. Negley, M. D., of Mercersburg, having been called to the chair, and A. H. Senseny, M. D., appointed secretary, it was resolved that a meeting of the physicians of Franklin County be held at Chambersburg on the 8th of January next, for the purpose of organizing a county medical society, as an auxiliary of the State Medical Association.

A. H. SENSENY, *Secretary*.

At the appointed time the medical society convened (7th<sup>†</sup> January, 1854) when Dr. E. Negley, of Mercersburg, was called to the chair, and Dr. S. G. Lane, of Chambersburg, was appointed secretary. A committee on constitution and by-laws made a report, which was unanimously adopted. Adjourned to meet the first Tuesday of the following April.

On the 4th of April, 1854, the first regular meeting of the medical society of Franklin County was held, and the following officers elected: President, S. D. Culbertson; vice-presidents, Dr. T. Hunter, Dr. Jno. Lambert; cor-

\*Greencastle.

†The call was made for the 8th. Probably the change was made to accommodate those who desired to celebrate Jackson's birthday.

responding secretary, Dr. Eliab Negley; recording secretaries, Dr. E. D. Rankin, Dr. S. G. Lane; treasurer, Dr. J. C. Richards; censors, Drs. A. H. Senseny, T. Hunter and Wm. Grubb; board of examiners, Dr. J. C. Richards, Dr. J. K. Davidson.

This society continued for a term of years, doing efficient service to the members of the profession in the county. It did not survive the war. Its successor is the present organization.

We find from the minutes that on January 19, 1869, in pursuance of a call signed generally by the physicians of the county, a meeting was held for the purpose of forming a county medical society in connection with the State Medical Society and National Medical Association. There were present Drs. W. A. Hunter, J. M. Gelwix, I. N. Snively, E. A. Herring, J. B. Amberson, John Lambert, J. C. Richards, A. H. Senseny, J. L. Suesserott, S. G. Lane, T. J. McLanahan, Thos. M. Kennedy, John Montgomery, and W. H. Boyle.

A constitution and by-laws were adopted. From this we select the section which defines the terms of membership as follows:

A candidate for membership must be a graduate of a reputable medical college, must have practiced medicine in Franklin County for at least one year, must be recommended by two members in good standing, and must pay an admission fee of \$3 and sign the constitution.

The following is the list of officers from the organization to the present time:

1869.

President, A. H. Senseny.  
Vice-Presidents, J. K. Davidson, A. H. Strickler.  
Treasurer, J. C. Richards.  
Recording Secretary, Wm. H. Boyle.  
Corresponding Secretary, Sam. G. Lane.  
Censors, J. L. Suesserott, Benj. Frantz, Wm. A. Hunter.

1870.

President, J. K. Davidson.  
Vice-Presidents, Robert S. Brownson, J. L. Suesserott.  
Recording Secretary, Wm. H. Boyle.  
Corresponding Secretary, S. G. Lane.  
Treasurer, John Montgomery.  
Censors, J. L. Suesserott, Wm. A. Hunter, R. S. Brownson.

1871.

President, John C. Richards.  
Vice-Presidents, I. N. Snively, Wm. A. Hunter.  
Recording Secretary, Wm. H. Boyle.  
Corresponding Secretary, Samuel G. Lane.  
Treasurer, John Montgomery.  
Censors, J. L. Suesserott, Wm. A. Hunter, R. S. Brownson.

1872.

President, Wm. A. Hunter.  
Vice Presidents, T. M. Kennedy, John H. Flickinger.  
Treasurer, T. J. McLanahan.  
Recording Secretary, Wm. H. Boyle.  
Corresponding Secretary, I. N. Snively.  
Censors, Wm. A. Hunter, Geo. Cleery, E. N. Senseny.

1873.

President, I. N. Snively.  
Vice-Presidents, J. M. Gelwix, T. M. Kennedy.  
Recording Secretary, Wm. H. Boyle.  
Corresponding Secretary, Samuel G. Lane.  
Treasurer, T. J. McLanahan.  
Censors, George Cleery, E. N. Senseny, A. H. Strickler.

1874.

President, Samuel G. Lane.  
Vice-Presidents, Jno. Montgomery, Wm. P. Noble.  
Recording Secretary, Wm. H. Boyle.  
Corresponding Secretary, J. L. Suesserott.  
Treasurer, T. J. McLanahan.  
Censors, E. N. Senseny, A. H. Strickler, John C. Richards.

1875.

President, Wm. H. Boyle.  
Vice-Presidents, Wm. A. Hunter, I. N. Snively.  
Treasurer, E. N. Senseny.  
Recording Secretary, Samuel G. Lane.  
Corresponding Secretary, John Montgomery.  
Censors, A. H. Strickler, Wm. P. Noble, T. M. Kennedy.

1876.

President, John Montgomery.  
Vice-Presidents, A. H. Strickler, Wm. P. Noble.  
Recording Secretary, Samuel G. Lane.  
Corresponding Secretary, J. L. Suesserott.  
Treasurer, E. N. Senseny.  
Censors, Wm. P. Noble, T. M. Kennedy, J. L. Suesserott.

1877.

President, J. L. Suesserott.  
 Vice-Presidents, Thomas H. Walker, E. Hartzell.  
 Recording Secretary, John Montgomery.  
 Corresponding Secretary, A. H. Strickler.  
 Treasurer, E. N. Senseny.  
 Censors, Wm. H. Boyle, J. L. Suesserott, R. W. Ramsey.

1878.

President, T. J. McLanahan.  
 Vice-Presidents, H. G. Chritzman, J. K. Davidson.  
 Recording Secretary, John Montgomery.  
 Corresponding Secretary, W. P. Noble.  
 Treasurer, E. N. Senseny.  
 Censors, J. L. Suesserott, R. W. Ramsey, T. J. McLanahan.

1879.

President, A. H. Strickler.  
 Vice-Presidents, R. W. Ramsey, H. G. Chritzman.  
 Recording Secretary, John Montgomery.  
 Corresponding Secretary, C. H. Merklein.  
 Treasurer, J. L. Suesserott,  
 Censors, R. W. Ramsey, T. J. McLanahan, S. G. Lane.

1880.

President, H. G. Chritzman.  
 Vice-Presidents, E. Hartzell, Chas. Garver.  
 Recording Secretary, John Montgomery.  
 Corresponding Secretary, C. H. Merklein.  
 Treasurer, J. L. Suesserott.  
 Censors, T. J. McLanahan, S. G. Lane, D. F. Unger.

1881.

President, W. P. Noble.  
 Vice-Presidents, D. F. Unger, J. C. Gilland.  
 Recording Secretary, J. Montgomery.  
 Corresponding Secretary, S. G. Lane.  
 Treasurer, J. L. Suesserott.  
 Censors, S. G. Lane, D. F. Unger, R. W. Ramsey.

1882.

President, R. W. Ramsey.  
 Vice-Presidents, D. Maclay, E. Hartzell.  
 Recording Secretary, J. Montgomery.  
 Corresponding Secretary, S. G. Lane.  
 Treasurer, J. L. Suesserott.  
 Censors, D. F. Unger, R. W. Ramsey, H. G. Chritzman.

1883.

President, D. F. Unger.  
 Vice-Presidents, J. C. Gilland, G. S. Hull.  
 Recording Secretary, J. Montgomery.  
 Corresponding Secretary, L. F. Suesserott.  
 Treasurer, J. L. Suesserott.  
 Censors, R. W. Ramsey, H. G. Chritzman, David Maclay.

1884.

President, J. M. Gelwix.  
 Vice-Presidents, D. Maclay, J. P. Seibert.  
 Recording Secretary, C. F. Palmer.  
 Corresponding Secretary, H. G. Chritzman.  
 Treasurer, L. F. Suesserott.  
 Censors, H. G. Chritzman, David Maclay, T. J. McLanahan.

1885.

President, David Maclay.  
 Vice-Presidents, J. B. Amberson, J. P. Seibert.  
 Recording Secretary, C. F. Palmer.  
 Corresponding Secretary, G. S. Hull,  
 Treasurer, L. F. Suesserott.  
 Censors, H. G. Chritzman, T. J. McLanahan, R. W. Ramsey.

1886.

President, E. Hartzell.  
 Vice-Presidents, J. P. Seibert, J. B. Amberson.  
 Recording Secretary, C. F. Palmer.  
 Corresponding Secretary, G. S. Hull.  
 Treasurer, L. F. Suesserott.  
 Censors, T. J. McLanahan, D. F. Unger, R. W. Ramsey.

## LIST OF PHYSICIANS.

The following is a list of physicians in Franklin County, who have registered in the office of the county prothonotary, in the order of record. The law requires a number of facts to be stated. In the following list, the order pursued is the name of physician, residence, date of registration, name of college from which graduated and date thereof; or in case of nongraduates, the time of service; together with literary degrees in certain instances.

- George M. Merz, Chambersburg, June 23, 1881; ten years practice.  
 Aaron B. Gingrich, Altdale, June 24, 1881; Univ. Penn., Mch. 10, 1876.  
 Jas. K. Davidson, Greencastle, July 2, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., Phila., Mch., 1833. A. M. by Dickenson College.  
 Abraham H. Strickler, Waynesboro, July 5, 1881; Bellevue Hosp. Med. Col., N. Y., Jan. 1, 1866. A. B. and A. M. College, Princeton, N. J.  
 Michael M. Garry, Warren Twp., July 5, 1881; Univ. Md., Mch. 10, 1846.  
 Jno. C. Gilland, Greencastle, July 5, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch. 11, 1876.  
 Robert W. Ramsey, St. Thomas, July 5, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., 1874.



- Horace M. Fritz, Quincy, July 6, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch. 12, 1879.
- Joseph L. Snively, Shady Grove, July 13, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch. 12, 1877. A. B. Franklin and Marshall College.
- Benjamin Bowman, Chambersburg, July 13, 1881; New York Homœopathic Med. Col. Feb. 28, 1865.
- Emanuel Brallier, Chambersburg, July 14, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch. 7; 1868.
- Aaron B. Grove, New Franklin, July 16, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch. 13, 1880.
- Franklin A. Bushey, Greencastle, July 19, 1881; Univ. Md., Mch. 2, 1861.
- Adam Carl, Greencastle, July 20, 1881; Washington Med. Col., Balto., Mch., 1829.
- Practiced in Greencastle since 1829.
- John S. Flickinger, Dry Run, July 21, 1881; Penn. Med. Col., Mch. 8, 1850.
- Geo. D. Carl, Greencastle, July 22, 1881; Penn. Med. Col., Phila., Mch. 3, 1855.
- Jno. F. Nowell, Greencastle, July 23, 1881; Hahnemann Med. Col., Phila., Mch., 1875.
- Henry G. Chritzman, Welsh Run, July 29, 1881; Penn. Med. Col., Phila., 1859.
- Robt. S. Brownson, Mercersburg, July 29, 1881; Univ. Penn., 1851. A. B. and A. M., Marshall College of Mercersburg, 1847 and 1851.
- William C. Lane, Mercersburg, July 29, 1881; Univ. Penn., 1851. Greensburg, Roxbury, Strasburg, Orrstown and Mercersburg.
- Oliver F. Jones, Mercersburg, July 29, 1881; Univ. of Md., Mch. 6, 1880.
- David F. Unger, Mercersburg, July 29, 1881; Bellevue Hosp. Med. Col., N. Y., 1869.
- Wm. P. Noble, Upton, July 29, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., Phila., Mch. 12, 1869.
- John Montgomery, Chambersburg, July 30, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., 1858.
- Charles F. Palmer, Chambersburg, Aug. 8, 1881; Univ. Penn., Mch. 15, 1878.
- Daniel C. Leberknight, Lemaster's Station, Aug. 16, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., 1880.
- James H. Dyarman, near Spring Run, Aug. 18, 1881.
- Francis Reifsnyder, Scotland, Aug. 19, 1881; Phil. Univ. Med. and Surg., Feb. 23, 1869.
- Geo. S. Hull, Chambersburg, Aug. 19, 1881; Univ. Penn., Mch. 10, 1876.
- Joseph Frantz, Waynesboro, Aug. 23, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., Phila., Mch., 1878.
- Johnston McLanahan, Chambersburg, Aug. 25, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch. 10, 1865.
- Wm. A. Hinchman, Dry Run, Aug. 25, 1881; Univ. Md., Baltimore, Mch. 1, 1873.
- Thos. M. Kennedy, Greencastle, Aug. 26, 1881; Bellevue Hosp. Med. Col., N. Y., Mch. 1, 1866.
- John H. Koons, Waynesboro, Aug. 26, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., 1881.
- Geo. W. Boteler, Waynesboro, Aug. 26, 1881; Univ. Md., Baltimore, 1868.
- Isaac N. Snively, Waynesboro, Aug. 26, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch., 1863.
- John M. Ripple, Waynesboro, Aug. 26, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., 1868.
- J. Burns Amberson, Waynesboro, Aug. 26, 1881; Univ. Penn., Mch., 1868; A. B. Westminster College; Penn., 1865.
- Edmund G. Shower, Waynesboro, Aug. 26, 1881; Hahnemann Med. Col., Phila., Mch. 12, 1878.
- Benj. Frantz, Waynesboro, Aug. 26, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch. 4, 1846.
- Jacob L. Suesserott, Chambersburg, Aug. 27, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., 1851; D. D. S., by Penn. College, of Dent. Surg.
- A. U. Holland, Fayetteville, Sept. 5, 1881.
- Henry X. Bonebrake, Montalto, Sept. 5, 1881; Bellevue Hosp. Med. Col., Feb. 25, 1865.
- Lewis F. Suesserott, Chambersburg, Sept. 8, 1881; Univ. Penn., Mch. 14, 1879.
- Samuel G. Lane, Chambersburg, Sept. 8, 1881; Univ. Penn., 1849.
- Adam K. Leberknight, Orrstown, Sept. 17, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col. 1875.
- Eli J. Zook, Fannettsburg, Sept. 20, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., 1878; B. S., by National Normal Univ., Lebanon, Ohio.
- Thos. H. Walker, Mercersburg, Sept. 23, 1881; Pennsylvania College, Phila., 1846.
- John P. Seibert, Chambersburg, Oct. 4, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., 1875.
- Joseph H. McCintock, Loudon, Oct. 5, 1881; Columbia College, Washington, D. C., 1845.
- Jeremiah Hess, Quincy, Oct. 6, 1881; practiced nineteen years.
- D. Reutch Miller, Greencastle, Oct. 7, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col., Phila., 1874.
- John S. Flickinger, near Fannettsburg, Oct. 12, 1881; Penn. Med. Col., Phila., 1850.
- Edgar N. Senseny, Chambersburg, Oct. 17, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col. 1870.
- Henry K. Byers, Fayetteville, Oct. 18, 1881; Washington Med. College, Baltimore, 1845.
- Ezekiel Hartzell, Fayetteville, Oct. 21, 1881; Penn. Med. College, Phila., 1847.
- David L. McDonald, Concord, Oct. 21, 1881; Columbus Med. College, 1881.
- Wm. A. Hunter, Strasburg, Oct. 21, 1881; practiced since 1847.
- James M. Gelwix, Strasburg, Oct. 21, 1881; Jeff. Med. College 1866.
- Geo. R. Kauffman, Antrim Township, Oct. 22, 1881; Bellevue Med. Col., N. Y., 1867.
- Charles T. Maclay, Green Village, Nov. 2, 1881; practiced forty-two years.
- David Maclay, Green Village, Nov. 2, 1881; Univ. Penn., Mch. 12, 1875.
- Daniel F. Royer, Shady Grove, Oct. 25, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col. Mch., 1875.
- Oliver P. Stoev, Roxbury, Nov. 17, 1881; Jeff. Med. Col. 1881.
- Nancy Hoover, Stoufferstown, Dec. 16, 1881; twenty-two years.

- Benj. L. Ryder, Chambersburg, Dec. 23, 1881; Hygeis Therapeutic College, N. Y., Mch. 21, 1870.
- Jno. L. Blair, Mercersburg, February 27, 1882; Univ. Md., Mch., 1868.
- Theo. H. Weagley, Greencastle, Mch. 13, 1882; College Phys. and Surg., Baltimore, Mch. 1, 1882.
- James S. Kennedy, Chambersburg, Mch. 20, 1882; Jeff. Med. Col. 1879.
- Charles Lanteline, Chambersburg, Apr. 6, 1882; Jeff. Med. Col. Mch. 30, 1882.
- Dan'l Eckerman, Salem Church, April 19, 1882; twenty years.
- Henry C. Lessig, Chambersburg, May 9, 1882; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch. 12, 1878.
- J. J. Pierce, Chambersburg, May 15, 1882; twelve years.
- Francis A. Oellig, Upton, May 15, 1882; attended Univ. Md., 1846-47; thirty-six years' practice.
- Henry S. Herman, State line, May 17, 1882; Maryland Univ., Feb. 29, 1876.
- Randall M. Alexander, Fannettsburg, May 23, 1882; twelve years.
- Alex. E. Cresswell, St. Thomas, May 26, 1882; practice 1869.
- V. D. Miller, Mason and Dixon, Penn., June 7, 1882; Jeff. Med. Col., 1861.
- James A. Vinson, Claylick, June 20, 1882; Louisville Med. Col., June, 1833.
- Jno. E. Kline, Chambersburg, June 28, 1882; Jeff. Med. College, Mch. 27, 1882.
- Alanson W. Kelley, Waynesboro, Sept. 9, 1882; Castleton Med. College, 1860.
- Edwin Bergstresser, Waynesboro, Sept. 21, 1882; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch. 30, 1882.
- J. R. Bemisdarfer, Shady Grove, Mch. 3, 1883; Col. Phys. and Surg., Mch. 1, 1883.
- Jno. H. Young, Waynesboro, Apr. 9, 1883; since 1870.
- M. H. Miller, Roxbury, Apr. 14, 1883; Jeff. Med. Col., 1883.
- David A. Strickler, Chambersburg, Apr. 17, 1883; Hahnemann College, Philadelphia, Mch. 10, 1881.
- Christian R. Scheller, Shady Grove, Apr. 21, 1883; Jeff. Med. College, Apr. 2, 1883.
- Henry C. Devibiss, Chambersburg, Apr. 14, 1883; College Phys. and Surg., 1877.
- Wm. O. Lantz, Lemaster's Sta., July 12, 1883; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch. 30, 1882.
- Jno. A. Bause, Waynesboro, Nov. 20, 1883; Univ. Penn., Mch. 1875.
- B. F. Shope, Dry Run, Mch. 1, 1884; Bellevue Hosp. Med. Col., N. Y., Mch. 16, 1882.
- George G. Shively, Waynesboro, Mch. 19, 1884; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch., 1877.
- Edwin F. Lehman, Chambersburg, April 12, 1884; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch. 29, 1884.
- S. Snively Bishop, Greencastle, May 12, 1884; Jeff. Med. Col., 1884.
- Chas. B. West, Strasburg, May 26, 1884; Jeff. Med. Col., 1833.
- Eldredge C. Price, Monterey, June 28, 1884; Hahnemann Med. Col., Phila., Mch. 10, 1875.
- Chas. H. Lane, Chambersburg, July 15, 1884; Univ. Penn., 1870.
- Wm. T. Phillippy, Shady Grove, June 30, 1884; Jeff. Med. Col., Mch. 29, 1884.
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- A. Sargeant Tinges, Waynesboro, Sept. 6, 1884; Univ. Md., 1872.
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- M. J. Jackson, New York City, Feb. 26, 1885; Eclectic Med. Col., Mch. 1, 1884. Temporary.
- J. H. Devor, Ft. Loudon, April 29, 1885; Col. Phys. and Surg., Balto., Mch. 13, 1885.
- Katharine M. Crawford, Fayetteville, June 24, 1885; Hahnemann Med. Col., Mch. 20, 1885.
- John J. Coffman, Scotland, July 10, 1885; Dartmouth Med. Col., Nov. 15, 1881.
- W. J. Coleman, Huntingdon Co., Penn., Aug. 5, 1885; Med. Col. Va., Mch. 4, 1879. Temporary.
- James F. Tate, Roxbury, Aug. 6, 1885; Univ. N. Y., 1869.
- Geo. E. Stewart, Dry Run, Dec. 23, 1885; practiced from April 1, 1863.
- Wm. M. Shull, Concord, Penn., Feb. 10, 1886; Jeff. Med. Col., April 2, 1885.
- Peter B. Montgomery, Chambersburg, Mch. 24, 1886; Bellevue Hosp. Med. Col., Mch. 15, 1886.
- Wm. H. Brosius, Greencastle, April 24, 1886; Jeff. Med. Col., April 2, 1886.

## CHAPTER XIII.

## EDUCATIONAL AND RELIGIOUS.

EDUCATIONAL.—EDUCATION DEFINED—TEACHING DEFINED—EARLY SCHOOLS AND THEIR EQUIPMENTS—JOHN B. KAUFMAN'S ACCOUNT OF EARLY SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS—HISTORY OF SCHOOL LEGISLATION—COMPARATIVE STATISTICS—COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS—COUNTY INSTITUTES—LETTER FROM EX-CO. SUPT. A. J. MCELWAIN—LIST OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS.

RELIGIOUS.—EARLY SETTLERS' RELIGIONS—PRESBYTERIANS—LUTHERANS—REFORMED—METHODISTS—UNITED BRETHERN—ROMAN CATHOLIC—EPISCOPALIAN—CHURCH OF GOD—GERMAN BAPTISTS—RIVER BRETHERN—MENNONITES—REFORMED MENNONITES—COLORED CHURCHES—MORMONISM.

## EDUCATIONAL.

EDUCATION, as the derivation of the term implies, is a leading out of the powers and capacities of the individual. It is training, developing, inspiring, guiding, refining and elevating the being wrought upon. It makes of the being all that he is capable of becoming, working always, of course, upon the capital stock of brain and muscle and heart possessed. Out of crude material it can not make a perfect product. A diamond can not be developed unless it exist in the rough quartz presented. Statesmen can not be fashioned from crude pigmies. Education is not a pouring-in or cramming process, but a leading out and unfolding of all the powers—physical, intellectual, moral and social—which the being possesses. Every parent, every child, every book, every paper, every street, every association, every experience, favorable or otherwise, every joy and every defeat is an educator. Life from the cradle to the grave is but so much time spent in the preparatory school of eternity, the lessons of which are often imperfectly learned. The old adage, "Experience teaches a dear school, but fools will learn in no other," is untrue. Experience teaches a good school, the best, and wise people will learn in it; fools in none.

Teaching, then, is not telling simply; it is not questioning simply; it is not frowning or smiling and correcting only. It is more. Viewed from a rational standpoint, teaching is the science which trains the mind to think clearly and earnestly, the heart to feel keenly and rationally, and the hand to execute what the mind and the heart have approved. With this in mind we are prepared to understand the statement of the wise man: "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Train by telling, by questioning, by suggesting, by repressing, by stimulating, by all the means which a fruitful ingenuity can invent.

In a new country, and in fact everywhere, the best school, the most valuable lessons learned are those found "at the best academe, a mother's knee." Family instruction was the primitive kind; and, when the mother was intelligent and wise, it laid the foundation for whatever might be subsequently furnished by the higher order of schools. The records of this faithful work, however, have not been preserved in tables and reports and percentages at the State capital. Only in the noble lives and matchless characters given to the world can the records be read. The silent lessons taught in the little cabin, by the wayside, or in the lonely forest were not forgotten, but mani-

fested themselves in life's "late afternoon." Only when the veil of eternity is lifted, and things can be seen in their true light, will be understood fully the nature and potency of the valuable home school.

But the early cabin school, built by the joint efforts of the neighborhood, legitimately followed the family school. With its rude logs, puncheon floor, slab benches, open-throated chimney, it served as a people's college to prepare boys and girls to become the future men and women of the neighborhood, the citizens of the commonwealth. Methods of instruction were not discussed in those primitive days. Knowledge was power. Facts and principles were supposed to have a transforming influence upon the minds and lives of the young. The *what* or subject matter was first in importance; then came the *how* or the methods of instruction; and later, the *why* or the philosophy of teaching.

Text-books were rare and simple. The spelling-book, the English reader, the New Testament, some simple text in arithmetic which would enable the pupil to "do sums" as far as the "double rule of three," or perchance, in rare cases, to include *double position*, and, later, a manual of United States history. Grammar and geography were not taught at first. They were higher branches, whose study gave position in the community, and indicated unusual learning. When Lindley Murray's or Kirkham's grammar first appeared, an innovation was announced. Daboll's or Pike's or Dillworth's arithmetic afforded the knowledge of mathematics deemed essential. Slates and black-boards were, at first, unknown; and steel pens likewise. The ever-faithful goose quill, made and sharpened by the master's skillful knife, supplied the penmanship of the times. No Spencerian or Eclectic or other modern system of penmanship knocked at the school-room door for recognition. No book agent ready to introduce a new series, perambulated those early school districts. No globes or wall maps, no numeral frames or other objects of illustration, cumbered the humble log schoolhouse. Work was done in a humble manner, and good work too. Pupils learned because they appreciated their opportunities. No graded course of study presented its charms or its terrors to the young urchin. Individual work and personal progress were the rule. How faithfully those early schools served their purpose is attested by the numerous specimens of grand men and women, the pride of the land, they turned out. "There were giants in those days."

We shall be pardoned for introducing here the testimony of one of Franklin County's worthy and honored sons, John B. Kaufman, a pupil and teacher both of "ye olden time." His picture will doubtless be familiar to many who were once rustics. "Going back some fifty odd years, I have a distinct recollection of my old teacher, Daniel Eckerman, an excellent instructor, who wrote a hand like copper plate; spelled correctly; whose pronunciation was faultless and distinct; a good arithmetician; understood grammar and geography, and wouldn't lick me, because I had spoken truthfully when I had gotten into a little scrape. His kindly admonition is by no means forgotten, though it was given fifty-two years ago. The lesson was a valuable one.

"Next in order was Capt. Thomas Anderson, who was very particular, and somewhat stern in his discipline. He quit teaching in 1836, and now resides in Knox County, Ohio. Then there was Benjamin Davis, who stood high as to qualifications, and his ability to vigorously apply the rod and ferule. He moved to the West soon after 1850. He was well up in years at that time. Eugene Owens, a brilliant scholar and surveyor, flourished somewhat earlier than my time, but was highly spoken of. Then I mention Capt. Isaac Miller, who taught, probably, over half a century, and died only a few years ago.



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Who didn't know him? A good penman, and the very man who could manage schools with a hard reputation. He had an abiding faith in a liberal application of Solomon's celebrated cure for a fool's back, and at the same time could work out any number of knotty problems. As he taught many years, he was also contemporaneous as a teacher during my career. Beginning in 1849, your humble friend figured in a modest way, trying 'to teach the young idea how to shoot,' and to keep the boys of that day from carrying me out of the schoolroom. That would not be an easy job now, but in those days I was extremely spare—in fact, lean—so my weight could not have been a great matter, but I was active and rather muscular, so they never tried it. However, I was elected county surveyor in 1856, and in those days there was more official business than now. I resigned my school after a short career, though I have taught fractional terms since. I was one of the first two who introduced mental arithmetic in the schools of our township, and belonged to one of the first, if not the first township institute (at least in the rural districts), in the county. This was composed of P. M. Shoemaker, since county superintendent three or four terms; Capt. E. K. Lehman, Hon. W. W. Britton, late member of Legislature; John W. De Haven, at present teaching in Greene Township; B. A. Cormany, Esq., clerk of the courts, and now of Junction City, Kas.; A. B. Wingert, a splendid young teacher then, who followed the business very successfully for a number of years, but is in other business now, and your humble servant. Nearly all of these had, or afterward obtained, professional certificates. Montgomery Martin and Henry A. Thomas also figured prominently in those days as teachers. Then there was, a little later, D. D. Swanger, of Lurgan Township, but he is a merchant now and a justice of the peace. I must not omit Saml. Gelwix, ex-county superintendent, and his brother, Dr. J. M. Gelwix. I feel a little proud of some of my school boys, who afterward taught awhile successfully. First I would name Prof. Wm. C. McClelland, of Shippensburg High School; A. G. Huber, Esq., principal of a soldiers' orphans' school, of Philadelphia. He was a graduate of the Michigan University, at Ann Arbor. His brother, Rev. B. G. Huber, also, was one of my little school mischiefs thirty-four years ago. Rev. S. B. McClelland, a Presbyterian minister, is a younger brother of W. C. McClelland. Rev. Jonathan A. West, Jr., now a resident of your State, but his charge extending into Ohio, was one of my brightest boys in the first class in mental arithmetic, and in the advanced class in grammar. Then I had another quiet boy in Greenleaf's National, who seldom required help; it was R. Walker Ramsey, who, after teaching awhile, studied medicine, and is one of our best physicians in the county. He has a large practice in and around St. Thomas. Then Rev. H. A. Schlichter, presiding elder, and Danl. W. Sollenberger, who was deputy recorder, are ministers in the United Brethren Church. The latter was a very successful teacher, and all these were pupils of mine. Of course they became what they are, since they left my school, but I can not help feeling some pride in them; I feel as if I had, perhaps, helped to put a stone in the foundation. But to come down still further; we have had D. A. Flora, B. F. Newton, L. F. Creamer, now of Dayton, Ohio, and Frank H. Snyder, the latter a prospective candidate for county superintendent, and Misses Emma and Naomi Minehart, all splendid teachers. Most of them had permanent, and all of them professional certificates, but there is not one of them teaching here. A few of them teach elsewhere, and the rest are engaged in other business. Why are they no longer teaching here? The case is plain enough. School directors are generally selected because they pay a good deal of school tax, or such as are in favor of low taxes for school purposes, and such as favor low salaries and short school

terms. The natural consequences have followed. Salaries from \$20 to \$35 per month for five or six months are not exactly calculated to keep in the ranks, or in the district, teachers with professional papers. Comment is unnecessary.

"I told you something of our teachers of 'ye olden time,' and I imagine I see the schoolhouse of the same ancient day. It is a log house in the midst of the woods; board roof; low room; low window-sash, sliding sidewise; joist unhewed on lower side; slab benches, pin feet, like a meat bench; desks of slabs along walls, supported by sticks driven into two-inch holes in the logs of the wall, and a stove of the most primitive kind. The house crouches modestly in the woods, sheltered from the chilly blast, and forming play grounds unlimited in dimensions. Here we played town ball, corner ball, sow ball and long ball. Sometimes we would jump, to see how high we could leap; then it was hop, step and jump. Once in a while we played ring, provided the girls would help, and generally they would. As far as it goes we were learning, too. We had but little grammar or geography, and we hardly knew what algebra meant, only that it was much harder than arithmetic; but our spelling class would not need to blush in modern days. Nary blackboard nor other appliance; only two things were prominently in view—the old schoolmaster's pipe, the cloud of smoke almost hiding the inevitable, the ever present birch. Then the rosy-cheeked, home-spun, flannel-bedecked little maidens, to whom we wrote little missives, though it was strictly forbidden; yet we found means to slyly convey them unobserved by the teacher, and the tender replies were just as slyly brought to our side. Just think of it. Such wonderful effusions as,

The rose is red, the vilets blew,  
Shooger is sweat, and so ar you.

"Then what heart beatings there would be to get, the same hour, a reply something like this.

the ring is round, it has no end  
So is my love to you, my friend.

or

My pen is bad, my ink is pail  
My Love to you Shall never fale.

"Not very good spelling to be sure, but human nature, among children as well as men, fifty years ago, was much as now. Ah! those days are past a long, long time ago for us. The parents who sent us to school with our small dinner baskets and a few books, are nearly all gone, and if here yet, are in their second childhood.

"Nearly every one of our old-style teachers are gone to their reward. May they wear an extra bright crown in the celestial city. The old log schoolhouse has long ago given way to the larger and better ventilated and well-furnished room, with blackboards and other aids to efficient and intelligent instruction. Schoolhouses are nearer together, so children have not so far to go, and, when there, find comfortable seats and desks, etc. Additional branches are taught in a scientific and common-sense manner, and yet some of us sigh for the good old times of yore. What unreasonable creatures we are!

"I commenced to study surveying from an old 'Gibson,' in the fall of 1848, and undertook to survey a farm of over 200 acres on the 9th of February, 1849. This I did with a set of borrowed instruments, but I had remarkable success that day, and it brought me other work. I had never seen any one survey, had no living teacher, but I struggled onward, and, when I floundered among difficulties, I struggled, as did Christian in the slough of despond, toward the far side, or the side toward which I had been traveling. The instruments



were old and worn, and I had a good deal of trouble with them at times, especially the compass, but these very difficulties proved of value in after life. I watched the movements of the needle very closely, to detect, if possible, irregularities in its movements. I was always on the alert, a habit that sticks to me to this day; and I flatter myself I can notice such vagaries as the needle often displays as soon, perhaps, as any one, and should it be out of order apply the remedy as soon as possible. My parents would have preferred that I should let surveying alone, and threw many discouragements in my way—sometimes I did become discouraged for a time—but I had a good deal of perseverance and enthusiasm for the business, which sometimes amounted to a passion, but I went on, got other books and other instruments by degrees, so I at last became established as a surveyor. When I taught school I took up algebra and in a year or two had acquired a very good knowledge of the elements of that useful branch, which aided me in understanding better the later works on surveying. I have constructed several useful tables for use in the field. One is a table of the amount of declination, or popularly the variation, of the needle for each year from 1736 to the present time. It is very useful and convenient. To find an analytical expression to compute the numerical values for each year was a tedious and difficult matter, but I succeeded in obtaining an empirical expression that fits in nicely. I would have published it, but it is only of local value, the needle not pointing the same except in a narrow belt of territory, and the rates of changes in different localities not being the same. Another table is to find the amount of refraction to allow on my solar transit in setting off the declination arc of the instrument, the amount for different hours of the day, during the different seasons of the year, depending upon the elevation of the sun. This had to be ascertained by spherical trigonometry and a little practical astronomy. It involved more labor than I expected when I began, or I would certainly have left it alone, but having made a beginning I did not like to give up, and I didn't. The table is found in my field books, and when I use the solar attachment I can depend on it pretty well. It would do very well, but the refraction of the atmosphere varies with the temperature, as well as barometrical changes, etc., and I don't carry either a thermometer or barometer with me; am too poor."

A provision was contained in the constitution of 1776 to the effect that "A school or schools shall be established in each county by the Legislature for the convenient instruction of youth, with such salaries to the masters paid by the public as may enable them to instruct youth at low prices." This was a step toward popular education as a condition of worthy citizenship, but it indicated no precise way in which the desirable result was to be accomplished. For many years this provision of the constitution seems to have been a dead letter, the Legislature exercising its discretionary power with no perceptible results.

The constitution of 1790 proceeded a step further and required that "the Legislature should, as soon as conveniently might be, provide by law for the establishment of schools throughout the State in such manner that the poor might be taught gratis." But no scheme which makes an odious discrimination between the children of the poor and those of the rich can hope to be worthy of popular favor, being diametrically opposed to the genius of our civil institutions. Neither by the organic law nor by the law of 1809, which failed to avoid the same difficulty, did relief come. It came only when provision for the education of rich and poor was equally gratuitous.

In the constitution of 1838 the odious feature of 1790 was re-enacted; but in that of 1873 it was declared that "the General Assembly shall provide

for the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient system of public schools, wherein all the children of this Commonwealth, above the age of six years, may be educated, and shall appropriate at least one million of dollars each year for that purpose. No money raised for the support of the public schools of the Commonwealth shall be appropriated to or used for the support of any sectarian school. Women twenty-one years of age and upward shall be eligible to any office of control or management under the school laws of this State."

From the foregoing constitutional and statutory provisions it will be clearly seen that the public-school system, like the methods of instruction and the character of private schools briefly referred to in the first part of this chapter, has been a gradual growth. School systems, like the best men, are molded out of faults.

The act of the Assembly establishing the free schools of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, was approved by the governor on the 1st of April, 1834. Under its provisions the first election for school directors in each district was held on the third Friday of September following, and on the first Tuesday of November was appointed a joint meeting in each county of a delegate from the several boards of school directors and the county commissioners, for the purpose of deciding whether or not a tax should be levied for the support of schools. At an election held on the 19th of September, 1834, under the above provisions, the following persons were elected school directors for Chambersburg District: Samuel D. Culbertson, Thomas Chambers, Jacob Heart, William Seibert, Frederick Smith and William Heyser.

On Tuesday, the 4th of November, 1834, the joint meeting of the delegates from the different boards of school directors and county commissioners of Franklin County was held in the court-house, in Chambersburg, and was organized by electing Andrew Thomson, president, and Thomas Chambers, secretary. The following townships had accepted the provisions of the school law and were represented by delegates: Antrim, George W. Hewett; Chambersburg, Thomas Chambers; Fannett, William Campbell; Greene, Andrew Thomson; Guilford, Samuel Wingerd; Hamilton, David Lytle; Letterkenny, Benjamin Hoover; Lurgan, John Reynolds; Metal, Joseph Flickinger; Peters, Nicholas<sup>B</sup>Baker; Southampton, Jonathan Peal; Warren, John Thomas; Washington, David Wertz; county commissioners, Joseph Culbertson and John Cox.

The convention resolved that a tax be levied, not exceeding in amount double the funds appropriated by the State to each school division; Saturday, December 4, was fixed on as the day on which the people of the several school districts should assemble, at the usual place of holding township elections, to decide whether they would raise, for the current year, a sum in addition to that determined on by this meeting. At the meeting of the citizens of Chambersburg District, held in conformity with the above resolution, it was decided not to raise any additional sum for school purposes. There are no records in existence to show when the schools were opened, but likely about the 1st of January, 1835, as the following appropriations by the State for that year are the first that can be found:

Antrim.....	\$225 80	Lurgan.....	\$ 65 44
Chambersburg.....	143 08	Metal....	74 29
Fannett.....	64 90	Peters.....	121 16
Greene.....	162 06	Southampton.....	78 50
Guilford.....	154 56	St. Thomas.....	96 20
Hamilton.....	75 65	Warren.....	51 55
Letterkenny.....	112 50	Washington.....	218 45

Though the records are very meager, we are convinced that the educational sentiment was slowly developing. In his history of Franklin County, Rupp has this paragraph in 1846:

“The state of education is improving. The common-school system has been adopted in every district except one township—Warren. The schools are in operation in 13 districts, in which 112 schools are open about five months and a half in the year, employing 96 male and 17 female teachers, at an average salary of \$17.72, of the latter \$11.21 per month; in these schools 3,282 male and 2,711 females are taught, 70 of whom are learning German. A district tax has been raised of \$11,781.74—the State appropriation was \$8,136—cost of instruction \$10,490.74; fuel and contingencies \$904.70, for the year 1844. Besides the public schools, other literary institutions, already noticed, exert a salutary influence upon the several classes of society.”

Comparatively little can be found concerning the common schools up to 1857, all the records prior to that date having been destroyed in the Chambersburg fire. In the following table, taken from the report of the State school superintendent for 1885, is exhibited a condition of things very favorable as compared with the imperfect showing in the reports of 1835 and 1846. The attendance is increased, wages advanced and a spirit of growing liberality exhibited:

FRANKLIN.—TABULAR STATEMENT FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 1, 1885.

DISTRICTS.	SCHULERS.			TEACHERS.			SCHOLARS.			TAX AND RATE PER CENT.			RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURES.				RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES.								
	Whole number.	Average number in class.	Number of males.	Number of females.	Average number attending school.	Average number attending school.	Cost per month.	Number of mills levied for school purposes.	Number of mills levied for building purposes.	Total amount of tax levied for school and building purposes.	State appropriation.	From taxes and all other sources, except State appropriation.	Total receipts.	Cost of school-houses, renting, etc.	Teachers' wages.	Fuel, contingencies, fees other expenses.	Total expenditures.	Resources.	Liabilities.									
1. Antrim.....	27	6	25	503	737	84	\$0	90	3	25	\$6,995	\$1,035	12	17	7,195	\$8,230	95	\$	629	99	\$3,170	02						
2. Chambersburg	25	9	8	773	1,088	89	81	6	16	25	16,172	1,689	12	17	17,065	18,745	46	424	19	9,842	50	16,258	92					
3. Fannett.....	15	5	8	286	427	86	73	3	3,160	20	539	30	16	3,217	3,755	07	7,049	50	1,047	77	2,092	75	471	04				
4. Greene.....	22	6	15	348	375	85	80	3	6,315	43	959	07	43	6,990	7,049	43	1,616	05	4,050	50	6,996	07	53	43				
5. Greencastle.....	6	7	1	154	207	85	86	5	1,895	06	374	34	3	3,223	6,597	95	2,572	67	1,470	00	608	76	2,572	67				
6. Guilford.....	22	5 1/2	15	318	563	84	88	2	5,111	06	921	05	54	5,166	6,487	59	288	94	3,570	60	5,166	71	1,084	30				
7. Hamilton.....	12	5	3	213	387	85	88	2	2,785	16	431	64	2	2,333	2,785	16	462	32	1,727	65	595	75	2,56	86				
8. Leicester.....	12	5	4	324	488	82	66	2	2,997	40	504	46	4	4,335	3,939	84	170	84	2,723	00	381	45	3,285	29				
9. Lenoir.....	9	7	6	223	355	89	80	4	1,859	61	348	98	1	1,937	2,986	09	204	33	1,634	59	436	79	2,255	71				
10. Mercur.....	7	7	6	184	268	84	90	2	2,673	97	306	74	1	2,742	1,831	11	37	57	1,568	00	1,531	47	3,137	04				
11. Mercur.....	9	7	6	223	355	89	80	4	1,859	61	348	98	1	1,937	2,986	09	204	33	1,634	59	436	79	2,255	71				
12. Montgomery.....	10	5	4	207	321	83	73	3	3,688	16	644	74	3	3,998	4,043	31	940	00	2,779	35	426	96	4,146	31				
13. Peters.....	19	6	17	458	583	87	82	2	4,599	32	676	00	3	4,574	6,130	63	1,545	14	3,072	00	853	88	6,071	02				
14. Quincy.....	15	6 1/2	13	350	522	84	95	3	3,600	72	738	53	3	4,708	5,717	16	1,076	54	3,703	55	789	32	4,939	41				
15. St. Thomas.....	15	6	8	292	430	90	69	2	3,660	42	488	41	4	4,656	5,196	92	1,965	82	2,556	76	1,178	05	5,300	61				
16. Southampton.....	15	6	8	292	430	90	69	2	3,660	42	488	41	4	4,656	5,196	92	1,965	82	2,556	76	1,178	05	5,300	61				
17. Warren.....	5	3	4	131	273	85	92	6	4,682	22	141	10	6	690	831	26	11	25	640	00	123	08	784	33				
18. Washington.....	11	6	4	366	515	83	80	2	4,956	19	678	51	7	7,008	7,687	24	1,712	80	3,444	63	1,163	49	6,320	92				
19. Waynesboro.....	11	8	4	270	313	89	77	9	5,935	61	585	53	6	6,515	7,100	82	649	87	3,881	16	2,409	11	6,040	14				
	200	6.10	189	107	36	31	\$30	12	\$64,639	06	\$11,908	25	\$92,347	\$4	\$104,256	09	\$23,222	\$25	\$57,222	\$55	\$23,495	61	\$96,533	41	\$56,437	31	\$16,882	55

The county superintendency was established under the following section of the law of May 8, 1854:

“The school directors of the several counties of the commonwealth shall meet in convention at the seat of justice of the proper county, on the first Monday of June next, and on the third Monday of May in each third year thereafter, and select *viva voce* by a majority of the whole number of directors present, one person of literary and scientific acquirements, and of skill and experience in the art of teaching, as county superintendent for three succeeding school years; and the school directors or a majority of them in such convention, shall determine the amount of compensation for the county superintendent, which said compensation shall be paid by the superintendent of common schools, by his warrant drawn upon the State treasurer, in half yearly installments if desired, and shall be deducted from the amount of the State appropriation to be paid to the several school districts for said county.”

Under the law the directors met in the court-house, Chambersburg, Monday, June 5, 1854, choosing James O. Carson, president, and Geo. Cook and Wm. B. Gabby, secretaries. Nominees for county superintendent were: Rev. B. S. Schneck, Chambersburg; James McDowell, Antrim; Joseph Eckhart, Guilford; Matthew Irwin, Montgomery; Rev. Joshua Kennedy, Fayetteville; Jas. D. McDowell, Peters; Rev. J. F. Kennedy, Chambersburg. On the fourth ballot James McDowell was selected, and his salary fixed, after much controversy, at \$600 per annum for the next three years. One of the first acts of a general character, after Mr. McDowell's election, was the organization of a county teachers' institute. In the *Franklin Repository* of December 13, 1854, appears the following sensible call:

“To the friends of education: With a view the more successfully to carry out the design of the common school system, and to advance the cause of education in general, we respectfully invite and earnestly request a convention of teachers, school directors and the friends of education generally, to meet in Chambersburg, on Friday, the 29th inst., at 10 o'clock, in order to make arrangements for the organization of a county association for the improvement of teachers and to aid each other in the management and government of schools and the art of teaching, and for the dissemination of correct views and information on the subject of education, and the best methods of promoting it. And we hope that all interested will give us their countenance in the movement; that our lady teachers will not be backward to cheer us with their presence and support us by their very efficient aid, and that none of the teachers will absent themselves who can attend, and also that directors will encourage the attendance of teachers by all means, if, even to the exoneration of them from replacing the time which they may occupy in attendance on this matter; as it may, and no doubt will, result in a general and lasting benefit to the schools within the county.

“Addresses and essays appropriate to the occasion may be expected.

“J. McDOWELL,  
*County Superintendent.*”

“Greencastle, December 13, 1854.

It is doubtful whether any teacher or superintendent anywhere, has had a more intelligent conception of the legitimate sphere of the teacher's work and responsibilities than is indicated in the foregoing announcement. It must be remembered that at that time, with probably the exception of “Page's Theory and Practice of Teaching,” no professional text books on the science of education had been published, and yet this proclamation implies an acquaintance with the advanced views of educational writers and thinkers.

Mr. McDowell lived but a portion of his term, and was succeeded by Hugh

J. Campbell who filled out the unexpired term. No records of the institutes and county superintendent's work having been accessible, we give the following interesting report, prepared at our request by one of the old teachers and superintendents of the county, Mr. A. McElwain,\* now of Fannettsburg:

“My first knowledge of the schools of Franklin County was prior to the creation of the office of county superintendent, which was in 1854. I taught a term of five or six months in Green Village, and lived in Scotland, Greene Township, in the winter of 1851-52. Dr. Charles Howland, during the same winter, taught the Scotland school. In the winter of 1852-53 I taught the grammar school in Mercersburg, which had for several years been taught by Mr. Thos. Richards. I then left Franklin County and, from the fall of 1854, to that of 1858, in Shippensburg. In the fall of 1858 I was elected principal of the schools of Chambersburg, which post I held for five years, when I was elected in May, 1863, county superintendent. P. M. Shoemaker, Esq., was county superintendent during the five years of my teaching in Chambersburg. My relations with him were of a pleasant character. He was an efficient officer and had inaugurated both annual meetings of the teachers in Chambersburg, and semi-annual meetings to be held in the other towns and villages in the county. These meetings were carried on mainly by home workers, the county superintendent being one of them, with an occasional lecture by a member of the Chambersburg bar. During the day sessions the exercises were conducted by the teachers, led generally by some one appointed by a committee or the county superintendent to open the subject, which was generally some branch of education then in the schools. Greencastle, Waynesboro, St. Thomas, Strasburg and Mercersburg were points of meeting for the semi-annual gathering. These points, though not calling out so many of the teachers of the county, always manifested a deep interest in the proceedings, and the practice of the institute was, I believe, uniformly to elect, as a presiding officer, some citizen, director or otherwise, to serve during our session. The branches received that attention which we thought they required in order to a uniformity of method in teaching, as well as a more thorough scholarship of the teachers. Mental arithmetic, or the analysis of problems orally under certain formulas, was a frequent exercise, and few teachers were disposed to shirk their duties when called upon. Algebra was frequently presented by some one or other in a fair degree of clearness.

“The institutes in Chambersburg scarcely ever called out the citizens to any great degree. Whether this was favorable or unfavorable to the cause of education, each one, I presume, will judge for himself. Our object in meeting was our mutual improvement, and our attendance was altogether voluntary. No legislative enactment provided for such meetings or provided for the expenses. That many teachers profited by the exercises, when conducted by those teaching the elementary schools, as well as those teaching the schools of higher grade, was a matter not doubted at the time; however, it may be looked upon now as “a day of small things” by those who are the quiet recipients and passive auditors in our now journal-trumpeted institutes, which, by legislative enactments, can draw to the extent of \$200 from the county treasurer to help pay instructors from other parts of the world for what could be as well obtained from our own teachers. It will be understood that the breaking out of the war in 1861 was terribly inimical to school interests in Franklin County.

\*During the burning of Chambersburg, Mr. McElwain was living two and a half miles west of the town. Rebel soldiers stopped in large numbers at his house. Among them was a chaplain who inquired of the superintendent whether he had ever been a teacher of “niggers.” Mr. McElwain replied that he had occasionally been. This was enough. When the troops retired, they fired his house, and permitted nothing to be removed under penalty of death. The loyalty, honesty and philanthropy of the school-master caused the loss of his property. The offense was—he had taught “niggers.”



*Samuel Garner*





The attention of its citizens was too much engrossed with the threatened destruction of their property and their government to be easily gained to school interests, and on entering upon my duties of county superintendent I found myself handicapped in my efforts to secure attention to school interests, in the face of superior claims upon the attention to homes and property. I instituted no new policy, except that I declined to accept the proffered help of fledgeling attorneys of the law and politicians to build up an institute of professional teachers. I regarded it then, as I do now, an opportunity for development of the qualities which the teachers need, if only they could be trained to do as all other professions do—hold their own conventions and conduct them themselves. The first institute held during my incumbency was held in the Washington Street School building, in Chambersburg. State Superintendent Coburn was invited to attend, and met with us there. He gave us encouragement, and the response made to my requests to teachers to aid in making our institute profitable was very gratifying. I have no preserved data from which to give a full account of our proceedings, but my memory reverts with pleasure to many teachers who contributed valuable aid to your humble servant in his efforts to assist young and earnest teachers in qualifying themselves for their duties. I trust it will not be regarded as invidious to name those who took a deep interest in our discussions and investigations of the topics brought before the institutes: Messrs. Eby, Omwake, Smith and Weir, of Antrim and Greencastle; Gaff, Stoler and Brown, of Washington and Waynesboro; Richards, McElwain, Hockenberry, McFadden, Eckhart and Moore, of Chambersburg; Moore, Croft and Kendig, of Hamilton; Shoemaker, Gelwix, Winger, Lehman and Kaufman, of Letterkenny; De Haven, Swanger, Shoemaker and Martin, of Lurgan; Blair, McClelland, McMullen and Orr, of Southampton; Thompson, Sollenbergers and Bollinger, of Greene; Shaffer, Snyder, Shriver, Cook and Wolfkill, of Guilford; Keyser, Hays, Detrichs, Wolf, Jones, McClean, and others, who taught in different townships. Some of these are still teachers in the county, some following other pursuits in life, and quite a number have passed beyond the dark river, toward which most of them are rapidly moving. Many ladies also attended our institutes, and only a want of memory prevents a mention of the particular exercises in which they engaged.

“Our second annual institute, during my term of office, was held in the basement of the Lutheran Church, it being in the year 1864. Chambersburg had been laid in ashes by the rebels on the 30th of July preceding, and the educational fires burned low. I can give nothing definite of our proceedings. The semi-annual meetings also were abandoned on account of the distraction occasioned by the war. A meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, I believe, in 1865, which was tolerably well attended. During the year 1865, a move was made to secure the Normal School of the Seventh District of Pennsylvania in Chambersburg. Notice of a meeting to be held in Chambersburg, was given to the counties embraced in the district to send representatives to the meeting. Cumberland County and Franklin County only were represented. State Supt. Coburn was present as chairman of the meeting. It was settled on the basis of the number of schools of the two counties that Franklin County have nine, and Cumberland County eight, delegates. An effort had been made to secure pledges of stock in Shippensburg, Newville, Mechanicsburg and Shiremanstown, and they had agreed to pool their interests so as to secure the school either in Shippensburg or Newville. On motion of F. M. Gilliland, a delegate from Cumberland County, Shippensburg was nominated as the seat of the school. This motion was amended by A. M. McElwain, a delegate from Franklin County, that action in the premises be postponed, on account of the depleted condition

of Chambersburg's finances in consequence of the burning of the town the year previous. This amendment was carried by a vote of 9 to 8. Thus ended all efforts on the part of the several counties to locate the school. It was subsequently located at Shippensburg, through individual enterprise of citizens of that place, and recognized by the State as the Seventh District School. This meeting was called at the instance of George Swartz, Esq., superintendent of Cumberland County. I made some efforts to secure the school in Chambersburg. Hon. F. M. Kimmel and J. Wythe Douglas, Esq., were delegates in behalf of Franklin County. In my preparation for the meeting I called on a number of the leading business men of Chambersburg, to get them to attend the meeting. Among them was Mr. William Wallace, merchant, now deceased, who said he could not attend, but that I might say for him that he would give \$500 toward the enterprise.

"During my incumbency, on account of the war prices bearing hard on salaried officers, a meeting of the school directors was called about the middle of my term to increase my salary, which was then \$600. The directors met in convention in the public school building, on King Street, Chambersburg. Mr. Craig McLanahan was called to the chair. A motion to increase the salary to \$1,000 was lost; \$950 was a tie, and on second vote was lost; \$800 was then fixed as my salary for the remainder of my term. This continued to be the salary of P. M. Shoemaker, Esq., my successor, for part of his term, when by a convention called it was raised to \$1,200, and thus remained until, by legislative enactment, it was fixed on the present basis of \$4.50 for each school of the county. I was not a candidate for re-election; other business took my attention from the schools to some extent, but I remained in the county till 1871. The law, giving financial aid to the institute and the time to the teachers, increased the attendance of teachers and introduced hiring of instructors."

#### LIST OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS.

- 1854-57—James McDowell, Hugh J. Campbell.
- 1857-60—Philip M. Shoemaker.
- 1860-63—Philip M. Shoemaker.
- 1863-66—Andrew J. McElwain.
- 1866-69—Philip M. Shoemaker.
- 1869-72—Samuel Gelwix.
- 1872-75—Jacob S. Smith.
- 1875-81—S. H. Eby.
- 1881-87—H. A. Disert.

#### RELIGIOUS.

The early settlers of Franklin County were, as a rule, members of the church, and took immediate steps not only for the preaching of the Word, but for the erection of suitable places of worship. While "the groves were God's first temples," the people of the valley were not content until the log meeting-house, located near some sparkling spring, was erected. To them the dearest place on earth, next to the humble log dwelling, was the little meeting-house where, often under most trying circumstances, they were accustomed to meet for divine worship.

The early Scotch-Irish settlers were Presbyterians. Their churches are the oldest, dating back to within a few years of the first settlements made. Rocky Spring, in Letterkenny Township, Falling Spring, at Chambersburg, Mossy Spring, at Greencastle, Upper West Conococheague, formerly at Church

Hill, but now at Mercersburg, Welsh Run, and the congregation in Upper Path Valley are the primitive congregations, built on the teachings of the confession of faith. Their origin and history are given in the several boroughs and townships to which they belong and need not be repeated.

As early as November, 1734, the presbytery of Donegal, which had the charge of the territory west of the Susquehanna, sent Rev. Alexander Craighead to preach to the scattered Presbyterian settlers over the river. His labors were confined to two or three Sabbaths. The succeeding year, Revs. Craighead, Thompson, James Anderson and William Bertram, all ministered to the same people, their labors, however, being confined to Silver Spring and other points in Cumberland County. The earliest reference to Presbyterians in what is now Franklin County, is found in the records of Donegal Presbytery during its sessions at Derry, September 2, 1736, as follows: "It being represented by Thomas Brown from Conococheague that Mr. W'r, lately from England, who was rejected by our presbytery, is likely to do harm to our interests by inveigling the people, Mr. Anderson is ordered to visit said people in order to dissuade them from entertaining him as a minister." Who this "Mr. W'r" was, or what became of his efforts to turn the elect from the faith, is not known, all conjectures to the contrary notwithstanding. The expression, "Conococheague," embraced all Presbyterians scattered over a large territory, including those who became the *nuclei* of the congregations at Falling Spring, Greencastle, Mercersburg and Rocky Spring.

At the same session at Derry, September 2, 1736, it was decreed: "Mr. Samuel Gelston is ordered to supply the people of Monada on the third Sabbath instant, the second at Conodoguinete, and the 1st and 2d of October at Conococheague." In April, 1737, Messrs. Samuel Caven and Samuel Thompson were both sent to Conococheague. By the presbytery, held November 17, 1737, Mr. Samuel Caven was ordered to supply, at Conococheague, the first and fourth Sabbath to come, and so alternately until our next. At the next meeting of presbytery, June 29, 1738, Benjamin Chambers and Thomas Brown both presented petitions for ministerial aid to inspect into their disorders,\* and supply their needed spiritual wants. "After a pretty deal of time in consulting as to the matter," Mr. Samuel Black was directed to go on the expedition, and to answer the demands of both petitions. It was ordered by the presbytery at its session, August 31, 1738, that "Mr. Caven supply every third Sabbath on the west side of Conococheague, till our next."

Finally, after much delay and difficulty, Mr. Caven was installed as pastor of the people of Conococheague November 16, 1739, Messrs. Anderson, Boyd, Craighead and Thompson officiating. At this meeting it was announced that "Joseph Armstrong, Richard O'Cahan, Patrick Jack and Benjamin Chambers have agreed to pay Mr. Samuel Thompson the sum of £1 5s., at or before next meeting of presbytery, as being the whole of arrears due him by the people at Conococheague." The duration of Mr. Caven's service was determined by some difficulty which arose between him and his people, leading him to request his removal by the presbytery. The time of his service is specified in the sketch of Falling Spring Church, at Chambersburg, which the reader is requested to see.

The first meetings of the Falling Spring people were held in the saw-mill of Benjamin Chambers. About 1739, a small structure of rough hewn logs was erected. It was used also as a schoolhouse, and in later years became the study house. In 1767 a large and more convenient one was erected on the

\*These disorders were the difficulties which separated the Presbyterians into two divisions, East Conococheague joining with Falling Spring, and West Conococheague.

same site. The following was the agreement between the trustees of the congregation and the builder:

We, in the name of the Falling Spring congregation, do promise to pay, or cause to be paid, to James Shanks, or his assigns, the sum of forty-five pounds of the currency of Pennsylvania, for the building for a meeting-house at the Falling Spring, and when said house is built and sufficiently done, the money is to be paid, as witness our hands and his, 5th day of July, 1767.

BENJAMIN CHAMBERS,  
JOHN DIXON,  
his  
RICHARD X VENABLE,  
mark.  
MATTHEW WILSON,  
WM. GASS,  
PATRICK VANCE,  
BENJAMIN GASS,  
ROBERT JACK,  
THOMAS BURNNEY.

Test:

GEORGE LATMER,  
ARCHIBALD BROWN.

In the following year Col. Chambers presented the congregation the ground on which the house was built, the consideration being the annual payment of "one rose, if required." The subsequent history of Presbyterianism in the county is known, and will be read in the leading congregations sketched elsewhere. Its members have ever been honest and industrious, intelligent and patriotic, religious and aggressive, the leaders in all the advance movements of the people.

*The Seceders, or Associates, and Associate Reformed Presbyterians* had several congregations in primitive times, at Greencastle, Mercersburg, Chambersburg, and several other points. These good people have been absorbed by the United Presbyterians and other religious people, and are known only as churches of the past. Among the early ministers were such devoted men as John Cuthbertson, who preached in Franklin County as early as 1751; Matthew Lind, who died at Greencastle at the age of sixty-nine, after a ministry of some forty years; John Young, who died in 1803, having acted as pastor at Greencastle, West Conococheague and the Great Cove; John Lind, son of Matthew, who succeeded Mr. Young in October, 1808, and was a popular preacher and pastor; James Walker who preached at Chambersburg as early as September, 1799, and continued till 1820; Thomas N. Strong, who succeeded Walker and continued a year or two; Thomas McPherrin, in the Welsh Run region from 1774 to 1779.

*The United Presbyterian Church* is the result of a union, in 1858, between the Associate, or Seceder, and Associate Reformed Churches. Its origin in the county is accounted for by what is said concerning the absorption and disappearance of the other two denominations just mentioned. In his excellent "History of Big Spring Presbytery," in which he gives "not merely the history of the presbytery of Big Spring, but of all the churches, whether Reformed Presbyterian, or Associate, or Associate Reformed, or United Presbyterian, which have existed or do still exist, \* \* so intimately related to each other that their histories cannot well be separated," the author, Rev. J. B. Scouller, gives a list of the following named ministers who have been born within the limits of Franklin County: David Carson, Greencastle; John X. Clark; Robert G. Ferguson, near Concord; Matthew L. Fullerton, Greencastle; Jeremiah R. Johnson, D. D.; Joshua Kennedy; John Lind; George McCornick, near Concord; George Stewart, Greencastle; T. J. C. Webster, near Mercersburg; John C. Young, D. D., Greencastle. They all became learned, popular preachers.

*The Lutherans* began to occupy the field very early, as will be seen by

examining the history of some of the older churches. The first Lutheran family in the Grindstone Hill settlement, one of the oldest of German settlements in the county, was that of Matthias George, in 1742. Even at that early day, Lutheran itinerant ministers preached occasionally to their people, but history has not recorded their names. One of the earliest on record was the Rev. John G. Bager, "a pious and learned man," who preached at Grindstone Hill between 1765 and 1770. Other early preachers, of the last century, whose labors did much to establish Lutheran congregations in the county, were John George Young, John Michael Steck, Anthony U. Ludgen and John Ruthrauff.

Through the efforts of these tireless workers and their successors, the Lutheran Church has become the largest organization, in point of numbers, in the county, its membership exceeding 2,500.

Contemporaneous with the Lutherans, and allied to it in language, sympathy and national characteristics, is the Reformed Church, formerly called German Reformed. In the beginning of German settlements, and in many instances still, the Lutherans and Reformed built houses of worship conjointly, and had their separate congregations and pastors. With many it is a question why those two strong denominations, with but slight differences to separate them, should not have united in organization as well as in their business enterprises.

As early as 1748, Rev. Michael Schlatter, of Philadelphia, made a missionary tour through the county, visiting and instructing his scattered brethren. It was during this trip he visited Jacob Snively, in Antrim, and wrote a description of the rich country visited. So far as the records show, however, the first preacher regularly in charge of the Reformed congregations of the county was Rev. Jacob Weymer, of Hagerstown, or Elizabethtown, as it was called at the time. He was a zealous and devoted man. His remains are buried at Hagerstown, unmarked by any monument, his dying request being that his grave should have no tablet.

Mercersburg early became the Mecca of the Reformed church in the county. In the college and the seminary were to be found some of the greatest scholars and thinkers of either continent; but Ichabod has unfortunately been written upon the walls of these institutions, and the memories of the past are largely all that is left. The church has prospered, however, and Mercersburg Classis, of which Rev. Wm. M. Deatrich is clerk, reports twenty-two organized congregations, twenty-two church edifices, six of which are union churches, and a membership of 2,360. In point of numbers it is next to the Lutheran Church.

*The Methodists*, the aggressive church of the country, began to take possession of the field toward the close of the last century. Their first members in the borough of Chambersburg were Daniel Madeira and his wife Eleanor. They came from Reistertown, Md., in 1793. The first preacher who visited them was Rev. Charles Burgoon, then on the Frederick circuit. This occurred in 1794. He was succeeded in 1799 by Seely Bunn. For history of these men and their labors, the reader is referred to the chapter on Chambersburg. With its thorough system of organization and supply, the church extended its dominion extensively and rapidly until it had in 1884, twelve organizations and about 1,500 members in the county. Though recent statistics have not been had, its membership has greatly increased. This denomination in the North has always been noted for its opposition to slavery, its ardent support of the Government, and its earnest advocacy of the principles of temperance. Candidates for admission to the ranks of the ministry are required, in addition to literary and theological attainments, to be exempt from the use of intoxicating drink and its kindred, tobacco. It is decidedly a reform church.

*The United Brethren in Christ* is a church that was founded toward the close of the last century by Rev. William Otterbein, a learned minister of the Reformed Church. From the centennial sermon of Rev. J. P. Miller, of Chambersburg, as well as from the autobiography of Rev. Samuel Huber, the following facts are gathered: The first preacher in the county was Rev. Christian Newcomer. As early as 1796 he preached in John Huber's house at Rocky Spring. On Christmas day of the same year he preached in Chambersburg, and in 1797 at Henry Kumler's, four miles from Greencastle; in 1799, in Mercersburg; in 1802 at John Crider's, in the neighborhood of Crider's Church; in 1803, at Lemaster's, near White Church, and in 1804 at George Fetterhoff's, near Fetterhoff Chapel. Rev. George A. Guething was his coadjutor in 1797. The following were some of the early preachers in the county: William Otterbein, Christian Newcomer, George A. Guething, Martin Boehm, Joseph Hoffman, John Neiding, Martin Crider, Abraham Draksel, Christian Grosh, Felix Light, Christian Smith, Samuel Huber, Jacob Wingert, J. S. Kessler, John Fohl, J. M. Bishop, E. Hoffman, W. Owens. Some of these are yet doing valiant service.

The first class in the county was organized by Rev. Newcomer at Greencastle in April, 1815; the second at Rocky Spring in 1817; Chambersburg was organized in 1818. Preaching in Amberson's Valley began in 1819; in 1820 at John Mower's, in the vicinity of Mowersville, the first house being erected in 1845, the second (Otterbein Church) in 1867; first Fetterhoff Chapel was built in 1834; Crider's Church in 1840.

The following statement is taken from Mr. Miller's address in 1884: "To show the growth of the church in the county I will quote a few statistics taken from the record of Pennsylvania Conference: In 1847 we had in Franklin County 3 pastoral charges, 34 appointments, 740 members, and contributed that year \$28.61 for missionary purposes. In 1857 we had 5 pastoral charges, 15 churches, 54 appointments, about 1,000 members, 11 Sunday-schools, 450 children in Sunday-schools, and contributed for missions \$136.50. In 1886 we had 7 pastoral charges, 18 churches, 44 appointments, about 1,200 members, 15 Sunday-schools, 950 children in Sunday-schools, and contributed \$434 for missions. At present, according to the statistics of our last conference, we have in Franklin County 9 pastoral charges, 30 churches, valued at \$60,000, 47 appointments, 2,500 members, 35 Sunday-schools, 2,700 children in Sunday-schools, and contributed for missionary purposes \$1,500. Our church in the county last year contributed for all church purposes little less than \$25,000."

*The Roman Catholic Church* in the county had preaching during the close of the last century, Chambersburg being the oldest organization. Waynesboro and Doylestown have congregations.

*The Episcopal Church* has but one congregation, whose history is given in the chapter on Chambersburg.

*The Church of God*, organized by Rev. John Winebrenner about 1830, has some three or four congregations in the county, the oldest being the one at Orrstown, the next the one at Chambersburg, and last Fayetteville. Its existence in the county is subsequent to 1840.

*The German Baptists, or Brethren*, constitute a numerous and respectable part of the religious element in the county. Like some other denominations, they are averse to giving any statistics, or making any exhibition of a worldly character. From an article published in 1884 in *The Vindicator* by Judge F. M. Kimmel, a great admirer of these people, some facts are gathered. They were founded by Alexander Mack, a native of the Palatinate in Germany,

in 1708. The first congregation, consisting of six immersed members, "covenanted together to walk in all the commands of the Lord." The entire devotion of these people to the cause which they espoused, their practical and peaceful lives, their purity and integrity, won many to their cause. They practice trine immersion, feet-washing, and salute one another with the holy kiss. They are earnest advocates of simple Bible teaching, and constitute an earnest division of the band of Christian workers. Their churches are largely in the country. Their first entrance into Franklin County was early in the last century. One of the oldest congregations in the county is one that was organized near Waynesboro, and is sketched in the chapter on that borough.

*The River Brethren* came into the county about 1830, divided into several branches; they have a number of congregations in different parts of the country. They constitute a quiet and industrious portion of the people.

*The Mennonites* are thus described by John B. Kaufman, county surveyor, who is one of their prominent members. They keep no records.

"A few Mennonites found their way to the southern part of Franklin County, as early as 1735. Among these were Jacob Schnebele, my great-great-grandfather; Samuel Bechtel, my great-grand-uncle, and others. Samuel Bechtel, was for many years a Mennonite minister, but whether he was at this early date or not, it is pretty certain that there were preaching and other religious exercises in the dwellings of these early settlers soon after they reached their new homes.

"I do not know that many of our people came to this county, at least not where they are now most numerous, till some time after the close of the Revolution, when there was a large influx of them, as well as of other Germans, from the lower counties, especially from Lancaster. It was then that the Sherks, Stouffers, Lehmans, Freys, Wingerts, Eberlys, Rissers, Hubers and Sollenbergers settled in Greene, Guilford and Letterkenny Townships, taking the places of many of the Scotch-Irish. There is reason to believe that the largest influx was between 1790 and 1800. For many years they had no churches, but so arranged their dwellings that they held services in them by turns, and it was about 1810, or soon after, when they erected a church, about one mile north-east of Chambersburg, in Greene Township, where the brick church now stands, and a small log church in Letterkenny Township, about two and one-quarter miles south of Strasburg. The present structure, built in 1859, is about a mile and a half farther south than the old one. The church near Brown's Mill was erected years ago. It was discontinued and a new one built, in 1867, about one mile north of Marion, on the road leading from that place to Chambersburg. In 1860 another church was erected in Southampton Township, at the lower end of Culbertson's Row, and is known as the Row Church. It is near the Southampton Station, on the Baltimore & Cumberland Valley Railroad extension.

"A fifth congregation built a church on the Warm Spring road, in Peters Township, soon after the rebellion, called Hege's Church. The last named three congregations are quite small in numbers. Next come the ministers. I begin with those of the Letterkenny congregation, within the limits of which I have lived all my life. Christian Sherk, of Letterkenny Township, officiated many years; died in 1832 or 1833. Jacob Lehman, of Letterkenny Township, officiated many years; died near the same time. John Gsell, of Letterkenny Township, was installed some years after the death of above, and died about 1872. John Huusecker, now bishop, was installed in 1858; bishop in 1872 or 1873, and holds the same office. John O. Lehman, of Letterkenny, was installed as minister in Cumberland County; has been here about twenty

years. The ministers of the church, near Chambersburg, have been Daniel Lehman, of Greene Township, was many years a minister, died about 1850; Peter Lehman of Greene Township, died about 1836 or 1837; David Horst, of Greene Township, several years a minister, died in 1857; Philip H. Parret, of Greene Township, perhaps twelve or fifteen years, still serves; Samuel D. Lehman was installed a little over a year ago. Those of the Row Church congregation have been Joseph Bomberger, of near Middlespring, served many years, died nearly twenty years ago; Peter Wedel succeeded him soon after his death and still officiates. The ministers serving Marion congregation have been Jacob Hege, of Guilford Township, many years a minister, died some twenty years ago; Benj. Leshar, of Peters Township, installed nearly thirty years ago, has charge yet. Hege's Church, near Williamson, has been under charge of Benjamin Leshar, same as above.

"The bishops of this denomination have been John Gsell (deceased); John Hunsecker, as above, has charge of the five churches. The others have only local preachers. There is a very close relation between the Chambersburg and Letterkenny congregations. The same ministers officiate in both. The congregations commune together twice a year: in the spring at the Letterkenny Church, and in the autumn at the Chambersburg Church. I am unable to give the number of members."

*The Reformed Mennonites* are thus sketched by H. B. Strickler, a member at Waynesboro: "The Reformed Mennonite Church does not keep records of admission to membership, nor of deaths; neither does it record any matters referring to ordination of ministers or bishops, nor such as refer to building houses for worship. Hence these matters can not be given in full. The doctrine of the church was first regularly advocated by Christian Frantz, who migrated to the county from Lancaster County in the year 1825, and settled on a farm near Waynesboro. He had been ordained to the ministry while he yet resided in Lancaster County, and after his removal to Franklin County, exercised himself in preaching as opportunities presented themselves. A house was built about 1827, near Ringgold, Md., just at the State line between Pennsylvania and Maryland. Here regular services have been held from that time to the present. In 1876 a house was erected in Waynesboro. About 1850 a house was built on the Falling Spring, near Chambersburg. These, with a house near Upton, Penn., constitute the houses erected by the membership of the church for public worship. Services are held at a number of places where members of the church are located but have no houses of their own. Ministers are called by the voice of the church from the membership. After serving for a season on probation, if found acceptable, they are ordained to the ministry, and give their services without compensation. Ministers are not stationed to fill particular charges, but serve in the locality where they reside, and fill such appointments as may be within reach. There are four regularly ordained ministers in the county, and two more who are serving on probation. The doctrine advocated is known as non-resistant, because its members do not engage in litigation nor bear arms."

A number of colored churches are found in the county. They belong mainly to the Methodist Church, and are under pastoral and conference care. Mention is made of those in Chambersburg, Greencastle and Mercersburg.

An attempt to establish Mormonism, in Antrim Township, was made in 1845-47, but failed. The particulars are given in the History of Antrim Township.





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## CHAPTER XIV.

## POPULAR AGITATIONS AND PHILANTHROPIC REFORMS.

HUMAN SOCIETY COMPARED TO THE OCEAN—EARLY OUTLAWS—THE NUGENTS—SLAVERY IN FRANKLIN COUNTY—A CURIOUS WILL—GRADUAL ABOLITION OF SLAVERY—RUNAWAY SLAVES—THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD—CAPTURE OF BOB AND DAVE—HISTORY OF JOHN BROWN'S RAID ON HARPER'S FERRY—FATE OF HIS COADJUTORS—WENDELL PHILLIPS' SPEECH—CURIOUS PROPHECIES—HISTORY OF KNOWNOTHINGISM IN CHAMBERSBURG—SKETCHES OF EARLY TEMPERANCE MOVEMENTS IN THE COUNTY—TIDAL WAVES—WASHINGTONIAN MOVEMENT—FATHER MATHEW'S EFFORTS—SONS OF TEMPERANCE—GOOD TEMPLARS—WOMAN'S CRUSADE—NATIONAL WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION—MURPHY MOVEMENT—PROHIBITION—FRANKLIN COUNTY BIBLE SOCIETY—CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY.

HUMAN society is fitly and often compared to the great deep, whose bosom at times is perfectly placid and anon agitated by fierce winds. The longer continued and the deeper the condition of peace, the more noticeable will be any disturbing element. A single interval of malignant disease will be remarked longer and more carefully than all the preceding period of health. Public agitations are but landmarks along the pathway of human progress, serving to give relief from the wearying monotony.

Honest industry did not mark all the early settlers of this beautiful valley. As in every community, there were some who, rather than secure their food by honest toil, were disposed to prey upon the dearly-earned accumulations of others. Infatuated with the idea that the world owes them a living, they were disposed to obtain the means of earthly subsistence by processes wholly beyond the realm of justice and integrity. We are not surprised, therefore, to learn that toward the close of the last century a band of desperadoes, known by the name "Nugents," infested the Cumberland Valley, and preyed upon the people, whom they terrorized. Organized and systematic in their operations, they swooped down upon hamlet and rustic homestead, taking horses or whatever else of plunder they could most conveniently seize, and hurrying to their dens in the mountains. Law and official authority were defied; the people yielded their property voluntarily, often, rather than be subjected to greater outrages at an unexpected hour, and, for a time, the peace and prosperity of the community were at the mercy of these reckless *banditti*. The colonial records are not wanting in accounts like the following of the proceedings of the Supreme Executive Council, dated January 14, 1784: "Ordered, that the case of William Nugent, now confined in the gaol of York County, be referred to the Magistracy of the said county, and that the remission of the fine imposed upon him be liable to such conditions as they may think proper to direct." William, it seems, was the leader of this notorious gang. A little later, when Franklin County had been organized, a reward of £100 was offered for his apprehension. It is understood that in expiation of his crimes he was finally executed, thus ending the career of one who had been the chief of a band of outlaws concerning which some marvelous tales were told.

It is known to but few, probably, of the younger class of our citizens that African slavery at one time existed in Franklin County as it did throughout the State, but never in the malignant form which characterized the Southern

States. The early Scotch-Irish did not entertain the same sentiment of opposition to the institution which distinguished the Quakers; hence many of them, even the leading members of church and state, held slaves. No evidence exists, however, that they were ever treated with any other conduct than would have been extended to ordinary white servants, except that they were subject to sale or bequest just as other property was. With this knowledge in mind, we need not be surprised to find in the records of the county the following document:

Know ye that I Benjamin Chambers of Franklin County, in the State of Pennsylvania for and in consideration of Filial affection and divers other good reasons and causes me thereunto moving, Do by these Presents voluntarily give, bestow and transfer to my Daughter, Ruhamah Calhoon and her assigns, a certain Mulatto girl, a slave, named Phebe, about thirteen years of age and by these presents do confirm to my said daughter Ruhamah and her assigns all my right, title and property in or to the said slave Phebe from myself, my heirs, executors, administrators or assigns. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this first day of August in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty five. Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of Jno. Boyse, George Armstrong.

Acknowledged May 12, 1797.

BENJAMIN CHAMBERS.

Pennsylvania, however, was the first State to take steps for the abolition of slavery. Even during the stormy days of the Revolution, the question presented itself for solution. The Colonial Records, Vol. XI, page 688, has the following minutes of the Supreme Executive Council of which James Mc-Lene, of Antrim Township, was a member, the date being February 15, 1779:

“We would also again bring into your view a plan for the abolition of slavery, so disgraceful to any people and more especially to those who have been contending in the great cause of liberty themselves, and upon whom Providence has bestowed such eminent marks of its favor and protection. We think we are loudly called upon to evince our gratitude in making our fellow men joint heirs with us of the same inestimable blessings, under such restrictions and regulations as will not injure the community and will imperceptibly enable them to relish and improve the station to which they will be advanced. Honored will that State be in the annals of history which shall first abolish this violation of the rights of mankind, and the memories of those will be held in grateful and everlasting remembrance who shall pass the law to restore and establish the rights of human nature in Pennsylvania. We feel ourselves so interested on this point, as to go beyond what may be deemed by some the proper line of our duty, and acquaint you that we have reduced this plan to the form of a law, which, if acceptable, we shall in a few days communicate to you.”

This, addressed to the Assembly, was not acted upon at the time. The proposed law, however, was presented and passed on the 1st of March, 1780, by a vote of 34 yeas to 21 nays. Thus began gradual emancipation in the State, which finally became complete, leaving only historic traces of its existence.

Not by her own slavery, however, but by that of her neighboring States on the south, was the commonwealth agitated. Mason and Dixon's line afforded a sufficient boundary to determine the rights of realty in Pennsylvania and Maryland, but was no barrier to the fugitive from Southern bondage, inspired with the notion of liberty and the rights of man. The Cumberland and Shenandoah Valleys, with their lofty and heavily timbered mountains on either side, afforded ample opportunities for the escape of negroes from their cruel masters. In every community, too, were those who sympathized with the fugitives and afforded them every possible aid to escape from their bondage. This naturally developed two classes of people in Pennsylvania: first, those

who felt for the runaway, and aided him in his escape; secondly, those who, from a desire to obey the fugitive slave law, or from a selfish wish to obtain the heavy reward offered for the return of the bondman, made every effort possible to capture the dusky unfortunate. Between these two parties strife necessarily arose. Anti-slavery and pro-slavery were terms that represented very clearly the feelings of the two classes. Political parties for years would have had no issues to present to the people, had not the existence of the slavery problem furnished them.

The operations of the Underground Railroad, were they written in detail, would fill volumes. This expression, purely historic, represents the line along which negro refugees passed from bondage to liberty. At convenient points they found sympathizers who aided them with food and clothing, and such information as would carry them safely to the next station. These anti-slavery aids were usually denominated abolitionists, and rapidly won the absolute detestation of the pro-slavery advocates North and South. Under the operation of the fugitive slave law, they were law-breakers, and subject to both fine and imprisonment, if they refused to give assistance in returning slaves to their masters.

It is not possible to give the thrilling cases that the records afford of runaways returned again to bondage. The press of those days gives numerous cards advertising the runaway of some slave, and offering a large reward for his arrest and return. Some thirty years prior to the war of the Rebellion, a wealthy man living at Winchester, Va., named Flood, and by occupation an insurance agent, advertised that two of his negro servants, Bob and Dave, had absconded, and offered \$600 for their recovery. Mr. John Grove, constable at Chambersburg, wrote Mr. Flood that he would assist in returning the fugitives for the promised sum. Flood came, and the two went out and found them near Bossart's mill, and brought them to town. They were cast into prison, but on trial denied their names. Reade Washington, attorney for Flood, tried a peculiar device to ascertain whether the prisoners were really Bob and Dave as alleged. Turning his back upon them, he began to write. Suddenly wheeling about he said, "Bob!" The negro unthinkingly replied, "Sir." This was evidence. The poor fellows were taken back as captives, and Grove received his reward, but with it the imprecations of Flood, who regarded the affair a mercenary one.

Along the valley were men who made it a business, not of conscience but of sordid gain, to arrest runaways and return them for the rewards offered. To this class belonged the Logans and Fitzhughs who afterward became so conspicuous in the capture of John Brown's associates in the Harper's Ferry raid.

In the summer of 1859, a strange man had his quarters at a frame house, still standing, on King Street in Chambersburg, nearly opposite the present Cumberland Valley depot. This strange man had, in early life, imbibed an intense dislike for human slavery. Every fiber of his nature was conscientiously opposed to the system. It is not strange, therefore, that during the trials of Kansas in the days of border ruffianism, he should espouse the cause of the free State party, and become generally known as "Ossawatimie Brown." To perfect his scheme for overthrowing slavery in the United States, said John Brown held a convention in Canada during the month of May, 1858, which made an elaborate constitution and a schedule "for the proscribed and oppressed people of the United States." This convention, on the 8th of May, elected John Brown commander-in-chief of all the forces that should be secured under this constitution. His staff officers were J. H. Kagi, Secre-

tary of War; Richard Realf, Secretary of State; George B. Gill, Secretary of Treasury; Owen Brown, Treasurer, and Alfred M. Ellsworth and Osborn Anderson, members of Congress.

The interval from May, 1858, to June, 1859, was occupied largely in developing plans and collecting funds for the philanthropic scheme. Men were enlisted and Brown, under the assumed name of Smith, with three of his sons, made several visits to Virginia, in the meantime, to examine the field. Harper's Ferry was finally selected as the keynote to the situation. Chambersburg was made the base from which to further his operations. Hence, in July, 1859, Brown and his three sons appeared on the streets of Chambersburg, and secured boarding, first at a hotel, and then at the private house on King Street already mentioned. His real mission was unknown to the people, his announced purpose being that of a prospector for minerals in the mountains of Maryland and Virginia, skirting the Potomac. He paid his board regularly, and was treated as any other well-behaved stranger would be, the people of the town never suspecting that in their midst a conspiracy was plotting.

A little later, boxes securely packed and addressed to I. Smith & Sons were received through the commission house of Oakes & Kaufman. By teams provided by Smith, they were immediately taken up the valley and finally deposited on the Kennedy farm, rented for the purpose in Maryland, some five miles from Harper's Ferry. The contents of these boxes were carefully concealed, or if announced at all, were said to embrace agricultural and mining implements. The sequel showed, however, that they contained Sharpe's rifles and pistols, swords, carbines, pike heads and the requisite ammunition. These weapons he ultimately placed in the hands of the small band of men whom he had collected, twenty-one in number, and with them he hoped to secure possession of the arsenal and stores at the ferry and thus provide arms for the uprising negroes in the State, whose cause he had espoused.

His first effort was made on Sunday evening, October 16, 1859. Before leaving his rendezvous on the farm, this intrepid leader addressed his followers, closing with this paragraph. "Now, gentlemen, let me press one thing on your minds. You all know how dear life is to you, and how dear your lives are to your friends; and in remembering that, consider that the lives of others are as dear to them as yours are to you. Do not, therefore, take the life of any one if you can possibly avoid it; but if it is necessary to take life in order to save your own, then make sure work of it."

The attack upon the guards was so sudden and unexpected, that it startled every one in the village. Men were captured and held as prisoners of war. When Brown was asked what it all meant, his reply was: "To free the slaves," and when further interrogated as to his authority for these acts, he said. "By the authority of God Almighty." Guards and night watchmen were seized and held. The utmost consternation prevailed everywhere. On Monday forenoon, however, the people of the village and surrounding country, having organized themselves into companies, took positions on all sides of the invaders and kept up, through the day, continual firing upon the raiders, with severe loss in killed and wounded on both sides. Brown's party was finally compelled to seek refuge in the small brick building known then as the engine house, but now as John Brown's fort, through whose walls, by the removal of bricks, they made port-holes. Through these a constant firing was kept up against any one seen on the streets, or in the houses. The prisoners captured were also kept in this building, thus endangering the lives of non-combatants.

During the day and night of Monday, October 18, militia troops from Winchester, Frederick, Baltimore and other places began to arrive. Col.

Robert E. Lee and Lieut. J. E. B. Stuart, both subsequently conspicuous generals in the Confederacy, arrived from Washington in charge of the United-States Marines, to take command, and either to capture or kill the insurgents. After fruitless efforts by Lieut. Stuart to secure the surrender of Brown and his party, an assault of the place was made by the marines under command of Lieut. Green, and all the inmates were captured. Brown received two wounds, one in the head and one in the shoulder. Thus ended the attack on Harper's Ferry.

The following is a list of Brown's party: John Brown, and his three sons, Watson, Oliver and Owen; Aaron D. Stevens, Edwin and Barclay Coppie, Albert Hazlett, John E. Cook, Stuart Taylor, William Lehman, William Thompson, John Henri Kagi, Charles P. Tydd, Oliver Anderson, Jeremiah Anderson, Dolph Thompson, Dangerfield Newby, Shields Greene, John Copeland and Lewis Leary. The last four were negroes.

Of the foregoing, Wm. Thompson, Lehman, Oliver and Watson Brown, Taylor, Kagi, Newby, Leary and one of the Andersons were killed; Dolph Thompson, Owen Brown, Barclay Coppie, Tydd and one of the Andersons escaped, and were never captured; John Brown was imprisoned at Charlestown, Va., and executed December 2, 1859; Cook and Hazlett escaped, but were recaptured in Pennsylvania and executed (the former on December 16, 1859, with Edwin Coppie). Greene and Copeland; the latter March 16, 1860, with Stevens who had received nine wounds.

John E. Cook was captured near Mont Alto, while endeavoring to escape with several others along South Mountain. Coming down to the settlement to get food for his hungry party, he was betrayed and apprehended by Daniel Logan and several accomplices, hurried to Chambersburg jail, and given a trial before Samuel Reisher, Esq. Public sympathy was strongly in his favor; but in his pocket book was found the following commission which proved to be damaging testimony against him:

No. 4.

No. 4.

HEADQUARTERS WAR DEP'T.,  
Near Harper's Ferry, Md.

WHEREAS, John E. Cook has been nominated a captain in the army established under the provisional government;

*Now, therefore,* in pursuance of the authority vested in us, we do hereby appoint and commission said John E. Cook, Captain.

Given at the office of the Secretary of War, this day, October 15, 1859.

H. KAGI,

JOHN BROWN,

*Secretary of War.**Commander-in-Chief.*

The preliminary examination being against him, he was taken to Virginia and tried. Being a brother-in-law of Gov. Willard of Indiana, every effort was made to clear him, Hon. Daniel W. Voorhes, at present senator from that State, appearing as counsel for his defense. All availed nothing, however, and the brilliant young man paid the death penalty. His captor, Logan, received the \$1,000 "blood money" which was offered for his arrest, and divided it among his associates. Albert Hazlett rode into the town of Chambersburg with a man who had he then known him, might have saved his life, Mr. H. E. Wertz, of Quincy. When he found in town the unusual excitement resulting from the Harper's Ferry raid, and the statement that some of the conspirators were in Pennsylvania, he suggested that one of them had probably ridden with him to town that morning. This clew led to the arrest of Hazlett at Carlisle, whither he had fled from Chambersburg.

Brown's imprisonment in the Charlestown jail was full of thrilling interest. He received letters from friends all over the land, containing words of cheer,

and money for his dependant family. Notwithstanding the strong efforts of the counsel for the prosecution to induce him to confess the co-operation of leading Northern abolitionists, he stood firm, assuming all responsibility for his acts, and meeting his fate heroically. His conduct was admitted, even by his most inveterate enemies, to be brave in the extreme. He was finally executed and his body sent for burial to North Elba, Essex Co., N. Y. On December 8, 1859, the funeral occurred, Wendell Phillips pronouncing the oration. From that address we make one quotation, prophetic of the work accomplished by this intrepid man: "He has abolished slavery in Virginia. You may say this is too much. Our neighbors are the last men we know. The hours that pass us are the ones we appreciate the least. Men walked Boston streets when night fell on Bunker's Hill, and pitied Warren, saying, 'Foolish man! Thrown away his life! Why didn't he measure his means better?' Now we see him standing colossal on that blood-stained sod, and severing that day the tie which bound Boston to Great Britain. That night George III ceased to rule in New England. History will date Virginia emancipation from Harper's Ferry. True, the slave is still there. So, when the tempest uproots a pine on your hills, it looks green for months—a year or two. Still it is timber, not a tree. John Brown has loosened the roots of the slave system; it only breathes, it does not live hereafter."

Three things deserve to be noted: First. In his interview with Gov. Wise, John Brown predicted the utter destruction of Harper's Ferry at an early date. This prophecy was fulfilled. The writer found on the walls of one of its public buildings in April, 1886, the following, written by some wag:

Here lies the town  
That was killed by John Brown.  
It was once very fine  
But not since 1859.

Second. All those engaged in arresting and executing John Brown subsequently committed a like crime against the government of the United States by joining in the Southern Rebellion. Third. Wendell Phillips' prophecy as to the abolition of slavery was verified.

Without attempting to trace the various political movements, it may be proper to notice briefly one that arose simultaneously in all parts of the country, and for a time agitated political organizations with its curious sign of inquiry: "Have you seen Sam?" Its motto "Let Americans rule America," seemed to strike a popular chord, and during its two years of active existence it grew rapidly, and in many cases held the balance of power between the Democratic and Whig parties. Reference is had to American Know-nothingism.

This organization began its county existence in Chambersburg, May 11, 1854, mainly through the efforts of its leader, A. H. McCulloh, the first member in the county and its first district deputy. Some of the leading spirits in those days were Charles W. Clyne, Thos. M. Carlile, Henry Merklein, John Leggett, Upton Washabaugh, O. N. Lull, Alexander Grove, Michael Houser, J. N. Snider, Geo. S. Eyster, F. S. Stumbaugh, John Ditzler, Jacob Straley and David F. Robinson.

The history of temperance agitation in its various phases is fraught with interest. Traces of movements in the early part of the present century are to be noticed in the imperfect newspaper files to be seen. In the *Repository* of 1837, is found this statement of sound principles: "Many of the citizens of Mercersburg believing the use of alcohol, in any form as a drink, to be not only unnecessary but exceedingly dangerous, met on the evening of the 16th



of March, for the purpose of forming a temperance society on the principle of total abstinence." At their meeting on the 27th inst., a large attendance was present, and the following officers were elected: President, Rev. Thomas Creigh; vice-president, Rev. J. Clary; secretary, H. J. Brown; treasurer, George Pearson; managers, Wm. Phillips, I. Minnick, W. C. Webb, D. Kroly, G. W. Walker and J. Spare. Its subsequent work is unknown. In the same paper occurs this: "A meeting of the Franklin County Temperance Society will be held at the hall, in Chambersburg, on Saturday, 15th April, 1837." In 1838 a "Convention of delegates from the different temperance societies of Franklin County" was appointed to be held September 7 at Chambersburg, Frederick Smith, Philip Berlin, Richard Bond, James Morrow and John Smith acting as committee. The same year we find a brief account of the "Chambersburg Temperance Society" with a membership of 281, embracing the names of such prominent men as Geo. S. Eyster, G. A. Shryock, Robert M. Bard, William Seibert, M. Nead, Wilson Reilley, Joseph Pritts and George Heck.

These efforts seem to have been made prior to the sweeping over the county of what are known as the "tidal waves" of temperance. In April, 1840, six day laborers in the city of Baltimore signed this pledge: "We whose names are annexed, desirous of forming a society for our mutual benefit, and to guard against a pernicious practice which is injurious to our health, standing and families, do pledge ourselves as gentlemen, that we will not drink any spirituous or malt liquors, wine or cider." This originated what was known as the Washingtonian movement that swept over the land from east to west, and enlisted its thousands. Its influence was felt everywhere.

The same year a new impetus was given the temperance cause by the appearance in America of Father Matthew, the world-renowned apostle of temperance in Ireland. For ten years he had labored among his own people on the island of Erin, securing 150,000 converts in Cork in five months, and administering the pledge in Galway to 100,000 in two days. Given a public reception by the civil authorities on his landing in New York, he visited the principal cities of the land. Everywhere he was royally received, and during his visit to this country enrolled over 600,000 converts to the good cause. His pledge was simple: "I promise, with Divine assistance, to abstain from all intoxicating liquors, cordials, cider, and fruit liquors, and prevent, as much as possible, intemperance in others, by advice and example."

The next "wave" of any importance, was that of the *Sons of Temperance*. Its advent into Franklin County was marked by the organization in 1845 of the Evening Star Division, No. 70, of the Sons of Temperance, on the pledge: "No brother shall make, buy, sell, or use, as a beverage, any spirituous or malt liquors, wine or cider." Its membership reached 140 or more, embracing some of the principal citizens of Chambersburg: George S. Eyster, George Heck, Matthias Nead, Fred. Smith, P. W. Seibert, W. G. Reed, I. H. McCauley, J. Allison Eyster, C. W. Eyster, Jas. R. Kirby, Wilson Reilly, John W. Reges, Henry Greenawalt, Geo. R. Messersmith, J. W. Douglas, Jacob S. Nixon, Saml. G. Lane, John K. Shryock, A. H. Senseny, S. R. Fisher, B. S. Schneck, J. L. Suesserott, Edmund Culbertson, D. K. Wonderlich and others. In a short time a second lodge, the Siloam, was formed. After a period of five or six years these organizations fell into "innocuous desuetude," from which they did not revive till about 1866, when the forming of lodges of Good Templars gave an impetus to temperance work.

The next "wave" was that inaugurated by the *Good Templars* throughout the land. This occurred about the close of the war, when the excitement of

military life gave way to the more lasting diversions of civil life. The order was introduced into Chambersburg through the efforts of Rev. S. H. C. Smith, then pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, assisted by John Gilmore, Mrs. Rachel Sloan, Mrs. Joseph Sierer, Miss Lide Welsh and other philanthropic spirits. The society grew to be a large one, and was, for a time, very aggressive and successful in its work. Auxiliary societies were formed in various parts of the county.

The next temperance "wave" was the *Woman's Crusade*, which began in Hillsboro, Ohio, December 23, 1873; and in Washington C. H., December 25, the same year. The first was regarded the cradle, the second the crown of the movement. Mrs. E. J. Thompson, of Hillsboro, the wife of Judge J. H. Thompson, and daughter of Gov. Trimble, of Ohio, was the leader of the first praying band. The movement, which was an onslaught on the saloon-keeper by direct praying bands and petitioners, spread like wild-fire over the North and West, and had a wonderful effect in defeating Republican congressional and State candidates in the election of 1874.

The National Woman's Christian Union was organized at Chautauqua, August 15, 1874, with the appropriate motto, "For God and Home and Native Land." The pledge which is used in all State and inferior unions is thus expressed, "I hereby solemnly promise, God helping me, to abstain from all distilled, fermented and malt liquors, including wine and cider, and to employ all proper means to discourage the use of, and traffic in, the same." In its scope, this organization, which seems to have lived longer than any predecessor and to have become rooted in every hamlet in the country, is both educational and legal. A very important feature of its work is the inculcation in text-book and other literature, of the effects of narcotics and stimulants upon the human system. At the same time a vigorous effort is constantly being made to secure appropriate State and national legislation on questions involving the temperance problem. An account of the workings of this organization will be found in the societies as described in the various boroughs and villages of the county.

In 1876 a movement originated in Pittsburgh and spread rapidly in all directions, known as the *Murphy movement*. It was named in honor of Francis Murphy, an illiterate, though enthusiastic Irishman, who labored extensively to disseminate his views of temperance. No attention was paid to the saloon-keeper, but special prominence was given to the poor unfortunate that had risen from the gutter. So high a premium was placed upon the reformation of the inebriate, as to eclipse all honor growing out of a life of continued sobriety. Hence, many of the strongest advocates of the movement were, like Murphy, reformed drunkards. This fact soon brought the movement into disfavor. All the good features of it have been adopted by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The last phase of the temperance problem is known as *Prohibition*. It is not new; prohibition as a principle has existed in every form of government, human and divine, since the birth of time. As a test of loyalty the first pair were restrained by a "Thou shalt not eat thereof." Without the rational foundation afforded by a proper instruction which recognizes the fact that man is a creature of habits; that "whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap;" that the claims of the mind are superior to those of the stomach; and that personal and associate happiness and prosperity depend upon self-control, no system of legislation can produce the desired temperance reform. However much philanthropists may desire it, they are compelled to acknowledge their inability to secure the "complete regeneration of the morals of mankind by act of the Legislature."



*Jacob Hoke*



We have said that prohibition is ancient. Even in its legal and political aspects, the question was submitted to the people of the State in 1854, and lost by a vote of only several hundred. In an address dated Chambersburg, September 8, 1854, and signed by George Chambers, William Heysor, William Seibert, Fred. Smith, Thomas Carlisle, Geo. S. Eyster, Wm. G. Reed, Thomas B. Kennedy, W. Crooks, D. K. Wunderlich, Bernard Wolff and Fred. Henninger, after detailing, in very eloquent terms, the evils of intemperance to the individual and the community, the significant statement is made that "the man who neglects or refuses to vote in favor of a prohibitory law, the provisions of which are to be left to the sound judgment of the Legislature, will be represented by those opposed to it as against it, and in favor of the liquor traffic. It is for the people to say whether our innumerable shops, where intoxicating liquors are sold, shall be allowed to spread over our State drunkenness, crime and misery or their destructive business, prohibited by law. We earnestly entreat our fellow citizens to give their influence and vote on the side of temperance, peace, order and the public welfare."

In the address, from which we have quoted but an extract, strong grounds are taken in favor of legal prohibition, showing that the solution of the problem has taxed the minds of earnest philanthropists for a long period. The final solution will be the result of all educational, moral and legal agencies combined.

*The Franklin County Bible Society*, one of the valuable institutions of the county, was organized in Chambersburg on the 12th of December, 1814. Its first corps of officers embraced the following gentlemen: President, Rev. John McKnight, D. D.; vice-presidents, Rev. James Hoffman and James Riddle, Esq.; secretary, Rev. John Lind; clerk, Rev. David Elliott; treasurer, John Findlay, Esq.; managers, Revs. David Denny, John F. Moeller, John Moodey, Robert Kennedy, Messrs. James McFarland, John Calhoon, Edward Crawford and George Chambers. Traces of the organization are to be found in the incomplete newspaper files through the intervening years to the present time. The officers for 1828 were: President, Rev. David Denny; vice-presidents, James Riddle and George Chambers; corresponding secretary, Rev. John McKnight; treasurer, John Findlay, Sr.; clerk, James B. Ross. The object, as expressed in the original call for its organization, was "to procure copies of the sacred Scriptures for distribution, either gratis or on such conditions as the society may think proper." We regret our inability to give statistics of its work, but understand from one of its active members that it has not only maintained a continued existence to the present, but has distributed liberally to destitute families the word of the living God. Its benefactions during the civil war were not confined to the narrow limits of the county, but extended to hospitals and camps in other counties and States. One of the latest evidences of life is the following item, taken from the *Valley Spirit* of December, 1886:

"In pursuance of a call by Rev. J. A. Crawford, D. D., president, the managers of the Franklin County Bible Society convened in the pastor's study of the Central Presbyterian Church at 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning. There were present Revs. J. A. Crawford, D. D., J. F. Kennedy, D. D., J. J. Pomeroy, D. D., W. C. Cremer, M. L. Smyser, M. Z. Hittel, S. D. W. Smuth, H. R. Phoenix and Mr. J. Hoke. After a statement by Mr. Hoke in relation to the past history and present condition of the society, the following resolutions were adopted:

*Resolved*, That a suitable time in the month of April or May next we will hold our annual meeting, and that the secretary communicate with Rev. Dr. Morrow, agent of the Pennsylvania Bible Society, in relation to getting him to be present on that occasion.

*Resolved*, That the president, Dr. Crawford, be directed to publish through the town and county papers that the Franklin County Society is without funds, and that in order to be prepared for its proper work, to meet our local wants by keeping on hand a supply of Bibles and Testaments to be sold at cost, or to make a thorough exploration of the county and supply the destitute, or aid the State society in its work, it is desired that the friends of the cause throughout the county aid us by collections and donations, to be sent to the treasurer, Mr. James C. Austin, Chambersburg.

*Resolved*, That the secretary communicate with the Female Bible Society, of this place, in relation to having a thorough exploration of the town with a view to ascertain the amount of destitution of the Scriptures prevailing.

“Mr. J. Hoke is secretary of the Bible society. With the stimulus given it by yesterday morning’s meeting it can be safely predicted that the society will resume its work with new energy and fruitful results.”

One of the philanthropic enterprises of the county, deserving of special mention, is The Children’s Aid Society. By a legislative enactment of the State in 1883, poor-houses were not permitted to retain children between the ages of two years and sixteen years for a longer period than sixty days. The State failing to provide for such dependent ones, private enterprises had to supply the deficiency. At the time, Franklin County had twenty-five of such children, under ten years of age, in her poor-house.

On June 14, 1884, a number of persons from different portions of the county met in the Central Presbyterian Church of Chambersburg, and after a thorough discussion of the subject it was deemed best to create a corporation with power to act for the good of the children; and, therefore, for the welfare of the general public, a board of directors was chosen, and on July 16 a charter was granted The Children’s Aid Society of Franklin County by the court of common pleas, and a few days later its organization was completed. More than a score of children were awaiting the opening of its sheltering arms, but it was without a roof to protect, raiment to clothe, provision to feed or help to care for them. For these purposes it had no funds. The remedy was an appeal to the charitable; the response was the receipt of over \$600 in money and many donations in kind to start the work. A house was secured and, in October following, its doors were opened, and since then thirty-eight children have been admitted, of whom fourteen have been placed in good homes, and twenty are now under its roof, fitting for useful service when they may be wanted.

The house occupied last year could only be had temporarily, and when opportunity offered, the building now in use was purchased. It is not convenient for the purpose, and too small to accommodate those in it, and the society is, therefore, unable to receive the needy children now pleading at its doors for admission. For these reasons, at a recent meeting of its board of directors it was unanimously decided to enlarge and improve the building, and trust to the benevolence of the people for the funds needed. The wants of the society in the past have been generously met and we feel that this, its greatest one, will be no exception.

The purpose of The Children’s Aid Society, it should be understood, is to care for and protect all the destitute and cruelly treated children of Franklin County, without regard to creed, color or race, taking them under its roof, placing them in families, looking after their welfare and helping them to lives of usefulness. Of those who think this institution is intended for Chambersburg, we would ask that they disabuse their minds of this idea by looking at the records of its inmates, which show that while Antrim, Quincy, Greene, Montgomery, Washington, Southampton, Guilford, Metal and Lurgan Townships have inmates of the home, Chambersburg has none. Its management is economical, and the only persons who draw pay for services are the matron and

the other help in the house, the directors and other officers giving their time and labor without charge.

This work is one that appeals to the sympathy and help of every person in the county. It is a home mission work for the aid of those of tender years who have neither friends nor money, and aims to make useful citizens of such as otherwise might become paupers and criminals. Franklin County was one of the first in the State under the new law to make provision for its homeless and friendless children.

To expedite matters, a committee of four persons or more was appointed in each election district in the county, to solicit and receive contributions, and to become the local managers of the enterprise.

#### AN EXPLANATORY CARD.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors of The Children's Aid Society, John G. Orr, James A. Reside and Mrs. Lou. Kennedy were named as a committee to devise means or suggest a plan for raising by contribution sufficient funds for the erection of a building for the use of the society.

A proposal was made by the *Valley Spirit* that it would undertake through its columns the raising of funds for that purpose. Believing the plan proposed to be practical and effectual, and besides, as it will be done without any cost to the aid society, we cheerfully accepted the proposition and heartily commend the effort to the many benevolent people of Franklin County.

LOUISA KENNEDY,  
JAMES A. RESIDE.

Commencing with May 5, 1886, the *Valley Spirit* began to publish in its columns the names of all contributors and the amount of each contribution. Responses were general and liberal. As a result, on December 21, 1886, the board of directors purchased the Mrs. Boyer property, on Federal Hill, for \$6,325. The property already in possession of the society was accepted by Mrs. Boyer at its cost, \$1,500.

In its issue of December 29, 1886, the *Spirit's* report of contributions for the helpless, aggregated \$5,458.06, showing the efficiency of live newspaper advocacy, and the philanthropic spirit of the good people of the county. This fund is still being augmented, and will probably reach \$8,000 before the close of the first year. Future generations will rise up and bless the faithful paper that has so persistently advocated the claims of the helpless and dependent—an enterprise that marks a grand era in the development of the county.

## CHAPTER XV.

## THE GREAT REBELLION OF 1861-65.

INTRODUCTION—CIVIL WAR AN INTERESTING STUDY—ITS ANTECEDENTS MUST BE CONSIDERED—JAMESTOWN AND PLYMOUTH TYPICAL OF TWO ANTAGONISTIC CIVILIZATIONS—PRACTICAL INFERENCES—WAR STATISTICS—FIRING ON FORT SUMTER AND ITS EFFECTS—PATRIOTIC MEETINGS—HEARTY RESPONSE TO PRESIDENT'S CALL FOR TROOPS—INCIDENTS OF 1861—COMPLETE ROSTER OF TROOPS FURNISHED BY THE COUNTY—STUART'S RAID IN 1862—LEE'S INVASION. PRECEDED BY JENKINS' RAID—REBEL OCCUPATION OF CHAMBERSBURG AND ITS EVENTS—ADVANCE ON GETTYSBURG—BATTLE—RETREAT—LEE'S TRAIN OF WOUNDED—BURNING OF EWELL'S SUPPLY TRAIN AND CAPTURE OF PRISONERS BY KILPATRICK—MCCAUSLAND'S RAID AND BURNING OF CHAMBERSBURG.

THE civil war which convulsed the American continent and astounded the world from 1861 to 1865, is one of thrilling historic interest. Its causes, its deeds of heroic daring, its varying successes, its magnitude, its illustrious civil and military actors on both sides, the new ideas of statesmanship developed, its test of the capacity of man for self-government, its influence on the future of the New World as well as upon the Old, the dawn of a new era of educational, mechanical, social and political progress—these must all be wisely and dispassionately studied. He, therefore, who expects to read its history successfully, by commencing with the firing on Fort Sumter in 1861, and reading the narrative of its thrilling events only to the surrender of the last Confederate Army in 1865, commits a fatal mistake.

To say the civil war continued only four years is historically incorrect. Its causes can be traced for centuries prior to the firing upon and capitulation of Fort Sumter, and its consequences upon American civilization will end only with the last knell of time. Its causes may be assigned, philosophically, to the basic conflict in human nature, which an inspired apostle represents as a warfare between the flesh and the spirit—an "irrepressible conflict," whose duration is coextensive with earthly existence, and whose victory, sometimes on one side, and sometimes on the other, is never final, till death separates the contestants. But, fixing the origin of this "irrepressible conflict" more definitely as to time and place, let it be remarked, that in the colonization of this country two radically different molds of civilization were established. The colony at Jamestown, Va., in 1607, was composed largely of pleasure-seeking, wealth-desiring gentlemen of leisure, who ardently sought, in the New World, what could be obtained with difficulty in the Old. Its first members, coveting that which would enhance bodily comfort, brought with them no well-defined, deep-rooted moral convictions; came not because of persecutions for righteousness' sake in the parent country, nor because of any burning desire to establish any special theory of education or government. They represented the jovial, ease-loving classes of Europe, and their thoughts and purposes in the new world would, under the operation of the law that *like begets like*, reproduce and impress themselves upon their progeny. This colony passed readily and naturally from a system of white serfdom to the adoption and perpetuation of African slavery. In other words, it found African labor and bondage congenial to its natural tastes, and easily became its exponent and defender.



Virginia became, and remained, the dominant power in what was subsequently known as the Southern States. She was the mother, not only of presidents and statesmen, but of systems of education and theories of government as well. Jamestown was the germinal, typical, dominant Southern colony, whose impress was stamped indelibly upon that region.

The New England colonies, and notably that of Plymouth in 1620, were founded by persons naturally no more intelligent, but men and women of deep convictions as to the rights of the people and the powers of government—persons whose persecutions in the parent country had induced them to endure the perils of a turbulent sea voyage, and the hardships and privations of pioneer life. Family, school, church and state; free speech, free press and freedom of conscience—these all came with the original colonists. The subsequent cases of intolerance exhibited toward dissenters, were only instances of honest convictions, somewhat misguided, striving for their own exaltation. The final rejection of African slavery was based, not wholly upon the unproductiveness of the system, but largely, on the promptings of a quickened conscience, which recognized the enormity of a property-inheritance in human flesh and blood and brain.

Says a prominent American writer and statesman: "The character of the original settlers determined the character of the social and political institutions, while subsequently these institutions in their turn determined the character of the inhabitants. \* \* Thus we trace in the first stages of American history two distinct currents, one running in the direction of permanent social and political distinctions, and the other in the direction of social and political equality—the one essentially aristocratic, the other essentially democratic. These currents were running smoothly side by side as long as they were kept asunder by the separate colonial governments; but they became directly antagonistic as soon as, by the organization of the different colonies into one republic, a field of common problems was opened to them where they had to meet. Then the question arose which of the two currents should determine the character of the future development of the American Republic." This question, "Which type of civilization shall control the destinies of the republic?" was the problem that demanded the wisest statesmanship, the most prudent legislation and the most conciliatory policy for nearly two and a half centuries. The friction which it produced was the "irrepressible conflict" in political life. Human slavery, the cause of it all, was fortified behind the doctrine of State supremacy as opposed to national supremacy. Two sections of one great commonwealth, permeated by radically unlike theories of government, were jealous of each other's interests. Agitation, infractions of law, exciting speeches, publications of an inflammatory character, Northern aid to negroes escaping from bondage, and Southern intolerance of Northern sentiments and public men, want of free communication between the great sections—these brought about a frenzied spirit in the South, and transferred the conflict from the field of legislation to the field of battle. The conflict which had, through varying phases, been raging for centuries, and which had been stayed at times only by compromises in the interests of slavery, was renewed in deadly earnest on the field of carnage. The civil war was but a continuation of the legislative war.

We are now prepared to draw a few practical inferences from what has preceded:

1. A rational explanation of the causes of the war furnishes a satisfactory basis for charitably judging its principal instigators, or its subsequent prosecutors.

2. It will be seen that "Uncle Tom's Cabin," "Helper's Impending Crisis," the efforts of abolitionists like Garrison, Phillips, Lovejoy, Giddings, Greeley, Smith, etc., John Brown's raid on Harper's Ferry, the inflammatory speeches of Davis, Toombs, Yancey, Calhoun, Wise and others, were but slight skirmishes in the great conflict, and only feeble means of hastening what was inevitable—the overthrow of one or the other type of civilization.

3. It must be apparent that men educated in the same military schools and trained in the same tactics would, other things being equal, become equally successful leaders of armies in the field.

4. The warmer climate and the modes of living peculiar to the Southern States, caused Southern soldiers to be more impulsive and more thoroughly in earnest from the beginning of the war. Hence Confederate successes were more frequent during the first two years of the war than during the last two, when the supporters of the Union were thoroughly aroused.

5. Each party in the conflict, including the managing officials, mistook the nature of its enemy, overestimating its own powers and underestimating those of its opponent.

6. The war for the Union could not be successful till the cause of the war, negro slavery, was removed by the President's emancipation proclamation and subsequent confirmatory legislation.

The civil war, of which Gettysburg is the typical battle, was one of colossal proportions. From semi-official records the following statistics are obtained: Total number of troops furnished by all the States for the Union army, 2,859,132; the entire number for the Confederate Army was probably about 1,500,000, though one Confederate officer\* puts it as low as 650,000. The Union losses were as follows: Killed in battle, 61,362; died afterward, 34,727; died of disease, 183,287; total, 279,376. The Confederate losses were: Killed in action, 51,527; died of wounds or disease, 133,821; total, 185,348. This is probably but a partial statement. Number of troops who died while prisoners: Union, 29,725; Confederate, 26,774. Number of Union troops captured, 212,608; number of Confederate troops captured, 476,169. Number of deserters from Union Army, 199,105; number of deserters from Confederate Army, 104,428. The total number of Confederate wounded is quoted at 227,871; the Union losses must have been considerably larger in proportion to the armies.

The total expenses of the civil war, direct and indirect, are put down as \$6,189,928,908. If this amount be divided by the number of slaves liberated (4,000,000), it shows that every case of freedom incurred a money value of over \$1,500, to say nothing of the untold death and suffering and anguish involved.

#### SCENES OF 1861.

Early on the morning of April 12, 1861, the telegraph announced the attack by Southern troops under command of Gen. P. G. T. Beauregard on Fort Sumter, in Charleston Harbor. But a short time elapsed before messages were received announcing the capitulation of the garrison under Maj. Robt. Anderson, the lowering of the stars and stripes and the substitution of the palmetto flag. With this message came the announcement that President Lincoln had called for 75,000 soldiers to serve for the period of three months in crushing the unholy rebellion thus inaugurated by the secessionists. Intense excitement characterized all classes. The stars and stripes were unfurled from banks, hotels, public and many private buildings. When the flag of the country was dishonored by Southern traitors, the loyal heart of Americans was

\*Major H. Kyd Douglas.

touched. Public meetings were held, patriotic speeches made, and the popular heart fired with a sense of the gross outrage perpetrated upon the national emblem and authority.

In Chambersburg excitement ran high. At a public meeting, held on the evening of April 17, addresses of a stirring character were made by Messrs. Brewer, Sharpe, Douglas, Stewart, Rowe, McCauley, Cook and others, and several thousand dollars pledged for the maintenance of the families of soldiers who should respond to their country's call. The following committees were appointed: On general regulations, D. W. Rowe, Samuel Shryock and W. C. Eyster; committee on contributions, J. Allison Eyster, J. W. Douglas and James Nill; committee to supply pocket Bibles to the soldiers, Ex-Sheriff Brown, I. H. McCauley and A. N. Rankin.

On Thursday evening, the 18th, a pole, 120 feet in length, was raised in the center of the Diamond, and surmounted with a beautiful banner. The occasion was made memorable by the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" by a band of patriotic ladies in front of the Franklin Hotel, and the delivery of soul-thrilling speeches by Messrs. McClure, Stumbaugh, Reilly, Brewer, Everett, Stenger and Welsh. This pole stood as a witness of the patriotic impulses of the people of the community until Gen. Imboden's rebel cavalry cut it down as they were following the rear of Lee's army to Gettysburg.

#### THREE MONTHS MEN.

The morning train of April 19 carried to Harrisburg Franklin County's first contribution to the Union cause in the late war, the Chambers Artillery, composed of 150 men and commanded by Peter B. Housum, captain; John Doebler, first lieutenant; Matthew Gillan, second lieutenant; George Miles, third lieutenant.

On reaching Camp Curtin, near Harrisburg, this company was divided into two companies, Capt. Housum commanding one, and Lieut. Doebler the other. The two, with a third, under Capt. J. G. Elder, were attached to the Second Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers.

#### SECOND REGIMENT PENNSYLVANIA VOLUNTEERS.

This regiment was organized at Harrisburg, Penn., April 21, 1861, with the following officers:

Colonel, Frederick S. Stumbaugh, of Chambersburg, Penn.; lieutenant-colonel, Thomas Welsh; major, James Given; adjutant, Isaac S. Waterbury; quartermaster, George F. Smith; surgeon, James H. Dobbins; assistant surgeon, John S. King, of Mercersburg, Penn.; sergeant-major, D. Watson Rowe, of Greencastle; the colonel, assistant surgeon and sergeant-major were the only regimental officers from Franklin County.

*Company A.*—Recruited at Chambersburg, Penn., was mustered in April 20, 1861, with the following officers:

Captain, Peter B. Housum; first lieutenant, George Stitzel; second lieutenant, K. Shannon Taylor; first sergeant, Thomas G. Cochran; second sergeant, Samuel M. McDowell; third sergeant, Adam F. Smith; fourth sergeant, Bruce Lambert; first corporal, Allison McDowell; second corporal, Thomas Myers; third corporal, John F. Snider; fourth corporal, John F. Pensinger; musician, Frederick Shinefield; sixty-four privates.

*Company B.*—Recruited at Chambersburg, Penn., was mustered in April 20, 1861, with the following officers:

Captain, John Doebler; first lieutenant, George L. Miles; second lieutenant, George W. Welsh; first sergeant, Benjamin Rodes; second sergeant,

Alex. C. Landis; third sergeant, Joseph Thomas; fourth sergeant, George Cook; first corporal, Harry Melvin; second corporal, David L. Hoffman; third corporal, Harry McCauley; fourth corporal, Porter J. Brown; musician, Peter Ackerman; sixty privates.

*Company C.* — Recruited at St. Thomas and Greencastle, Penn., was mustered in April 20, 1861, with the following officers:

Captain, James G. Elder; first lieutenant, Joseph B. Strickler; second lieutenant, Jacob West; first sergeant, William H. Shorb; second sergeant, George H. Miller; third sergeant, Jacob Snider; fourth sergeant, George A. Pool; first corporal, Theodore Koons; second corporal, Thaddeus S. Riley; third corporal, Thomas Hill; fourth corporal, David C. Shafer; musicians, Joel Happle, Edwin Byers; sixty privates.

This regiment was attached to the department of Washington, Maj.-Gen. Robert Patterson commanding, and served most of the term of enlistment in and around Martinsburg and Winchester, Va. Mustered out of service at Harrisburg, Penn., July 26, 1861.

On the day the Chambers Artillery went to Harrisburg, Lieut. Jones with the detachment of United States troops which had occupied Harper's Ferry and which, on the approach of Virginia troops to seize the arsenal, had blown up the works, arrived in Chambersburg *en route* for the barracks at Carlisle. His advent created considerable excitement and confirmed the impression that war was inevitable.

The first troops from Path Valley were the volunteer company at Fannettsburg, known as the "Washington Blues," commanded by Capt. John H. Walker and Lieuts. S. O. McCurdy and John H. Witherow. It was an old company, but at the time of the President's call for troops mustered about forty men. They filled their ranks and, adding a few recruits at Strasburg, reached Chambersburg on April 21 with seventy-four men. Arriving, they reported to Gov. Curtin, expecting to join the other three companies already at Harrisburg. But they had gone with the Second Regiment to the field, and Walker's company was ordered to "go into quarters at Chambersburg and render such aid to the citizens as was in their power." Owing to the threatening outlook along the border, Chambersburg became a point of considerable interest. In a few days two regiments, the Seventh and Eighth Pennsylvania, commanded by Cols. William H. Irvin and A. H. Emley, respectively, were sent thither and went into camp. The "Washington Blues," together with three other infantry companies, a rifle company under command of Capt. John S. Eyster, and one from St. Thomas, under Capt. W. D. Dixon, (one from Fulton County) and one artillery company, commanded by Capt. Charles T. Campbell, of St. Thomas, forming an independent battalion under Maj. McAllen, were kept on drill and guard duty and detached service until they were discharged. The companies of Capts. Walker, Dixon and Eyster soon after became parts of the Pennsylvania Reserves by re-enlistment. Capt. Campbell's artillery also went into active service. The camp occupied by these troops was known as "Camp Irvin," being the fair grounds west of town.

The Seventh and Eighth Regiments were, after a short time, transferred from the fair grounds to a good, well-watered field east of town, belonging to Mr. Eberly. This camp was called "Camp Slifer," in honor of the secretary of the commonwealth. In a week or so these regiments were joined by the Tenth, under command of Col. S. A. Meredith. For nearly four weeks these three regiments, with the independent battalion already mentioned, were the only troops quartered at Chambersburg. On the 28th the Second and Third Regiments, the former containing the three Franklin County companies, ar-



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rived in town, on their way up the valley with Patterson's army. Many of the men were granted brief furloughs to visit their friends.

On June 2 Maj.-Gen. Patterson arrived in town to organize his army for movement up the valley against Harper's Ferry, and other points occupied by the rebels. The organization completed was as follows:

*First Division*—Brev. Maj.-Gen. George Cadwallader commanding, consisting of First, Third and Fourth Brigades.

*First Brigade*—Col. George H. Thomas, Second United States Cavalry, commanding, consisting of four companies United States Cavalry, and First Philadelphia City Troop, Capt. James; battalion of artillery and infantry, Capt. Doubleday; First Rhode Island Regiment and battery, Col. Burnside; Sixth Pennsylvania Regiment, Col. Nagle; Twenty-first Pennsylvania Regiment, Col. Ballier; Twenty-third Pennsylvania Regiment, Col. Dare.

*Third Brigade*—Brig.-Gen. E. C. Williams commanding, consisting of Seventh Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. Irwin; Eighth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. Emly; Tenth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, Col. Meredith; Twentieth Regiment, Scott Legion, Col. Gray.

*Fourth Brigade*—Col. D. S. Miles, United States Infantry, commanding, consisting of Second and Third United States Infantry, Maj. Sheppard; Ninth Pennsylvania, Col. Longenecker; Thirteenth Pennsylvania, Col. Rowley; Sixteenth Pennsylvania, Col. Zeigle.

*Second Division*—Maj.-Gen. Wm. H. Keim, commanding, consisting of the Second and Fifth Brigades.

*Second Brigade*—Brig.-Gen. G. C. Wyncoop, commanding, consisting of First Pennsylvania, Col. Yohe; Second Pennsylvania, Col. Stumbaugh; Third Pennsylvania, Col. Minier; Twenty-fourth Pennsylvania, Col. Owens.

*Fifth Brigade*—Brig.-Gen. J. S. Negley, commanding, consisting of First Wisconsin, Col. Starkweather; Fourth Connecticut, Col. Woodhouse; Eleventh Pennsylvania, Col. Jarrett; Fourteenth Pennsylvania, Col. Johnson; Fifteenth Pennsylvania, Col. Oakford.

Patterson's army, consisting of about 20,000 brave men with good officers, left Chambersburg on the 7th of June. It was expected that he would defeat the enemy wherever found, and do valiant service for his country. Impartial history, however, has nothing of the kind to record. With true patriotic soldiers in his army, he should have met and defeated Johnston, and prevented his pushing on rapidly to join Beauregard at Manassas. His delay resulted in the rout of McDowell at Bull Run, and contributed to the prolongation of the war.

The notion held at first that war was but a "breakfast job" was soon dispelled, and additional troops were called into service for longer periods. Many, in fact most, of those who had entered the three months' service, were ready to enter for "three years or during the war." Northern patriotism, thoroughly genuine when aroused, required the stimulus of defeat to make it respond to the call of duty. When completely wrought up, it was enduring. Franklin County responded generously to every demand made upon her.

#### THIRTY-FIFTH REGIMENT, SIXTH RESERVES—THREE YEARS.

This regiment was organized at Harrisburg, June 22, 1861, under Col. W. Wallace Ricketts of Columbia County.

*Company D*, from Franklin County, was officered as follows: Captains—William D. Dixon, promoted to lieutenant-colonel September 12, 1863; Joseph A. Davison, promoted from first-sergeant to first-lieutenant, August 1, 1862; to captain, September 19, 1863; to brevet major or brevet lieutenant-col-

onel, March 13, 1865. D. Vance, resigned July 26, 1862. William Burgess, promoted from second to first lieutenant, September 19, 1863; brevet captain March 13, 1865. Sergeants, David F. Leisher, Henry Boley, Calvin M. Hassler, John W. Hart, Philip Bessor, John M. Lewis, John P. Welsh, Samuel K. Furley. Corporals, J. Levi Roush, John H. Jarrett, John B. Hymans, William Holkamb, Simon H. Burns, George Bessor, Phineas B. Hollar, John McElwee, William C. Rithour.

The Sixth Reserves was attached to the Army of the Potomac, and participated in the following battles: Dranesville, December 20, 1861; Bull Run, August 29 and 30, 1862; South Mountain, September 14, 1862; Antietam, September 16, 1862; Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862; Gettysburg, July 2, 3 and 4, 1863; Bristol Station, October 12, 1863; New Hope Church, November 26, 1863; the battle of the Wilderness, commencing May 5, and ending May 22, 1864, with its crowning success at Bethesda Church. Mustered out at Harrisburg, Penn., June 1, 1864.

#### FORTY-FIRST REGIMENT, TWELFTH RESERVES—THREE YEARS.

This regiment was organized at Harrisburg, August 10, 1861, with John H. Taggart, of Philadelphia, as colonel.

*Company K, Franklin County.*—Captain, John S. Eyster; first lieutenant, Jesse Little; second lieutenant, Elisha D. Reed; first sergeant, Joseph R. Duffield; sergeants, L. D. Middlekauff, W. R. Pilkington, H. D. Witmer, Samuel C. Giffin; corporals, John W. Setchel, Frank W. Hench, John H. Snow, John G. Rohm, John Patton, Joseph F. Rhodes, William A. Frey, George M. Barnitz; musicians, Christian C. Eckert, William Smith. This company was disbanded July 20, 1862, the commissioned officers discharged and the enlisted men distributed among the other companies of the regiment. Previous to this time the regiment participated in the following engagements of the Army of the Potomac: Dranesville, December 20, 1861, and the seven days' fight on the Peninsula, in June and July, 1862. The regiment was mustered out of service June 11, 1864.

#### FORTY-THIRD REGIMENT, FIRST ARTILLERY—THREE YEARS.

This regiment was organized at Harrisburg in May, 1861, with Charles T. Campbell, of Franklin County, as colonel.

*Battery A, Franklin County.*—Captains: Hezekiah Easton, killed at Gaines' Mill, June 27, 1862; John G. Simpson, dismissed August 21, 1864; William Stitt, promoted to second lieutenant August 1, 1861, to first lieutenant December 26, 1861, to captain September 17, 1864. First lieutenants: W. H. Sollenberger, resigned November 12, 1861; H. E. Polsgrove, resigned December 1, 1861. Samuel D. Martin, promoted to first sergeant March 6, 1862, to second lieutenant February 24, 1864, to first lieutenant November 27, 1864; William R. Brow, promoted to first sergeant December 1, 1864, to first lieutenant March 1, 1865. Second lieutenants: Jacob L. Deitrick, wounded at Bull Run, August 30, 1862; discharged January 24, 1862. Peter Cummings, dismissed December 18, 1863. John H. Cline, promoted to corporal December 18, 1862, to sergeant December 24, 1863, to second lieutenant March 1, 1865. First sergeant, John N. Young; quartermaster-sergeant, Daniel Nerhood; commissary-sergeant, George W. Kline; sergeants, James W. Miller, Jefferson Sausser, Gustavus Seyferth, George W. Tritte, Hiram Warriner, W. H. Whitmarsh, Josiah Hensey, William H. Lawrence, William Jones, Edward Long, John Reese, John Spahr, Robert Taylor, Benj. I. Moore; corporals, Samuel Borts, Isaac Hime, Jefferson Mutchler, Henry D. Barr, George W.



Bennet, George Gressley, Cyrus D. Chapman, Benjamin W. Falls, Anthony Gressley, Charles Mehring, Daniel B. Bagley, Howard Muchler, James W. De Wolf, W. P. A. McDowell, Peter Shelley, Thomas Potter, Robert Snyder; bugler, Jos. E. Ramsdall.

Battery A was attached to the Army of the Potomac, and participated in the battles of Dranesville, December 20, 1861; Fair Oaks, Mechanicsville, Beaver Dam Creek, Gaines' Mill, June 27, 1862 (where its gallant commander, Capt. Easton, was killed, his last words being: "No, we never surrender"); Bull Run, South Mountain, Antietam, Fredericksburg. Being transferred to the Army of the James, it operated on the Black Water, at Deep Bottom, Fort Darling, Seven Pines and Petersburg. Upon the fall of Richmond it entered the fallen city on the day of its surrender, and took part in demolishing the rebel defenses and arsenals; mustered out of service at Harrisburg, Penn., July 25, 1865.

*Battery G.*—This battery was recruited at Philadelphia, but one of its gallant commanders, Capt. Mark Kern, was a citizen of Chambersburg. He was killed at Bull Run, August 30, 1862.

#### SEVENTY-SEVENTH REGIMENT—THREE YEARS.

This regiment was organized at Pittsburgh in October, 1861, with the following officers: Colonel, Frederick S. Stumbaugh, promoted to brigadier-general, November 29, 1862; lieutenant-colonel, Peter B. Housum, died January 1, 1863, from wounds received at Stone River, Tenn. Assistant surgeon, Jacob S. Maurer. Commissary-sergeant, Thomas G. Cochran. Hospital steward, Charles H. Cressler. Principal musicians, Francis M. Donovan, John Stoner.

*Company A* of this regiment was recruited at Chambersburg, Penn. Captains: Samuel R. McKesson, discharged February 3, 1863. John E. Walker, promoted from first lieutenant to captain, May 15, 1863; killed near Atlanta, Ga., August 5, 1864. Albert G. Stark, promoted from corporal to sergeant, August 2, 1862; to first sergeant, February 13, 1863; to first lieutenant, August 24, 1863; to captain, September 8, 1864, wounded at Resaca, Ga., May 16, 1864. G. Washington Skinner, promoted to sergeant, July 5, 1864; to first lieutenant, August 1, 1865. First lieutenant, David F. Daihl, promoted to first lieutenant, October 4, 1865; wounded at Nashville, Tenn., December 8, 1864. Second lieutenants: Joseph Thomas, promoted to captain of Company H; Arthur Bennet, promoted to second lieutenant, March 31, 1862; discharged February 2, 1863. William Eaker, promoted to second lieutenant, September 1, 1865; wounded at Liberty Gap, Tenn., June 25, 1863. First sergeants, Elwood B. Reese, John W. Bryson and David B. Miller; sergeants, Joseph Fisher, George Starley, John A. Borland, Martin St. Clair, Wm. H. Pensinger, David E. Stoner, Christian Burkholder, Samuel S. Ramsey, Jacob Sites, John J. Forsyth, Oliver J. Gamble, Frederick Sharp, Randal Childers, Jacob Lackey, Frank Patterson, Thomas Laywell, Harrison Norris, Wm. Hoekersmith, William Bradley, William H. Gonder, John Betz, John F. Pensinger; corporals, Jeremiah Row, John W. Bowman, Milton M. Horton, Frederick Berkle, James Rouzer, John Row, Stephen O. Skinner, Timothy Sullivan and James Cannon.

Parts of Companies D, G and H were also from Franklin County. Among the commissioned officers of Company D were captain, Jesse R. Frey, and second lieutenants, Charles H. Cressler and Thomas G. Cochran; and of Company H, captain, Joseph Thomas, and first lieutenant, James F. Shattuck, all of Chambersburg.

The Seventy-seventh Regiment was attached to the Army of the Cumberland, and participated in the battles of Pittsburg Landing, Corinth, Stone

River, Murfreesboro, Liberty Gap, Chickamauga, Tunnel Hill, Rocky Face Ridge, Resaca, Kingston, New Hope Church, Kenesaw Mountain, Peach Tree Creek, Jonesboro, Lovejoy, Franklin and Nashville. In July, 1865, the regiment was ordered to Texas, where it remained until December 5, when it received orders to return home, and was mustered out at Philadelphia, Penn., January 16, 1866.

EIGHTY-SEVENTH REGIMENT—THREE YEARS.

This regiment was organized in September, 1861, under Col. George Hay, of York, Penn.

*Company K*, Franklin County, was officered as follows: Captain, David B. Greenawalt; first lieutenant, Simon H. Foreman; second lieutenant, John C. Brown; first sergeant, John McAllister; sergeants, S. S. Stocksleger, Abraham D. Ritter, Wm. H. Weikert, George W. Mowers; corporals, George A. Birsecker, John H. Dubbs, W. A. M. Renfrew, George F. Burns, Henry A. Cook, Wm. H. Hummer and Ignatius Lightner.

*Company K* was mustered in, March 17, 1865, at the time of the reorganization of the regiment, and was mustered out, June 29, 1865; attached to the Army of the Potomac, and participated in the charge upon the works before Petersburg, Va., April 2, 1865.

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD REGIMENT—THREE YEARS.

This regiment was organized on February 24, 1862, under Col. Theodore F. Lehman, and was reorganized in March, 1865, when *Company A*, eighty-eight officers and men, from Franklin County, became connected with it. The war having closed, the regiment was mustered out of service June 25, 1865.

*Company A*.—Captain, Elias K. Lehman; first lieutenant, George C. Carson; second lieutenant, Samuel H. Eicholtz; first sergeant, Frederick K. Rife; sergeants, Peter Leer, John G. Ritter, Samuel Lentz and Amos G. Huber; corporals, George Robertson, H. W. Hurtsell, Fedde Fixson, Jacob G. Eicholtz, Joseph Gabler, William W. Hewitt, Henry L. Reitzell and Israel Slothoner.

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH REGIMENT—THREE YEARS.

It was organized at Harrisburg, Penn., March 5, 1862, by the election of Thomas A. Zeigle, of York County, as colonel. Two citizens of Franklin County, Robert W. McAllen and Jas. Mac. Thompson, served as lieutenant-colonels of the regiment.

*Company K*, Franklin County, was organized with the following officers: Captains, A. Jackson Brand, resigned November 24, 1862, and Benjamin Rodes, promoted from first lieutenant November 24, 1862; first lieutenant, Thomas Myers, promoted from first sergeant February 6, 1863; second lieutenant, George F. Cook, resigned December 29, 1862; Alex. C. Landis, promoted from first sergeant December 31, 1862, discharged November 26, 1863, and Harrison H. Hutton; first sergeant, John R. Michaels; sergeants, William J. Norton, Nicholas Haines, John R. Leshar, John P. Ward, William Ackerman, James Ridgeley, William E. Shuman, John Ferguson, William H. Horner, Joseph W. Michaels, James Jackson, Jacob Shaffer, Hugh F. Gordon, Henry Dorn, Matthias Stondaggle, Thomas Dunkinson and James Mayhue.

This company served in the Army of the Potomac, and participated in the following battles: Cedar Mountain, Bull Run, Turner's Gap, South Mountain, Antietam, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Hope Chapel, Petersburg and the capture of Richmond; mustered out of service July 13, 1865.

John T. Dick, of Mercersburg, was captain of Company H, and was killed at Bull Run, Va., August 30, 1862.

## ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH REGIMENT—THREE YEARS.

*Eleventh Cavalry.*—This regiment was organized October 8, 1861, and a large number of the members of the different companies were from Franklin County, but the only company organized here was Company D. The county was represented in the regimental staff by the following officers: Lieutenant-colonel, George Stitzel; major, John S. Nimmon; adjutant, John C. Sample; commissary-sergeant, Edward A. Minnich; sergeant-majors, Sylvester A. Weldy and Michael H. Stoner.

*Company D.*—This company was officered as follows: Captains, Robert B. Ward, discharged November 25, 1864; John S. Nimmon, promoted to captain November 6, 1864, to major May 25, 1865, and James E. Cook, promoted to captain May 26, 1865; first lieutenants, John C. Sample, promoted to adjutant December 1, 1864, and Wm. N. Scott, promoted from first sergeant May 26, 1865; second lieutenants, James H. Aughinbaugh, resigned January 13, 1863, and Sylvester A. Weldy, promoted from sergeant-major November 28, 1864; first sergeants, Jacob M. Miles and John S. Hicks; quartermaster-sergeant, Josiah C. Young; commissary-sergeant, Jeremiah A. Smith; sergeants, Benjamin Wallace, Thomas H. Warren, William S. Askwith, John F. Peiffer, William A. Price, Thomas C. King and Edward A. Minnich; corporals, George W. Schweitzer, William H. Woodall, John R. Smith, William Henneberger, Franklin Rhodes, E. M. Flickinger, Michael Warrech, George F. Cook, Michael H. Stoner and Joseph S. Hoyer.

In the early part of the service of the Eleventh Cavalry, the regiment was divided, five companies doing picket duty in the neighborhood of Fortress Monroe and the Blackwater, and five companies attached to the Army of the Potomac in the Peninsula campaign. The regiment took part in the battles of Deserted House, Franklin, Suffolk, Petersburg, Stony Creek, Ream's Station, Five Forks, and the capture of Richmond—in the latter capturing 110 field pieces, 41 mortars, 6 heavy guns, 120 carriages and caissons, 7 forges and a large quantity of ammunition and other stores. The regiment also took part in a number of raids through Virginia and North Carolina, destroying a vast amount of rebel stores and lines of transportation. Mustered out at Manchester, Va., August 13, 1865.

## ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH REGIMENT—THREE YEARS.

*Second Artillery.*—In January, 1862, this regiment was organized in Philadelphia, but a large number of the men were recruited in Franklin County. The men being scattered through the various batteries of the regiment, it is impossible to make up a correct record. B. Frank Winger was lieutenant-colonel of the regiment, and Joseph W. Winger, captain, and William H. Verdier, second lieutenant, of Battery D. This regiment, being heavy artillery, was stationed in the fortifications around Washington, D. C. In the spring of 1864, the recruits having filled up the ranks to over three thousand men, a new regiment, called the Second Provisional Artillery, was formed, the officers being selected from the officers and enlisted men of the old regiment. Both regiments were ordered to the front and took part in the Wilderness campaign and the capture of Richmond, a portion of the time acting as infantry. Mustered out at City Point, Va., January 29, 1866.

## ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SIXTH REGIMENT—NINE MONTHS.

After the close of the Peninsular campaign, in which McClellan's fine army was defeated before Richmond and hurled back to the James River, and while Lee's army was concentrating for the overthrow of Pope's Army of Northern Virginia, a feeling of gloom enshrouded the nation. Under this condition, the flower of the country rushed to fill up the depleted ranks of the Union Army. Under these circumstances the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment was recruited in about three weeks, Juniata County furnishing two companies, F and I; Franklin, the remaining eight. The regiment assembled at Camp Curtin, Harrisburg, between August 6 and 10, 1862, and an election of officers held August 13. The following was the list of officers:

*Field and Staff Officers (Commissioned).*—Colonel, James G. Elder, wounded severely in thigh at Fredericksburg, Va., December 13, 1862; absent, wounded and with leave from that date until expiration of service. Lieutenant-colonel, David Watson Rowe, in command of the regiment from December 13, 1862; slightly wounded in cheek at Chancellorsville, Va., May 3, 1863. Major, James C. Austin, honorably discharged upon resignation for disability: Special orders, No. 33, headquarters C. G. D., December 22, 1862. Major, Robert S. Brownson, promoted from captain of Company C, and mustered in as Major, March 31, 1863; adjutant, John Stewart, appointed commissary of musters, Third Division Fifth Corps, April 11, 1863; quartermaster, Thomas J. Nill; surgeon, Washington G. Nugent; assistant surgeon, Frank Grube, appointed assistant surgeon, United States Volunteers, and transferred to Sixth Army Corps, in April, 1863; assistant surgeon, Daniel D. Swift; chaplain, Samuel J. Niccolls, honorably discharged upon resignation, November 23, 1862; chaplain, John Ault, mustered in at Harrisburg, December 2, 1862, joined the regiment December 19, 1862; absent, with leave, from January 18, till February 7, 1863; then absent, sick, without leave till expiration of service.

*Non-Commissioned Staff.*—Sergeant-Major, George F. Ziegler; quartermaster-sergeant, William M. Allison; commissary-sergeant, Charles W. Kinsler; hospital steward, Bottsf'd B. Henshey; hospital steward, Lewis Keyser.

*Company A, Chambersburg.*—Captain, John Dæbler, wounded severely in arm at Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862, necessitating his absence from the company during the remainder of term of service. First lieutenant, John Stewart; appointed adjutant, August 16, 1862. Second lieutenant, George W. Welsh; promoted to first lieutenant, August 16, 1862, *vice* John Stewart; in command of Company A from December 13, 1862, till end of service. Second Lieutenant, William McLenehan, from private *vice* Geo. W. Welsh. First sergeant, John A. Seiders; second sergeant, J. Porter Brown; third sergeant, Rob't Bard Fisher; fourth sergeant, Thomas Durboraw; fifth sergeant, Benj. F. Deal. Corporals, Thomas G. Pilkington, David F. Hoffman, Dennis Reilly, Samuel McIlroy, Alexander Flack, David Greenawalt, Thomas H. McDowell, Emanuel Forney.

*Company B, from Antrim Township and from Fulton County.*—Captain, James C. Austin, promoted to major. Captain, William H. Davison, promoted to be captain, August 20, 1862, *vice* Austin, promoted; February, 1863, appointed inspector-general of brigade, and detached until expiration of service on the staff of Gen. Tyler. First lieutenant, Henry M. Hoke, detailed as division ordnance officer, October 13, 1862. Second Lieutenant, James Pott, from first sergeant, August 20, 1862, *vice* Wm. H. Davison; severely wounded in the face at Fredericksburg, Va., December 13, 1862. First sergeant, James Pott; promoted to second lieutenant; second sergeant, Harvey

Wishert; third sergeant, I. Y. Atherton; fourth sergeant, John Brown Leshar; fifth sergeant, Joseph Myers. Corporals, John L. P. Deitrich, Silas D. Anderson, William H. Weyant, Jacob H. Swisher, William Orth.

*Company C, Mercersburg and Vicinity.*—Captain, Robert S. Brownson, appointed major, by Gov. Curtin, March 16, 1863; mustered in as such, March 31, 1863. Captain, James P. McCullough, from first lieutenant, March 19, 1863, *vice* R. S. Brownson. First lieutenant, Samuel Hornbaker, dismissed from the service of the United States, January 16, 1863, under General Orders No. 4, Third Division, Fifth Corps, and General Orders No. 13, headquarters Army of the Potomac, February 18, 1863. Second lieutenant, Jacob S. Trout. First sergeant, James P. McCullough, promoted February 9, 1863, to first lieutenant, *vice* Hornbaker; second sergeant, David Carson; third sergeant, Oliver H. Anderson; fourth sergeant, William W. Brinkley; fifth sergeant, Thomas D. Metcalf. Corporals, Jacob B. Myers, John K. Shatzer, David L. Coyle, David F. McDonald, Peter McC. Cook, John Findlay Smith, David R. Wolff, Wm. H. McClelland.

*Company D, Chambersburg.*—Captain, John H. Reed, honorably discharged upon resignation, in January, 1863. Captain, Josiah C. Hullinger, from second lieutenant, in February, 1863, *vice* John H. Reed, resigned. First lieutenant, Jeremiah Cook, discharged from service January 16, 1863; [Dismissal revoked.] first lieutenant, George F. Platt, *vice* Jere. Cook, February 24, 1863, acting adjutant at battle of Chancellorsville. Second lieutenant, Clay McCauley, *vice* Josiah C. Hullinger, promoted to captain; captured at Chancellorsville. First sergeant, George F. Platt, promoted to first lieutenant, *vice* Jere. Cook, February 24, 1863; second sergeant, John McCurdy; third sergeant, Clay McCauley, promoted to second lieutenant, *vice* J. C. Hullinger, February 24, 1863; fourth sergeant, John M. P. Snider; fifth sergeant, Alex'r L. C. Dingwall. Corporals: William A. Mountz, Lewis Monath, Charles W. Kinsler, Bottsford B. Henshey, William B. Cook, Henry B. Kindig, Joseph W. Seibert.

*Company E, Waynesboro.*—Captain, W. W. Walker. First lieutenant, Geo. W. Walker. Second lieutenant, Thos. J. Nill, promoted to quartermaster of regiment; second lieutenant, Henry H. Breneman, promoted to second lieutenant, November 18, 1862, from second sergeant. First sergeant, Frederick Berkel; second sergeant, Henry H. Breneman, promoted to second lieutenant, November 18, 1862; third sergeant, John A. White; fourth sergeant, Benjamin S. Gaff; fifth sergeant, Geo. M. D. Brotherton. Corporals: Samuel J. Lidy, James B. French, John C. Tracy, Geo. L. Freet, Jacob F. Newman, Luther B. Walter, John C. Anderson, Augustus C. Manahan.

*Company G, Chambersburg.*—Captain, George L. Miles. First lieutenant, Stephen O. McCurdy. Second lieutenant, Harry C. Fortescue, killed in action at Fredericksburg, Va., December 13, 1862; second lieutenant, Benjamin F. Zook, *vice* Fortescue, killed; promoted from first sergeant, February 9, 1863. First sergeant, Benjamin F. Zook; second sergeant, John H. Harmony; third sergeant, Anthony K. McCurdy; fourth sergeant, John C. Flickinger; fifth sergeant, John Liggett. Corporals: John Kasy, Jr., S. O. Brown McCurdy, Thomas Lindsay, Edward Monath, Peter Dorty, Amos A. Skinner, Richard Waters, William T. Smith.

*Company H, Path Valley and St. Thomas.*—Captain, James G. Elder, promoted to colonel of regiment. Captain, John H. Walker, from first lieutenant, August 15, 1862; wounded severely in battle of Fredericksburg, Va., December 13, 1862; slightly wounded at Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863. First lieutenant, William H. Mackey, promoted August 26, 1862, from orderly sergeant. wounded severely in battle at Fredericksburg, December

13, 1862; second lieutenant, Josiah W. Fletcher, wounded severely in battle of Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862, captured at Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863. First sergeant, William H. Mackey; second sergeant, Jacob Snider; third sergeant, Alfred J. Kent; fourth sergeant, Stephen W. Pomeroy; fifth sergeant, Andrew Burgess. Corporals, Calvin I. Gamble, Benjamin Dawney, Samuel W. Beam, McGinley J. Wilhelm, Jas. B. Worthington, Samuel W. Croft.

*Company K, Greencastle.* — Captain, David Watson Rowe, elected major, August 9, 1862; promoted to lieutenant-colonel, August 15, 1862. Captain, Andrew R. Davison, promoted from first lieutenant, August 9, 1862; acting major of regiment at the battle of Chancellorsville. First lieutenant, John Gilmore Rowe, promoted from orderly sergeant, August 9, 1862; wounded severely in forehead at battle of Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863, whilst in command of his company. Second lieutenant, John W. P. Reid. First sergeant, John Gilmore Rowe; second sergeant, John H. Logue; third sergeant, William Snyder; fourth sergeant, Simon W. Rupley; fifth sergeant, Henry Strickler. Corporals, Emanuel Hawbecker; Wm. C. Byers; Scott K. Snively; Thomas Daly; John M. D. Deitrich.

This regiment, which embraced in its ranks men who then and since have been recognized as prominent citizens of the county, was attached to Tyler's brigade, Third Division, Fifth Corps, Army of the Potomac, and participated in the destructive battles of Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862, and Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863. In both these engagements it lost severely in killed and wounded. On the 20th of May, the regiment was mustered out of service at Harrisburg.

#### ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-EIGHTH REGIMENT—NINE MONTHS.

This regiment was organized at Chambersburg, Penn., in November, 1862, five companies being from Franklin County, and the remainder from Cumberland and Fulton. The field and staff officers from Franklin County were Colonel, David B. McKibben; lieutenant-colonel, Elias S. Troxell; chaplain, Rev. Daniel Hartman; sergeant-major, John L. Ritchey.

*Company B.*—Captain, Elias K. Lehman; first lieutenant, Michael D. Miller; second lieutenant, Adam Franklin; first sergeant, Sabright Gelwicks; sergeants, John G. Ritter, John R. Hamilton, William Shearer, William C. Leedy and Amos R. Keggerreis; corporals, George Robinson, Alex. W. Gaston, John I. Culbertson, Solomon Gabler, Daniel Deatrick, Frederick Rife, Daniel Fraker, William Reifsnider, John W. Campbell and John Funk.

*Company D.*—Captain, Archibald R. Rhea; first lieutenant, Jacob S. Snively; second lieutenant, John Hassler; first sergeant, Thomas Clinging; sergeants, Robert Anderson, Henry Lenher, Jacob Walk, David H. Black; corporals, William W. Auld, John H. Hornbaker, Jacob Fry, Henry Posser, Lewis Clark, Jacob Shatzer, John H. Frederick, Oliver Knode, Daniel A. Miller, Peter Snider, Thomas Donaldson and Frederick Baker.

*Company E.*—Captains, Elias S. Troxell, promoted to lieutenant-colonel; William T. Barnitz; first lieutenant, William S. Maxwell; second lieutenant, S. M. Hoeflich; first sergeant, James R. McCurdy; sergeants, Samuel Brant-haver, Peter Heefner, Levi Kuhuley, Henry Funk; corporals, Emanuel Byers, William Reed, Joseph Woolard, John R. Hoeflich, Richard Ridgley, Emory Hauser, David Wingert, Jacob Horsch, Joseph Freeland, Henry McGinity, and Casper Wickey.

*Company G.*—Captains, Michael W. Triar, resigned; Joseph Rock, promoted from first lieutenant; first lieutenant, William Stover; second lieutenant, Ja-



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cob A. Stover; first sergeant, Franklin Renniker; sergeants, Samuel D. Shank, Jacob Bricker, Daniel Cole, Thomas Duffy, William F. Orndorff, Melchor Speelman; corporals, Richard B. Carson, George Lackens, Thomas R. Gil-land, John F. Smith, Joseph F. Sarter, George Keagey, Philip C. Garman and Jacob Bryson.

*Company I.*—Captain, William E. McDowell; first lieutenant, John Beaver; second lieutenant, John W. Jones; first sergeant, Jacob Stratiff; sergeants, Joseph Martin, Philip H. Snyder, Noah Kuhn, James Williams; corporals, Jacob Leedy, Harrison Fohl, Peter Brubaker, Pott Philips, John H. DeUnger, Jacob C. Hewett, John H. Campbell, Samuel E. Smith and J. P. Feltenberger.

The time of service of this regiment was spent principally in doing guard duty in North Carolina, and took an active part in relieving the garrison at Washington, in that State, when surrounded by the rebels. Being transferred to Gen. Deig's command at Fortress Monroe, it took part in an expedition against Richmond *via* White House Landing, Bottomless Bridge. The purpose of the expedition being accomplished, it was transferred to Harper's Ferry, and followed up Gen. Lee on his retreat from Gettysburg; mustered out of service at Chambersburg, Penn., August 12, 1863.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIRST REGIMENT, SIXTEENTH CAVALRY—THREE YEARS.

This regiment was organized at Harrisburg, Penn., November 18, 1862, with Col. John Irving Gregg as colonel. Company H was from Franklin County, and had in it 203 officers and men. The field and staff officers from the county were major, Adam J. Snyder; adjutant, Samuel E. Cormany.

*Company H.*—Captains, William H. Sullenberger, discharged May 10, 1863; Adam J. Snyder, promoted from first lieutenant, March 12, 1863, to major, May 23, 1865; Solomon B. Barnes, promoted to first lieutenant May 1, 1863, to captain, May 23, 1865. First lieutenant, Samuel B. Peter; second lieutenants, Valentine H. Bohn, discharged March 23, 1863; John S. Armstrong, promoted from first sergeant April 1, 1863; discharged May 25, 1863; Samuel E. Cormany, promoted to adjutant December 11, 1864, and Brewer D. Polley; first sergeant, David W. Newman; quartermaster-sergeant, Geo. W. Earich; commissary-sergeants, Noah Sier, Samuel McGowan; sergeants, Edgar D. Washabaugh, Henry M. Ulery, Abel B. Moore, John Mack, Jacob Stump, John F. Metz, Jerome C. Coble, Jacob R. Fetterhoff, John Woodall, Henry McElroy, Henry S. Bohn, Henry A. Flanagan and George W. Harrison. Corporals, John H. Tilley, Addison P. Todd, James A. Curry, Lewis C. Hoffman, Thomas Dymond, Thomas Hart, John M. Ulery, S. H. McNaughton, Joseph C. Taylor, John Hassen, Thomas Welling, James W. McCurdy, T. Werdebaugh, John D. Reasner, Jacob Bluttenberger, Jacob Fink, John Lawrence, James K. P. Cline, Andrew Hitterling and Samuel A. Rorebaugh.

This regiment represented nearly every section of this broad commonwealth, and was attached to the Army of the Potomac. It participated in the battle of Brandy Station, in a number of engagements on the march of the army from Virginia to Gettysburg, and in the battle at the latter place; at Auburn, Catlett's, Bristoe Station, Trevilian Station, Malvern Hill, Deep Run, Boydton Plank Road, Stony Creek Station, Hatcher's Run, Five Forks, and from this time until the fall of Richmond, the marching and fighting of the Sixteenth were almost incessant. It also took part in a number of raids into the enemy's country, for the purpose of destroying railroads and other government property; mustered out at Richmond, Va., August 7, 1865.

## ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SECOND REGIMENT, SEVENTEENTH CAVALRY—THREE YEARS.

This regiment was organized at Harrisburg, Penn., October 18, 1862, with Josiah H. Kellogg, as colonel. Company G, 147 officers and men, was from Franklin County. Maj. Luther B. Kurtz was the only representative of the county on the regimental staff.

*Company G.*—Captains, Luther B. Kurtz, promoted to major February 13, 1865; Daniel Snively, promoted from first lieutenant, March 10, 1865. First lieutenant, Henry G. Bonebrake, promoted to first lieutenant May 28, 1865; second lieutenants: William R. Kreps, resigned February 6, 1864; Jacob Potter, promoted to second lieutenant May 28, 1865. First sergeants, John J. Robinson, James D. Fitz; quartermaster-sergeant, George F. Foreman; commissary-sergeants, Peter Pass, Daniel Gehr; sergeants, Henry Berger, Abraham Shockey, William Sheldon, David Royer, John J. Andrews, John Shockey; corporals, William Cooper, Samuel Phraner, Joseph Flory, John Strambaugh, James W. Kipe, Francis L. Tracy, John Lore, Joseph Keepers, John Nicodemus, William Simmons.

The Seventeenth was attached to the Army of the Potomac, and was actively engaged in Virginia in scouting and skirmishing till the battle of Chancellorsville, when it was one of the three cavalry regiments selected to accompany Gen. Hooker in that campaign, and took a prominent part. This regiment was in the advance of the march to Gettysburg, and was hailed with demonstrations of rejoicing through Maryland and Pennsylvania, and took part in the first day's fight on the Cashtown Road. Following the retreating foe into Virginia, it was almost constantly engaged in raids and skirmishes until August, 1864, when it was ordered to the command of Gen. Sheridan, in the Shenandoah Valley, where it took part in the battles at Newtown, Front Royal, Smithfield, White Post, Berryville, Pike, and a portion of the regiment was the escort of Gen. Sheridan on his famous ride to the front. This regiment was with Gen. Sheridan in his raid on the James River Canal, in February, 1865, and in the advance that resulted in the fall of Richmond, the cavalry being almost constantly engaged from the 1st till the 9th of April; mustered out at Washington, D. C., June 16, 1865.

## ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIFTH REGIMENT—NINE MONTHS.

This regiment was organized at Gettysburg, Penn., December 6, 1862, under Col. Charles H. Buehler. Company A, 101 officers and men from Franklin County.

*Company A.*—Captain, Charles A. Funk. First lieutenants: George Glass, died at Suffolk, Va.; Newton W. Horner, resigned May 15, 1863; Martin B. Wingert. Second lieutenants: Frank D. Ditzler, discharged May 27, 1863, Abram S. Oyer; first sergeant, Samuel Ritter; sergeants, John McAllister, Daniel Miller, Isaac White and William Foster. Corporals, James Taylor, Solomon Oyer, Thomas Smith, Adam Spidal, William Reath, Elias Kohler, William Poole and Robert Myers.

The term of service of this regiment was spent in and around Suffolk and Norfolk, Va., in doing guard duty and repulsing the raids of the Rebel Army in that direction. It helped to guard the working party in the destruction of the Weldon and Petersburg Railroads, and was with the unsuccessful demonstration against Richmond, in June, 1863, and mustered out of service July 28, 1863.

## ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SECOND REGIMENT, TWENTY-FIRST CAVALRY—SIX MONTHS.

This regiment was organized at Chambersburg, Penn., in August, 1863, with William H. Boyd as colonel. Although the commanding officer was not

a citizen of Franklin County, he was well and favorably known, having previously commanded the Lincoln cavalry, which had attained distinction in the Cumberland Valley in skirmishing with advance of Lee's army in the Gettysburg campaign. Companies D, H, I, K and L, were from Franklin County.

*Company D.*—One hundred and five officers and men. Captain, Josiah C. Hollinger; first lieutenant, Henry B. Kendig; second lieutenant, James C. Patton; first sergeant, Daniel B. Greenawalt; quartermaster-sergeant, Hugh F. Gordon; commissary-sergeant, Alex. L. C. Dingwall; sergeants, Samuel Z. Maxwell, David Chamberlin, David L. Pisle, James T. Buchanan, Joshua K. Hood, and Richard Winters. Corporals, Frederick M. Eyster, Wm. H. Haughtlin, Jacob S. Banker, John H. Rhodes, David Hissong, David R. Gordon, William H. Toms and William H. Kendig.

*Company H.*—Ninety-two officers and men. Captain, Samuel Walker; first lieutenant, William P. Skinner; second lieutenant, R. Gracy Ferguson; first sergeant, John T. Myers; quartermaster-sergeant, George M. Gowan; commissary-sergeant, Jacob Pott; sergeants, William R. Noble, Jeremiah Martin, Reynold M. Barclay, John L. Neil, John Middlekauff and George W. Mosser; corporals, John M. Linn, Richard A. Campbell, Michael Dunkle, George H. Myers, Michael Keggeweis, S. L. Houghwont, Franklin Gamble, John A. Heckman, Adam Sharp, William H. Miller and William H. H. Wilson.

*Company I.*—One hundred officers and men. Captains, Christian R. Pisle, resigned October 12, 1863, and Arthur Bennett, promoted November 14, 1863; first lieutenant, William F. Peiffer, promoted November 14, 1863; first sergeant, Geo. W. Daily; quartermaster-sergeant, Samuel S. Walch; commissary-sergeant, James B. Anderson; sergeants, Jacob Shaffer, Lewis H. Sprecher, James Cosgrove, George W. Wilson, George U. Bowman and Solomon Coy; corporals, Peter Rossmann, James B. Miller, Josiah Mentzer, John Hughes, John G. Ocker, Emanuel T. Reed, William M. Claudy and John R. Sloan.

*Company K.*—Eighty-three officers and men. Captain, Robert J. Boyd; first lieutenant, Henry C. Phenicie; second lieutenant, Louis H. Henkell; first sergeant, George W. Kennedy; quartermaster-sergeant, Levi J. Grawl; commissary-sergeant, Daniel Bitner; sergeants, John Palmer, Archibald Rymer, Samuel Palmer, John W. Kuhn, Philip L. Gardner and J. Wilson Hooser; corporals, Geo. W. Lewis, Jacob Kuh, David Criswell, J. Dallas Frye, Henry Bartle, James L. Weagley, J. A. Bowles and John Thompson.

*Company L.*—One hundred and two officers and men. Captain, George L. Miles; first lieutenant, Thomas D. French; second lieutenant, John H. Harmony; first sergeant, Wilson H. Reilly; quartermaster-sergeant, John D. McClinck; sergeants, Archibald S. McCulloch, John T. Pfoutz, John King, Edward Monath, Fred W. Shinefield and William E. Seiser; corporals, George Jackson, William H. Dall, Daniel V. Umholtz, Geo. N. Biddinger, Amos J. Sellers, John F. Harmony, Harry Hallett and William Johnson.

In February, 1864, the regiment was reorganized for a three years' service under the former field and staff officers, with Companies D, E, K and L from Franklin County, Henry B. Kendig and William H. Pfoutz serving as sergeant-majors, William B. Cook as quartermaster-sergeant, and Theodore F. Colby as saddler.

*Company D.*—Sixty-eight officers and men. Captains, Josiah C. Hollinger, discharged March 27, 1865, and James C. Patton, promoted from first lieutenant; first lieutenant, David L. Pisle, promoted from second lieutenant; first sergeant, David Chamberlin; quartermaster-sergeant, Jacob West; commissary-sergeant, David Shoop; sergeants, James T. Buchanan, William F. McClellan, David Stouffer, McFarland Campbell and J. Findlay Smith; corporals, Will-

iam H. Kendig, William Marknard, Henry F. Shanee, Franklin Lightner, S. W. Pilkington, John M. Forney, Elias S. Flory and Solomon Bittner.

*Company E.*—One hundred and thirty-seven officers and men. Captain, William H. Boyd; first lieutenant, Martin V. B. Coho; second lieutenant, Richard Walters, killed at Bethesda Church, Va., June 2, 1864; second lieutenant, Henry B. Kendig, promoted June 24, 1864; first sergeants, Edward W. Beecher; Charles E. Pettis; quartermaster-sergeant, George Roth; commissary-sergeant, Thomas A. Blanchard; sergeants, Peter Fetig, Silas Harr, Henry C. Edmiston, William Lochbaum and William T. Allison; corporals, Samuel Howard, Joseph Shank, George Goosley, Wm. C. Eshelman, Michael Leibold, Daniel Weidler, William Small, M. V. McClintock and Edward A. Mitchell.

*Company K.*—One hundred and thirty-nine officers and men, was officered as follows: Captain, Henry C. Phenicie; first lieutenant, Louis H. Henkell; second lieutenant, George W. Kennedy; first sergeant, Samuel Palmer; quartermaster-sergeant, Levi J. Grawl; commissary-sergeant, John W. Kuhn; sergeants, Franklin Gamble, John A. Heckman, J. A. Bowles, John N. Frye, Jacob H. Bushey, John H. Middlekauf, Peter Swischer and Philip L. Gardner; corporals, John P. Study, Adam Sharp, Henry Bartle, Simon Palmer, John McCormick, William McElder, Robert Crunkleton and William H. Pensinger.

*Company L.*—One hundred and thirty-three officers and men, was officered as follows: Captain, John H. Harmony; first lieutenants, Wilson H. Reilly (discharged September 12, 1864); John T. Pfoutz (discharged May 15, 1865); second lieutenant, Fred W. Shinefield; first sergeant, George W. Harmony; quartermaster-sergeant, Hiram Shoeman; commissary-sergeant, Peter S. Hepper; sergeants, William F. Leisse, Philip A. Welsh, Amos J. Sellers, Isaac R. Rupp, John King; corporals, David R. Hager, Levi Stepler, John W. Rifle, William H. Miller, James O'Brien, Wm. H. H. Wilson, Joseph Creglow, Henry S. Weaver, Robert Cowels and Freman Scott.

After the organization of this regiment, Companies C, E, K, H, L and M were sent for duty to Pottsville and Scranton, Penn., and Company B to Gettysburg, Penn. The remaining five companies, under command of Col. Boyd, proceeded to Harper's Ferry, Va., and were engaged in arduous duty in the department of the Shenandoah. In February, 1864, the regiment was reorganized, and, shortly after, Company D. was ordered to Scranton, Penn., where it remained over a year. In May the regiment was ordered to Washington, D. C., where it was dismounted and equipped as infantry, and sent to the Army of the Potomac. It took part in the engagement at Cold Harbor, in front of Petersburg, the destruction of the Weldon Railroad, Poplar Spring Church. In October the Twenty-first was again equipped and mounted as cavalry and ordered to Gen. Gregg's division, after which it took part in the engagements at the Boydton plank road, and helped to destroy rebel stores at Stony Creek Station; was on the Bellefield raid, and saw hard service around Petersburg and Richmond. Of the line officers, four were killed in battle or mortally wounded, and fourteen were wounded only. Of the enlisted men, 147 were killed in battle and 253 were wounded. It was mustered out of service at Lynchburg, Va., July 8, 1865.

#### ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIFTH REGIMENT, TWENTY-SECOND CAVALRY—NINE MONTHS.

A battalion of this regiment was reorganized at Chambersburg, in February, 1864, and a number of Franklin County boys joined the organization, but were so scattered through the regiment that it is impossible to give their names. Elias S. Troxell was major of the regiment, and Thomas D. French, captain of

Company L. A portion of the regiment was employed in guarding the fords of the Susquehanna and on picket duty in the Cumberland Valley. After its reorganization, it did effective service in the Shenandoah Valley, and was with Gen. Averill when he passed through Chambersburg on the day of the burning of the town, in pursuit of Gen. McCausland, catching up with him at Moorefield, Va., when the rebel general was put to rout, losing many men and all his guns. It was mustered out of service October 31, 1865.

TWO HUNDRED AND FIRST REGIMENT—ONE YEAR.

This regiment was organized at Harrisburg, Penn., August 29, 1864, with F. Asbury Awl as colonel. Part of Company K, Captain, Alexander C. Landis, was from Franklin County. With the exception of a short term of service along the Manassas Gap Railroad, in Virginia, the regiment was on provost duty in Pennsylvania and at Fort Delaware. Mustered out of service at Harrisburg, Penn., June 21, 1865.

TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTH REGIMENT—ONE YEAR.

This regiment was organized at Harrisburg, Penn., September 2, 1864, with Joseph A. Matthews as colonel. Part of Company G was recruited in Franklin County, of which Robert A. Sharp was first lieutenant, and Daniel Duck, sergeant. After being with the Army of the James a short time it was transferred to the Army of the Potomac and was attached to Gen. Hartranft's brigade, and took part in the capture of Petersburg. Mustered out of service at Alexandria, Va., June 2, 1865.

TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTH REGIMENT—ONE YEAR.

At Harrisburg, Penn., September 8, 1864, this regiment was organized with Robert C. Cox as colonel. Part of Company F was from Franklin County, David L. Powders being first lieutenant; David E. Kindig, first sergeant, and Cyrus Hazelet, one of the corporals. It was first attached to the Army of the James, and then to the Army of the Potomac, and took part in the operations at Hatcher's Run, Fort Steadman and Fort Sedgwick. Mustered out of service at Alexandria, Va., May 13, 1865.

TWO HUNDRED AND NINTH REGIMENT—ONE YEAR.

This regiment was organized at Harrisburg, Penn., September 16, 1864, with Tobias B. Kauffman as colonel. Franklin County was represented on the regimental staff by Maj. John L. Ritchey and Adj. Andrew R. Davison, and by Company D. This company's organization during its term of service was as follows:

*Company D.*—Captains, John L. Ritchey, promoted to major September 17, 1864, and James P. McCullough; first lieutenant, Noah W. Kuhn; second lieutenant, B. Frank Deal; first sergeants, George J. Deitrick and Jacob F. Reamer; sergeants, Jonathan Palmer, Thomas J. Daffy, Robert Bard and Emanuel T. Reed; corporals, Joseph R. Fulton, Joseph Lackman, John D. Fisher, George Riddle, Jeremiah Reifsnider, Joseph Elder, James Hissong, Andrew J. Gift, Jacob W. Pool and Jacob Finefrock.

Immediately after its organization the regiment moved to the front and joined the Army of the James and took part in the engagement at Chapin's farm, after which it was transferred to the Army of the Potomac, and took part in the engagements around Petersburg, Va., where Maj. Ritchey was badly wounded and Capt. McCullough mortally so, dying on the following day. Mustered out of service May 31, 1865.

## INDEPENDENT BATTERY B.

This Battery was an independent organization, a large part of which was recruited in Franklin County for the Seventy-seventh Regiment by Capt. Peter B. Housum, and, on his promotion to the lieutenant-colonelcy of that regiment, the men were transferred to Capt. Mueller, and mustered into service November 6, 1861. The following are at least some of the officers from Franklin County: Captains—Alanson J. Stevens, promoted from first lieutenant January 5, 1863, killed at Chickamauga, Ga., September 21, 1863; Samuel M. McDowell, promoted from first lieutenant January 11, 1864, killed at Kenesaw Mountain, Ga., June 27, 1864. Second lieutenant, Clarence M. Camp, promoted to quartermaster-sergeant August 16, 1864. Sergeants, Robert Dunkinson, Samuel K. Snively, Philip C. Smith, William Biggs, Franklin Yeager. Battery B was attached to the Army of the Cumberland and did effective service, being engaged in the battles at Murfreesboro (of five days' duration) and Chickamauga. In the spring of 1864 the battery was with Sherman on his Atlanta campaign, during which the fighting was almost incessant. In the bold and bloody assault on the enemy's lines at Kenesaw Mountain, Capt. Samuel M. McDowell was killed. After the surrender of the rebel armies the battery was sent to Texas, where it remained on duty until the 12th of October, when it was mustered out of service at Victoria.

## THE MILITIA OF 1862.

After the defeat of the Union Army at the second battle of Bull Run, August 29 and 30, 1862, the Rebel Army hastened northward and crossed the Potomac, threatening the southern border of Pennsylvania, and on the 4th of September Gov. Curtin issued a proclamation calling on the people to arm and prepare for defense. Gen. John F. Reynolds assumed command of the militia, 15,000 being concentrated at Hagerstown and Boonsboro; 10,000 at Greencastle and Chambersburg, and 25,000 at Harrisburg, and on their way to that city. The enemy having been defeated at Antietam and the emergency passed, the militia was mustered out at Harrisburg on the 24th of September. The following is a list of the companies raised in Franklin County:

Captain, J. Wyeth Douglas; first lieutenant, Justinian McGuigan; second lieutenant, George Ludwig, Jr.; 85 officers and men. Organized at Chambersburg September 1, and discharged September 16, 1862.

Captain, John Jeffries; first lieutenant, J. McD. Sharpe; second lieutenant, Jacob S. Brand; 94 officers and men. Organized at Chambersburg September 5, and discharged September 27, 1862.

Captain, James H. Montgomery; first lieutenant, John Hassler; second lieutenant, John R. Tankenley; 89 officers and men. Organized at St. Thomas, September 8, and discharged September 20, 1862.

Captain, George W. Eyster; first lieutenant, David Wallace; second lieutenant, Martin Shoemaker; 62 officers and men. Organized at Greenvillage September 12, and discharged October 1, 1862.

Captain, John D. Walker; first lieutenant, Carl Galliher; second lieutenant John Witherow; 65 officers and men. Organized at Fannettsburg September 11, and discharged September 27, 1862.

Captain, K. Shannon Taylor; first lieutenant, Jacob Sellers; second lieutenant, John K. Reese; 77 officers and men. Organized at Chambersburg September 9, and discharged September 25, 1862.

Captain, David Houser; first lieutenant, Franklin Snider; second lieutenant, William Long; 77 officers and men. Organized at Chambersburg September 15, and discharged October 1, 1862.

Captain, Thomas L. Fletcher; first lieutenant, John P. Keefer; second lieutenant, James Kennedy; 84 officers and men. Organized at Chambersburg September 14, and discharged October 1, 1862.

Captain, Charles W. Eyster; first lieutenant, Peter Ackerman; second lieutenant, Ephraim Finefrock; 118 officers and men. Organized at Chambersburg September 14, and discharged October 15, 1862.

Captain, David Vance; first lieutenant, John Beaver; second lieutenant, Thomas J. Doyle; 88 officers and men. Organized at Fort Loudon September 18, and discharged October 11, 1862.

Captain Andrew M. Criswell; first lieutenant, John Dissinger; second lieutenant, Obed Mentzer; 52 officers and men. Organized at Scotland September 15, and discharged October 1, 1862.

Captain, Christian C. Foltz; first lieutenant, Samuel F. Greenawalt; second lieutenant, P. Henry Peiffer. This was a cavalry company, with forty-seven officers and men. Organized at Chambersburg September 11, and discharged September 25, 1862.

*Colored Troops.* — There was no distinct organization of colored troops formed in Franklin County, but probably 500 of our colored citizens entered the army during the Rebellion. Eleven regiments of colored soldiers were recruited in Pennsylvania by the United States Government, and the State of Massachusetts had recruiting officers here frequently.

*Officers from Franklin County.* — Major-general — Samuel W. Crawford, appointed April 28, 1862. Paymaster — Maj. John M. Pomeroy, appointed June 14, 1861. Assistant adjutant-general — Capt. Theodore McGowan, appointed July 14, 1862. Commissaries of subsistence — Capt. Elishu D. Reid, appointed September 10, 1862; Capt. Calvin Gilbert, appointed March 2, 1864. Signal Corps — Second Lieut. Michael D. Reymer, appointed March 3, 1863. Surgeons — Samuel G. Lane, Fifth Reserves, appointed September 6, 1861; William C. Lane, One Hundred and Twenty-second Regiment, appointed September 15, 1862. Hospital Chaplain — Rev. J. Agnew Crawford, appointed August 8, 1863. Colonels — George B. Wiestling, One Hundred and Seventy-seventh Regiment, appointed November 28, 1862; Charles T. Campbell, Fifty-seventh Regiment, appointed March 4, 1862. Captain — Michael W. Houser, Company C, Fifty-seventh Regiment, appointed November 25, 1865. Second Lieutenant — Allison McDowell, Company B, Sixteenth Cavalry, appointed October 3, 1863.

The roster of troops furnished by Franklin County for the war has taken a large part of our space hitherto. It is impossible, of course, to give the names of all soldiers, who placed their sacrifices on their country's altar. Such information can be had from Bates' history, from which our lists have been taken.

Raids into its territory were quite frequent. Every movement of troops along the border had its effect to produce a panic along the valley. A disaster to the Union troops in Maryland or Virginia was succeeded by a stampede of negroes, women and children which swept along the whole valley, producing a constant unrest. The uncertainty connected with these vibratory movements of refugees had a deleterious effect upon every kind of business. To say nothing of the uneasiness it created. The migration of friend or foe involved loss to the inhabitants of the county. It is with difficulty, therefore, that people living in other parts of the country realize the magnitude of the sacrifices made by the people of Franklin County during the civil war. With her brave sons in nearly every regiment in the field, and her home guards to watch the border, and with her flocks and crops pillaged by both armies. her

sacrifices for the Union were greater than those of probably any county in the Northern States. Her sacrifices, however, but purified and intensified her loyalty to the Government for which her early pioneers had fought.

*Stuart's Raid in 1862.*—After the battle of Antietam, Gen. Lee was desirous of escaping from the menacing position of McClellan's army. To aid in this matter, he detached that distinguished and dashing cavalry officer, Gen. J. E. B. Stuart, to make a bold raid to the rear of the Union Army. The time selected was favorable. In consequence of the defeat of Lee's army at South Mountain and Antietam, Union troops in the Cumberland Valley were largely withdrawn, a feeling of security having settled upon the people.

With a command estimated at from 1,800 to 2,800 men, well officered and picked, Stuart crossed the Potomac above Williamsport at Cherry Run Ford, and passing rapidly through Maryland came down from the mountains upon Mercersburg without warning, but with all the consternation attending such rapid movements. Thomas Whitehead, captain of Company E, Second Virginia Cavalry, in a letter published in the *Philadelphia Times*, says: "The inhabitants of Mercersburg seemed terror stricken and paralyzed, and many ludicrous accounts were given by the soldiers of their efforts to quiet their fears. I witnessed one: Private J. C. Pettit, of Company E, with a comrade, rode under the window of a house and proposed to buy some food of an old woman and her daughter. With pallid face bathed in tears the old lady said: 'Take anything, only spare the women and children.'" Maj. H. B. McClellan, Stuart's adjutant-general, relates another incident that occurred between Mercersburg and Chambersburg. The soldiers belonged to the Ninth Virginia Cavalry, and the incident is said to have happened at a Mr. Glee's, not far from Bridgeport:

"The terms of Stuart's orders were strictly enforced during the whole march. Nothing whatever was disturbed on the soil of Maryland, but when once the Pennsylvania line was crossed, the seizure of horses was prosecuted with system and diligence. Six hundred men scoured the country on either side of the line of march, and as far as scouts could extend, the country was denuded of horses. With his usual courtesy toward ladies, Stuart gave orders that whenever they might meet his column, they should be allowed to pass in their conveyances without molestation. So strict was the enforcement of orders that the men were not even allowed to seize provisions for themselves. They sometimes, however, obtained by stratagem what they were not permitted to take by force. On the second day's march, some hungry cavalrymen approached a house whose male defenders had fled, leaving the women and babies in possession. A polite request for food was met by the somewhat surly reply that there was none in the house. Casting a wolfish glance upon the babies, a lean fellow remarked that he had never been in the habit of eating human flesh, but that he was now hungry enough for anything; and if he could get nothing else, he believed he would compromise on one of the babies. It is hardly necessary to say that the mother's heart relented, and a bountiful repast was soon provided."

Through Bridgeport and St. Thomas the cavalry dashed, gathering in horses from both sides of the pike, and finally reached Chambersburg. Says Capt. Whitehead: "The mayor, Col. McClure and Judge Kimmell appeared, met Stuart and Hampton, surrendered the town and asked for the protection of persons and the private property of citizens. These terms were granted, with an exception as to horses, and a safe conduct was given the three gentlemen, who made the terms of surrender. A considerable supply of clothing, ammunition and other stores was found and distributed, and a number of





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horses were taken. One of the most noticeable things all along the route was the dazed appearance of the citizens; they seemed paralyzed, astonished and unable to comprehend the situation.

"The Second Virginia was ordered to go down and destroy an important bridge, but before we reached it we were informed that it was iron; our axes would not cut it and it would not burn, and, as we did not have the time nor the material to blow it up, we retraced our steps. When we returned from the bridge expedition we were halted in a wide street, which led into the turnpike, and told to remain until further orders, Lieut.-Col. Watts being left in charge of the brigade detachment. There was a drizzling rain sufficient to make it disagreeably cold, and piles of posts, that were along the street, and palings were soon turned into little fires for the squads; what were known as the 'Pirouters' were soon out in search for something to eat.

"Near the Second Regiment's position there was a nice cottage and further up the street a fine residence. Corporal Tip Tinsley, of Company E, was early at the cottage, his sabre-scabard and spurs clanking on the porch floor. He knocked and an old man came to the door, lantern in hand. Tinsley asked if he could get some bread. 'Certainly, a soldier can.' The old gentleman disappeared and quickly returned with an immense sheet of rolls under his arm and his lantern in the other hand. As Tinsley received the bread he said: 'Who is your general—McClellan or Burnside?' 'Stonewall Jackson,' replied Tinsley. 'Good God!' exclaimed the old man. The lantern fell, the door slammed and the corporal came off with the bread.

"The night spent in Chambersburg was full of interest. Owing to the favorable terms made by Judge Kimmell and his associates, Col. McClure and Thos. B. Kennedy, the rebels did comparatively little damage in town to persons or private property. Some of the officers paid a friendly visit to Col. McClure at his residence, and discussed political questions with him. Gen. Stuart and other officers lodged for the night at the Franklin Hotel, and proved very affable and entertaining. On the following morning, Saturday, the raiders took their departure eastward across the South Mountain. Before leaving, a guard was detached to burn the depot house, the machine shops, and the warehouse of Messrs. Wunderlich & Nead. The latter was burnt because it contained the ammunition taken from Gen. Longstreet. In this warehouse and in some cars upon the siding was a considerable amount of government stores, consisting of clothing, hats, boots, pistols, etc. As much of these as the guard could carry were taken with them. Some soldiers had on as many as three hats. After the guard departed, some of our citizens endeavored to save the burning buildings and adjoining property, but they were much annoyed by the exploding shells. These did not go off at once, as some feared, but gradually, as the fire reached them. Fearing for the safety of the sick and wounded in the lower end of the town, in case the whole of the ammunition in the burning warehouse would explode at once, many of the ladies who had been ministering to their necessities went to their assistance, and at the usual hour at noon these good Samaritans had dinner prepared for these men. We swept on southeast, passing through a long string of a town called Fayetteville, at which there was a large female school, and while getting some provisions our men entered into a political discussion with the lady teacher in charge, who appeared disposed to try and convert my command. She was good looking and intelligent, and was especially persistent and aggressive on the slavery question. A very dogmatic and impertinent man of my company asked her if she regarded a negro her equal, and would she be willing to marry one. She very calmly replied that it would be greatly preferable to

marrying him. His comrades never let him hear the last of that Pennsylvania 'school marm' or that imaginary negro. By the way, we saw only one negro on this trip through Pennsylvania, and he was the raggedest specimen we ever saw. He was standing on a high bank looking at the column as it passed, and the boys called to him to know if he did not want to go down in Dixie, promising him new clothes and good wages. His only reply was that he couldn't leave his mammy. Near this solitary negro we saw the only loose hog encountered on the trip. The command rode over him, and he came near being the cause of the only casualty we would have sustained by tripping a trooper's horse and overthrowing his rider."

Crossing South Mountain and avoiding all towns where Federal soldiers might be assembled, Stuart's cavalry returned again to Virginia, having made a complete circuit of the Union Army, captured and led out 1,200 head of Pennsylvania horses, and taken as captives some of Franklin County's best citizens: Perry A. Rice, Daniel Shaffer, C. Landerbaugh, John McDowell, George G. Rupley and George Steiger, of Mercersburg; Joseph Wingert, postmaster at Clay Lick, and William Conner, of St. Thomas. Rice, Shaffer and Conner were taken to Richmond and immured in Libby prison. Rice died, but his associates were exchanged. The others are thought to have escaped *en route*.

#### LEE'S INVASION IN 1863.

The campaign into Pennsylvania in 1863 was the most interesting and important movement of the war. The Army of Northern Virginia, under the leadership of Gen. Robert E. Lee, the scholar, the Christian gentleman, the peerless soldier, assisted by such skillful and acknowledged lieutenants as Longstreet, Hill, Ewell and Stuart, was composed of men as brave and true as were ever led to battle and to death. Successful at Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville over greatly superior numbers, this army, despising the adversary whom it had so frequently encountered on the field of carnage, and impelled by a desire to release Virginia from the presence of the two vast armies which were eating out its substance, as well as by a movement into free territory that would secure supplies from the enemy, hoped to achieve a victory which would secure a speedy recognition of the Confederacy.

The plan decided upon by the Confederate commander was to push boldly forward, invade the State of Pennsylvania, and so to maneuver his forces as to compel the Union Army to attack him on the defensive, and under circumstances which, it was hoped, would secure a brilliant victory to his arms and place his army between the defeated Federals and the capital of the Nation. It was thought this success would place the city of Washington in the possession of the Confederates and secure a recognition of Southern independence by European powers. It was also believed that the Northern people were discouraged and disheartened by their repeated failures to grapple successfully with the gigantic struggle then in progress, and would be willing to accede to such terms of settlement as would involve a separation of the States.

The foregoing are some of the results which were sought to be secured to the Confederacy, by the change of policy from a defensive to an offensive one, on the part of the South. It is, however, proper to remark that there were eminent men at Richmond, and distinguished soldiers in the South, who disapproved of this change of policy, and augured ill of the invasion from the beginning. These advocated what was known in Richmond as "the defensive policy." They believed that the interests of the Confederacy would be best promoted by her armies remaining upon her own soil, rather than by removing the scene of hostilities to the North. The most skillful soldier in the

Confederate service, if not one of the greatest generals of the age, who advocated this latter policy, was Gen. Joseph E. Johnston. One of its strongest and most eminent supporters was Hon. Alexander H. Stephens.

The movement of the Confederate Army into Pennsylvania was accomplished as follows: Withdrawing his forces from around Fredericksburg, after the battle of Chancellorsville, Lee's advance corps, under Lieut.-Gen. R. S. Ewell, moved first, and was followed by those of Gens. A. P. Hill and Longstreet. Contrary to his expectations, Lee was forced to move into the Shenandoah Valley, and go northward on the west side of North Mountain, instead of on the east, Hooker's command (the Army of the Potomac) pressing him so closely. Two divisions of Ewell's corps, Rodes' and Early's, fell upon Milroy's command at Winchester and either captured or dispersed it, and gobbled up the greater part of his immense supplies. The portion of the wagon train, which succeeded in escaping, crossed the Potomac, and passing through Hagerstown, Greencastle and Chambersburg with all the confusion attending such a rout, hurried on to Harrisburg. This was one of the many evidences that new perils were threatening the people of the valley. The attack on Winchester occurred June 13, 1863. The stampede followed immediately.

#### JENKINS' RAID.

On the heels of Milroy's demoralized teamsters and guards came Lee's advance cavalry, under command of Brig.-Gen. A. G. Jenkins; with the exciting and exaggerated reports which preceded him, came the natural impulse of the people to remove all their valuables, supplies, moneys, etc., to some place of safety. The devastation wrought by the exemplary command of Stuart, the year previous, led the people to expect no great consideration from rebel troops during a general invasion. In this respect their fears were well founded. The mission of Jenkins was two-fold: First, to ascertain whether any Federal forces occupied the valley in advance of the invading army; second, to collect horses and other supplies before they could be removed by the frightened inhabitants. The incidents connected with this raid would fill a volume of rare interest.

At an early hour in the evening of June 15, information of the approach of Jenkins' cavalry was received, and about 11 o'clock they appeared at the southern end of the town. A few scouts were sent forward to reconnoitre. Of the entire command, numbering about 2,000, some 200 were selected to make a dash into the town and strike terror into the hearts of the people. We shall allow Jacob Hoke to describe the scenes that followed:

"When opposite the residence of Mr. H. M. White, the report of a gun was heard. Some eight or ten cavalrymen rode into the Diamond and passed through it on down Main Street, except about four or five. In the darkness, the gas in front of the bank only being lighted, they became separated, and one of them, evidently the officer in command, who was over near the bank, called out, in a peculiar Southern tone, which is about half negro: 'Hawkins! Hawkins!! What the d---l are you, Hawkins?' If Lieut. Smith, for such was the gentleman's name, as will appear hereafter, had called upon John Seiders and Thad. Mahon instead of his Satanic majesty, they might have given him the information he so earnestly desired, but they were about that time having a little matter of business transacted with Hawkins over on the court house pavement. But the Lieutenant's anxiety concerning his friend was soon relieved, for, on going across the Diamond to ascertain what had become of him, he fell into the hands of the Seiders, and soon thereafter joined the object of his anxiety, both of them, however, horseless and without arms.

"Following this call for his absent comrade, the officer again called out:

'Whar's the Mayau of this town? Whar's the Mayau of this town? If the Mayau does not come here in five minutes we will burn the town.' In a short time the 200 detailed to follow the above mentioned scouts came thundering down Main Street, followed by the remainder of the command. The larger part passed on through the town and out to the grounds of Col. McClure, along the Philadelphia pike, where they picketed their horses in the Colonel's clover field. Gen. Jenkins and his staff did the Colonel the honor to lodge with him over night at his fine mansion, after first partaking of a bountiful supper prepared for them, the honors of the table being royally done by his accomplished wife, in the absence of the Colonel, who had discreetly placed himself beyond the possibility of capture and sojourn in a Southern clime. Leaving Jenkins and his staff so comfortably quartered for the night, we will go back to relate some incidents which occurred in and about the Diamond.

"Shortly after the entrance of the advanced pickets into the Diamond, a cavalryman rode up to Mr. John A. Seiders and T. M. Mahon, Esq., as they stood upon the court-house pavement, and, supposing them to belong to their party, inquired in what direction the rest of the squad had gone. These two men had just returned home from the service, and they concluded to try their hands on that fellow. Neither of them was armed, but Mahon, using a plastering lath, which he held in his hand as a sword, grabbed one rein of the bridle and Seiders the other and quietly demanded his surrender. He at once dismounted, and his sabre, pistol (the other taken by Seiders) and spurs were at once taken by Mahon, who quickly mounted the horse and rode rapidly to the market-house, which he entered; while there, a party of cavalry rode down Second Street toward Market, and Mahon, as soon as they passed, started at a rapid gait out Queen. At the junction of Queen and Washington Streets he encountered a squad, who called upon him to halt, but he flew on out toward Fayetteville. At Downey's he turned from the pike and proceeded to Scotland. There, on the next day, he gave the horse into the care of another, and after watching the destruction of the railroad bridge at that place, he eluded the pickets and entered Chambersburg, and reported to the railroad officials the burning of the bridge. Finding that the rebels were on the hunt for him, he after a short time hid in the house of his law preceptor, William McClellan, Esq., left and found refuge in safer quarters.

"Immediately after the departure of Mahon with his prize—the rebel having been handed over to Mr. Henry Peiffer and George Welsh, who started with him toward the jail, but released him when they found that they were likely to be caught—another cavalryman, Lieut. Smith, rode up to where Mr. Seiders was standing and inquired what had become of his comrade. Seiders, now being armed with one of the pistols taken from Hawkins, presented it and demanded his surrender. To this demand he at once complied and dismounted. Seiders disarmed him, taking his sabre, pistols and spurs, and, mounting his horse, rode rapidly out East Market Street. At Market and Second Streets he encountered the head of the column, which passed the market-house while Mahon was in it. To their command to halt he paid no attention, but put his horse upon his speed and galloped out to Fayetteville; arriving, he took an inventory of his capture, and it was found to be as follows: A valuable horse, saddle, four blankets rolled up and fastened behind the saddle, two fine pistols, sabre and belt, and a pair of saddle-bags containing a dress-coat, two shirts, a Testament, a pack of cards, a package of love letters, some smoking tobacco, and several other articles.

"From Fayetteville Mr. Seiders proceeded to Cumberland County, and throughout the whole period of the invasion he made good use of his captured horse in the way of scouting service.

“After spending the night under the hospitable roof of Col. McClure, Gen. Jenkins and staff came early in the morning of Tuesday, 16th, into town and established his headquarters at the Montgomery Hotel. One of the first acts of the rebel chieftain after arriving in town was to issue an order requiring all arms in possession of our citizens, whether public or private, to be brought to the front of the court-house within two hours; and, in case of disobedience, houses were to be searched, and all in which arms were found concealed were to be lawful objects of plunder. Many of our citizens complied with this humiliating order, and a committee of our people was appointed to take down the names of all who brought in arms. Some, of course, did not comply, but enough did so to avoid a general search and probable sacking of the town. Capt. Fitzhugh, Jenkins' chief of staff—the same officer who took so prominent a part in the burning of the town a year afterward—assorted the guns as they were brought in, retaining those that could be used by his men, and twisting and breaking such as were unfit for this service. This he did by striking them over the stone steps in front of the court-house, or twisting them out of shape in the ornamental attachments of the iron gas posts. When Dr. W. H. Boyle brought in a beautiful silver mounted Sharp's rifle, Capt. Fitzhugh appropriated it to his own use.

“The next thing which demanded the attention of Gen. Jenkins was to summon the town council and demand of them the return of the two horses and their accoutrements captured by Mahon and Seiders, or the payment of their value; and in default of either he threatened the destruction of the town. His plea for this extreme resort was, as he said, the firing upon his soldiers by our citizens. As the captured property was beyond the reach of the council, the matter was finally adjusted by the payment of \$900. Doubtless Jenkins expected this amount in United States currency, but as he had flooded the town with Confederate scrip, pronouncing it better than greenbacks, the city fathers evidently took him at his word, and paid him in his own money. This money was bought up of our citizens, who had received it for articles sold to Jenkins' men, at a few cents on the dollar. A few days after this transaction, and when Jenkins' force had fallen back beyond Greencastle, Mr. Seiders returned to town as the pilot of Gen. Knipe, who, with parts of two New York regiments, was sent to this place.

“On Wednesday morning Gen. Jenkins ordered that the stores, shops and business places should all be opened from 8 to 10 o'clock A. M., and that his men should be permitted to buy such articles as they personally needed, but must in all cases pay for what they got. Business for about an hour was very brisk, and to avoid giving offense they patronized all.

“About 9 o'clock, while all were doing a lively business, an officer came galloping up Main Street to headquarters and told Jenkins that the Yankees were advancing. Jenkins came out in haste, and mounting his horse he, in a voice of great power, ordered the men to the field. A rush was made down Main Street and out to what is known as Gelsinger's Hill, a few miles below the town, on the Harrisburg pike, where a line of battle was formed. In a short time a number of men returned leading the horses, the soldiers dismounting and preparing to fight as infantry. They were all armed with carbines, as well as pistols and sabres. After an hour or two they fell back through the town and out where their horses were taken, and rode back beyond Greencastle. A few daring scouts, coming from the direction of Shippensburg, causing this alarm, and supposing that they were too far in advance of the infantry, retreated to the southern part of the county, where for nearly a week they plundered the people. As Jenkins and his staff rode up street, after the dis-

mounted men had all passed, a number of our citizens were standing upon the court-house pavement. Supposing that they were armed and might fire upon them, these officers drew their revolvers and rode toward the citizens. A stampede, of course, resulted. Many of the soldiers were engaged during Tuesday and Wednesday mornings in scouring the fields around town for negroes. Many were caught and some, free and slave, were bound and sent under guard South. Some escaped, and some were captured from their guard by citizens of Greencastle. Among their captures was that well and favorably known colored man, Esque Hall.

“Gen. Jenkins, fearing an attack by the emergency men then congregating at Harrisburg, fell back, as already stated, below Greencastle and near to Hagerstown, there to await the arrival of Gen. Lee’s infantry. From this retreat he sent out marauding parties to various places in search of additional plunder.

“One detachment was sent east, and, after plundering the rich country about Waynesboro, crossed over the southeastern flanks of South Mountain, where, at the Monterey Pass, on Sunday, 21st, the Philadelphia City Troop and Bell’s cavalry from Gettysburg encountered their pickets. In the evening of the same day, about 120 of them entered Fairfield, and returned again by the Furnace road, taking with them all the good horses they could find.

“The whole southern portion of our county was plundered by these men. Welsh Run especially received a thorough scouring. The plunder thus taken was sent south of the Potomac, and delivered over to Lee’s approaching army. It would be difficult to estimate the value of the property taken by this raid, but it certainly amounted to not less than \$100,000. Then its coming in the season of the year, when the farming interests required the use of horses, added immensely to its inconvenience and loss. Many croppers, who had little else than their stock, were bankrupted. The effect of this raid, however, was to arouse the people of Pennsylvania and the adjacent States, and volunteers for the defense of the border hurried to Harrisburg.

“The various detachments of Jenkins’ command had all joined the main body by Monday morning, at or near Hagerstown, where he awaited the arrival of Rodes’ division of infantry preparatory to another advance into our State.”

The authorities at Harrisburg, having become convinced that an invasion of the State was imminent, made all possible efforts to meet it. Assured by the National authorities that the State must look after its own defense because of the impracticability of dividing the Army of the Potomac at that critical period, to meet this emergency Maj.-Gen. D. N. Couch was appointed, by the war department, commander of the department of the Susquehanna, with headquarters at Harrisburg.

On June 12, the day following the establishment of this department, Gov. Curtin issued a proclamation to the people of the State, announcing the impending danger and calling for volunteers. Gen. Couch reiterated these sentiments in an address of the same date, and called for immediate enlistment, to check or repel the invading forces. Immediately after these addresses, fortifications along the river were begun.

A hearty response to these appeals for volunteers was made by the people of Pennsylvania and New York. Militia came pouring in, and were organized June 22, into two divisions under command of Gens. Smith and Dana. On the 20th, parts of two of these early arriving New York regiments, about 800 men, were sent under Gen. Knipe to rebuild the Scotland bridge and to defend Chambersburg. Arriving at the latter place on Sunday, the 21st, the commander made a stirring speech, in which he spoke of his determination to



repel the insolent invader. The sequel showed, however, that the courage of these men evaporated before they came in contact with the enemy.

#### LEE'S ADVANCE INTO THE STATE.

It may be proper to give some idea of the condition of Lee's army. It was known as the Army of Northern Virginia, under command of Gen. Robert E. Lee, and consisted of three infantry corps.

First Corps. — Lieut.-Gen. James Longstreet, commander. It consisted of three infantry divisions commanded respectively by Maj.-Gens. Lafayette McLaws, George E. Pickett and J. B. Hood, and eighty-three pieces of artillery, commanded by Col. J. B. Walton.

Second Corps. — Lieut.-Gen. R. S. Ewell, commander. It had three divisions commanded respectively by Maj.-Gens. Jubal A. Early, R. E. Rodes and Edward Johnson. The artillery, eighty-two pieces, was under Col. S. Crutchfield.

Third Corps. — Lieut.-Gen. A. P. Hill, commander, had three divisions commanded respectively by Maj.-Gens. Anderson, Heth and Pender. The artillery, eighty-three pieces, was under command of Col. R. Lindsay Walker.

In addition to the foregoing infantry and artillery, there was a cavalry corps under Lieut.-Gen. J. E. B. Stuart, consisting of brigades commanded respectively by Brig.-Gens. Wade Hampton, Fitz Hugh Lee, W. H. F. Lee, B. H. Robertson, W. E. Jones, J. D. Imboden, A. G. Jenkins and Baker. All the infantry and artillery, but only one or two brigades of cavalry advanced through Franklin County, the rest of Stuart's command having crossed the Potomac between the Army of the Potomac and Washington.

A fair estimate of Lee's army puts it from 75,000 to 85,000, the Count of Paris placing it as high as 88,754 officers and soldiers present May 31, 1863.

As has already been remarked, Ewell's corps led the infantry advance in the invasion, the divisions of Rodes and Early crossing the Potomac on the 20th and 21st of June. On the 22d, these two divisions connected with Jenkins at Hagerstown. In a day or two, Early turned off to the east, passing through Waynesboro, Quincy, Funkstown and Greenwood, across North Mountain to York. In passing Greenwood he burned Thad. Stevens' (Caledonia) iron works. His reasons are given in a letter to the writer, dated Lynchburg, Va., May 7, 1886, thus: "No column of our troops was sent to burn the iron works of Thaddeus Stevens, near Greenwood, in the campaign into Pennsylvania, in 1863. My division of Ewell's corps was ordered to move along the western base of South Mountain until it came to the road from Chambersburg to Gettysburg, which I did, passing through Waynesboro and one or two smaller villages. I found the iron works above mentioned on the road aforesaid, where it begins to ascend South Mountain, and they were burned by my order and on my own responsibility. My reasons for giving the order were founded on the fact that the Federal troops had invariably burned such works in the South wherever they had penetrated, and notably among them the iron works of Hon. John Bell, of Tennessee, who was the constitutional candidate for the presidency in 1860, and who was too old to take any part in the war then pending. Moreover, in some speeches in Congress, Mr. Stevens had exhibited a most vindictive spirit toward the people of the South, as he continued to do to the day of his death. This burning was simply in retaliation for various deeds of barbarity perpetrated by Federal troops in some of the Southern States, as was the subsequent burning of Chambersburg, in 1864."

Johnson's division crossed the Potomac on June 22, and joined the other

divisions at Hagerstown. Johnson and Rodes then commenced their march down the valley via Greencastle and Chambersburg, Jenkins preceding them. When Jenkins and Rodes reached the former place, the advance cavalry was met in a bold dash by a small battalion of the First New York (Lincoln) Cavalry, under command of Maj. W. H. Boyd, in front of the Fleming House, just out of Greencastle, on the Chambersburg road. The result was the wounding of Sergt. Milton S. Cafferty and the killing of Corp. William H. Rihl, of Company C, a full account of which is given in the history of Corporal Rihl Post in the sketch of Greencastle Borough in another part of this work.

On the 23d of June, Jenkins again entered Chambersburg, this time with more boldness than before. His demands for various supplies here, as at Greencastle, were not wanting in either modesty or amount; nor were the people slow to supply onions, bacon, bread, and other necessaries. Two hours after the appearance of Jenkins, the forces of Rodes began to arrive, a band playing "Dixie" with considerable satisfaction. On the 24th Gen. Ewell arrived in a carriage, and took possession of the town. The court-house was selected for headquarters, and a rebel flag flaunted from its cupola. The following modest requisitions were made:

HEADQUARTERS 2ND ARMY CORPS,  
June 24, 1863.

*To the Authorities of Chambersburg, Pa.*

By direction of Lieut.-Gen. R. S. Ewell, I require the following articles:

- 5,000 suits of Clothing, including Hats, Boots and Shoes.
- 100 good Saddles.
- 100 good Bridles.
- 5,000 Bushels of Grain (corn or oats).
- 10,000 lbs. Sole Leather.
- 10,000 lbs. Horse Shoes.
- 400 lbs. Horse Shoe Nails.

Also, the use of printing office and two printers to report at once. All articles, except grain, will be delivered at the Court House Square, at 3 o'clock P. M. to-day, and grain by 6 o'clock P. M. to-day.

J. A. HARMON, *Maj. and C. Q. M. 2nd Corps D. Arm.*

HEADQUARTERS 2ND ARMY CORPS,  
June 24, 1863.

By the command of Lieut.-Gen. R. S. Ewell, the citizens of Chambersburg will furnish the following articles by 3 o'clock this afternoon:

- 6,000 lbs. Lead.
- 10,000 lbs. Harness Leather.
- 50 Boxes of Tin.
- 1,000 Curry Combs and Brushes.
- 2,000 lbs. Picket Rope.
- 400 Pistols.
- All the Caps and Powder in town.
- Also, all the Neat's Foot Oil.

WILLIAM ALLEN, *M. and C.*

HEADQUARTERS 2ND ARMY CORPS,  
June 24, 1863.

By direction of Lieut.-Gen. R. S. Ewell, the following are demanded:

- 50,000 lbs. Bread.
- 100 Sacks Salt.
- 30 Barrels Molasses.
- 500 Barrels Flour.
- 25 Barrels Vinegar.
- 25 Barrels Beans.
- 25 Barrels Dried Fruit.
- 25 Barrels Saurkraut.
- 25 Barrels Potatoes.
- 11,000 lbs. Coffee.
- 10,000 lbs. Sugar.
- 100,000 lbs. Hard Bread



Jay H. Clayton



In reply to these extravagant demands upon Chambersburgers, Judge Kim-mell, who had acted as provost-marshal the previous year, and had been appointed by Gov. Curtin a general superintendent of affairs during the war, was, by general consent, authorized to speak. Addressing the three staff officers of Gen. Ewell, he said:

“Why, gentlemen, you must suppose that we are made of these things—10,000 pounds of sole leather, 10,000 pounds of harness leather, 100,000 pounds of bread, 25 barrels of saurkraut—it is utterly out of our power to furnish these things, and now, if you are going to burn us out, you will only have to do it. That’s all I have to say about it.”

The people furnished what they could and submitted the results.

While in town, Gen. Ewell issued very stringent orders against the sale of intoxicating liquors to his soldiers, and demanded a report of all liquors in the community to the provost-marshal in order that they might be protected. It is more than probable that the good people of the town did not feel disposed just then to engage in a temperance crusade.

Ewell’s two divisions, Rodes’ and Johnson’s, passed down the valley through Shippensburg and other towns on the pike, the former going as far as Carlisle, the latter stopping short of it several miles. Jenkins’ cavalry preceded them.

On the 24th Hill’s and Longstreet’s corps crossed the Potomac, the former at Shepherdstown, the latter at Williamsport, and united at Hagerstown, Hill taking the advance. The long lines of gray coats and the immense trains of artillery and supply wagons were a source of great wonder to the people of town and country along the line of march. Many of them had never before seen an army of such vast proportions. These corps passed through Greencastle and the intervening villages, arriving at Chambersburg on the 26th and 27th, Heth’s division in the advance. Gens. Hill and Lee both arrived at the Diamond about 10 o’clock of the 26th, and held a conference, which resulted in turning the head of the column toward Gettysburg. This information was conveyed by messengers to the authorities at Harrisburg, who were in constant communication with the Washington officials. These faithful scouts ought all to be pensioned by the Government for their valuable services rendered.

On the evening of June 27, Longstreet’s forces, the rear of the army, began to appear at Chambersburg, Hood going through and encamping north on the Harrisburg pike, McLaws and Pickett halting several miles south of town. Gen. Lee selected for his headquarters a grove a mile east of town known as “Messer-smith’s Woods,” which he and his staff occupied from Friday morning till Tuesday morning, June 28–30. There he held his councils of war and matured the plans which culminated in the three days’ struggle at Gettysburg. It may be proper here to give one of his general orders, which shows his military policy in the North:

HEADQUARTERS, ARMY NORTHERN VIRGINIA,  
Chambersburg, Penn., June 27, 1863.

*General Orders, No. 73.*—The Commanding General has observed with marked satisfaction the conduct of the troops on the march, and confidently anticipates results commensurate with the high spirit they have manifested. No troops could have displayed greater fortitude or better performed their arduous marches of the past ten days. Their conduct in other respects has, with few exceptions, been in keeping with their character as soldiers, and entitles them to approbation and praise.

There have, however, been instances of forgetfulness on the part of some that they have in keeping the yet unsullied reputation of this army, and that the duties exacted of us by civilization and Christianity are not less obligatory in the country of the enemy than in our own. The Commanding General considers that no greater disgrace could befall the army, and through it our whole people, than the perpetration of the barbarous outrages

upon the unarmed and defenseless, and the wanton destruction of private property, that have marked the course of the enemy in our own country. Such proceedings not only degrade the perpetrators and all connected with them, but are subversive of the discipline and efficiency of the army, and destructive of the ends of our present movement.

It must be remembered that we make war only upon armed men, and that we cannot take vengeance for the wrongs our people have suffered without lowering ourselves in the eyes of all whose abhorrence has been excited by the atrocities of our enemies, and offending against Him to whom vengeance belongeth, without whose favor and support our efforts must all prove in vain.

The Commanding General, therefore, earnestly exhorts the troops to abstain, with most scrupulous care, from unnecessary or wanton injury to private property, and enjoins upon all officers to arrest and bring to summary punishment all who shall in any way offend against orders on this subject.

R. E. LEE, *General*.

Sunday, June 28, was a trying day for the town of Chambersburg. Its streets were filled with rebel soldiers. Much plundering was done by the men of Longstreet's command, notwithstanding the stringent orders of the commanding general. The following letter, by a lady still living in Chambersburg, not only gives a clue to the condition of things in the community, but presents a phase of Gen. Lee's character. We take it from the "Reminiscences of the War," written by Jacob Hoke.

MR. J. HOKE,

*Dear Sir:* I take pleasure in complying with your request, and will give you a brief account of my interview with Gen. Lee, as nearly as I can recollect it now. The mills, provisions and stores throughout the town and surrounding country were all in the hands of the enemy, and in many families the supplies were running short. On the Sunday before the battle of Gettysburg (June 28), matters had become so serious, that it became necessary for some one to seek an interview with the enemy, and obtain flour. I sent for one of the body guards, and a captain came in response. From him I learned that I could see Gen. Lee by going to his headquarters in Messersmith's woods. This captain offered me an escort, but assured me that I could go alone with perfect safety, showing me a copy of Gen. Lee's order; that any one, who would insult a woman by word, look or act, would be instantly shot. I then decided to decline an escort, and taking my young daughter, I set out for the camp. I found the rules were stringently enforced, but had no difficulty in passing through the ranks. Everything was in most perfect order; even the horses were picketed so as to do no injury to the trees in the grove, where their tents were pitched. Reaching headquarters, I found the General seated with his officers at the table. A subordinate met me, and learning my errand, placed two camp stools, and in a short time I found myself seated by Gen. Lee himself. I stated to him our need, and told him starvation would soon be at hand upon many families, unless he gave us aid. He seemed startled by this announcement, and said that such destitution seemed impossible in such a rich and beautiful grain-growing country, pointing to the rich fields of grain all around his camp. I reminded him that this growing grain was useless to us now, and that many of our people had no means to lay in supplies ahead. He then assured me that he had turned over the supplies of food he found to his men to keep them from ravaging our homes. He said, "God help you, if I permitted them to enter your houses. Your supplies depend upon the amount that is sent in to my men." He then told me to send one or two of our prominent men to him. I replied that they had nearly all gone away, fearing that they would be seized and taken off. (I feared to give him the names of any of our gentlemen.) He then asked me to send a miller, who could give him an idea of the quantity required. On leaving, I asked for his autograph. He replied, "Do you want the autograph of a rebel?" I said, "Gen. Lee. I am a true Union woman, and yet I ask for bread and your autograph." The General replied, "It is to your interest to be for the Union, and I hope you may be as firm in your principles, as I am in mine." He assured me that his autograph would be a dangerous thing to possess, but at length he gave it to me. Changing the topic of conversation, he assured me that war was a cruel thing, and that he only desired that they would let him go home, and eat his bread there in peace. All this time I was impressed with the strength and sadness of the man.

I trust these few facts may prove of use to you. I am glad to see that you are getting up these bits of unwritten history. Of course, I have just given you an outline of the affair, and you are at liberty to use it as you see fit.

MRS. ELLEN M'LELLAN.

One of the difficulties encountered by Lee in the Cumberland Valley was the lack of information relative to the position and movements of the Army of the Potomac. This grew out of the fact, that he had detached Stuart's

cavalry to make the raid around Hooker's right, and hence was moving, as he confessed, "without his eyes." On the 29th of June, however, a scout, sent by Longstreet, from Culpeper, Va., to ascertain the movements of the Union Army, reported in Chambersburg, to Longstreet, who immediately went with him to Lee's headquarters. This scout reported that the Union Army had crossed the Potomac, and was then encamped about Frederick City—the first information of the kind Lee had received. It was valuable information. Orders had been issued for Ewell to attack Harrisburg. These were countermanded, and all the rebel forces were directed to concentrate at Gettysburg.

The rapid movement of troops and artillery and supply trains through Chambersburg toward Gettysburg, and especially the return of those which had gone in the direction of Harrisburg, convinced the citizens of the town that the conflict between the two armies would not occur at or near Harrisburg but somewhere in the vicinity of Gettysburg. It was highly important, therefore, that this sudden and hurried change of movement, should be communicated at once to the proper authorities. Judge Kimmell, the civil military head of affairs in the town, wrote a message to Gov. Curtin, giving a succinct statement of the situation, and having secured the services of Stephen W. Pomeroy, then a Franklin County ex-soldier, sewed this missive securely in the buckle strap of his pantaloons, and remarked that it was of importance to the governor and the country. "Get this safe," said the Judge, "and in the shortest time possible to the governor." The charge was heeded. Along roads, through ravines and woods, over fields and hills, with frequent changes of horses, the young man pursued his way and finally reached the telegraph station at Port Royal about midnight, having during the day walked seventeen and ridden forty-one miles. The message was taken from the buckle strap and sent to the governor. It served its purpose in warning the proper authorities of the change of program on the part of the rebel chief, and led to Union success. Its importance is acknowledged in the following letter which is self-explanatory:

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11, 1888.

MY DEAR SIR:—Your dispatch was the first authentic information I received of the concentration of the army of General Lee on Gettysburg, and, treating it as true, acted on it.

Yours truly,

A. G. CURTIN.

REV. S. W. POMEROY.

The Rebel army concentrated at Gettysburg, and on the 1st, 2d and 3d of July was fought the bloodiest battle of the war between the haughty, self-confident and well-disciplined Army of Northern Virginia, commanded by one of the ablest generals of the age, and the Army of the Potomac until the 28th of June, under the command of Maj.-Gen. Joseph Hooker, but subsequent to that date of Maj.-Gen. George G. Meade. Meade's army consisted of seven infantry corps, as follows: First, commanded by Maj.-Gen. John F. Reynolds; Second, Maj.-Gen. W. S. Hancock; Third, Maj.-Gen. Daniel E. Sickles; Fifth, Maj.-Gen. George Sykes; Sixth, Maj.-Gen. John Sedgwick; Eleventh, Maj.-Gen. O. O. Howard; Twelfth, Maj.-Gen. H. W. Slocum; cavalry corps, Maj.-Gen. Alfred Pleasonton; total, about 95,000 men, with 352 pieces of artillery. During the first two days, success seemed to favor the Rebel Army, but on the third it changed to the Union side. The adjutant-general's office, in an official statement issued in 1886, gives the aggregate losses in killed, wounded and missing as follows: Army of the Potomac, 22,990; Army of Northern Virginia, 20,448. For particulars as to this terrible battle the reader is referred to articles and books which develop the subject.

Lee's retreat occurred through Franklin County, but by a new route. The battle closing on the 3d of July, he began to send his sick and wounded.

together with the supply trains, to the rear via Waynesboro, Ringgold, Leitersburg and Hagerstown. Many of the wounded, probably most, passed on the interior line through Greenwood, New Franklin, Greencastle and Hagerstown to Williamsport. The escort of this vast army of wounded men was given to Brig.-Gen. J. D. Imboden, whose command arrived at Gettysburg July 3, too late to participate in the engagement, but just in time to guard the dead and dying to the rear. Gen. Imboden thus reports the matter, commencing with his visit to Lee's tent after the close of the third day's battle:

“In a little while he (Lee) called up a servant from his sleep to take his horse; spoke mournfully, by name, of several of his friends who had fallen during the day, and when a candle had been lighted, invited me alone into his tent, where, as soon as we were seated, he remarked: ‘We must return to Virginia. As many of our poor wounded as possible must be taken home. I have sent for you because your men are fresh, to guard the trains back to Virginia. The duty will be arduous, responsible and dangerous, for I am afraid you will be harassed by the enemy's cavalry. I can spare you as much artillery as you require, but no other troops, as I shall need all I have to return to the Potomac by a different route from yours. All the transportation and all the care of the wounded will be entrusted to you. You will recross the mountain by the Chambersburg road, and then proceed to Williamsport by any route you deem best, without halting. There rest and feed your animals, then ford the river, and make no halt till you reach Winchester, where I will again communicate with you.’ As I was about leaving to return to my camp, he came out of his tent and said to me in a low tone: ‘I will place in your hands to-morrow a sealed package for President Davis, which you will retain in your own possession till you are across the Potomac, when you will detail a trusty commissioned officer to take it to Richmond with all possible despatch, and deliver it immediately to the President. I impress it upon you that whatever happens, this package must not fall into the hands of the enemy. If you should unfortunately be captured, destroy it.’

“On the morning of the 4th my written instructions and the package for Mr. Davis were delivered to me. It was soon apparent that the wagons and ambulances and the wounded could not be ready to move till late in the afternoon. The General sent me four four-gun field batteries, which, with my own, gave me twenty-two guns to defend the trains.

“Shortly after noon the very windows of heaven seemed to have been opened. Rain fell in dashing torrents, and in a little while the whole face of the earth was covered with water. The meadows became small lakes; raging streams ran across the road in every depression of the ground; wagons, ambulances and artillery carriages filled the roads and fields in all directions. The storm increased in fury every moment. Canvas was no protection against it, and the poor wounded, lying upon the hard, naked boards of the wagon bodies, were drenched by the cold rain. Horses and mules were blinded and maddened by the storm, and became almost unmanageable. The roar of the winds and waters made it almost impossible to communicate orders. Night was rapidly approaching, and there was danger that in the darkness the ‘confusion’ would become ‘worse confounded.’ About 4 P. M. the head of the column was put in motion and began the ascent of the mountain. After dark I set out to gain the advance. The train was seventeen miles long when drawn out on the road. It was moving rapidly, and from every wagon issued wails of agony. For four hours I galloped along, passing to the front, and heard more—it was too dark to see—of the horrors of war than I had witnessed from the battle of Bull Run up to that day. In the wagons were men wound-



ed and mutilated in every conceivable way. Some had their legs shattered by a shell or minie-ball; some were shot through their bodies; others had arms torn to shreds; some had received a ball in the face, or a jagged piece of shell had lacerated their heads. Scarcely one in a hundred had received adequate surgical aid. Many had been without food for thirty-six hours. Their ragged, bloody and dirty clothes, all clotted and hardened with blood, were rasping the tender, inflamed lips of their gaping wounds. Very few of the wagons had even straw in them, and all were without springs. The road was rough and rocky. The jolting was enough to have killed sound, strong men. From nearly every wagon, as the horses trotted on, such cries and shrieks as these greeted the ear: 'Oh God! why can't I die?' 'My God! will no one have mercy and kill me and end my misery?' 'Oh! stop one minute and take me out and leave me to die on the roadside.' 'I am dying! I am dying! My poor wife! my dear children! what will become of you?' Some were praying, others were uttering the most fearful oaths and execrations that despair could wring from them in their agony. Occasionally a wagon would be passed from which only low, deep moans and sobs could be heard. No help could be rendered to any of the sufferers. On, on; we must move on. The storm continued and the darkness was fearful. There was no time to fill even a canteen with water for a dying man; for, except the drivers and the guards disposed in compact bodies every half mile, all were wounded and helpless in that vast train of misery. The night was awful, and yet it was our safety, for no enemy would dare attack us when he could not distinguish friend from foe. We knew that when day broke upon us we would be harrassed by bands of cavalry hanging on our flanks. Therefore our aim was to go as far as possible under cover of the night, and so we kept on. It was my sad lot to pass the whole distance from the rear to the head of the column, and no language can convey an idea of the horrors of that most horrible of all nights of our long and bloody war.

"Daybreak on the morning of the 5th found the head of our column at Greencastle, twelve or fifteen miles from the Potomac at Williamsport, our point of crossing. Here our apprehended troubles from the Union cavalry began. From the fields and cross-roads they attacked us in small bodies, striking the column where there were few or no guards, and creating great confusion.

"To add still further to our perplexities, a report was brought that the Federals in large force held Williamsport. This fortunately proved untrue. After a great deal of harrassing and desultory fighting along the road, nearly the whole immense train reached Williamsport a little after the middle of the day. The town was taken possession of; all the churches, schoolhouses, etc., were converted into hospitals, and, proving insufficient, many of the private houses were occupied. Straw was obtained on the neighboring farms; the wounded were removed from the wagons and housed; the citizens were all put to cooking, and the army surgeons to dressing wounds. The dead were selected from the train—for many had perished on the way—and were decently buried. All this had to be done because the tremendous rains had raised the river more than ten feet above the fording stage, and we could not possibly cross.

"Our situation was frightful. We had over 10,000 animals and all the wagons of Gen. Lee's army under our charge, and all the wounded that could be brought from Gettysburg. Our supply of provisions consisted of a few wagon loads of flour and a small lot of cattle. My effective force was only about 2,100 men and twenty odd field pieces. We did not know where our army was; the river could not be crossed; and small parties of cavalry were

still hovering around. The means of ferriage consisted of two small boats and a small wire rope stretched across the river, which, owing to the force of the swollen current, broke several times during the day. To reduce the space to be defended as much as possible, all the wagons and animals were parked close together on the river bank.

“Believing that an attack would soon be made upon us, I ordered the wagons to be mustered, and, taking three out of every four, organized them into companies, and armed them with the weapons of the wounded men found in the train. By this means I added to my effective force about 500 men. Slightly wounded officers promptly volunteered their services to command these improvised soldiers; and many of our quartermasters and commissaries did the same thing. We were not seriously molested on the 5th; but next morning about 9 o'clock information reached me that a large body of cavalry from Frederick, Md., was rapidly advancing to attack us. As we could not retreat further, it was at once frankly made known to the troops that unless we could repel the threatened attack we should all become prisoners, and that the loss of his whole transportation would probably ruin Gen. Lee; for it could not be replaced for many months, if at all, in the then exhausted condition of the Confederate States. So far from repressing the ardor of the troops, this frank announcement of our peril inspired all with the utmost enthusiasm. Men and officers alike, forgetting the sufferings of the past few days, proclaimed their determination to drive back the attacking force or perish in the attempt. All told, we were less than 3,000 men. The advancing force we knew to be more than double ours, consisting, as we had ascertained, of five regular and eight volunteer regiments of cavalry, with eighteen guns, all under the command of Gen.'s Buford and Kilpatrick. We had no works of any kind; the country was open and almost level, and there was no advantage of position we could occupy. It must necessarily be a square stand-up fight, face to face. We had twenty-two field guns of various calibre, and one Whitworth. These were disposed in batteries, in a semi-circle, about one mile out of the village, on the summit of a very slight rising ground that lies back of the town. Except the artillery, our troops were held out of view of the assailants, and ready to be moved promptly to any menaced point along the whole line of nearly two miles in extent. Knowing that nothing could save us but a bold “bluff” game, orders had been given to the artillery, as soon as the advancing forces came within range, to open fire along the whole line, and keep it up with the utmost rapidity. A little after 1 o'clock they appeared on two roads in our front, and our batteries opened. They soon had their guns in position, and a very lively artillery fight began. We fired with great rapidity, and in less than an hour two of our batteries reported that their ammunition was exhausted. This would have been fatal to us but for the opportune arrival, at the critical moment, of an ammunition train from Winchester. The wagons were ferried across to our side as soon as possible, and driven on the field in a gallop to supply the silent guns. Not having men to occupy half our line they were moved up in order of battle, first to one battery, then withdrawn and double-quickened to another, but out of view of our assailants till they could be shown at some other point on our line. By this maneuvering we made the impression that we had a strong supporting force in rear of all our guns along the entire front. To test this, Gen. Buford and Kilpatrick dismounted five regiments and advanced them on foot on our right. We concentrated there all the men we had, wagons and all, and thus, with the aid of the united fire of all our guns directed at the advancing line, we drove it back, and rushed forward two of our batteries 400 or 500 yards farther to the front. This

boldness prevented another charge, and the fight was continued till near sunset with the artillery. About that time Gen. Fitz Hugh Lee sent a message from toward Greencastle, that if we could hold out an hour he would re-enforce us with 3,000 men. This intelligence elicited a loud and long continued cheer along our whole line, which was heard and understood by our adversaries, as we learned from prisoners taken. A few minutes later Gen. J. E. B. Stuart, advancing from Hagerstown, fell unexpectedly upon the rear of their right wing, and in ten minutes they were in rapid retreat by their left flank in the direction of Boonsboro. Night coming on enabled them to escape.

“By extraordinary good fortune, we had thus saved all of Gen. Lee’s trains. A bold charge at any time before sunset would have broken our feeble lines, and we should all have fallen an easy prey to the Federals. This came to be known as ‘the wagoners’ fight’ in our army, from the fact that so many of them were armed, and did such gallant service in repelling the attack made on our right by the dismounted regiments.

“Our defeat that day would have been an irreparable blow to Gen. Lee, in the loss of all his transportation. Every man engaged knew this, and probably in no fight in the war was there a more determined spirit shown, than by this handful of cooped-up troops. The next day our army from Gettysburg arrived, and the country is familiar with the manner in which it escaped across the Potomac, on the night of the 9th.

“It may be interesting to repeat one or two facts to show the peril in which we were until the river could be bridged. About 4,000 prisoners, taken at Gettysburg, were ferried across the river by the morning of the 9th, and I was ordered to guard them to Staunton. Before we had proceeded two miles, I received a note from Gen. Lee, to report to him in person immediately. I rode to the river, was ferried over, and galloped out toward Hagerstown. As I proceeded, I became satisfied that a serious demonstration was making along our front, from the heavy artillery firing extending for a long distance along the line. I overtook Gen. Lee riding to the front near Hagerstown. He immediately reined up, and remarked, that he believed I was familiar with all the fords of the Potomac above Williamsport, and the roads approaching them. I replied that I knew them perfectly. He then called up some one of his staff to write down my answers to his questions, and required me to name all fords as high up as Cumberland, and describe minutely their character, and the roads and surrounding country on both sides of the river, and directed me to send my brother, Col. Imboden, to him to act as a guide with his regiment, if he should be compelled to retreat higher up the river to cross it. His situation was then very precarious. When about parting from him to recross the river, and move on with the prisoners, he told me, they would probably be rescued before I reached Winchester, my guard was so small, and he expected a force of cavalry would cross at Harper’s Ferry to cut us off; and he could not spare to me any additional troops, as he might be hard pressed, before he got over the river, which was still very much swollen by the rains. Referring to the high water, he laughingly inquired: ‘Does it ever quit raining about here? If so, I should like to see a clear day.’

“These incidents go to show how near Gettysburg came to ending the war in 1863. If we had been successful in that battle, the probabilities are that Baltimore and Washington would at once have fallen into our hands; and at that time there was so large a ‘peace party’ in the North, that the Federal Government would have found it difficult, if not impossible, to carry on the war. Gen. Lee’s opinion was, that we lost the battle because Pickett was not supported ‘as he was to have been.’ On the other hand, if Gens. Buford

and Kilpatrick had captured the 10,000 animals, and all the transportation of Lee's army at Williamsport, it would have been an irreparable loss, and would probably have led to the fall of Richmond in the autumn of 1863. On such small circumstances do the affairs of nations sometimes turn.'

The infantry forces retreated by the way of Monterey, Rouzersville, Waynesboro and Leitersburg, the supply trains being sent on an interior line.

One of the most important events connected with the retreat was Gen. Kilpatrick's capture of about nine miles of the rebel supply train. The plans for this important work were matured at the Monterey House, then kept by David Miller, now the popular manager and proprietor of the Clermont House.

Two columns were sent out, one piloted by Mr. C. H. Buhrman from Monterey, via Blue Summit, through devious ways, the thunder and lightning of that dark and stormy night affording proper accompaniments; the other from the present Clermont House across to the Gum Spring or Furnace road, thence along its line to the interception of the Baltimore pike near the toll-gate. These troops, operating from different directions, captured many hundred prisoners, and cut down and burned many hundred wagons burdened with pork, flour and other articles captured by the rebels from Pennsylvanians. This event, which Gen. Kilpatrick regarded one of his most brilliant achievements, and which was the most noted encounter had on Franklin County soil, is not generally understood. Two Franklin County civilians, viz.: David Miller and Chas. H. Buhrman, performed meritorious services, for which they have, hitherto, had no recognition. The following letter of Mr. Buhrman, written in reply to some inquiries concerning his duty as a pilot of the First Vermont Cavalry, and published originally in the *Valley Spirit*, will explain itself, and prove interesting to citizens and ex-soldiers:

ROUZERVILLE, PENN., October 12, 1866.

MR. J. FRAISE RICHARD,

*Dear Sir:* Your favor of the 11th inst. received, and questions answered as far as I can remember. I lived at that time at Fountain Dale, Adams Co., Penn., two miles east of Monterey Springs, on the turnpike leading to Emmitsburg. I found out through a man by the name of James Embley, who came to my place and told me that Lee's wagon train was retreating by way of the Furnace road, a mountain road leading from Fairfield to the turnpike, coming on the pike at the toll-gate near Monterey Springs. That was on Saturday afternoon, about 2 o'clock, July 4, 1863, as near as I can remember.

When I found out that Lee's wagon train was retreating, I mounted a horse and started to inform our cavalry, which I supposed would be at Emmitsburg. But two miles below my place I came to the Yankee pickets, and with them was one of Kilpatrick's scouts that I was well acquainted with. I told him of the wagon train retreating; he sent me to Gen. Custer, and Custer sent me to Gen. Kilpatrick. At that time they were just planting a cannon to shell the rebels on McMullin's Hill. When I informed Gen. Kilpatrick he ordered an advance at once to Monterey. I rode with the General as far as my farm, two miles east of Monterey. Just before getting to my place we met a little girl that had just left Monterey. She knew me, and told me to tell the soldiers not to go to Monterey, as the rebels had planted the pike full of cannons in front of Monterey and would kill all the soldiers when they got there. Kilpatrick laughed and remarked that they kept no account of cannons, as they just rode over them. When I got to the gate that goes into my farm I told the General I lived there, and would stop; but he requested me to go with them to Monterey and see the fun; so I went with him. We ran against the rebel pickets at Clermont, a quarter of a mile east of Monterey. It was then getting dark in the evening. After passing Clermont about 150 yards the rebels fired three or four shots with grape and canister, and then pulled up their battery and retreated. I don't think they killed any of Kilpatrick's men with the battery, as they fired too soon, and the grape and canister went over our men's heads; but it made some of our men retreat, and caused a great deal of confusion. I told Kilpatrick if he would dismount a regiment and go down through the edge of the woods, he could flank them and capture the battery. He did so, but they had retreated by the time our men got to Monterey.



*J. M. D. Sharpe*



Kilpatrick asked me which way I thought the wagon train was going, and where I supposed they would strike the river. I told him they could go by Smithsburg and Boonsboro, and cross the river at Sharpsburg, or go by Leitersburg and Hagerstown and cross at Williamsport. He asked me if there was any road that I knew of that I could take a regiment and head off that wagon train. I told him there was. That I could take them by Mount Zion and then down the Raven Rock Hollow and strike Smithsburg, and if they had not taken that road, we could cross to Leitersburg and there we would strike them for certain. It was the 1st Vermont regiment, commanded by Colonel Preston that I was with. When we got to Smithsburg we found everything quiet, as the Rebels had taken the Leitersburg road. The Colonel asked me what was to be done now, as there were no Rebels there. I told him we would find plenty of them before daylight, as we must strike them at Leitersburg. We got to Leitersburg about daybreak on Sunday morning, finding the road crowded with Rebels, cattle, horses, wagons, etc.

The regiment I was with captured a great many prisoners, cattle, horses, etc., and destroyed the wagon train from Leitersburg back to Ringgold. There they met the remainder of Kilpatrick's cavalry. They had destroyed the wagon train from Monterey to Ringgold, a distance of six miles, and from Ringgold to Leitersburg, a distance of three miles more, making nine miles of wagon train captured or burned or destroyed by cutting off wagon tongues and cutting spokes in wheels. I am not able to say how much, if any, of the wagon train was destroyed between Leitersburg and Hagerstown, as I went only as far as Leitersburg with the 1st Vermont regiment, when it divided, part going toward Hagerstown, and part toward Ringgold. I went with the part that went toward Ringgold, as that was on my way home. I left them about 8 o'clock on Sunday morning, and started home by way of Ringgold.

Before I got to Ringgold I was taken by Kilpatrick's pickets. They took me for a Rebel, and all I could say would not change their opinion, as they would not believe anything I said. They took me to the schoolhouse at Ringgold, where the officers had their headquarters; but as soon as the officers saw me they recognized me, having seen me with Kilpatrick the evening before. After leaving Ringgold on my way home, on going up a hill near the farm of George Harbaugh, when I got to the top of the hill the Rebels were coming up the other side. I saw them when I was about 100 yards from them; turned my horse and rode slowly until I got down the hill far enough that they could not see me. Then I ran my horse to the foot of the hill and left the road and got in the woods and got away from them. I kept the woods until I came to the Germantown road, near the Germantown schoolhouse; then took a near cut through the swamp and came out on the Sabillasville road, near Monterey; but the Rebel pickets were stationed near Monterey at a turn in the lane. They saw me first, and had dismounted and gone around the turn of the lane. I could not see them for a very large cherry tree that stood at the corner of the lane. They let me ride up within about sixty yards of them, when four of them stepped around the turn of the lane and told me to halt. There was an orchard on the left side of the road and a high post fence on each side. I knew my horse could not jump the fence, and I did not dare to turn him and go back, as it was a straight lane for a quarter of a mile and they would have easily hit me if I had made the attempt. One of them called to me to dismount, and, as I was near the orchard fence, I "dismounted" over the fence and did some good running from that to the Pine Swamp, about one-fourth of a mile. They shot four times at me, but missed me. I heard the balls whistle over my head, as it was down hill and they shot over me. I lost my horse, saddle and bridle. I was in the swamp only a few minutes until they were there; but as the bushes were very thick, I soon got away from them and kept the woods until I got home, two miles from there. It was then two or three o'clock on Sunday afternoon. I was at home only a few minutes when I saw the Rebel cavalry coming to my house. They took a near cut from Clermont, and came down the old road. They saw me at the same time I saw them. I passed in my front door and out my back door.

My orchard runs right back of my house, and one of my horses was standing under an apple tree near the house. I mounted the horse and got to the mountain before they were aware that I was not in the house. They searched the house from garret to cellar, and told my wife if they found me they would hang me to the first tree they came to. When I got to the mountain I made a halter out of hickory bark, and saved the horse in that way, as they did not find him. I kept myself hid until after the retreat of Lee's army, but lost three horses and nine head of cattle by being away. I have given you the facts as near as I can remember.

Yours very respectfully,  
C. H. BUHRMAN.

Some weeks ago the *Valley Spirit* kindly published for the compiler of this work an interesting personal letter from Mr. Charles H. Buhrman, giving an account of the only great military engagement which occurred within the limits of Franklin County, and which resulted in the destruction of a

large part of Ewell's wagon train on its retreat from the bloody field of Gettysburg. That engagement, let it be remembered, occurred on the mountain and in the Cumberland Valley, from Monterey through Rouzersville and Ringgold to and beyond Leitersburg. From the official report of Brig.-Gen. Judson Kilpatrick, commanding the Third Division of the cavalry corps, dated August 10, 1863, is taken the following:

"On the morning of the 4th I received orders from Headquarters Cavalry Corps to move with my division to Emmittsburg, where I would find Col. Huey's brigade of Brig.-Gen. Gregg's division; that Lee's army had evacuated Gettysburg at 3 o'clock that morning; that a heavy train of wagons was moving on the road to Hagerstown; that I was expected to take with me my entire division and the brigade referred to, destroy this train and operate on the enemy's rear and flanks. We reached Emmittsburg at 3 P. M. (Col. Huey's brigade joined the division at this place). Without halting passed on the road to Monterey, intending to cross the mountain at that point. Stuart's cavalry was at Miller's. We forced him off the road and passed on. The top of the mountain had nearly been gained, when the enemy opened on the advance with artillery and infantry. At the same time the rear, under Col. Huey, was attacked by Stuart's cavalry. On my left was a deep ravine, and on my right a steep, rugged mountain, and a road too narrow to reverse even a gun; to add to this unpleasant position it was raining in torrents.

"Never under such perilous circumstances did a command behave better; not a word was spoken; there was no confusion. From a farmer's boy I learned the nature of the road and country on the mountain, made my disposition and ordered a charge; in a moment the heights were gained and many prisoners taken. Now the rumble of the enemy's train could be heard rolling down the mountain. The enemy was in position half a mile further on, at the intersection of the road from Gettysburg to Hagerstown, upon which I was moving [viz., near the tollgate—R.]. The enemy's infantry and artillery were approaching rapidly on the Gettysburg road, and he had already opened on my position with two guns. No time was to be lost if I wished to reach the train and save my command. Pennington, always ready, always willing, quickly came into position and returned the enemy's fire. Gen. Custer's brigade was ordered to move forward, clear the road, and attack the train. The attack was successful.

"In the meantime the First Vermont Cavalry (Lieut.-Col. Preston) had been sent along the mountain over a wood road to Smithsburg, and thence to Hagerstown [should be Leitersburg—R.], to intercept the train. A strong force of dismounted men and two guns of Pennington's battery were now sent on the road in direction of Gettysburg to barricade the road and hold the enemy in check until the column had passed. Many fierce but unsuccessful attempts were made on this position during the night. At daylight the whole command had safely passed, and Ewell's large train was entirely destroyed, save eight forges, thirty wagons, and a few ambulances loaded with wounded rebel officers (sent with prisoners to Frederick City).

"At 9 A. M. on the 5th the command reached Smithsburg with 1,360 prisoners, one battle flag, and a large number of horses and mules, several hundred of the enemy's wounded being left upon the field. We lost five killed, including one commissioned officer, ten wounded, and twenty-eight missing."

In a recent communication to the *Spirit*, reference was made briefly to the part taken in this important engagement by a Franklin County man, David Miller. The following is an interesting letter from Mr. Miller, which will become a historical supplement to the communication of Mr. Buhrman:



CLERMONT, PENN., November 23, 1866.

PROF. J. FRAISE RICHARD,

*Dear Sir*—In answer to your letter concerning the capture of Lee's wagon train by Gen. Kilpatrick on the night of July 4, and morning of the 5th, 1863, I beg to say I remember it very distinctly.

My father rented Monterey Springs from Mr. Samuel Buhrman and kept the house from April, 1861, to April, 1866. Monterey being on the turnpike, at the top of South Mountain, is the main crossing in the southeastern part of Franklin County, Penn., and was resorted to in times of rebel invasions by not only many persons of Washington and Antrim Townships of this county, but by many from Washington County, Maryland, and the Valley of Virginia. At this place, in times of danger, pickets were always placed from the Monterey House to the western side of the mountain to give notice if the rebels were approaching.

At the time of the battle of Gettysburg a large number of people were here anxiously awaiting news from the field of carnage, which could be seen from the adjacent hills. On the afternoon of July 4, a company of rebel cavalry came to Monterey from the tollgate, about half a mile on the western side, where the old Furnace road intersects the turnpike, over which roads the train was passing. After staying an hour or longer they left, and soon a rebel battery came from the same direction and placed a cannon on the turnpike between the house and barn. Another party was stationed farther east where the Clermont house now is and the pike commences to descend the mountain.

They kept all the persons at the Monterey as prisoners, placing a guard over them at the house. They gave my nephew, Willie Waddell, and myself privilege to go wherever we wished, to look after things, but required us to report every fifteen minutes to Sergt. Grabill, who was stationed at the front door of the house. About dusk I saw a great deal of commotion among them and asked some of the soldiers what was going on. "Oh nothing! Just you report to Sergt. Grabill," was the reply. I came to the house and asked Willie Waddell whether he knew what was going on. "Yes," said he, "I just came down from the observatory on the top of the house and could hear the Union troops coming up the mountain."

Very soon the cannonading commenced, but did not last long. The rebels hitched horses to their cannon and went toward the tollgate on a run, Sergt. Grabill not waiting for any one to report to him. One of the first men I met after the arrival of the Union troops was Gen. Custer, who, after questioning me, called Gen. Kilpatrick standing near. Gen. Kilpatrick asked me the distance to the foot of the mountain on the western side and whether troops could march on both sides of the turnpike. I told him they could as far as the tollgate. He immediately ordered a cannon to be placed in front of the Monterey house to throw shells after the retreating rebels. At the same time he ordered a regiment to march after them. The officer in command said he could not go while they were throwing shell in the rear of his men. Kilpatrick said, "Yes you can," and at the same time directed the officer in charge of the cannon to throw his shells high so that there would be no danger to the Union troops. The rebels returned the fire for a time from the neighborhood of the tollgate, but when the Union troops approached they ceased.

Kilpatrick inquired of me whether there was any other road by which he could get to the foot of the mountain. I informed him of the Mount Zion road to Smithsburg and Leitersburg, the distance, to the former place being eight miles, to the latter eleven. He then asked me whether I knew of any one acquainted with the road who would go as a guide. I had seen Mr. C. H. Buhrman with the soldiers when they came to Monterey. I said, "Mr. Buhrman is the man for you." Mr. Buhrman being called up, Gen. Kilpatrick asked him whether he knew the Mount Zion road to Smithsburg and Leitersburg, and whether he could find it such a dark night; if so, whether he would go as a guide for a regiment. Mr. Buhrman said he knew the road well, could find it no matter how dark the night, and would go as a guide.

Calling Col. Preston, Gen. Kilpatrick informed him that Mr. Buhrman would act as his guide. Soon the tramping of horses began through mud and rain in one of the darkest nights I ever knew. As soon as Col. Preston had started, Gen. Kilpatrick ordered a lieutenant, with James McCulloh as guide, to go past the Benchoff farm to the old Furnace road to cut off that portion of the train between the Gum Spring and the turnpike, which added one and a half miles more to the part already attacked, and from which they brought from seventy-five to one hundred prisoners to Monterey. The cannonading continued for several hours as our troops were descending the western side of the mountain. By daylight on Sunday morning, July 5, Gen. Kilpatrick, with all his troops and prisoners except a few who were too badly wounded to be moved, had left Monterey. One of these wounded died soon after.

I never knew any one to direct movements so rapidly as Gen. Kilpatrick did that night, nor men so eager to follow as were the Union soldiers. There never was a greater victory under such adverse circumstances with the loss of so small a number of men.

Respectfully yours,

DAVID MILLER.

Morrow Burns, of Washington Township, and several of his neighbors, John Ohler, Daniel Hollinger, Dick Bonebrake, Hugh Sibbett and others from Waynesboro, were captured by the rebels on Saturday evening and held as prisoners during the period of heaviest cannonading, very much to their personal discomfort. Citizens along the line from Rouzersville to Leitersburg remember very vividly the pyrotechnic display of July 4 and 5, 1863, made by the burning of rebel wagons thoroughly supplied with the pork and flour of Pennsylvania farmers; but in the future they prefer to have their celebrations under the direction of men pursuing peaceful callings.

Many minor skirmishes occurred within the county, during the invasion, which can only be referred to. Capt. Dahlgreen dashed upon Greencastle during the days of fighting at Gettysburg, and captured a number of prisoners and a large amount of important mail matter being sent to the front. Near the Caledonia Iron Works, recently destroyed, Gen. Gregg's command had a brush with Imboden's regular guard. At Cearfoos' Cross-roads, Capt. Jones' command made a spirited attack on Imboden's guard, and did considerable execution.

The self-confident, boastful spirit, which characterized the rebel army on the advance, was materially modified during the retreat. Citizens along the line took no little pleasure in taunting them with the remarkable change that had occurred; then, too, greater lawlessness characterized the conduct of the soldiers on the retreat. Defeated, disheartened and hungry, they were reckless in their demands for money and supplies, and committed upon the people indignities that would have received severe punishment on the advance.

Lee's army crossed the Potomac into Virginia at Falling Waters and Williamsport, on the 13th of July, and thus ended, in defeat and extensive ruin of his army, Lee's invasion of Pennsylvania.\*

#### M'CAUSLAND'S INVASION AND BURNING OF CHAMBERSBURG, 1864.

It was hoped that Lee's invasion would end the scourgings inflicted upon Franklin County; not so, however. The severest ordeal of all was yet to be passed through; but in this case, the blow fell especially upon the county's capital in the year of its first centennial. One hundred years had elapsed since Col. Benjamin Chambers had laid out the town, the beautiful town of Chambersburg. They were years of change and growth, of adversity and prosperity, of peace and joy. How suddenly, however, the happy remembrances of the past were embittered by the overpowering afflictions of the present.

Maj.-Gen. D. N. Couch was in command of the department of the Susquehanna, and expected to defend the border from rebel raids with only a few hundred men. As rapidly as he secured and organized regiments of volunteers, they were ordered elsewhere by the secretary of war, leaving him utterly helpless. Under these unfavorable circumstances the raid of 1864 was made. Gen. Early was, at this time, commanding the Shenandoah region, having been sent by Gen. Lee, with a corps, to expel Gen. Hunter, the successor of Gen. Sigel in the valley. On account of lack of ammunition, Hunter fell back, giving Early opportunity to move at will. Having crossed the Potomac, he moved rapidly on Washington, defeating Gen. Lew Wallace at the Monocacy; but being checkmated by the gathering forces around the capital city, he returned with his plunder through Snicker's Gap, and concentrated his troops around Martinsburg. Gen. Hunter, having returned from his wild

\*The reader is recommended to read Jacob Hoke's "Reminiscences of the War," and "The Great Invasion," two valuable contributions to the literature of the civil war. To these sources the writer hereof is greatly indebted and takes this occasion to make proper acknowledgment.

goose chase, was occupying the north bank of the Potomac, with Averill's cavalry on his right flank, to confront Gen. McCausland's cavalry on Early's left.

On the 28th of July, Gen. Early ordered Brig.-Gen. John A. McCausland to proceed with his own brigade of mounted infantry, and the cavalry brigade of Gen. Bradley T. Johnson, aggregating about 2,900 men, to Chambersburg, and after capturing it, demand a tribute of \$100,000 in gold, or \$500,000 in greenbacks. In default of either proposition, he was to burn the town. On the ensuing night, he captured the seven Union pickets along the river, and the next morning, turning Averill's right, started on his raid. He met no opposition of any consequence, as his command moved rapidly, by way of Clear Spring and Mercersburg, to the doomed town. It may be wise to allow Gen. McCausland to tell his own story:

"We reached Chambersburg by daylight on the 30th. The approach to the town was defended only by one piece of artillery, and some regular troops, that were soon driven off, and the advance of our force took possession of the town. The main part of the two brigades was formed in line on the high ground overlooking the town. I at once went into the place with my staff, and requested some of the citizens to inform the city authorities that I wanted to see them. I also sent my staff through the town, to find out where the proper officials were, and inform them that I had a proclamation for their consideration. Not one could be found. I then directed the proclamation to be read to many of the citizens that were near me, and requested them to hunt up their officers, informing them I would wait until they could either find them, or, by consultation among themselves, determine what they would do. Finally, I informed them, that I would wait six hours, and if they would comply with the requisition, their town would be safe; and, in case they did not, it would be destroyed in accordance with my orders from Gen. Early. After a few hours of delay, many citizens came to me; some were willing to pay the money, others were not. I urged them to comply, with such reasons as occurred to me at the time, and told them plainly what they might expect. I showed to my own officers the written instructions of Gen. Early, and before a single house was destroyed, both the citizens and the Confederate officers, that were present, fully understood why it was done, and by whose orders. After waiting until the expiration of the six hours, and finding that the proclamation would not be complied with, the destruction of the town was begun by firing the most central blocks first, and after the inhabitants had been removed from them. Thus the town was destroyed, and the inhabitants driven to the hills and fields adjacent thereto. No lives were lost by the citizens, and only one soldier was killed, and he was killed after the troops left the vicinity of the place. About noon the troops were reformed on the high ground overlooking the town, where most of them had been posted in the early morning, and the return to the Potomac was begun shortly afterward. We encamped at McConnellsburg that night, and reached the river the next day, at or near Hancock, Md."

Gen. McCausland is very desirous, it seems, to escape from the responsibility of this act of vandalism. He throws the burden upon Gen. Jubal A. Early, his superior officer, who had exercised upon Pennsylvanians, the previous year, his propensity to indulge in pyrotechnic displays, at the expense of his enemies.

The following is substantially the authority which McCausland had for his diabolical acts, the order having been read in the presence of a number of prominent men of Chambersburg:

TO GEN. J. McCAUSLAND: You are hereby ordered to proceed with such forces as will be detailed, and as rapidly as possible, to the town of Chambersburg, Penn., and de-

mand of the authorities the sum of \$100,000 in gold or in lieu thereof the sum of \$500,000 in greenbacks, and in case this demand is not complied with, then in retaliation for the burning of seven properties of peaceful inhabitants of the valley of Virginia, by order of the Federal Gen. Hunter, you will proceed to burn the town of Chambersburg and rapidly return to this point.

Signed:

J. A. EARLY,  
General Commanding.

But Gen. Early has not been wanting in acknowledging his responsibility for the act. In a number of letters, he has assumed the burden. His reasons are substantially that Gen. Hunter, having destroyed many private and public buildings in the Shenandoah Valley, and other Union officers having committed similar acts of destruction in the Southern States, he "determined to demand compensation therefor from some town in Pennsylvania, and in the event of failure to comply, to retaliate by burning said town. The town of Chambersburg was selected because it was the only one of any consequence accessible to his troops and for no other reason." Notwithstanding Gen. Early's affirmations, there are many who insist that several other reasons for the burning exist: First. To retaliate for the supposed sympathy that harbored John Brown in 1859 while he was making his preparations for the raid upon Harper's Ferry. Second. That the money accruing from the levy, had it been paid, would have been very acceptable to the rebel officers who had been fighting for years for glory never to be realized, and money likely to continue at a ruinous discount.

The tribute was not and could not be paid. While McCausland and his major, Harry Gilmore, were endeavoring by persuasion and threats to intimidate the people into compliance with their demands, the rebel soldiers were engaged in an indiscriminate robbery of the people in all parts of the town. Hats, caps, boots, shoes, watches, silverware, clothing—everything of value was taken by the horde, under penalty of summary vengeance should their owners dare to refuse. Infuriated by the refusal of the people to pay the required sum, Gilmore arrested Thos. B. Kennedy, J. McDowell Sharpe, William McClellan, Dr. J. C. Richards, William H. McDowell, W. S. Everett, E. G. Etter and M. A. Foltz, and announced his purpose to take them to Richmond as hostages for the payment of the money. In the meantime, however, the work of firing had commenced in at least fifty different places; and these gentlemen were released when it was discovered that the plan of intimidation was unsuccessful.

Col. A. K. McClure, in the *Franklin Repository*, of August 24, 1864, relates the following: "The main part of the town was enveloped in flames in ten minutes. No time was given to remove women or children or sick, or even the dead. No notice of the kind was communicated to any one; but like infuriated fiends from hell itself, the work of destruction was commenced. They did not have anything to learn in their hurried tirade—they proved experts in their calling. They divided into squads and fired every other house, and often every house, if they presented any prospect of plunder. They would burst in the door with iron bars or heavy plank, smash up any furniture with an ax, throw fluid or oil upon it, and apply the match. They almost invariably entered every room of each house, rifled the drawers of every bureau, appropriated money, jewelry, watches and any other valuables, and often would present pistols at the heads of inmates, men and women, and demand money or their lives. In nearly half the instances they demanded owners to ransom their property, and in a few cases it was done and the property burned. The main object of the men seemed to be plunder. Not a house escaped rifling—all were plundered of anything that could be carried away. In most cases houses

were entered in the rudest manner, and no time whatever allowed even for the families to escape, much less to save anything. Many families had the utmost difficulty to get themselves and children out in time, and not one-half had so much as a change of clothing with them. They would rush from story to story to rob, and always fire the building at once in order to keep the family from detecting their robberies. Feeble and helpless women and children were treated like brutes—told insolently to get out or burn: and even the sick were not spared. Several invalids had to be carried out as the red flames licked their couches. Thus the work of desolation continued for two hours; more than half the town was on fire at once, and the wild glare of the flames, the shrieks of women and children, and often, louder than all, the blasphemy of the rebels, conspired to present such a scene of horror as has never been witnessed by the present generation. No one was spared save by accident. The widow and the fatherless cried and plead in vain that they would be homeless and helpless. A rude oath would close all hope of mercy, and they would fly to save their lives. The old and infirm who tottered before them were thrust aside, and the torch applied in their presence to hasten their departure. So thoroughly were all of them masters of the trade of destruction that there is scarcely a house standing in Chambersburg to-day that they attempted to burn, although their stay did not exceed two hours. In that brief period, the major portion of Chambersburg—its chief wealth and business, its capital and elegance—were devoured by a barbarous foe; three millions of property sacrificed: 3,000 human beings homeless and many penniless; and all without so much as a pretense that the citizens of the doomed village, or any of them, had violated any accepted rule of civilized warfare. Such is the deliberate, voluntary record made by Gen. Early, a corps commander in the insurgent army. The Government may not take summary vengeance, although it has abundant power to do so; but there is One whose voice is most terrible in wrath, who has declared: 'Vengeance is mine; I will repay.'"

Rev. Joseph Clark, in an article contributed to the *Presbyterian* of August 6, 1864, says: "The burning was executed in the most ruthless and unrelenting manner. A squad of men would approach a house, break open the door, proceed to the most convenient part of the house and kindle a fire, with no other notice to the inmates, except to get out of it as soon as they could. In many cases, five, ten, fifteen minutes, were asked to secure some clothing, which were refused. Many families escaped with only the clothing they had on, and such as they could gather up in their haste. In many cases they were not allowed to take these, but were threatened with instant death if they did not cast them away and flee. Sick and aged people had to be carried to the fields. The corpses of one or two persons, who had recently died, were hastily interred in the gardens, and children, separated from their parents, ran wildly screaming through the streets. Those whose stupor, or eagerness to save something, detained them, emerged with difficulty from the streets filled with the sheeted flames of their burning homes. I should say here, that no provocation had been given; not a shot was fired on them in entering the town, and not until the full crisis was reached, did desperation, in a few instances, lead to desperate acts, and a few of the incendiaries left their bones to smoulder in the ruins.

"As to the result, I may say that the entire heart or body of the town is burned. Not a house or building of any kind is left on a space of about an average of ten squares of streets, extending each way from the center, with some four or five exceptions, where the buildings were isolated. Only the outskirts are left. The court-house, bank, town hall, German Reformed print-

ing establishment, every store and hotel in the town, and every mill and factory in the space indicated, and two churches, were consumed. Between 300 and 400 dwellings were burned, leaving at least 2,500 persons without a home or a hearth. In value, three-fourths of the town were destroyed. The scene of desolation must be seen to be appreciated. Crumbling walls, stacks of chimneys and smoking embers, are all that remain of once elegant and happy homes. As to the scene itself, it beggars description. My own residence being on the outskirts, and feeling it the call of duty to be with my family, I could only look on from without. The day was sultry and calm, not a breath stirring, and each column of smoke rose black, straight and single, first one, and then another, and another, and another, until the columns blended and commingled; and then one vast and lurid column of smoke and flame rose perpendicular to the sky, and spread out into a vast crown, like a cloud of sackcloth hanging over the doomed city; whilst the roar and the surging, the crackling and the crash of falling timbers and walls broke upon the still air with a fearful dissonance, and the screams and sounds of agony of burning animals, hogs and cows and horses, made the welkin horrid with the sounds of woe. It was a scene to be witnessed and heard once in a life-time."

The loss of property was but a small part of the sufferings inflicted upon the people of Chambersburg. Families were reduced from competence to penury, and their members scattered. The deep trials through which many were required to pass resulted in disease that swept many into premature graves, or rendered them helpless invalids for life. But the burning of papers and books and records and mementoes and keepsakes was a calamity which can never be repaired. Public and private interests were equally sacrificed to gratify the feeling of revenge on the part of Southern traitors.

Gen. Averill finally succeeded in leaving his position on the Potomac, and arrived at Greencastle in his pursuit of McCausland. At that point an unsuccessful effort was made to reach him by Gen. Couch who, prior to the approach of the Confederate incendiary, was holding possession of Chambersburg with about two score of soldiers. Averill, it seems, feared an attack from the combined forces of McCausland and another command detached from Early's right, and withdrew to Greenwood for the safety of his command. From the latter point he started in pursuit of McCausland but reached Chambersburg too late to save it from destruction, or capture any considerable portion of the rebel horde. His advent into the place is thus described by a writer in the *Public Opinion* of July 30, 1886.

#### THE VOW OF AVERILL'S MEN.

[At 2 P. M. the Union forces advanced through the town. The citizens cheered the dusty and jaded warriors, but no soldierly huzzas came from *their* parched and suffocated throats, as they rode through smoke and flame and the intense heat of the smoldering ruins. One repeated exclamation of "My God" was all that was heard, and then, as they passed the flag staff, each one shouted, "Remember Chambersburg." And so they exclaimed, and so they shouted, as they dashed at a trot through the town.—J. K. Shryock in *Sehneck's Burning of Chambersburg*.

[They (the Confederates) were surprised one morning by Averill's men dashing in among them. The Federals slyly captured McCausland's pickets and before the rebels were fairly aroused from their slumbers, Averill's men were among them, cutting them down mercilessly to the cry of "Remember Chambersburg!" "Remember Chambersburg!" "Surrender, you house-burning villains!" The vow made by these men as they rode through the Diamond and beheld the widespread ruin, was remembered and kept.—J. Hoke's *Reminiscences of the War*.]

Slowly the men of Averill rode up the ruined street,

And warm were the cobble stones beneath their tir'd horses' feet;

High o'er their heads and banners, upward in eddy whirls,

Above the blacken'd buildings the smothering smoke-cloud curls.

\*To their right and left lay ruins, the marks of rebel rage,

'Twas a scene of desolation, a blot on history's page.

Homeless were maid and mother, and houseless were son and sire,

No sheltering roof to shield them, surrounded all by fire;



*E. S. Bourke*





And most harmonious music to those so helpless made  
 Were the sounds of Union trappings, the clatter of the blade.  
 Loudly they greeted the troopers with joyful shout and cheer,  
 But silently sat the soldiers, amid the scene so drear;  
 Warm were the stones beneath their steeds, and warm their welcome, too,  
 And warm with a thirst for vengeance each soldier's heart then grew.  
 And as beneath the shadow of the flag staff in the Square  
 Passed each and ev'ry trooper, with a vow he roused the air:  
 "When on the field of battle, let the rebel fiends beware,  
 Let us remember Chambersburg—then strike, and do not spare."  
 On press'd the Union troopers—on, on, to the west they sped,  
 Vowing their direst vengeance on the rebel chieftain's head.  
 They'd been too late to rescue but 'twas not too late as yet  
 To seek retaliation and full retribution get.  
 And so, in many a contest, on many a hard-fought field,  
 Back from those Union troopers Confederate columns reeled.  
 The blacken'd walls of Chambersburg rose up before their view  
 And bade them strike and spare not, as once they had vow'd to do.  
 Chambersburg was in their mind and they heard not who appealed,  
 Against all pleas for mercy were their hearts forever steeled;  
 And so the vow they made beneath the flag staff in the Square  
 Was kept with true fidelity—they struck and did not spare.

The *Public Opinion*, in its issue previously referred to, prepared a sketch, presenting several objects of great interest, touching the condition of the town in 1864 and 1886. They are made a part of this record:

"The persons who were then in business and continue to this day, are Edward Aughinbaugh, James L. Black; Christian Burkhart, now in the milling business; Andrew Banker, Henry Bishop; John F. Croft, now in the grocery business; C. H. Cressler, now Cressler & Greenawalt; John Døbler, John H. Dittman, Benj. Duke, Alex. Fahnestock, Peter Feldman, N. P. Grove, J. & H. E. Hoke; Ann Hoover, Carrie Hetrick, milliners; J. A. Lemaster, W. H. Hiteshew, now grocer; D. M. Leisher; Mrs. Sadie Levan, milliner; John Miller, hotel; J. S. Nixon, now Nixon & Son; George F. Platt, dentist; P. H. Peiffer, Benjamin Rhodes, Augustus Reineman, Fred. Spahr, Isaac Stine, H. Sierer, now Sierer & Co.; S. M. Shillito; N. Schlosser, dentist; A. J. White, now White & Son; James Watson, of the firm of J. & G. at that time; Jos. W. Wolfkill, now Wolfkill & Son; Capt. C. R. Pisle—thirty-six in all. The list, it should be borne in mind, is made up of those only who suffered loss, and who were engaged in business at that time.

"In taking up that portion of the list of persons who have been called to another world, and who were engaged in business or lived in Chambersburg when the fire occurred, it assumes large proportions.

"These deaths are recalled as having occurred here: Josiah Allen, John Armstrong, Samuel Brant, Dr. W. H. Boyle, Peter Brough and wife, J. S. Brown, Martin Brown, Mrs. R. M. Bard, Geo. W. Bitner, J. A. S. Cramer, Geo. Chambers, Sr., Dr. Edmund Culbertson, Holmes Crawford, Susan B. Chambers, W. H. Cunningham, A. D. Caufman, Ellen C. Cook, Thomas Carlisle, Jere Cook, S. A. Cook, Richard Cook, F. G. Dittman, Catharine R. Duncan, H. B. Davison, Joseph Eckert, Samuel Etter, Elizabeth Smith, Jacob Eby, James G. Elder, Anna C. Finefrock, D. S. Fahnestock, John Fisher, Alonzo P. Frye, Catharine Foltz, S. F. Greenawalt, W. B. Gilmore, D. O. Gehr, M. Greenawalt, Mary Gillan, J. B. Gillan, David Hoover, Jacob Hutton, H. H. Hutz, Jacob Henninger, Philip Hamman, John D. Jacobs, George Kindline, George Lehner, Dr. John Lambert, Bruce Lambert, Martin Ludwig, Thomas Metcalf, Wm. McLellan, Nancy McClellan, L. McClellan, Alexander Martin, Henry Monks, P. McGaffigan, A. J. Miller, Daniel Miller, John Mull, Mrs. M. Montgomery, Wm. McLenegan, J. P. McClintock, Geo.

R. Messersmith, Samuel Ott, David Oaks, N. P. Pearce, John Pickle, E. D. Reid, Dr. J. C. Richards, Wilson Reilly, Samuel D. C. Reid, Dr. J. L. Sueserott, Rev. Dr. B. S. Schneck, John Schofield, Josiah E. Schofield, Magdalena Swartz, P. W. Seibert, Susan F. Nixon, Allen Smith, Dr. A. H. Senseny, Jacob Sellers, George W. Snider, Nicholas Snider, Robert E. Tolbert, John W. Taylor, Susie B. Thompson, Daniel Trostle, Barnard Wolff, Richard Wood, Mrs. M. Whetstone, Upton Washabaugh, James Watson, Sr., George Watson, William Wallace.

“The loss in real estate was \$713,294.34; personal property, \$915,137.24; total, \$1,628,431.58. Of this about fifty per cent has been paid by State appropriation, the first being under an act of the Legislature of February 15, 1866, \$500,000, and the second under an act of the Legislature of May 27, 1871. Under the last named act, each claimant holds a certificate for the amount of his loss, but these certificates are payable only when said claims are paid by the United States Government. The claimants number about 650.

“It was a rather peculiar circumstance that all of the lawyers resident in Chambersburg, practicing at the bar at that time, suffered the loss of their libraries. They were Geo. W. Brewer, E. J. Bonebrake, Jere Cook, L. S. Clarke, Thos. Carlisle, C. M. Duncan, J. W. Douglas, W. S. Everett, Geo. Eyster, Christian S. Eyster, H. Gehr, F. M. Kimmell, T. B. Kennedy, William McLellan, T. J. Nill, John R. Orr, Wilson Reilly, Geo. O. Seilhamer, W. S. Stenger, John Stewart, F. S. Stumbaugh, J. McD. Sharpe, and others.”

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## CHAPTER XVI.

### LAW-MAKERS AND LAW-INTERPRETERS.

LAW DEFINED AND ANALYZED—FOUNDED IN NATURAL JUSTICE—MENTAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ITS STUDY—VARIOUS STATE CONVENTIONS—FRANKLIN'S REPRESENTATIVES IN NATIONAL CONGRESS, IN STATE SENATE AND HOUSE—EARLY BENCH AND BAR—LIST OF PRESIDENT AND ASSOCIATE JUDGES—LIST OF ATTORNEYS FROM ORGANIZATION OF COUNTY.

THE highest English authority, Sir William Blackstone, thus defines law: “Law, in its most general and comprehensive sense, signifies a rule of action \* \* \* dictated by some superior being; and in [by] those creatures that have neither the power to think, nor to will, such laws must be invariably obeyed, so long as the creature itself subsists, for its existence depends on that obedience.” In order to give a clear view of its nature, he thus analyzes the subject. “Every law,” says he, “may be said to consist of several parts: one, *declaratory*, whereby the rights to be observed, and the wrongs to be eschewed, are clearly defined and laid down; another, *directory*, whereby the subject is instructed and enjoined to observe those rights, and to abstain from the commission of those wrongs; a third, *remedial*, whereby a method is pointed out to recover a man's private rights or redress his private wrongs, to which may be added a fourth, usually termed the sanction or *vindictory* branch of the law, whereby it is signified what evil or penalty shall be in-

curred by such as commit any public wrongs, and transgress or neglect their duty.”

From the foregoing it will be apparent that natural justice is the end to be secured by the law in its civil administration. Any failure to affect such a result is not chargeable to the law itself, but to the imperfect agents through whom the law has to operate. It must be further apparent that the agents by whom human law is either enacted or enforced must belong to the higher types of humanity. Ability less than ordinary will never attain a proper conception of the scope of law, and will signally fail in its administration.

The temple of justice is sacred. Those who enter its portals should remove their sandals from their feet because the ground they tread is holy. Stars of the first magnitude in the legal profession are so rare that their sparkling rays dazzle ordinary humanity. No greater field for intellectual culture or the development of the noble traits of manhood can be found among the callings of men. Ample room is always to be had in the higher departments for those who are not content to remain in the mere rudiments of the science.

In the presentation of our subject we give two general departments, the law-makers, embracing, first, the lists of those who have served in the National Congress and the State Assembly. Secondly, those who have acted in the capacity of judges and attorneys since the formation of the county.

#### CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS.

Four constitutional conventions in Pennsylvania have been held during the past 100 years. The delegates to the first were elected July 8, 1776, in pursuance of a resolve of the Provincial Conference of Pennsylvania, which met at Carpenter's Hall, Philadelphia, June 18, 1776. Among the members of that conference from what is now Franklin County, were James McLene, Col. John Allison, John Maclay, Dr. John Calhoun and John Creigh. The constitutional convention met at Philadelphia, July 15, 1776, and adopted a constitution, which was signed September 28, 1776. One of the delegates, James McLene, Esq., was from Franklin County.

The second met in Philadelphia, November 24, 1789, and framed a new constitution, subsequently adopted by the State. Members from Franklin County: James McLene and George Matthews.

The third assembled at Harrisburg, May 2, 1837. After several adjournments they reassembled at Philadelphia, November 28, 1837, and adjourned finally February 22, 1838. The constitution, as amended, was adopted at the October election, 1838. This convention was composed of senatorial and representative delegates. The senatorial district, composed of Franklin, Cumberland and Adams Counties, was represented by James Dunlop, of Franklin County, and Levi Merkle, of Cumberland County. The representative delegates from Franklin County were George Chambers, of Chambersburg, and Joseph Snively, of Antrim.

The last met at Harrisburg, November 12, 1872, and on the 27th of the same month adjourned to meet in Philadelphia on the 7th of January, 1873. This convention was composed of 133 delegates—twenty-eight from the State at large, and 105 from the senatorial districts.

The Nineteenth Senatorial District, composed of the counties of Cumberland and Franklin, was represented by Samuel M. Wherry, of Cumberland, and J. McDowell Sharpe and John Stewart, of Franklin.

The new constitution was submitted at a special election, December 16, 1873, and adopted by a majority of 144,362 votes.

## CONGRESSMEN.

Under the constitution of 1776, delegates to the Congress of the United States were appointed by the General Assembly of the State, to serve for one year. One Franklin County man was twice appointed: James McLene, March 3, 1779, to November 13, 1779, to fill a vacancy, and November 13, 1779, to November 13, 1780.

Under the constitution of the United States, which went into force on the first Wednesday of March, 1789, members of Congress were required to be elected by the people throughout the State. At the first election, in October, 1789, there were eight members chosen, the highest vote for the successful candidates being that of Frederick Augustus Muhlenberg, of Montgomery County—8,707 votes; and the highest vote for the unsuccessful ticket being 7,067, for John Allison, of Franklin.

On the 2d of April, 1802, an act was passed dividing the State into eleven districts. By that act the counties of Franklin and Bedford elected one member, as follows:

1803-11—John Rea, of Franklin, VIIIth, IXth, Xth and XIth Congresses.

ACT OF 20TH MARCH, 1812—5TH DISTRICT—CUMBERLAND, FRANKLIN AND ADAMS, TWO MEMBERS.

1813-15—John Rea, Franklin;\* XIIIth Congress.

1815-19—William Maclay, Franklin, XIVth and XVth Congresses.

1819-21—David Fullerton, Franklin, Thomas G. McCulloh, Franklin, † XVth Congress.

Perry County, created in March, 1820, was made part of the Fifth District, and so voted at the regular election in 1821, when Col. John Findlay was first elected.

1821-23—John Findlay, ‡ Franklin, XVIIth Congress.

ACT OF 2D APRIL, 1822—11TH DISTRICT—ADAMS, FRANKLIN, CUMBERLAND AND PERRY, TWO MEMBERS.

1823-27—John Findlay, Franklin, XVIIIth and XIXth Congresses.

1829-33—Thomas H. Crawford, Franklin, XXIst and XXII Congresses.

ACT OF 9TH JUNE, 1832—12TH DISTRICT—ADAMS AND FRANKLIN, ONE MEMBER.

1833-37—George Chambers, Franklin, XXIIIrd and XXIVth Congresses.

ACT OF 25TH MARCH, 1843—16TH DISTRICT—FRANKLIN, CUMBERLAND AND PERRY.

1847-49—Jasper E. Brady, Franklin, XXXth Congress.

1849-53—Jas. X. McLanahan, Franklin, XXXIst and XXXII Congresses.

ACT OF 1ST MAY, 1852—17TH DISTRICT—ADAMS, FRANKLIN, FULTON, BEDFORD AND JUNIATA.

1855-57—David F. Robison, Franklin, XXXIVth Congress.

1857-59—Wilson Reilly, Franklin, XXXVth Congress.

\*Robert Whitehill and Dr. William Crawford were elected for the Fifth District in 1812, but Mr. Whitehill died April 7, 1813, soon after his return home, upon the adjournment of the XIIth Congress, of which he had been a member from another district, of which Cumberland formed a part; and at a special election held on the 11th of May, 1813, John Rea was chosen to fill the vacancy, by a majority of 523 over Edward Crawford of Franklin. He took his seat in the extra session of Congress, which met in May, 1813.

†David Fullerton resigned after the close of his first session in Congress, because his constituents disapproved of his votes upon the Missouri Compromise, and upon some other questions. On the 9th of October, 1820, Thomas G. McCulloh was elected to fill the vacancy. He took his seat November 13, 1820, and served until the 3d of March 1821.

‡At the regular election in 1820, James McSherry, of Adams, and James Duncan, of Cumberland, were elected; but before the meeting of the XVIth Congress Mr. Duncan resigned, and at the regular election in 1821, John Findlay, of Franklin, was chosen his successor over Thomas G. McCulloh.

ACT OF 28TH APRIL, 1873—18TH DISTRICT—FRANKLIN, FULTON, JUNIATA, HUNTINGDON, SNYDER AND PERRY.

1875-79—William S. Stenger, Franklin, XLIVth and XLVth Congresses. Mr. Stenger was the last Congressman from Franklin County.

STATE LEGISLATORS—SUPREME EXECUTIVE COUNCIL—SENATE.

Under the constitution of 1776, which was in force when the county of Franklin was organized, there was no State Senate. The State was governed by an Assembly of the representatives of the freemen of the State, and by a president and council. Councilors were elected for three years. The following persons served as councilors for this county, viz.:

James McLene, from 1784 to 1787.

Abraham Smith, from 1787 to 1790.

Under the constitution of 1790, the supreme executive council was abolished, and it was provided that the government of the State should be carried on by a governor, and a Senate and House of Representatives, all to be elected by the people, the governor to hold office for three years, senators for four years, and representatives for one year. Following are the senatorial districts, in which Franklin County has been since 1790, and the names of its various senators, with their terms of service. The first district was composed of Franklin and Bedford Counties:

1790-94—Abraham Smith, of Franklin.

1794-1803—Thomas Johnston, of Franklin.

1803-07—James Poe, of Franklin.

1807-11—Archibald Rankin, of Franklin.

By the act of March 21, 1808, Franklin County was made a senatorial district, and given one senator.

1811-19—James Poe.

1819-23—Robert Smith.

1823-24—John Rea (resigned).

1824-27—James Dunlop.

1827-39—David Fullerton.

Under the constitution of 1838, the senatorial term was reduced to three years.

1842-44—James X. McLanahan, of Franklin, senator.

By the act of April 14, 1843, Franklin and Adams were made a senatorial district, to elect one member. The senators were

1845-53—Thomas Carson, of Franklin.

1857-59—George W. Brewer, of Franklin.

By the act of May 20, 1857, Adams, Franklin and Fulton were made a senatorial district, and given one senator. The senators were

1860-62—A. K. McClure, of Franklin.

1869-71—Calvin M. Duncan, of Franklin.

By the act of May 6, 1871, Cumberland and Franklin were made a senatorial district, to elect one member.

By the constitution of 1873 the senatorial term was again made four years

By the act of May 19, 1874, Franklin and Huntingdon were made a senatorial district to elect one member. Under it the senator elected in this district in 1874 was to serve but two years.

1875-76—Chambers McKibbin, of Franklin.

1881-84—John Stewart, of Franklin, the last Senator from this county.

## STATE LEGISLATORS—HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

List of members who have represented Franklin County:

- 1784-85—James Johnston, Abraham Smith, James McCammont.  
 1785-86—James McCammont, Abraham Smith, John Rea.  
 1786-87—Abraham Smith, James McCammont.  
 1787-88—James McLene, James McCammont.  
 1788-89—James McLene, James Johnston.  
 1789-90—James Johnston, John Rea.  
 1790-91—James Johnston, James McLene.  
 1791-92—James Johnston, John Maclay.  
 1792-93—James Johnston, John Rea.  
 1793-94—James McLene, John Maclay.  
 1794-96—William Henderson, James Poe, Daniel Royer.  
 1796-97—James Poe, William Henderson, John Rea.  
 1797-98—William Henderson, John Rea, William Findlay.  
 1798-99—John Scott, Andrew Dunlop, John Spear.  
 1799-1800—Daniel Royer, John Scott, Andrew Dunlop.  
 1800-02—John Rea, James Poe, John Statler.  
 1802-03—Robert Peebles, James Poe, John Statler.  
 1803-04—William Findlay, Robert Peebles, Jacob Dechert.  
 1804-06—William Findlay, Jacob Dechert, James McConnell.  
 1806-07—William Findlay, William McClelland, George Nigh.  
 1807-09—William Maclay, Robert Smith, Jacob Heyser.  
 1809-11—Jacob Dechert, James Smith, Archibald Bard.  
 1811-12—Robert Smith, James Smith, Jacob Dechert.  
 1812-14—Robert Smith, David Maclay, Jacob Dechert.  
 1814-15—Jacob Heyser, Patrick Campbell, John Cox.  
 1815-16—Robert Smith, Jacob Dechert, David Maclay.  
 1816-19—Andrew Robeson, Stephen Wilson, Ludwig Heck.  
 1819-20—Andrew Robeson, William Alexander, Ludwig Heck.  
 1820-21—Samuel Dunn, John Stoner, Robert Crooks.  
 1821-22—John Holliday, Peter S. Dechert, John Flanagan.  
 1822-23—John King, John Holliday, Peter S. Dechert.  
 1823-24—Frederick Smith, Robert Smith, William Maclay.  
 1824-26—Frederick Smith, James Walker, William Alexander.  
 1826-27—Frederick Smith, James Walker, Peter Aughinbaugh.  
 1827-28—Philip Berlin, Andrew Robeson, Benjamin Reynolds.  
 1828-29—Ludwig Heck, William Boal, John Cox.  
 1829-30—Frederick Smith, John Cox.  
 1830-31—Frederick Smith, John Cox.  
 1831-32—James Dunlop, Thomas G. McCulloh.  
 1832-33—Thomas Bard, Thomas G. McCulloh.  
 1833-34—Thomas H. Crawford, William S. McDowell.  
 1834-35—Thomas G. McCulloh, Thomas Carson.  
 1835-36—Thomas Carson, John D. Work.  
 1836-37—John D. Work, John Flanagan.  
 1837-38—James Calhoun, Henry Funk.  
 1838-39—William McKinstry, Frederick Smith.  
 1840—William McKinstry, James Nill.  
 1841—Andrew Snively, Joseph Pomeroy.  
 1842—Andrew Snively, Peter Cook.  
 1843—Jacob Walter, Thomas Carson.  
 1844—Jasper E. Brady, Thomas Carson.

- 1845—Jasper E. Brady, Andrew Snively.  
 1846—John Stewart, John M. Pomeroy.  
 1847—Thompson McAllister, John M. Pomeroy.  
 1848—William Baker, Samuel Seibert.  
 1849—William Baker, Samuel Seibert.  
 1850—William Baker, John McLean.  
 1851—David Maclay, John McLean.  
 1852—David Maclay, George A. Madeira.  
 1853—John Rowe, Charles T. Campbell.  
 1854—John Rowe, Samuel Gilmore.  
 1855—James B. Orr, James Lowe.  
 1856—James B. Orr, James C. Boyd.  
 1857—George Jacobs, John Witherow.

By act of May 20, 1857, Franklin and Fulton were made a district and given two members.

- 1858-59—A. K. McClure, James Nill.  
 1860-61—James R. Brewster; [James C. Austin,\* of Fulton.]  
 1862—John Rowe; [William W. Sellers, of Fulton.]  
 1863—Jonathan Jacoby; [William Horton, of Fulton.]  
 1864—J. McDowell Sharpe; [William Horton, of Fulton.]

By act of May 5, 1864, Franklin and Perry were made a district and given two members.

- 1865—A. K. McClure, J. McDowell Sharpe.  
 1866—F. S. Stumbaugh; [G. A. Shuman, of Perry.]  
 1867—F. S. Stumbaugh; [G. A. Shuman, of Perry.]  
 1868—B. F. Winger; [John Shively, of Perry.]  
 1869—John H. Walker; [John Shively, of Perry.]  
 1870—Geo. W. Skinner; [D. B. Milliken, of Perry.]  
 1871—Geo. W. Skinner; [D. B. Milliken, of Perry.]

By act of May 6, 1871, Franklin was made a district and given one member.

- 1872—Thaddeus M. Mahon.  
 1873—Thaddeus M. Mahon.  
 1874—Geo. W. Welsh.

By act of May 19, 1874, Franklin was given three members, elected for two years.

- 1875-76—Hastings Gehr, M. A. Embich, Simon Lecron.  
 1877-80—Hastings Gehr, Wm. Burgess, H. C. Greenawalt.  
 1881-82—Wm. W. Britton, James D. McDowell, J. M. Pomeroy.  
 1883-84—John L. Grier, John F. Woods, J. McDowell Sharpe.  
 James H. Clayton filled the unexpired term of J. McDowell Sharpe.  
 1885-86—James H. Clayton, J. B. White, Henry G. Chritzman.  
 1887-88—Henry G. Chritzman, Geo. J. Balsley, C. T. Keefer.

#### EARLY BENCH AND BAR.

On the 17th of January, 1859, I. H. McCauley, Esq., delivered before the Gibson Literary Society, in the Court Hall, Chambersburg, a lecture on the "Early History of the Chambersburg Bar," which lecture was published in the *Franklin Repository* of May 13, 1874. He said:

"The law, as a science, has engaged the attention of the noblest men, the purest minds, the brightest intellects in every civilized nation of the world since the invention of the printing press, by multiplying books, rendering knowledge more accessible to the multitude, enlightened their minds, gave them a better conception of public and private rights, and made them ac-

\*Now a resident of Chambersburg.

quainted with the remedies provided for the injuries occasioned by the infraction of those rights. Like all other things of human institution, the law has undergone many mutations during the past 200 years; too many, indeed, for the preservation of its good name in popular esteem, or for its certain, regular and consistent adjudication and administration. Those changes are, no doubt, in most instances, designed for its improvement, simplification and reduction to a regular and harmonious system; and nowhere were there more radical departures from the ancient rules of the law, than in our own commonwealth. Yet, whilst it is freely admitted that some of them have been improvements upon the practices of the 'olden times,' others can not be so considered; nor are we yet relieved, as many an unfortunate suitor has been made to feel, of the 'glorious uncertainty' attendant upon going to law.

"But it is not of the law, as a science, that I propose addressing you to-night. My object is to review the law as administered in Pennsylvania in times whereof the memory of no living man runneth to the contrary, and to give you, so far as I am able, some brief sketches of the earlier judges who held courts in our county, and of the members of the bar, who practiced before them. Of those old 'sages of the bench,' little is now known except what is found in the brief obituary notices of them scattered through the journals of their day; and of the 'old man eloquent' who plead in their courts and of whose legal attainments, forensic skill and reputed eloquence no historian or biographer hath written, very little is known, and that little is confined to the personal recollections of a few of our most aged citizens, and if not collected and preserved ere long, will be forever lost to us and to posterity. Hence, as this society is for the most part composed of members of the bar and students of the law, I have thought that the subject I have selected would be as interesting to you, perhaps, as any other I could have chosen. In my investigations I have been much assisted by the recollections and communications of Hon. George Chambers, himself a member of our bar over fifty-one years, and a personal acquaintance of most of those of whom I shall speak, and therefore well qualified to give me correct ideas of men and things of 'auld lang syne.' To him, therefore, I now publicly return my acknowledgments for his courtesy and kindness in furnishing me with much valuable information connected with my subject.

"I have always thought that we, as a people, have been greatly favored by a benignant Providence, and that the lives of men and the conduct of monarchs were overruled for our special benefit. How else can we account for the fact that William Penn, the heir and hope of one of England's proudest nobles, should in his early life abandon the pleasures of youth, the smiles of his sovereign, and his chances of preferment at court, and betake himself to the retirement of the country and the preaching and practicing of the peaceful and yet unpopular doctrines of George Fox, the Quaker? How else can we account for his faithful and conscientious adherence to his new faith, under the frowns of parental wrath, the terrors of kingly anger, and the horrors of a lengthened and cruel imprisonment? How else can we account for his subsequent release, his restoration to the confidence and esteem of his sovereign, and his success in obtaining the grant of country in the New World, more magnificent than the possessions of many of the potentates of the Old? How else can we account for his success in inducing emigrants to leave the homes of their birth, the scenes of their childhood, the pleasures of fellowship with kindred and friends, the comforts of civilized life and the security of a powerful government, to take up their abodes in a wilderness country, surrounded by the wild beast and the savage, and exposed to the ravages of both? How else can we account for his unexampled success





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in obtaining the confidence and good will of the red man, and in securing immunity to his infant settlements, whilst north and south, east and west, the tomahawk and scalping knife were red with the blood of the white man? How else can we account for his success in controlling the unbridled passions of the Indians around him, and concluding his celebrated treaty, which was 'Never sworn to, and never broken,' and whose memory is yet treasured as a sacred instance of honor and fidelity, in the hearts of both the civilized man and the savage, wherever its history is known?

"But beyond and above all these, how else than upon the belief of a special interposition of divine Providence, can we account for the peculiar views of government entertained by William Penn, so far in advance of, and so much in opposition to, the monarchical doctrines and theories of his day; his liberal views in relation to the worship of Almighty God, and to private opinion, and the grand and fundamental principles of national and individual freedom, set forth in the system of government and laws, drawn up in England and established here for the protection and security of the citizens of the province? No such system of laws was ever before promulgated, and few changes for the better have since been made upon it, although there is little of the original articles to be found in our State constitution in the same words. Still the substance is there; every article, and almost every section of our State and National constitutions contain some of the emanations of William Penn's brain. I verily believe that to the influence of his ideas of government and of human rights may we, as much as to any other source, attribute the building up of that sturdy feeling of independence which resulted in resistance to the tyranny of the mother country, and eventually secured the acknowledgment of our National freedom.

"We, as Pennsylvanians, may, therefore, justly be proud of the great founder of our noble commonwealth, notwithstanding the aspersions thrown upon his character by my illustrious namesake, Lord Macaulay, in his 'History of England,' and we need be at no loss to understand why this colony prospered so greatly; why it exercised so extended an influence in the councils of the Confederation, or why it occupies so prominent a position among the States of this glorious republic.

"The inclination of William Penn's mind and the practice of his whole life were in accordance with the teachings of his religious opinions. Hence, he disliked everything savoring of contention or violence, and he felt desirous of having the civil differences of his colonists settled in an amicable way, or at least by some tribunal having as little of the machinery and 'terrors of the law' as possible. Accordingly, we find as early as 1683 a tribunal called 'the Peace-Makers' recognized as part of the judicial machinery of the colony of Pennsylvania. We have no record of how many persons this body was composed. Their functions appear to have been more diplomatic than judicial, and their success in settling disputes dependent upon their address and powers of conciliation rather than upon their legal knowledge. They most likely negotiated between the parties, and endeavored to settle the matters in dispute in an amicable manner, failing which, the litigants were allowed to resort to the law, and fight away until one or both parties were tired out with the contest. In the first volume of the 'Provincial Minutes,' page 34, we find it stated that when one Richard Wells made complaint against one of his neighbors, it was referred to the Peace-Makers, and in case of their failure to settle it, to the county court. In another case, page 51, the parties were 'advised to make the business up between themselves,' otherwise to have a trial by the county court. We find also in the same volume, page 52, in the case of

Andrew Johnson, plaintiff, vs. Hance Peterson, defendant, considered and adjudged on the thirteenth day of the third month, 1684, by the provincial council, the high court of errors and appeals, Mr. Penn himself presiding as proprietor and governor, that 'the governor and council advise the parties to shake hands and to forgive one another, and ordered them to enter into bonds for their appearance, which they accordingly did. It was also ordered that the records of the court concerning that business should be burnt.'

"The 'Friends' or Quakers of that day do not appear to have been over friendly to the members of our much-abused profession, or perhaps they concluded that if it was necessary to tolerate such a fraternity at all, its votaries should be actuated by the most disinterested motives possible, for they enacted a law in 1686, declaring that 'for the avoiding of the too frequent clamors and manifest inconvenience that usually attend mercenary pleadings in civil causes, no persons shall plead in any civil cause of another, in any court whatever within this province and territories, before he be solemnly attested, in open court, that he neither directly nor indirectly hath in anywise taken, or will take or receive, to his use or benefit, any reward whatsoever for his sole pleading, under the penalty of £5, if the contrary be made to appear.' How long this delectable piece of legislative wisdom continued in force I can not say, but certainly the veriest tyro in the profession would unhesitatingly say that it would have been at any time 'more honored in the breach than in the observance,' especially as by it open and notorious perjury was only punished by £5.

"Among the greatest innovations made in the last century in the law as previously administered in this State, was that occasioned by the passage of the 'Arbitration Act' of 1705. Laws of this character, you are no doubt well aware, are even yet peculiar to Pennsylvania, and their enactment was but a farther carrying out of the old Quaker principle of enabling disputants to settle their differences amicably, through a committee of their friends and neighbors acting somewhat in the capacity of 'peace makers,' already referred to, without the intervention of lawyers and without the costs and expenses usually attendant upon trials in court. Such laws suited well the condition of a people whose legislature, in consequence of the scarcity of gold and silver, had declared that 'wheat, rye, Indian corn, barley, beef, pork, oats and potatoes' should be accepted and pass as *current pay* at their market value.

"By the act of 1705, persons having accounts to produce, one against the other, were allowed to 'consent to a rule of court,' for referring the adjustment thereof to *certain persons mutually chosen by them in open court*, whose award, when approved of by the court, should be entered upon the record, and should have the effect of a verdict given by twelve men. By these and various other enactments, our forefathers endeavored to obviate the necessity of employing lawyers to conduct their civil disputes; but they found by costly experience that it was always best and safest for each man to attend to his own business or calling, and when compelled to engage in some other, of which he was ignorant, to employ a person to appear and act for him who was fully acquainted, by study and experience, with all its details.

"Still it cannot be denied but that the Arbitration Act of 1705, although it did not 'starve out' the legal fraternity, was productive of good. Under its operation immense numbers of disputes were peaceably adjusted, the principle contained in it was extended to the trial of other actions than those of 'mutual accounts,' and it continued in force down until long after our Revolution. Indeed so lately as 1790, when such able jurists as Edward Shippen presided in the common pleas, and Thomas McKean on the supreme bench, it was

greatly resorted to, and much in favor both with the legal profession and the people. So well established had the 'arbitration system' become at that time, that Mr. Dallas assigns as one of his reasons for publishing his reports, 'the use they will be in furnishing some hints for regulating the conduct of referees, to whom, according to the present practice, a very great share of the administration of justice is entrusted.'

"The changes made in the criminal law during the last century were equally as radical and striking as those in the civil law. The sanguinary punishments inflicted under the English laws were displeasing to our forefathers, and as experience had demonstrated their failure to produce the results desired, they were greatly mitigated; grades in crimes, and distinctions in punishments were instituted, and every means were adopted calculated to secure not only the certain and sufficient punishment of the offender, but also, if possible, his reformation and restoration to his family and to society at large. It is true that here and there a few individuals could be found who were in favor of retaining in use the good old institutions and laws of the mother country, and enforcing them *without respect to persons*. Such was the Philadelphia grand jury of 1717, who represented in their presentment to the court 'the necessity of a ducking school and house of correction for the just punishment of scolding, drunken women, and other profligate and unruly persons, who have become a public nuisance to the town in general.' They, therefore, earnestly request that those *public conveniences* should be speedily provided.

"During nearly 100 years succeeding the settlement of Pennsylvania, few of our judges were acquainted with the principles of the law, or knew anything about its practice before their appointment. Our county courts were presided over by the justices of the peace of the respective counties, all of whom were, *ex officio*, judges of the courts of common pleas and quarter sessions of the peace, and any three of whom were a quorum to transact business. At the same time the 'Provincial Council,' the high court of errors and appeals, which was presided over by the governor of the province for the time being, and whose decisions were final, very frequently had not a lawyer in it.

"And yet the business of the country in that day was done, and well done, too. The judges were generally selected because of their well known integrity of character, extended business experience and sound common sense, and by close observation and long experience became well acquainted with the duties of their positions, and fitted to adjudicate the important interests committed to their charge. Gentlemen, eminent for their legal abilities and oratorical powers, practiced before them, and by the gravity of their demeanor and respectful behavior, shed luster upon the proceedings, and gave weight and influence to the decisions rendered. Great regard was had for the *dignity* of the court, and great reverence felt for forms and ceremonies, and woe to the unlucky wight who was caught in a 'contempt,' or convicted of speaking disrespectfully of the magistrate, or of his sovereign lord, the king. The least he could expect would be a fine of a score or more of pounds, and twenty four or thirty-six hours' repose, at the public expense, in those *public conveniences*—the public stocks—as a public example to all evil minded persons disposed to offend in like manner.

"By the act of 1722, entitled 'An Act for the establishment of Courts of Judicature in this Province,' it was provided that there should be four terms of the county courts held in each year, and the judges of the supreme court, or a majority of them, were required to make two circuits into each county each year, for the purpose of holding courts of *nisi prius* for the trial of issues of fact, and courts of *oyer and terminer* for the trial of persons charged with

the commission of capital crimes. Thus the law remained, with some slight changes in the organizations of the courts, until the adoption of the State constitution in the year 1790; and during that long, eventful and exciting period, embracing our bloody French and Indian wars, and our arduous and, at times, almost hopeless struggle for national independence, such men as Isaac Norris, Thomas Lawrence, Benjamin Franklin, Joshua Maddocks, John Rannells, Benjamin Chambers, William McDowell, James Maxwell, Edward Shippen and William Tilghman presided in the common pleas with dignity, impartiality and ability; and James Logan, Jeremiah Langhorne, John Kinsey, William Allen, Thomas Willing, Lawrence Growden, Benjamin Chew, Thomas McKean, and others, sat upon the supreme bench, molding the law into a science, and, out of the chaotic materials about them, creating the simple system of jurisprudence peculiar to our State, which now, as much as anything else, may justly be styled 'the perfection of human wisdom.' "

[In 1749 a petition from the residents of this valley was presented to the assembly by William Magaw and James Silvers, praying the court to erect Cumberland County. In the next year the prayer was granted. On the 24th of July of said year, the first court convened. The presiding judge was Samuel Smith. Among the justices of the court were William Maxwell and Benjamin Chambers. John Findlay, William Magaw, Adam Hoops and Thomas Brown, all Franklin County men, were members of the first grand jury. Four terms of the court were held in Shippensburg. The first case is given just as it is on the records:

At a Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, held at Shippensburg for the County of Cumberland, the 24th day of July, in the twenty-fourth year of the Reign of His Majesty, King George II. Anno Dom., 1750.

Before Samuel Smith, Esq., and his Brethren Keepers of the Peace of our said Lord the King and his Justices assigned to hear and determine divers Felonies and Trespases, &c.

Dominus Rex,	}	Sur Indictmt., for Larceny, not guilty, and now ye deft. ret her pl. and submits to ye Ct.
<i>vs.</i> Bridget Hagen,		

And thereupon it is considered by the Court and adjudged that ye sd Bridget Hagen restore the sum of six pounds, etc., etc. \* \* and receive fifteen lashes on her bare back at ye Public Whipping post, etc.

The reading of this sentence causes the cold chills to chase each other down one's back in these days. But we must remember that it was about this time, or not a great while before it, that in England they hanged indiscriminately for even petty crimes against property. To steal a few pennies' worth was, upon conviction, to be hanged. A writer of that time says that one day in the week was given to clearing the prison, and that the victims hung like "rows of candles." ]

"The first court held in our county convened on the 15th of September, 1784, in the second story of John Jack's tavern, the stone building on the northwest corner of our Diamond, now belonging to Mr. A. J. Miller, and occupied as a drug store and dwelling. The judges present were Humphrey Fullerton, Thomas Johnston and James Finley, Esqs., who, being justices of the peace for the county of Cumberland, and living in the new county of Franklin, became *ex officio* judges of the court of common pleas and quarter sessions of our county. The act for the erection of this county, as I have already said, was passed at Philadelphia on the 9th of September, 1784; on the 10th and 11th, the commissions of Edward Crawford, Jr., Esq., as prothonotary, register, recorder, clerk of orphans' court, clerk of sessions and judge of the said courts, respectively, were made out and signed by John Dickinson, president of the Supreme Executive Council, and on the 15th of the same month,

only four or five days thereafter, the 'county courts' met here in pursuance of the law, the judges were upon the bench, the clerk at his desk, but no suits were tried or determined, because there were no suitors or jurors present; no judgments were entered, because, perhaps the prothonotary had no dockets, and could get no paper to make them; and no writs were issued or returned for the reason that there was no sheriff to serve them, Jeremiah Talbot, Esq., our high sheriff, not having been commissioned until the 20th of October following. But the fact that the approval of the bill was known here in the wilderness, west a distance of 150 miles from the seat of government, so soon after it was signed; the fact that the judges met in pursuance of some appointment, and that an attorney was here, from a distance of fifty miles, *ready* and no doubt *willing*, for a *consideration* of course, to aid with his advice and services all who might be in trouble—all go very far to rebut the commonly received opinion, that the roads in the last century were so extremely bad—the postoffice so inefficient—the transmission of information so slow—or our ancestors so 'Rip Van Winkle' a people generally, as we have been told. The only act done at the first term of our court, so far as I can ascertain from the records, was the admission of John Clark, Esq., who, having made it appear to the court that he had previously been admitted an attorney in the supreme court of the commonwealth, was, on his own request, sworn as an attorney of the court. Mr. Clark had served with great distinction as a major in the Pennsylvania line in the Revolutionary war, and after peace was declared, resided at what was then called 'Little York,' in this State, where he pursued the practice of law. He was married to a daughter of Mr. Nicholas Bittinger of this county, and in right of his wife, held considerable estate in the neighborhood of the present Mont Alto furnace. Like most of the lawyers of his day he 'rode the circuit,' practicing in many counties of the State other than that in which he resided. He only practiced here for a few years, but whilst he came to our courts he did a very considerable business. He was about fifty years of age, of large frame, fine personal appearance, and brave to a fault, a man of fine mind, was a good lawyer, wrote a beautiful hand, and was very sarcastic in his speech, when he thought it necessary so to be. He was also a great wit, fond of fun and frolic, and hence his company was much sought after by the members of the bench and his associates of the bar, when on their travels, to relieve the monotony of the way, or when out of court, to enliven the tedium of an evening after the fatigue of the day was over. On one occasion a wealthy gentleman of York County, noted for his parsimony, and his propensity to take advantage of his neighbors and those dealing with him whenever he could, employed Mr. Clark to draw up his will. When about to close it, the testator, whom we shall call Mr. Dorrence, directed Mr. Clark to insert a bequest of £50 to himself, remarking at the time, that he wanted the will to be valid, and, if so good a lawyer as he had an interest to that amount in it, there would be no doubt but that he would safely carry it through the courts. The will was accordingly so made, duly witnessed and handed over to Mr. Dorrence, who left, forgetting to pay Mr. Clark for his services. He, however, consoled himself with the expectation of the legacy. In a short time Mr. Dorrence died, and Mr. Clark, having remarked in the presence of a neighbor that the estate was good to him for £50, it was doubted; when he said he knew it was, and related what had occurred at the making of the will. His friend, knowing Mr. Dorrence's characteristics, was still incredulous, and a bet of a bottle of wine was made. In a few days the will was left at the register's office for probate, when it was found that Mr. Dorrence, his ruling passion strong in death, had copied the will, re-executed

it, and left Mr. Clark's legacy out. At the second term of our courts in December, 1784, on motion of Mr. Clark, Robert Magaw, Thomas Hartley, James Hamilton, Thomas Duncan, Thomas Smith, Ross Thompson, Ralph Bowles, James Ross, James Riddle, Stephen Chambers and John McDowell were admitted to our bar. Chambersburg thereafter became a *fixed point*, to which the steps of most of these gentlemen were directed four times each year, for a considerable period.

“But to resume my notices of our bar, Robert Magaw, of whom I shall next speak, was an Irishman by birth, and resided in Cumberland County, in this State, prior to the Revolutionary war. In the year 1774 he was one of the delegates from that county to a convention held at Philadelphia, for the purpose of concerting measures to call a general Congress of delegates from all the colonies. He served as a colonel in the Pennsylvania line, in the Revolution, and afterward resided here for a short time, and practiced the law. He subsequently returned to Carlisle and died there. Of his legal attainments and personal appearance I have been unable to learn anything. He wrote a beautiful hand and did a moderate share of business, but did not long survive his admission to our bar.

“Thomas Hartley resided at York and practiced here for many years. He was considered an excellent lawyer, was a pleasant speaker, and did considerable business here. He laid out that part of our town situated north of Falling Spring. He was brother-in-law of Edward Crawford, Esq., and uncle of Hon. Thos. Hartley Crawford, of Washington City, who was called after him.

“James Hamilton was an Irishman by birth, and having been admitted to the bar in his native country, immigrated to the United States before the Revolution. He was very well educated, was large sized, very fat, very eccentric, very social, and very indifferent as to his personal appearance. He was considered an excellent lawyer and an eloquent speaker. When looking about for a location, shortly after his arrival in this country, he visited Pittsburgh, then a small frontier settlement, where agricultural products and peltries formed the chief circulating medium. That kind of currency Mr. Hamilton did not like, and at once left for a more civilized part of the country. He subsequently settled at Carlisle, and did a large business there, and a considerable business here. He wrote a very small feminine-looking hand, very difficult to read, especially when hastily written, and it is related of him that having at one time left his notes lying upon the council table, whilst arguing a motion, a wag at the bar, named Nesbit, made a series of scrawls and scratches closely resembling Mr. Hamilton's writing and placed his production where the notes had been left. In a short time it became necessary for Mr. Hamilton to refer to his notes to see what the witness had said. When he looked at the paper Nesbit had prepared he turned it one way and then another, and finally looking up at the judge, declared that something had certainly gotten wrong with his eyes as he could not make head or tail out of his notes. In the summer of 1806 he was appointed by Gov. Snyder president judge of this judicial district, in which position he continued until his death in the year 1819.

“Thomas Duncan resided at Carlisle. He was a most excellent land and criminal lawyer, enthusiastically devoted to his profession, indefatigable and zealous, and practiced over a great part of the State, receiving very large fees for his services. He had, perhaps, the largest practice of any man in the State, out of Philadelphia. He attended our courts until his appointment to the supreme bench in the year 1817, in the room of Hon. Jasper Yates, deceased, and all that time did a very large share of the business, and was very successful. He was about five feet, six inches in height, of small, deli-



cate frame, and yet could endure great fatigue. He was rather reserved in his manners, had a shrill, squeaking voice, wore powder in his hair, knee breeches and buckles, and was very neat and particular in his dress. He died in January, 1828, aged near sixty-seven years.

“Thomas Smith also resided at Carlisle. He had been a deputy surveyor under the Government, in early life, and thus became well acquainted with the land system of Pennsylvania, then in process of settlement. He was accounted a good common-law lawyer, and did a considerable business at our bar. He was appointed president judge of this judicial district by Gov. Mifflin on the 20th of August, 1791, being the first president judge of the district, and continued in that position until his appointment as an associate judge of the supreme court, on the 31st of January, 1794. He was a small man, rather reserved in his manners, and of not very social feelings. He died in the year 1809, at a very advanced age.

“Ross Thompson resided here for a few years, and as the records of our courts will show, did a very large business. He removed to Carlisle and died there at an early age. Of his appearance, legal abilities, or social qualities, I know nothing, as there is no person now living here who knew him.

“Ralph Bowie resided at York. He was a Scotchman by birth, and had, most probably, been admitted to the bar before he left his native land. He was, a very well read lawyer, and for some years did quite a large business here, being retained by one side or the other on most of the ejectment cases then tried, which, as they involved the very houses of the settlers, were considered by all parties as the most important cases brought into the courts. Mr. Bowie was a man of fine personal appearance, courtly and dignified manners, and was very neat and particular in his dress. He powdered his hair and wore short clothes, in the fashion of the day, and had social qualities of the most attractive character. He wrote an excellent business hand, and from all that I can learn of him, was a fair representative of that most estimable class of our ancestors known as the ‘gentlemen of the old school.’

“James Ross was a native of the ‘Barrens’ in York County. He removed to, and settled at, Pittsburgh in early life, and it was perhaps while on his way there, that he was admitted to our bar. He was of Scotch-Irish parentage, and no doubt received his education at the classical school of Dr. Finley, situated in the neighborhood of his birthplace. He taught school while reading law, and after his location at Pittsburgh, his great powers of mind, industry and perseverance soon placed him at the head of his profession there. He was an ardent Federalist in politics; was a member of the convention that framed the State constitution of 1790; was elected to the United States Senate in April, 1794, in place of Albert Gallatin, who was declared ineligible; was re-elected in March, 1797, and served with great distinction until March 3, 1803; was the candidate of the Federal party for governor against Thomas McKean in 1799 and in 1802, and also in 1808 against Simon Snyder. When the Democratic party, under the leadership of Thomas Jefferson, succeeded to power in the year 1801, a number of the leading Democrats of Philadelphia, then the seat of the United States Government, called upon the President elect and congratulated him upon his success. In the conversation it was remarked that Mr. Ross would be succeeded by a pure Democrat in the Senate, when the sage of Monticello, who had served with Mr. Ross, and knew him well, said ‘that he rejoiced, as a politician, at the success of the Democratic party, but that he would much regret the loss, to the Nation, of the wise counsel of a statesman so eminent for purity and abilities as James Ross.’ Mr. Ross was a large man, stout-made, very humorous and very sociable. He died only a few years since, in Allegheny City, at a very advanced age.

“James Riddle was born in Adams County, graduated with great distinction at Princeton College, and subsequently read law at York. He was about thirty years of age when admitted to our bar. He did by much the largest business here until his appointment as presiding judge of this judicial district by Gov. Mifflin in February, 1794. His legal abilities were very respectable, though he was not considered a great lawyer. He was well read in science, literature and the laws, was a good advocate and very successful with the jury. He was a tall, broad-shouldered, lusty man, possessed a noble face and polite and pleasing manner. In the latter part of the year 1804 he resigned his position as judge because of the strong partisan feeling existing against him, he being a great Federalist, and returned to the practice of the law. He was again successful and amassed a large fortune, which was afterward mostly sunk in the payments of endorsements made for friends and relations. He died here about the year 1837 respected by all who knew him.

“John McDowell, LL. D., was a native of this county and an uncle of W. H. McDowell, Esq., of our place. He was a ripe scholar, and for many years was provost of the University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, and afterward president of St. John's College, at Annapolis, Md. He never practiced law, so far as I can learn, and died among his relatives in the neighborhood of his birthplace, near Mercersburg, in the year 1820, in the seventieth year of his age.

“Such was the bar of our county at the December term, 1784. There never was, perhaps, since that time, an equal amount of talent in our bar or attendant upon our courts, although it is gratifying to know that the reputation of this bar for years was amongst the very highest in the State. The judges of the courts, as already stated, were the justices of the peace of the county—men unlearned in the law, and unskilled in the modes of legal procedure, and yet these great men, so eminent for military and civil service and legal abilities and experience, thought it not beneath them to appear and plead before those so greatly their inferiors in all else but gentlemanly deportment.

“The first case called for trial at the December term, 1784, was that of *Com. vs. George Wallace*, for an assault and battery. The records say that ‘the defendant, being charged, humbly alleges that he is not willing to contend with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania concerning the charge, but submits to the court, with a protestation of his innocence, and prays to be admitted to pay a small fine.’ His ‘humble petition’ was granted, and he was fined 5 shillings and the cost.

“Andrew Dunlop was born near Shippensburg, read law with Hon. Jasper Yeates, at Lancaster, and was admitted here to practice at the September term, 1785. He was not a very well educated man, but possessed a fine mind and great reasoning powers, though he was not an eloquent speaker. He was, however, a good lawyer, especially for the defense—adroit and skillful in the management of a cause, quick to seize upon the defects in his opponent's case, and ready in turning them to his own advantage. He was a man of large frame and fine personal appearance, very witty and very social. He did a large business and amassed an independent fortune, which was afterward sunk in the iron business with his father-in-law, Gen. James Chambers, at the Loudon Iron Works. Mr. Dunlop built the house now owned by B. F. Nead, Esq., and had his office for several years in the house immediately west of it. He then built the house now owned and occupied by Mr. D. O. Gehr, and had his office in the room in which J. W. Douglass, Esq., has his law office.

“William Bradford, LL. D., appears to have been admitted to the bar at this time, although I have not been able to find any memorandum of the date



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of his admission. The records of the county quarter sessions, at the December term, 1784, in a case of assault and battery against one Thos. McClearen, show the following entry supposed to be in the handwriting of Mr. Bradford: 'September Sessions, 1785. *Republica non vult ulterius prosequi.* Wm. Bradford, Att'y General.' Mr. Bradford was one of the most remarkable men of the last century, and one of the brightest intellects this country ever produced. He was born in Philadelphia, September 14, 1755, graduated at Princeton College in 1772, read law under Hon. Edward Shippen, and was admitted to practice in the supreme court in March, 1779. When independence was declared in 1776, he abandoned his legal studies, entered the army as a volunteer; was created a colonel by a vote of Congress, in April, 1777, and served with distinction until April 1, 1779, when he resigned on account of ill health. In August, 1780, when only twenty-five years of age and but little more than one year at the bar, he was appointed attorney-general of the State, by Hon. Joseph Reed, president of the Supreme Executive Council. This position he held with great honor to himself, until August 22, 1791, when Gov. Mifflin appointed him an associate judge of the supreme court, and as a crowning glory to his rapidly rising fame, President Washington, in January, 1794, commissioned him Attorney-General of the United States, in place of Edmund Randolph, who became Secretary of State. He died August 23, 1795, not having completed his fortieth year, yet within his brief life he exhibited more talents, achieved more honors, and secured more permanent benefits to suffering humanity, than any other man of his day. His mind was pure and noble, his eloquence of the highest order, and his language uniformly chaste and classical. His heart was the seat of every tender emotion, alive to all the suffering of his kind; and it was while on the supreme bench, basking in the smiles of public favor, that his philanthropic feelings directed the powers of his mighty intellect toward the modification of our criminal code, then yet tinged with the sanguinary hues of the English common law; and to the force of his reasoning, and the clearness of the statements contained in his celebrated report to the Legislature, are we indebted for the passage of the act of April 22, 1794, establishing two grades of murder, and declaring that thereafter the punishment of death should be inflicted only in case of conviction of murder in the first degree.

"At the December term, 1785, the good people of Chambersburg witnessed the infliction of a couple of those punishments, then so frequent, so degrading to the individual punished, so brutal in the mode of their administration, so repulsive in their character to the finer feelings of our nature, and for the abolition of which Mr. Bradford so successfully labored at a later day. According to the records of our court of quarter sessions, a certain John Thompson was at that term convicted of larceny upon nine several indictments, and was sentenced to receive, each day, for nine successive days thereafter (Sunday excepted), between 9 and 11 o'clock, A. M., twenty lashes on his bare back well laid on, pay the costs of prosecution and stand committed.

"In another case at the same term, Alex. Burns and Wm. Johnson were jointly convicted of a similar offense, larceny, and were each sentenced by the court to pay a fine of £40, to stand one hour in the pillory, to receive thirty-nine lashes on their bare backs, well laid on; to have their ears cut off and nailed to the pillory; to be committed to the jail six months, and to pay the costs of prosecution. The pillory and whipping-post were then on the lot where the Franklin Hall now is, and the old court-house not having yet been erected, the infliction of the punishment was in the most public place in the town; and the impression created by such exhibitions could neither have been

to the advancement of the public morals nor the reformation of the outraged offender against the laws. Who inflicted the sentence of the law, or how much of the ears were cut off, I can not tell; but certainly the cropped-eared sufferer might well exclaim:

He that steals my good name steals trash,  
But he that cuts my ears off  
Takes that which will not enrich him,  
But makes me poor indeed.

“At the March term, 1786, the proceedings were somewhat varied, and the scene transferred from the bar to the bench. Noah Abraham, Esq., one of the judges of the court, appears to have taken a ‘wee drop’ too much, whereupon the grand jury made the following presentment to the court:

On complaint to the grand jury on Noah Abraham, Esq., they think that he is *Dis-quis’d vs. Spirits* and hereby present him to this court.

JAMES RAMSEY, *Foreman*.

Franklin County, March 15, 1786.

“This presentment, I presume, was not thought grave and formal enough for the magnitude of the offense, and accordingly another was drawn up by Thos. Hartley, Esq., the deputy attorney-general for the county, in the following form:

The grand jury for the county of Franklin do present Noah Abraham, Esq., for drunkenness upon the Bench and appearing unworthily and disgracefully before the Public, to the evil example of the People, and against the laws of the Commonwealth.

JAMES RAMSEY, *Foreman*.

“The record says that the court, in the presence of the said Noah Abraham, upon full evidence and due consideration, did adjudge him guilty of the charge, and fined him 5s., and ordered that his case be submitted to the General Assembly and Supreme Executive Council. It is most likely that Noah Abraham was promptly removed from office, as we do not hear of him again; and what a blessed thing it would be if all public officers, who in like manner offend, would be similarly dealt with! What a host of ex-governors, ex-congressmen, ex-senators, ex-legislators, ex-judges and ex-office holders generally we should soon have!

“At September term, 1786, Col. Jas. Smith, of York, was admitted to our bar. He was an Irishman by birth, came to this country when very young, and settled in the ‘Barrens’ of York County. He received his education under Dr. Allison, of Philadelphia, but where he read law, I know not. He was, however, a practicing lawyer for over sixty years, and had a very extensive and lucrative business in the eastern counties of this State. In the year 1776, when some of the delegates from Pennsylvania, in the first Continental Congress, hesitated and shrunk from the responsibility and danger of declaring independence, the Pennsylvania convention at once recalled its timid representatives, and elected others of sterner stuff, to carry out the well-known wishes of the convention and people of our State. Col. Smith was one of the new delegates thus elected to the Congress of 1776. The Declaration was agreed to before Col. Smith took his seat in Congress, the vote of Pennsylvania having been cast in favor by the staying away of the fearful members from our State. The engrossed copy of that immortal charter of human rights was signed August 2, 1776, and, the new delegates then having taken their seats, the name of James Smith appears appended to it. Col. Smith commanded a regiment in the Pennsylvania line during the Revolutionary war. At times he would be at the head of his soldiers in the field, fighting the battles of his adopted country, and again be discharging his duties as a member

of that immortal body, the Congress of 1776. He was an active and efficient member of many committees, and brought to the discharge of his duties an ardent love for liberty and independence, and wisdom, intelligence and judgment, surpassed by few of his coadjutors. The position he held in the confidence of his fellow members, may be judged of by the fact that he was one of the committee of five to whom Congress, in November, 1779, gave full powers to carry on the whole business of the war, and to devise and execute measures for effectually reinforcing Gen. Washington, and obstructing the army of Gen. Howe. A greater trust was never committed to human hands and human judgment, and faithfully and well was it executed.

"Jasper Yeates was admitted to our bar at March term, 1790, but so far as I can ascertain, never practiced much here. He resided in Lancaster City, and had, for years previous to his admission here, been practicing with great eminence and success in the eastern counties of the State. He was considered an excellent lawyer, and had a high reputation for knowledge in legal lore and classic literature. He was tall and portly, had a handsome florid complexion, benignant countenance and large blue eyes. He possessed great wealth, and though somewhat penurious, was a great lover of society, and entered deeply into the enjoyments and pleasures of convivial and fashionable life. On the 21st of March, 1791, he was appointed, by Gov. Mifflin, one of the associate justices of the supreme court of this State, which important position he filled with great honor until his death, in the beginning of the year 1817. During this period, he frequently sat in the circuit and supreme courts held in and for this county.

"Samuel Riddle was born in Adams County, studied law with his brother, James Riddle, in this place, and was admitted to the bar at December term, 1790. After his admission he removed to Huntingdon, and subsequently to Bedford, where he remained until his brother James was appointed president judge of this judicial district in the spring of 1794. He then returned here and took the judge's office, the building now occupied by Lewis Eyster as a tinner shop, and succeeded to much of the judge's large practice. He was very industrious and painstaking, and being introduced to the people by his brother, obtained quite a large business, and made much money. He was a man of a very speculative turn of mind, and wasted his large fortune by injudicious investments and improvements. While at Bedford he built a large brick house, much too large, indeed, for the wants of his own or any other ordinary-sized family. He also, at a subsequent period, planted a peach orchard on the top of Parnell's Knob, and built a still-house, for the manufacture of peach brandy, at the same elevated locality. But he did not stop there, for he also erected a chopping-mill and saw-mill at the same place, and thus gave it the cognomen by which it has since been so generally known. Mr. Riddle was an ardent Federalist, and upon the establishment of a Democratic paper here in 1790, he took umbrage at something contained in one of its numbers, and having attempted to cowhide the editors, Messrs. McCorkle and Snowden, in their own sanctum, got the worst of the battle. That, I doubt not, was one of the Democratic victories achieved in the county of Franklin. In person Mr. Riddle was tall and spare, and had a very prominent, arched nose. He was very sociable and pleasant in his manners, and was a general favorite among those who knew him. He died in 1820, in the house now owned and occupied by D. O. Gehr, Esq.

"David Watts was admitted to our bar at the December term, 1790. He resided at Carlisle, and was the father of the Hon. Frederick Watts, of that place. He was an excellent lawyer, and did a considerable business here for

many years. He was a short, thick-set man, of great muscular powers, and free and sociable manners. At one time he was engaged for the prosecution, against a man named John Gelvin, charged with the commission of an atrocious offense against law and morals. He was very severe upon the defendant, who, while making great professions of religion and long and loud prayers in public, had been a hypocrite at heart, and guilty of the most sinful acts. This hypocrisy Mr. Watts boldly exposed and denounced, and Gelvin, who had left the court-house unable to stand the withering invective of the fearless advocate, told his neighbors and friends that he would thrash Mr. Watts as soon as he came out of court. Such a threat, of course, soon became widely known, and a large crowd gathered round to see the fun. At length Mr. Watts finished his speech, left the court hall, and crossed the Diamond to the old 'Green Tree Hotel,' which stood where the 'Franklin Hotel' now stands, followed by Gelvin, who, however, said nothing to him. The hotel had a long porch in front, and the windows of the sitting room into which Mr. Watts had retired, opened upon it. It was summer, the windows were up, and Gelvin walked to one of them and called Mr. Watts to him. 'What do you want?' said Mr. Watts, who saw that something was in the wind. 'I want satisfaction for what you said in the court-house against my character,' said Gelvin. 'You shall have it, sir,' said Watts, and immediately knocked him head over heels off the porch. Gelvin gathered himself up fully satisfied, and left, amidst the jeers and shouts of the large crowd of observers, whom his own vain boastings had drawn together.

"James Orbison was admitted to our bar at the March term, 1791. He was a large-sized man, inclined to be fat—very much of a gentleman, but not much of a lawyer, although he did considerable business. He died here about the year 1812, and was buried in the Presbyterian graveyard. Like several others of the legal profession, who died here and are buried in the same yard, there is no stone to mark where his mortal remains were placed.

"William M. Brown was born at Brown's Mill, in Antrim Township. He was a graduate of Princeton College, read law with Attorney-General Bradford, at Philadelphia, then settled here; was admitted to the bar at the September term, 1791; shortly after, married Miss Hetty Chambers, a daughter of Col. Benj. Chambers, and speedily obtained a very large practice. He built the house now occupied by Col. A. K. McClure, and had his office in the small building adjoining on the east. He was a good lawyer, an eloquent and pleasant speaker, and a very successful advocate, amassing a large fortune by his profession. He was a man of about five feet, ten inches high, rather spare in flesh, of very highly cultivated mind, polished manners and social qualities. He was also very neat and tasty in his dress, and paid great attention to his personal appearance. He inherited from his father the property in Montgomery Township, now known as 'the old Slitting Mill,' and in order to get a good water-power, bought the farm above, containing 160 acres, from a Mr. Shaffer, at \$200 per acre, amounting to \$32,000. He spent a large sum of money putting up buildings and machinery for the rolling of sheets of iron and making nails, and, when the financial crisis, which succeeded the war of 1812, came upon the country, land fell enormously, and the property just spoken of was subsequently sold under the pressure of the times for \$8,000. This and other losses broke Mr. Brown up, and he then removed to the State of Tennessee, and then to Mississippi, and there died in the year 1843, aged about eighty years.

"James Duncan was admitted to our bar at the April term, 1792. He resided at Carlisle, and was the brother of, the Hon. Thos. Duncan, already



spoken of. Mr. Duncan was considered a good lawyer, although he was a very indifferent speaker. He was a good collector, and did a considerable amount of business in that line and the Orphans' Court. He was auditor-general of the State under Gov. Heister, with whom he was very intimate, and who reposed great confidence in his integrity and abilities. He was a small-sized man, much like his brother, the judge, and so far as I can learn, did a considerable business here for some years.

"James Brotherton was born on his ancestral estate, at the Hollywell Paper-mill. He was a good lawyer, though not much of a speaker, and did a large business. He was a small man, of spare body and delicate constitution, and died of consumption about the year 1806, in the old brick house which stood where the Franklin Hall now stands. He was unmarried, and had his office in the corner room of the same building. He and the late Thos. G. McCulloh, Esq., then just admitted to the bar, were very intimate, and McCulloh attended to his business during the latter part of his life, and succeeded to it upon his death.

"Samuel Hughes, Esq., the father of Maj. Holker Hughes, lived at Hagerstown, and pursued the practice of law. Through his wife, who was Miss Holker, he inherited the iron works and large landed estates connected thereto, where the family have so long resided, situated in Quincy Township, in this county. Mr. Hughes had a very extended reputation as a speaker, but his legal abilities were not of the highest order. He was admitted here at the December term, 1795, most probably to attend to some personal interest, as I can not learn that he ever practiced much at our bar. He was a man of fine personal appearance and very social habits.

"Saml. W. Culbertson, a cousin of our esteemed and venerable townsman, Dr. S. D. Culbertson, read law here under James Osborne, Esq.; was admitted to the bar at the April term, 1801. He was a good lawyer, very tall, thin in person, and did a considerable business. He moved to the West not long after his admission.

"William Osborne was admitted here at August term, 1801; removed to Huntingdon, Penn., and died there last year. He was an industrious, attentive and reliable lawyer, though not very brilliant. He did a large collecting business, and died well off. His person was small, and his habits pleasant and agreeable.

"William Maxwell resided in Gettysburg, but was admitted here at August term, 1801. The political feeling and animosities of this country never, I think, ran so high as in those days of Federalism and Democracy. This county was intensely Federal, all the members of the bar being connected with that party. It was impossible, therefore, for the Hon. Jos. B. McKean, the attorney-general, to appoint a deputy out of our bar, and he accordingly selected Mr. Maxwell, of Adams County, for that post. He was a man of moderate abilities, a great Democrat in feeling, and attending faithfully to the growing interests of the rising party.

"James Dobbin was admitted to our bar at April term, 1802. I knew him personally in the latter years of his life, and often thought that he much resembled 'Dominic Sampson' of Scott's 'Guy Mannering.' For the following description of his life and singular peculiarities, I am indebted to Robt. G. Harper, Esq., of Gettysburg. Mr. Harper says: 'I knew Mr. Dobbin from my childhood, and from that time until his death I was almost the daily observer of his eccentricities. He had a singularly constituted mind. He was one of the best classical scholars of the day. His father, the Rev. Dr. Dobbin, was the first teacher of the "languages" in this region, and was him

self a very fine scholar. His son, Jas. Dobbin, of whom we now speak, assisted his father in the school, and by this means became a splendid linguist, and so thorough was his familiarity with the classical writers, and so retentive was his memory, that to the last of his long life he would quote passage after passage, *ad libitum*, from Homer, Virgil, Horace and others, and was the "book of reference" for us all in disputes upon such subjects. [I will here mention, by the way, that this school of Dr. Dobbin furnished most of the educated men of this region. Judge Reed, formerly president judge of this judicial district, was one; Rev. Dr. Knox, of New York, and many others I can not at this moment recall.]

"James Dobbin was very learned in the law. He was always a student, and so powerful was his memory, that he rarely, if ever, forgot anything. Principles, decisions, etc., were safely lodged in his great treasure-house, and he could draw upon it at any time. For many years his brethren at the bar here would go to him when any abstruse point would present itself, and he would "help them out," by giving "day and date," "book and page." He was indeed extraordinary in this particular, and not only in the law, but in the history of the world and of the church, the geography of the earth and the manners and customs of nations he was completely "booked up"—in short he was what you might term a *walking encyclopedia*. I will mention, by way of illustration, one instance: During the struggle of the Greeks, many years ago, for liberty, he was most deeply concerned, and he was every evening in the office to hear of news from that quarter. It appeared to enlist his every feeling. When a battle was had and town or place noted, he would at once speak of the effect upon the cause. He was so familiar with Greece, from his classical knowledge of its localities, that he could at once judge of the progress of affairs; and one day, to show me the state of affairs there, he sat down and made a correct map of that country, just from his old acquired knowledge, showing the cities, the towns and the scenes of hostilities. I mention this to show his power of memory, and the amount of knowledge he possessed. And with the history of the church, I presume no divine was more familiar. He could give you dates, persons and incidents of its eventful history. In short he was an extraordinary man in these particulars. Yet with all this knowledge he was not a practical man, and could not apply it profitably to himself. He was very credulous and would give credence most generally to the most farcical and ridiculous inventions of those around him, who, knowing his weak point of character, would amuse themselves in playing upon his credulity. It appeared to give him pleasure, and was, generally speaking, a gratifying matter to him to join in the laugh. He was for many years the highest source of amusement, for, pleasing himself, he was ever inducing others to be amused, and those who were the most frequently engaged in this matter were the persons to whom his steps were the most frequently directed.

"To a stranger looking upon him in the street, he would appear to be a deranged man, for he was almost continually walking there, and making his speeches, in fancy, to the court and jury. He would throw his arms into every position, as though he was arguing a cause, and sometimes in the most energetic and impassioned manner, completely absorbed by his subject, and unconscious of anything passing around him. He would go in and out of his office probably a hundred times a day; he never could be at rest, but was always studying or arguing some cause, and with his key in his hand, would strike it down upon some post or anything that presented itself, by way of "clinching the argument," as he one day said. Hundreds of incidents might be given of his eccentricities—indeed, their name is legion.

“ ‘From his want of power to apply practically his great knowledge, he became reduced pecuniarily, and he boarded at the alms house during the latter years of his life, receiving that, as he said and thought, as a compensation for the legal advice he gave the directors. This soothed his feelings under the change in his affairs, as he at one time had some property. He came in daily to town, waiting for practice, until his physical powers gave way entirely and he was removed from earth. His brethren of the bar attended to his remains, and he was interred in a highly reputable manner, becoming his standing as a lawyer and a scholar. I do not know his exact age but think he was somewhat over seventy years old. He was a man about five feet, ten inches in height, of spare visage and delicate frame. He was very fond of military fame, and for many years acted as an ensign in the militia, and was very fond of his office. By way of amusement, the “b’hoys” elected him general some years ago, and he exhibited himself several times in full uniform borrowed for the occasion, and was the proudest man in the land. He was a volunteer at Baltimore in 1814, and exhibited great energy and determination. I would give you a great many incidents which might be amusing, but I suppose what I have said will suffice.’

“The review I have given you embraces the most prominent members of our bar, from the organization of this county up to April, 1802, a period of nearly eighteen years. During that time twenty-six other gentlemen were admitted, of whom I have said nothing as they either practiced very little or removed to the great West. Since then 193 others have been licensed to practice law by our courts, many of whom are still pursuing their profession at various points in this mighty republic. Among the talented and illustrious dead who formerly practiced in our courts I might name Hon. Thos. G. McCulloh, Hon. James Dunlop, Hon. Alex. Mahon, Hon. Alex. Thompson, Joseph Chambers, David Snively, Matthew St. Clair Clarke, John F. Denny, Saml. Alexander, Archibald I. Finley, John S. Riddle, Read Washington, Robert M. Bard and others. And among the living who have been connected with us and have shed honor upon our profession and enjoyed the confidence and esteem of their countrymen, we can, with pride, point to Hon. George Chambers, Hon. Thomas H. Crawford, Hon. James M. Russell, His Excellency James Buchanan, President of the United States, Hon. Robert McClellan, Hon. Joseph E. Brady, Hon. James Cooper, Hon. Frederick Watts, Hon. J. X. McLanahan, Frederick Smith, Esq., and numerous others, but they are all so well known to most of you it would be a waste of time to speak of them.”

We present now the roster of judges and attorneys in Franklin County from the date of its organization.

#### LIST OF PRESIDENT AND ASSOCIATE JUDGES.

*Fourth District.*—This district was composed of Franklin, Bedford, Huntingdon and Mifflin Counties. President judge, Thomas Smith, from August 20, 1791, to January 31, 1794. Associates: James McDowell, first; James Maxwell, second; George Matthews, third; James McCammont, fourth.

*Fourth District, 1794.*—Cumberland, Franklin, Bedford, Huntingdon and Mifflin Counties. President judge, James Riddle, of Chambersburg, from February 4, 1794, to latter part of 1804. Associates: James McDowell, George Matthews, James McCammont; James Chambers, from November 12, 1795, until his death, April 25, 1805.

*Ninth District, 1806.*—Adams, Cumberland and Franklin Counties. President judge, James Hamilton, of Carlisle, from March 1, 1806, to March 13, 1819. Associates: James McCammont, till his death, in 1809; James Max-

well; James McDowell; William McClay, September 2, 1809; Archibald Bard, April 2, 1811; Isaac Eaton, January 9, 1815.

*Ninth District, 1819.*—Adams, Cumberland and Franklin Counties. President judge, Charles Smith, of Carlisle, from March 27, 1819, to April 27, 1820. Associates: Archibald Bard, Isaac Eaton.

*Ninth District, 1820.*—Cumberland, Franklin, Adams and Perry Counties. President judge, John Reed, of Carlisle, from July 10, 1820, till March 29, 1824. Associates: Archibald Bard; Isaac Eaton; Jacob Oyster, August 23, 1823.

*Sixteenth District, 1824.*—Franklin, Bedford and Somerset Counties. Formed March 29, 1824. President judge, John Tod, of Bedford, appointed June 8, 1824; served till May 25, 1827, when he was appointed a justice of the supreme court. Associates, Archibald Bard; Jacob Oyster.

*Sixteenth District, 1827.*—Franklin, Bedford and Somerset Counties. President judge, Alexander Thompson, of Bedford, from June 25, 1827, till 1842. Associates, Archibald Bard; Jacob Oyster; Matthew Patton, from October 9, 1830; Wm. McKesson, from November 7, 1832; Robert Smith, from December 12, 1836.

By the constitution of 1838, the terms of the judges then in commission were shortened and terminated; and thereafter the president judges were nominated by the governor, with the consent of the Senate, to hold ten years, and associate judges, five years.

*Sixteenth District, 1842.*—Franklin, Bedford and Somerset Counties. President judge, Jeremiah S. Black, of Somerset, from June 30, 1841, to first Monday in December, 1851. Associates: Robert Smith; James J. Kennedy, March 5, 1842; Samuel Dun, March 5, 1843; Henry Ruby, March 5, 1847; John Orr, March 9, 1848.

By the amendment to the constitution of 1850, the judges were all made elective.

*Sixteenth District, 1852.*—Franklin, Fulton, Bedford and Somerset Counties. President judge, Francis M. Kimmell, of Somerset, from first Monday in December, 1851. Associates, James L. Black; Thomas Pomeroy; John Huber; James O. Carson; John Orr.

*Sixteenth District, 1862.*—Franklin, Fulton, Bedford and Somerset Counties. President judge, James Nill, of Chambersburg, from first Monday in December, 1861, till his death, May 27, 1864. Associates, John Orr, James O. Carson, first Monday in December, 1861; W. W. Paxton, first Monday in December, 1862.

*Sixteenth District, 1864.*—Franklin, Fulton, Bedford and Somerset Counties. President judge, Alexander King,\* of Bedford, from June 4, 1864, till his death, January 10, 1871. Associates: James O. Carson; W. W. Paxton; James Ferguson, from first Monday in December, 1866; John Armstrong, from first Monday in December, 1867. Additional law judge, D. Watson Rowe, † from March 18, 1868.

*Sixteenth District, 1871.*—Franklin, Fulton, Bedford and Somerset Counties. President judge, William M. Hall, ‡ of Bedford, from February 1, 1871, to April 17, 1874. Additional law judge, D. Watson Rowe. Associates,

\*Judge King was appointed June 4, 1864, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Nill. He was elected president judge in October, 1864, and commissioned December 3, 1864, for ten years.

†Judge Rowe was appointed additional law judge, March 18, 1868. He was elected to the same position in October, 1868, for ten years from first Monday in December, 1868. Under the constitution of 1873 Franklin County became a separate judicial district, to which Fulton County has been attached, and on the 17th of April, 1874, Hon. D. Watson Rowe was commissioned president judge of the Thirty-ninth District, to hold for the remainder of the term for which he had been elected additional law judge, viz.: till the first Monday of December, 1878.

‡Appointed 1st of February, 1871, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge King; nominated and elected October, 1871, for full term of ten years. The district having been divided, Bedford and Somerset Counties were continued as the Sixteenth District, and Judge Hall continues to preside there.



*S. C. Alexander*



James Ferguson; John Armstrong; James D. McDowell, from first Monday in December, 1871; David Oaks, from first Monday in December, 1872.

*Thirty-ninth District*, 1874.—Franklin and Fulton Counties. President Judge, D. Watson Rowe from April 17, 1874. Associates, James D. McDowell, David Oaks, till his death, December 2, 1874.

The county, having the requisite 40,000 inhabitants, has had no associate judges since the expiration of the commission of James D. McDowell, first Monday in December, 1876.

In 1878 Judge Rowe was re-elected president judge of the Thirty-ninth District for another term of ten years, but, in 1883, Fulton County was detached from this district, leaving Judge Rowe with Franklin only.

## LIST OF ATTORNEYS.

The following is a list of attorneys, with the date of the term of their admission to the bar: John Clark, September, 1784; Robert Magaw, December, 1784; Thomas Hartley, December, 1784; James Hamilton, December, 1784; Thomas Duncan, December, 1784; Thomas Smith, December, 1784; Ross Thompson, December, 1784; Ralph Bowie, December, 1784; James Ross, December, 1784; James Riddle, December, 1784; Stephen Chambers, December, 1784; John M. McDowell, December, 1784; Andrew Dunlop, September, 1785; William Bradford, Jr., September, 1785; James Carson, September, 1786; James Smith, September, 1786; Jasper Yeates, March, 1790; Samuel Riddle, December, 1790; David Watts, December, 1790; James Orbison, March, 1791; McSteel Sample, March, 1791; Thomas Hartley,\* March, 1791; Thomas Duncan,\* March, 1791; James Riddle,\* March, 1791; Andrew Dunlop, March, 1791; William M. Brown, September, 1791; John Smith, September, 1791; Samuel Riddle,\* September, 1791; George Smith, September, 1791; John Clark,\* September, 1791; Richard Smith, April, 1792; James Duncan, April, 1792; John Cadwallader, April, 1792; George Armstrong, April, 1793; William Claggett, April, 1793; Jonathan Henderson, April, 1793; William Barber, April, 1794; James Crawford, April, 1794; Parker Campbell, April, 1794; William Clark, April, 1794; Paul Morrow April, 1794; James Brotherton, May, 1795; Samuel Hughes, December, 1795; Thomas Bailey, December, 1795; Joseph Shannon, December, 1795; George Jennings, December, 1796; William Reynolds, December, 1796; John F. Jack, December, 1796; Joseph Parks, December, 1798; Robert Haselhurst, December, 1798; James Kelly, December, 1799; S. W. Culbertson, April, 1801; Robert Hays, April, 1801; William Orbison, August, 1801; William Maxwell, August, 1801; Jonathan Haight, August, 1801; James Daubins, April, 1802; Wm. L. Kelley (from N. J.) April, 1802; William Ross, April, 1803; Alex. Lyon, April, 1803; Otho Shroder, April, 1803; John I. Stull (from Maryland), April, 1803; Josiah Espy, April, 1803; James Carson, April, 1806; Thomas G. McCulloh, April 8, 1806; Andrew Boggs, April, 1806; Samuel Leeper, April, 1806; David Snively, January 12, 1807; Upton Lawrence, 1807; George Chambers, November 9, 1807; Thomas H. Crawford, November 10, 1807; James M. Russell, November 10, 1807; John McConnolly, 1807; Andrew Caruthers, 1808; Elijah Mendenhall, 1808; William L. Brent, 1808; Wilson Elliott, 1809; Charles B. Ross, 1810; George Ross, 1810; Daniel Hughes, 1810; George Metzger, 1811; Alexander Mahon, August, 1811; M. St. Clair Clarke, October, 1811; Richard W. Lane, 1812; John Larkel, 1812; James Buchanan,† January, 1813; William Irwin, 1813; John Johnson, 1813; Will-

\*Those gentlemen marked thus were re-sworn after the adoption of the constitution of 1790.

†Memorandum of professional emoluments from 1813-29: 1813, \$938; 1814, \$1,096; 1815, \$2,246; 1816, \$3,174; 1817, \$5,379; 1818, \$7,915; 1819, \$7,092; 1820, \$, 665; 1821-22, \$11,297; 1823, \$7,243; 1825, \$4,524; 1826, \$2,419; 1827, \$2,570; 1828, \$2,408; 1829, \$3,362.

iam S. Finley, 1817; James Dunlop, 1817; Paul I. Hetich, 1817; Samuel Liggett, 1818; James McDowell, 1818; William Chambers, 1818; Frederick Smith, April, 1818; Burr Harrison, 1819; Samuel Ramsay, 1820; Hugh Torrence, 1820; Samnel Alexander, August, 1820; James Riddle, 1820; Robert M. McDowell, 1821; John F. Denny, August 24, 1821; Joseph Chambers, 1821; Ebinger S. Finley, 1821; John Williamson, 1821; Archibald I. Findlay, April 21, 1821; George Augustus Shryock, August, 1822; Jacob Madeira, 1823; Richard Bard, 1823; John A. Sterrett, 1823; Andrew Davison, 1823; William Miller, Jr., 1823; Thomas Chambers, 1824; David R. Denny, 1824; John S. Riddle, 1824; Reade Washington, August 10, 1824; Thomas Harbison, 1825; William S. Buchanan, 1826; Leonard S. Johns, 1827; Michael Gallaher, 1827; Jasper Ewing Brady, August 14, 1827; William M. Greer, 1827; James M. Reynolds, 1828; Andrew P. Wilson, 1829; James X. McLanahan, January 11, 1830; James H. Hepburn, 1830; James Nill, April 8, 1830; John McGinley, 1830; Daniel Denny, 1831; Joseph Minnick, 1831; Robert McLelland, November 15, 1831; Humphrey Robinson, 1832; Andrew Howlett, 1832; Robert M. Bard, January 14, 1834; A. J. Durboraw, 1834; N. C. Snider, 1835; John W. Reges, 1835; B. Bordley Crawford, 1835; James W. Buchanan, 1835; Wilson Reilly, April 4, 1837; Robert Quigley, 1837; C. S. Eyster, 1837; James W. McKinstry, 1837; William C. Aughinbaugh, 1838; William McLellan, October 2, 1838; Joseph Nill, 1838; Experience Estabrook, 1839; John C. Williamson, 1839; William R. Rankin, 1839; Theodore Friend, 1839; George Chambers, Jr., 1839; James C. Moody, 1840; Isaac H. McCauley, April 10, 1840; Hugh W. Reynolds, 1840; John A. Powell, 1841; E. Crawford Washington, 1841; E. M. Biddle, 1841; Frederick Watts, 1841; Samuel H. Tate, 1841; Alexander H. McCulloh, 1841; Cyrus G. French, 1841; W. V. Davis, 1841; Edward F. Stewart, 1842; Alexander Thompson, Sr.,\* 1842; William Baker, 1842; Hon. James Cooper, 1842; David F. Robinson, 1843; Jacob H. Heyser, 1843; Benjamin Chambers, 1843; Lewis C. Levin, 1843; James S. Ross, 1843; Abner M. Fuller, 1844; Louis M. Hughes, 1844; Alexander Thomson, Jr., 1844; George W. Brewer, 1844; John M. Radebaugh, 1845; Henry A. Mish, 1845; Robert P. McClure, 1845; John Scott, 1846; J. Parker Fleming, 1846; Alfred H. Smith, 1846; Victorine N. Firor, 1846; Washington Crooks, 1846; Frederick M. Adams, 1847; John C. Culbertson, 1847; Frederick Smith, August 10, 1847; John Cessna, January 17, 1848; Edward G. Behm, January 19, 1848; Thomas B. Kennedy, April 11, 1848; J. Randolph Coffroth, November 2, 1848; Perry A. Rice, November 2, 1848; Lyman S. Clark, November 2, 1848; Henry L. Fisher, August 17, 1849; Thomas M. Carlisle, August 17, 1849; Thomas B. McFarland, January 25, 1850; John G. Lemon, April 10, 1850; William Adams, April 10, 1850; Boliver B. Bonner, January 22, 1851; David R. B. Nevin, January 22, 1851; John Dosh, January 22, 1851; J. McDowell Sharpe, March 11, 1851; Francis M. Kimmell, president judge from December, 1851, to December, 1861; A. R. Cornyn, August 20, 1851; William V. Davis, March 10, 1852; Andrew N. Rankin, April 14, 1852; Frederick Watts, April 14, 1852; Thomas L. Fletcher, August 9, 1852; Columbus F. Bonner, August 9, 1852; James Buchanan Boggs, August 9, 1852; Thomas A. Boyd, August 9, 1852; George F. Cain, August 9, 1852; William J. Baer, January 17, 1853; James P. McClintock, April 12, 1853; J. W. Douglas, April 12, 1853; William Carlisle, April 12, 1853; Frederick S. Stumbaugh, January 17, 1854; James Allison, Jr., January 17, 1854; George Eyster, April 12, 1854; Hiram C. Keyser, June 6, 1854; A. J. Cline, August 15, 1854; John Kyle, November 2, 1854; Philip Hamman, April 9, 1855; F. A. Tritle, April

\*Uncle and preceptor of Thos. A. Hendricks, late Vice-President of the United States. Formerly preceptor in the law department of Marshall College, Mercersburg.



9, 1855; Michael B. Doyle, April 9, 1855; David H. Wiles, August 15, 1855; A. K. McClure, June 17, 1856; Israel Test, June 17, 1856; James H. Bratten, October 29, 1856; George W. Welsh, October 29, 1856; John Robison, April 13, 1857; George Schley, April 14, 1857; A. K. Seyster, April 14, 1857; H. J. Campbell, April 20, 1857; H. S. Cassidy, August 10, 1857; J. C. Kunkel, August 12, 1857; W. H. Miller, August 12, 1857; William S. Everett, August 15, 1857; D. Watson Rowe, August 15, 1857; Charles Sumner, October 26, 1857; J. D. W. Gillelan, October 29, 1857; C. A. McGuigan, October 29, 1857; J. P. Rhodes, March 9, 1858; John R. Orr, April 12, 1858; Robert P. McKibben, April 12, 1858; Calvin M. Duncan, April 12, 1858; Snively Strickler, April 12, 1858; A. D. Ferguson, August 10, 1858; William C. Logan, August 10, 1858; C. M. Barton, August 10, 1858; T. J. Nill, October 31, 1858; John W. Goettman, October 31, 1858; Charles H. Taylor, January 28, 1859; Thomas X. Orr, April 14, 1859; William Kennedy, April 14, 1859; J. A. S. Mitchell, April 14, 1859; David W. Chambers, April 14, 1859; Henry G. Smith, August 8, 1859; E. J. Bonebrake, August 8, 1859; Hiram M. White, August 15, 1859; George M. Stenger, August 15, 1859; Jonathan C. Dickson, November 2, 1859; T. J. McGrath, January 26, 1860; Hastings Gehr, April 14, 1860; Leonard C. Pittinos, April 14, 1860; Benjamin K. Goodyear, April 14, 1860; William S. Stenger, August 18, 1860; Jeremiah Cook, August 18, 1860; Ross Forward, January 21, 1861; George A. Smith, January 22, 1861; John Stewart, January 23, 1861; Samuel Lyon, January 24, 1861; D. W. Thrush, August 12, 1861; Amos Slaymaker, January 29, 1861; George O. Sellhamer, February 1, 1861; William Etter, October 28, 1862; J. Montgomery Irwin, January 23, 1863; William H. Hockenberry, April 18, 1863; Joseph Douglas, October 28, 1863; William M. Mervin, April 16, 1865; John W. Taylor, August 17, 1865; Jarrett T. Richards, August 17, 1865; K. Shannon Taylor, November 7, 1865; J. Porter Brown, November 7, 1865; Jacob S. Eby, November 7, 1865; S. J. Henderson, August 14, 1866; George Chambers, August 14, 1866; Stephen W. Hays, January 22, 1867; Theodore McGowan, January 25, 1867; Claudius B. McKinstry, August 13, 1867; Amos S. Smith, August 16, 1867; Joseph M. McClure, November 1, 1867; John S. McCune, January 20, 1868; Wm. M. Peurose, January 27, 1868; Adam Keller, January 27, 1868; J. B. Cessna, April 14, 1868; A. D. Merrick, April 21, 1868; F. M. Darby, August 12, 1868; Wm. F. Duffield, October 27, 1868; John D. DeGolly, October 27, 1868; Wm. U. Brewer, December 15, 1868; John A. Hysong, December 15, 1868; John M. McDowell, April 12, 1869; T. F. Garver, June 1, 1869; T. M. Mahon, January 18, 1870; W. F. Patton, January 18, 1870; John A. Robinson, April 21, 1870; Lewis W. Detrich, August 8, 1870; John C. Zeller, December 21, 1870; Ed. Stake, December 21, 1870; John R. Miller, December 24, 1870; J. Alexander Simpson, January 25, 1871; B. Frank Winger, March 12, 1871; Andrew McIlwain, March 12, 1871; W. T. Cressler, August 17, 1871; C. Watson McKeehan, August 17, 1871; J. R. Gaff, August 17, 1871; Josiah Funck, February 6, 1872; Cyrus Lantz, February 7, 1872; S. S. McLanahan, June 4, 1872; B. M. Nead, June 4, 1872; Jos. McNulty, June 4, 1872; James A. McKnight, June 4, 1872; A. G. Huber, October 28, 1872; T. H. Edwards, January 20, 1873; H. B. Woods, April 14, 1873; M. Williams, April 17, 1873; Andrew Gregg McLanahan, Jr., June 3, 1873; Dan. H. Wingerd, June 3, 1873; Wm. A. Morrison, June 3, 1873; A. G. Miller, Jr., August 11, 1873; Franklin Mehaffey, August 11, 1873; O. C. Bowers, November 14, 1873; John Adams McAllen, November 17, 1873; Jacob D. Ludwig, January 19, 1874; Joshua W. Sharpe, September 7, 1875; W. S. Alexander, April 28, 1876; Charles Suesserott, June 26, 1877; William

F. Patton, January 18, 1878; Benj. Chambers, Jr., February 20, 1878; N. Bruce Martin, June 25, 1878; Loren A. Culp, September 2, 1878; William M. Derr, September 10, 1878; J. H. Shumaker, December 10, 1878; James B. Raby, February 20, 1879; William D. Geiser, February 20, 1879; Geo. W. Skinner, May 7, 1879; William A. Duncan, May 7, 1879; William McGovran, May 7, 1879; W. Rush Gillan, in September, 1879; Thomas R. Gilland, in September, 1879; John C. Shumaker, September 5, 1879; Hiram J. Plough, September 15, 1879; William B. Skinner, December 19, 1879; William J. Zacharias, April 26, 1880; John R. Ruthrauff, April 26, 1880; William J. Shearer, December 7, 1880; William Tell Omwake, December 6, 1881; Edward M. Boyd, December 6, 1881; L. Bert Eyster, February 27, 1882; George D. McDowell, May 8, 1882; A. V. Dively, December 10, 1882; David McConaughy, April 28, 1883; James Gardiner, May 4, 1883; William Alexander, May 5, 1883; George W. Atherton, May 5, 1883; Oliver E. Shannon, December 7, 1883; William C. Kreps, December 7, 1883; Samuel Douglass, December 7, 1883; Jeremiah B. Rex, December 7, 1883; Alfred P. Jump, September 5, 1884; M. L. Keedy, September 15, 1884; J. F. Linn Harbaugh, December 13, 1884; John S. Stewart, February 25, 1885; Edward W. Biddle, May 4, 1885; Samuel F. Snively, January 26, 1886; Horace Bender, September 8, 1886.

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## CHAPTER XVII.

### MASTER SPIRITS.

USES AND ABUSES OF GREATNESS—CHARACTER OF GENIUS—GREATNESS—ITS ELEMENTS—POWER OF MOTHERS—SKETCHES OF MASTER SPIRITS: (1) MILITARY, (2) POLITICAL, (3) RAILROAD MANAGERS, (4) THEOLOGICALS, (5) COUNTY OFFICIALS, (6) MEDICAL, (7) EDUCATIONAL, (8) PRESS, (9) LEGAL—FRANKLIN COUNTY'S ROLL OF HONOR.

“The Choice and Master Spirits of this Age.”—*Shakespeare in Julius Cæsar*. Act III, Scene 1.

A VOLUME would not contain all the uses and abuses of greatness. No man, however gifted in mental and moral endowments, lives wholly for self. He is himself an inheritance from the past, fettered with obligations which he can never fully pay, and a debtor to the future to the full extent of what he may be able to bequeath for its advancement and elevation. The exercise of his special gifts or endowments, whether in the mental or moral development of others, or in the solution of problems in science, art, commerce or statesmanship, is not only his duty but his highest earthly happiness. What he may accomplish in these well defined and heaven appointed directions, is but a deserved contribution, on his part, to the welfare and happiness of his race. The towering mountain, with frost-crested peak, owes, by virtue of its pre-eminence, the example of protection and encouragement to its humbler and less favored associates.

“Oh, it is excellent to have a giant's strength; but it is tyrannous to use it like a giant.”

Genius is solitary and one-sided. In this consists its isolation and pre-eminence. It is rarely reproductive, its function being stimulative rather than

procreative. King Saul, who "from his shoulders and upward was higher than any of the people," was the son of Kish, "a mighty man of power," but the narrative gives no subsequent examples of similar physical greatness in the ancestry. If the Andes system were all Chimborazos or Cotopaxis, coveted pre-eminence would cease.

Greatness has elements, often wholly different from simple genius. It is many-sided, gathering, into one, the strength and virtues of the race. Antony may have been extravagant in his address to the slain hero—"Thou art the ruins of the noblest man that ever lived in the tide of times," but his judgment was based upon the analysis which enabled him to say, "His life was gentle, and the elements so mixed in him that Nature might stand up, and say to all the world, 'This was a man.'"

Tennyson's highest compliment to the Duke of Wellington was the declaration that he "stood four-square to all the winds that blew." So great was his admiration for the conqueror of Napoleon that he uttered the ardent wish that

While the races of mankind endure,  
Let his great example stand  
Colossal, seen of every land,  
And keep the soldier firm, the statesman pure,  
Till in all lands and thro' all human story,  
The path of duty be the way to glory.

□ In the selfish strife of this struggling age, "men of mark" are lauded to the skies, while "women of mark" are passed by in comparative silence. An impartial examination of the world's history shows that its great men have sprung from noble women, the true "master spirits" of the age. The thought before the writer is happily expressed by Joaquin Miller, in the following stanzas:

THE BRAVEST BATTLE.

The bravest battle that ever was fought!  
Shall I tell you where and when?  
On the maps of the world you will find it not;  
'Twas fought by the mothers of men.

Nay, not with cannon or battle shot,  
With sword or nobler pen;  
Nay, not with eloquent word or thought,  
From mouths of wonderful men.

But deep in a walled-up woman's heart—  
Of woman that would not yield,  
But bravely, silently, bore her part—  
Lo! there is that battle-field!

No marshaling troup, no bivouac song;  
No banner to gleam and wave!  
But, oh! these battles, they last so long—  
From babyhood to the grave!

In the following pages we can give but a few of each class of the illustrious "master spirits" of Franklin County, and must content ourselves with brief sketches of them and a mere reference to others who have been traced in various parts of the work.

*I. Military.*—Maj.-Gen. James Potter was a son of John Potter, first sheriff of Cumberland County. In 1758 he was a lieutenant in Col. John Armstrong's battalion. July 26, 1764, he commanded the settlers in pursuit of the Indians who massacred Enoch Brown and his ten pupils near Greencastle. He was appointed a brigadier-general April 5, 1777, and major-general May

22, 1782. He was vice-president of the State in 1781, and member of Council of Censors in 1784. He died at his daughter's (Mrs. Poe), near Marion, in 1789, and was buried in Brown's Mill Graveyard.

For sketches of Col. James Smith, Brig.-Gen. James Chambers, Maj. James McCammont, Col. Jos. Armstrong, Rev. John Steele, see Indian and Revolutionary wars. Gen. Hugh Mercer is fully sketched in the medical chapter, and in the borough of Mercersburg. The career of Col. Benjamin Chambers is interwoven with the entire history of the county. Dr. Robert Johnston is sketched fully in the medical chapter, to which the reader is referred.

*II. Political.*—James Buchanan, fifteenth President, was born in Cove Gap, Peters Township, April 23, 1791; graduated at Dickinson College in 1809; began the study of law at Lancaster in December, 1809, and was admitted to the bar in 1812; was a member of the State Legislature; served in the Congress and Senate of the United States ten years each; was minister to Russia and England; served as Secretary of State, and was President from March 4, 1857, to March 4, 1861. The closing days of his administration were stormy with rebellion. His want of decisive action in crushing treason has been strongly censured. He died at his home near Lancaster in 1868.

A paragraph from the autobiography of Mr. Buchanan, incorporated in his Life by George Ticknor Curtis, will be of interest to the reader as giving a clue to his youthful days. He says:

"After having received a tolerably good English education, I studied the Latin and Greek languages at a school in Mercersburg. It was kept by the Rev. James R. Sharon, then a student of divinity with Dr. John King, and afterward by a Mr. McConnell and Dr. Jesse Magaw, then a student of medicine and subsequently my brother-in-law. I was sent to Dickinson College in the fall of 1807, where I entered the Junior Class.

"The college was in wretched condition, and I have often regretted that I had not been sent to some other institution. There was no efficient discipline, and the young men did pretty much as they pleased. To be a sober, plodding, industrious youth was to incur the ridicule of the mass of the students. Without much natural tendency to become dissipated, and chiefly from the example of others, and in order to be considered a clever and spirited youth, I engaged in every sort of extravagance and mischief in which the greatest proficients of the college indulged. Unlike the rest of the class, however, I was always a tolerably hard student, and never was deficient in my college exercises.

"A circumstance occurred, after I had been a year at college, which made a strong and lasting impression upon me. During the September vacation, in the year 1808, on a Sabbath morning, whilst I was sitting in the room with my father, a letter was brought to him. He opened it and read it, and I observed that his countenance fell. He then handed it to me and left the room; and I do not recollect that he ever afterward spoke to me on the subject of it. It was from Dr. Davidson, the principal of Dickinson College. He stated that but for the respect which the faculty entertained for my father, I would have been expelled from college for disorderly conduct; that they had borne with me as best they could until that period, but that they would not receive me again, and that the letter was written to save him the mortification of sending me back and having me rejected. Mortified to the soul, I at once determined upon my course. Dr. John King was at the time pastor of the congregation to which my parents belonged. He came to that congregation shortly after the Revolution, and continued to be its pastor until his death. He had either

married or baptized all its members. He participated in their joys as well as their sorrows, and had none of the gloomy bigotry which too often passes in these days for superior sanctity. He was, I believe, a trustee of the college, and enjoyed great and extensive influence wherever he was known. To him I applied with the greatest confidence in my extremity. He gave me a gentle lecture—the more efficient on that account. He then proposed to me that if I would pledge my honor to him to behave better at college than I had done, he felt such confidence in me that he would pledge himself to Dr. Davidson on my behalf, and he did not doubt that I would be permitted to return. I cheerfully complied with this condition. Dr. King arranged the matter, and I returned to college without any questions being asked; and afterward conducted myself in such a manner as, at least, to prevent any formal complaint.”

William Findlay, fourth governor of Pennsylvania, was born at Mercersburg, June 20, 1768. He served as State representative from 1797 to 1807; State treasurer, 1807–17; governor, 1817–20; United States senator, 1822–28; treasurer of United States mint at Philadelphia, from 1828–41.

Robert McClelland was born at Greencastle, August 1, 1807; admitted to the bar in 1831. Removing to Michigan, he served in the State Legislature; was a member of Congress several terms; was governor of Michigan two terms, and Secretary of the Interior of the United States under President Pierce.

Other prominent politicians and statesmen will be mentioned in another part of this chapter, in the Roll of Honor, by John M. Cooper.

*III. Railroad Managers.*—Col. Thos. A. Scott was born at London, Franklin County, December 28, 1823; received a common school education, and entered the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad in 1851; was appointed general superintendent in 1858; was elected vice-president of company in 1860, afterward to first vice-president; rendered much assistance to the Union cause during the war, and became assistant Secretary of War in 1861; was elected president of the new Pennsylvania Company, and afterward of the whole Pennsylvania Railroad Company, which position he held till the time of his death. Col. Scott is recognized as the greatest railroad manager and director in this country, and Franklin County is proud to number him among her illustrious sons.

A friend of Col. Scott, the noted president of the Pennsylvania R. R., told recently how Scott's choosing of railroading as a profession hung on the flipping of a penny. Said he: “Tom Scott told the story himself. He was the toll collector on the Pennsylvania Canal at Columbia, when the railroad authorities, hearing that he was a bright young man, offered him the position of station agent at Altoona. Scott was popular, and when he told his friends of his offer, they urged him to refuse it and stay on the canal. He resisted their importunities, but finally taking a big red copper in his fingers, said: ‘Boys, I will let the fates decide. Heads is Altoona, and tails Columbia.’ He then threw the copper into the air with a twist which sent it into a dozen somersaults, but it fell and the head was uppermost. The boys then said that one trial was not enough. It must be the best two out of three. Scott consented to this, and threw once more. His next throw was heads, and so the railroad won. Had the copper fallen on the other side, who can tell what the future would have been?” [*Cleveland Leader.*]

*IV. Theologians.*—Dr. J. W. Nevin. The following somewhat extensive sketch of John W. Nevin, who died at Lancaster, June 6, 1886, in his eighty-fourth year, is taken from the *Philadelphia Press* of the following day: “John Williamson Nevin, D.D., LL.D., was born in Franklin County, Penn., February 20, 1803. He was descended from Scotch-Irish ancestry, and one

conspicuous in statesmanship and literature. His paternal grandmother was a sister of the distinguished Hugh Williamson, LL. D., one of the framers of the United States Constitution, from whom he derived his middle name. By birth and blood a Presbyterian, he was brought up carefully in the Christian faith by pious parents, and was the oldest of his family; the first to die of the five distinguished sons was the youngest of them all—Theodore H., president of the First National Bank of Allegheny, a leading manufacturer and philanthropist of western Pennsylvania. Between the youngest and the eldest brother there were born and still survive Prof. William M. Nevin, LL. D., who has long held the chair of belles-lettres in Franklin and Marshall College, this city; Rev. Daniel E. Nevin, a Presbyterian clergyman and teacher, of Sewickley; Robert P. Nevin, author and editor, founder of the *Pittsburgh Times*.

“In the fall of 1817 Dr. Nevin was matriculated as a student in Union College, New York, and although the youngest in his class, was graduated with honor in 1821. Bodily prostration for two years followed his college course, which time he mostly spent in fields and woods on the homestead, and acquired for a time a taste for botany. In his youth Dr. Nevin was of very delicate constitution and hardly hoped to survive the age of thirty. In the fall of 1823, having partially regained his health, he entered the theological seminary at Princeton, and in the regular theological course took a special interest in Oriental and Biblical literature, reading the whole Bible in Hebrew, and thereby securing the flattering distinction of being universally admitted the best Hebrew scholar in the institution. This distinction contributed to mold his whole subsequent career. In 1826 he was invited to temporarily supply the chair of Oriental and Biblical literature at Princeton, made vacant by the visit of Dr. Hodge to Europe, on a tour for his health. During this time Dr. Nevin wrote his ‘Biblical Antiquities,’ a hand-book which attained a very large circulation both in Europe and America.

“In October, 1828, he was licensed to preach by the presbytery of Carlisle, held at Philadelphia, and about the same time was invited to the chair of Biblical literature in the new theological seminary, then being established by the general assembly at Allegheny, Penn. In December, 1829, when in the twenty-seventh year of his age, he assumed his duties in this institution, which at this time had no buildings, no library and no endowment. Here Dr. Nevin labored for ten years, and the Western Theological Seminary, now a power in the Presbyterian Church, owes much of its prosperity to his efforts. About the time of his election to the chair in this seminary he received a pressing invitation to return to Princeton and become a writer of books for the Sunday-school Union. In his sermons and lectures, and with his pen, while at Pittsburgh, Dr. Nevin was the unreserved opponent of slavery, infidelity, fashionable amusements, ladies’ fairs and theatrical entertainments. In May, 1840, through the earnest solicitation of a committee appointed by the synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, he accepted and was inducted into the professorship of theology in the theological seminary of that church, then located at Mercersburg, Penn.

“Here he was associated with the well-known German scholar, Frederick Augustus Rauch, then president of Marshall College, in the same place. The death of Dr. Rauch, March 2, 1841, made it necessary for Dr. Nevin to assume the temporary presidency of the college, which was afterward made permanent, and which he filled for ten years. In 1843 he became involved in what has been known as the ‘anxious bench controversy,’ through the publication of his tract called ‘The Anxious Bench.’ The controversy nearly created a schism in the Reformed Church, and was regarded as the beginning of the movement since spoken of as the Mercersburg theology.



*M. L. Hammon*





“In 1844 he received as his colleague in the seminary Dr. Philip Schaff, of Germany, since famous throughout the world for his theological learning and as an honored professor in the Presbyterian Theological Seminary of New York. From 1849 to January, 1853, he edited the *Mercersburg Review*, published by the Alumni Association of Marshall College, and he has written largely since for the same periodical and the *Reformed Church Messenger*. About this time he became involved in a famous controversy with Rev. Orestes A. Bronson, D. D., of Boston, which excited wide attention. He resigned his position in the seminary in 1851, and the presidency of Marshall College in 1853, upon its removal to Lancaster and consolidation with Franklin College. Although proffered the presidency of the new institution, he withdrew to private life, nearly worn out in mind and body. For the next eight years Dr. Nevin lived in semi-privacy at his home at Caernarvon Place, near Lancaster, although preaching frequently and laboring with his pen. He had much to do in particular in bringing to completion the new liturgy, which engaged for many years the best energies of the Eastern Synod of the German Reformed Church. In the fall of 1861 he yielded to the desire of the faculty, and undertook partial service as professor in history and æsthetics, and in 1866 became once more president of Franklin and Marshall College, which position he held until 1876, when he retired from all work of public instruction.

“Among his more important publications are the following: ‘The Doctrine of the Reformed Church on the Presence of Christ in the Lord’s Supper,’ in 1848; ‘The Apostles’ Creed, Its Origin, Constitution and Plan,’ 1849; ‘The Dutch Crusade,’ 1854; ‘Review of Dr. Hodge’s Commentary on the Ephesians,’ 1857; ‘The Liturgical Question,’ 1862; ‘Christ and Him Crucified,’ preached at the opening of the first General Synod of the German Reformed Church in Pittsburgh, 1863; ‘Vindication of the Revised Liturgy,’ 1867. ‘Answer to Prof. Dorner, of Berlin, Germany,’ 1868; ‘Once for All,’ 1869; ‘Revelation and Redemption,’ 1870; ‘The Revelation of God in Christ,’ 1871; ‘Christ and His Spirit,’ 1872; ‘Baccalaureate Discourse, John iii, 13,’ 1872.

“Dr. Nevin was married, in 1835, to Martha J., a daughter of the Hon. Robert Jenkins, member of Congress from 1809 to 1811, and prominent iron master of Windsor Place, Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County. Mrs. Nevin survives. Their family consists of Capt. W. Wilberforce Nevin, formerly editor of *The Philadelphia Press*, now engaged in large railroad enterprises in New York; Rev. Robert J. Nevin, D. D., commander, during the war, of the famous ‘Nevin’s Battery,’ now rector of St. Paul’s Within-the-Walls Protestant Episcopal Church in Rome; Miss Alice, a well-known musical composer; Miss Blanche, sculptor and artist, her best known work being the figure of Gen. Peter Muhlenberg in the capitol at Washington; and Martha J., now the wife of Robert W. Sayre, of the Lehigh Valley Railroad. Two sons, Cecil and John W., died in their youth.

“As a theologian Dr. Nevin stood in the very front rank, and was recognized the world over in religious circles as one of the profoundest thinkers of the age. His learning and scholarship were very broad and his versatility remarkable. Dr. Thomas G. Apple, president of Franklin and Marshall College, remarked: ‘In intellectual force I regard him as one of the profoundest thinkers of this age, whether in America or Europe. I know of no writer who excels him in the use of forcible English, as some of his polemical articles abundantly testify. John Henry Newman resembles him in the purity and force of his language, but Dr. Nevin added to this the more mystical depth that comes from the German mind. His articles in the “North American” on

“The Use of Philosophy” and on “Human Freedom” are specimens of his best thought and style. Jonathan Edwards, the elder, approaches him nearest, in my judgment, among the metaphysical thinkers and writers of America.’”

A history of Franklin County would not be regarded as complete without some notice of Dr. Philip Schaff, though not a native of the county. Dr. Philip Schaff was born at Coire, Switzerland, January 1, 1819. He pursued his higher education in Germany at school in Kornthal, at the university in Berlin, under Neander, and at Halle under Tholuk. He was teaching at the University of Berlin when he was called to a professorship at Mercersburg, to which the great preacher, Frederick Wilhelm Krummacker, had been called.

He arrived in this country in 1844 and remained in Mercersburg till December, 1863. He was married to Mary Elizabeth Schley, eldest daughter of David Schley of Frederick, Md.; of their eight children, three survive. Dr. Schaff spent the year 1853-54 in Europe, and in 1854 received the title of D. D. from the University of Berlin. He has since been made LL. D. by Amherst College.

During his life in Mercersburg, Dr. Schaff was frequently called away to preach and lecture. He was identified with the so-called “Mercersburg Theology,” which at the time made Mercersburg famous in theological circles.

In 1863 he went to New York to accept the position of secretary of the New York Sabbath Convention. The organization was exceedingly prosperous during his incumbency in this office, and secured the passage and enforcement of much healthful Sabbath observance legislation. In 1870 he became identified with the Union Theological Seminary, of New York City, in which he now holds the chair of Biblical instruction and sacred literature.

Dr. Schaff has been identified with some large movements in the church of the generation. The gathering and success of the great meeting of the Evangelical Alliance, in New York City, in 1873, were due very largely to his skill and activity. This gathering attracted some of the foremost scholars of all denominations, both in Europe and this country. The revision of the English Bible of King James will always be associated with his name. Dr. Schaff, in 1870, was selected by the English Revision Committee to form the American Committee on Revision. He undertook this responsibility, and remained president of the committee until the completion of the New Testament revision in 1881, and the Old Testament revision in 1884.

As an author he enjoys a reputation in theological circles second to none. His works have been translated into many languages, and are read as freely in Great Britain as in this country. These works are numerous, and are considered authorities in their departments.

His theology is strictly evangelical. He holds firmly to all the cardinal points of the orthodox churches, and is in hearty sympathy with the movements of a vital Christianity. He has labored, with result, for the reunion and co-operation of denominations. His scholarship is accurate and encyclopedic. He is a man of wide and varied learning, equally versed in the works of German theology and those of the English tongue. His permanent reputation will probably rest upon his productions in the department of church history, to the study of which he gave his early life, and is devoting his latter years. His “History of the Christian Church,” and “Creeds of Christendom,” will be considered the great works of his life.

He has made many trips to Europe for study and recreation, and in 1876 and 1877 traveled in Egypt and Palestine. The results of this journey were embodied in a work entitled, “Through Bible Lands.”

V. *County Officials.*—The only case we present of efficient devotion to the preservation of the records of the new county of Franklin is that of the man who opened its books of record and for many years kept them in a most satisfactory manner—Edward Crawford. He was born in 1758, and received a good education. At the age of eighteen he entered the Revolution and served with credit through the whole war. At the battle of Yorktown he nearly lost his life. After the formation of Franklin County he was chosen prothonotary, which office he filled with ability. He helped to establish the Cumberland (now National) Bank, and was chosen first president, an office he filled until his death.

Mr. Crawford was active in every good work; was a member of the Society of the Cincinnati; was elected manager of Franklin County Bible Society; served as trustee of Falling Spring Church, and many other offices of honor he filled with credit to himself and them.

He was married twice: First to Catharine Hostinger, of York, by whom he had a son, Thomas Hartley Crawford, who became a distinguished Congressman and judge of the district court at Washington, D. C.; and last to Rebecca Calhoun. Mr. Crawford died in Chambersburg in the year 1833, being seventy-five years of age.

VI. *Medical.*—Space will not permit the repetition of the sketches of Drs. Mercer, Abraham Senseny, W. H. Boyle, J. C. Richards, J. Lambert, N. B. Lane, J. McClellan, Wm. Magaw, Alex. Stewart and others given by Dr. W. C. Lane. They will be found in the medical chapter or biographical part.

VII. *Educational.*—In the chapter on Chambersburg attention is called to several eminent educational characters, among which occurs the name of Prof. James Ross, an instructor of great learning and an author of wide reputation.

Before the Revolution, Rev. John King established the first classical school within the limits of the county. He was learned, patriotic and exemplary, and trained some of the youths, who subsequently became the “men of mark” in the various fields of activity in the county.

From 1825 to 1829 the pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Waynesboro was Rev. Samuel K. Hoshour, born in York County December 9, 1803, and died in Indianapolis November 29, 1883. After his removal to Indiana, Mr. Hoshour became the principal of an academy in which he instructed the future governor, O. P. Morton; later he became president of the Northwestern Christian University at Indianapolis and subsequently State school superintendent. This aged man was once a teacher in Franklin County.

Rev. E. E. Higbee, present State school superintendent of Pennsylvania, was at one time an educator in Franklin County, being a professor in the college at Mercersburg.

VIII. *Press.*—Few counties can boast of abler representatives of the press than Geo. K. Harper, Joseph Pritts, John M. Cooper and Alex. K. McClure, all of whom have aided in molding the sentiments of Franklin County.

IX. *Legal.*—The bench and bar of the county have had shining lights—men who were qualified by nature and culture “to mold a mighty State’s decree.” In the legal chapter are sketched, by I. H. McCauley, Esq., some of the prominent men at the bar during the first two decades of the county’s history. The careers of Judge George Chambers, J. McDowell Sharpe, and others of the departed will be fully presented in the biographical department of this work.

It is with pleasure that we append, in conclusion, a short article published some years ago by John M. Cooper, in which he calls the roll of Franklin County’s famous men and women, and presents in a single view the names of those who have thrust fame upon the land of their birth.

## FRANKLIN COUNTY'S ROLL OF HONOR.

The following is an extract from a letter to the editor of the *Valley Spirit*:  
 "In my former communication I gave a list of high stations filled by natives of Franklin County, and promised to furnish their names, and the stations filled by them, respectively. This promise I now fulfill, adding a member of the Continental Congress, Assistant Secretary of War, and Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to my original list. As thus stated I omit members of the lower house of Congress, judges of ordinary courts and military officers of grade lower than that of brigadier-general, of which Franklin County has had a full share, and select positions which citizens of comparatively few counties have had the distinction to fill. As I make it out, our roll of honor, is as follows:

- "A President of the United States, James Buchanan.
- "A Secretary of State of the United States, James Buchanan.
- "A Secretary of the Interior of the United States, Robert McClelland.
- "An Assistant Secretary of War, Thomas A. Scott.
- "A Minister of the United States to Russia, James Buchanan.
- "A Minister of the United States to England, James Buchanan.
- "For Senators of the United States, William Maclay, Samuel Maclay, William Findlay, James Buchanan, all Senators from Pennsylvania, and Samuel Adams, Senator from Mississippi.
- "Two United States Assistant Treasurers at Philadelphia, William Findlay and George Eyster.
- "A Judge of the United States Court in the District of Columbia, Thomas Hartley Crawford.
- "A District Attorney of the United States for western Pennsylvania, George Washington Buchanan.
- "A District Attorney of the United States for Dakota, Hugh J. Campbell.
- "A United States Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Thomas Hartley Crawford.
- "A Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, Matthew St. Clair Clarke.
- "A United States Collector of Excise, appointed by President Washington, Robert Johnston.
- "A United States Revenue Collector for Western Pennsylvania, appointed by President Jefferson, Robert Johnston.
- "A Brigadier-general in the Continental Army, James Potter.
- "A Major-general in the Continental Army, James Potter.
- "A Governor of the State of Pennsylvania, William Findlay.
- "A Governor of the State of Michigan, Robert McClelland.
- "A Governor of the State of Indiana, Conrad Baker.
- "A Governor of the Territory of Arizona, Frederick S. Tritle.
- "A Judge of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, George Chambers.
- "A Treasurer of the State of Pennsylvania, William Findlay.
- "A Surveyor-general of Pennsylvania, John Rowe.
- "A Canal Commissioner of Pennsylvania, James Clarke.
- "A Secretary of the Commonwealth, William S. Stenger.
- "A Vice-President of Pennsylvania, James Potter.
- "Two members of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania, James McLene and Abraham Smith.
- "Two members of the Council of Censors of Pennsylvania, James McLene and James Potter.
- "Two members of the famous convention at Carpenter's Hall, Philadelphia, June, 1776, James McLene and John Maclay.

“Two members of the Continental Congress, James Smith, elected July 20, 1776, and James McLene, elected March 3, 1779.

“The greatest railroad president in the world, Thomas A. Scott.

“A vice-president of the greatest railroad in the world, Frank Thomson.

“To this list of distinguished men, all born within the county, I might add the names of two of the most distinguished ladies this country has produced—Charlotte Chambers and Harriet Lane.

“There have been five very remarkable families reared in Franklin County: the Johnstons, of Antrim; the Maclays, of Lurgan; the Findlays and Buchanans, of Mercersburg and vicinity, and the Chambers family, from whom our town derives its name.

“It is a curious and an interesting fact that, dividing the county by the great road leading from Shippensburg through Chambersburg and Greencastle into Maryland and Virginia, we find that nearly all the distinguished men, as well as both the ladies in my list, came from the western half, the most distinguished men and both the ladies coming from near the mountain.

“At a future time I may have more to say about the distinguished sons and daughters and the remarkable families of Franklin County, and perhaps I may add something about the curious and interesting fact above stated.”

In a note from Mr. Cooper, dated Harrisburg, December 22, 1886, he says: “I would like to add two names to my former list, viz.: Joseph Williams, chief justice of Iowa, and United States territorial judge in Kansas: Edmund R. Calhoun, rear admiral, United States Navy.”

## CHAPTER XVIII.

### THE COUNTY'S FIRST CENTENNIAL.

INTRODUCTORY—VALUE OF ANNIVERSARIES—TRIUMPHS OF THE CENTURY—PREPARATIONS FOR THE COMING ANNIVERSARY—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—TOWNSHIP COMMITTEES—ACCOUNT OF THE TWO DAYS' DOINGS—EXTRACTS FROM ADDRESSES AND POEMS DELIVERED.

**A** NNIVERSARIES are, as a rule, important eras in the journey of life: They are fraught with great interest, because they afford appropriate occasions for reviewing the past and drawing inspiration and hope for the future. They are milestones in the pathway of personal and corporate existence.

The playful miss looks with joyful anticipations to the period when she shall be permitted to take her place in society. The boy longs for the day of his majority to arrive in order that he may assume the duties of untrammelled citizenship. With what supreme satisfaction do all classes, young and old, look forward to the happiness that clusters about the fixed holidays. How the burdens of life are lightened by the gifts and congratulations that accompany birthdays and marriage anniversaries.

The resemblance between personal and corporate life is very marked. Each has its youth, its manhood and its old age with all the conflicts and disappointments, the joys and sorrows incident to each. Viewed merely from an earthly standpoint, a difference exists, in that personal life ceases while corporate life

is perpetuated. This distinction gives additional significance to the sentiment of the centenarian—

How short my life appears  
 Measured by just one hundred years;  
 I cannot here much longer wait,  
 Prepare to meet me at the golden gate.

September 9, 1884, was the red letter day in the annals of Franklin County. The century which it closed was the most important in the annals of time. It was fraught with more and greater improvements in the physical, mental and social world than any previous century measured out by Father Time. It had witnessed the founding of the American republic, and its development from a small commonwealth of thirteen feeble States, having a population of 3,000,000, to a highly respectable nation of forty-eight members, with a population of 60,000,000. It had chronicled the inauguration and administration of every President from Washington to Cleveland; the building of every railroad and steamboat in the world; the invention of the reaper, the mower, the sewing machine, the telegraph, the telephone, the type-writer, the electric light, and all the improvements in agricultural, horticultural and mechanical implements; the development of educational and eleemosynary institutions; the founding of daily and weekly papers with all their appliances for gathering, printing and disseminating news; the solution of the most perplexing problems in government, finance, domestic and political economy; the liberation of individuals and communities not only from physical bondage, but from the thralldom of enforced sentiment. In short, it was the century of progress and reform, whose two closing decades had realized the form of government intended to be established by the founders: Equal rights for all, special privileges for none.

Full preparation had been made for this anniversary of the county's birth as an integral part of the great keystone commonwealth. Prominent citizens in every part of the county had been appointed to supervise their districts in the interests of the exhibition. The following were the members of said committees:

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

*Chambersburg*—Benj. Chambers, chairman; John Stewart, Oliver C. Bowers, Alex. W. Pomeroy, Jas. A. McKnight, B. Latrobe Maurer, Jno. M. McDonald, Jno. Lortz, Henry S. Gilbert; B. Frank Gilmore, secretary.

#### TOWNSHIP COMMITTEES.

*Antrim*—D. S. Barnhart, D. S. Binkley, Rev. Cyrus Cort, Jac. Deardorf, M. W. Kissecker, Wm. C. Kreps, A. A. Miller, Henry Omwake, C. H. Ruthrauff, Ed. S. Snively.

*Fannett*—John A. Elder, Jas. Ferguson, Jas. W. Holliday, John H. Little, Jas. McKim, Herbert Piper, Wilson Piper, Joseph Ryder, J. H. Witharow, J. A. Shoemaker.

*Greene*—W. Hammett Boggs, Thos. Gallagher, J. Burns White, Uriah Bollinger, John Lindsey, Dr. David Maclay, Thos. H. Wallace, Wm. Craig, Saml. Garver, Alex. Stewart.

*Guilford*—J. B. Crawford, S. W. Sollenberger, Jno. H. Diehl, S. S. Frederick, Andrew Statler, Daniel Ebersole, Abraham S. Lehman, J. W. Witherpoon, Wm. S. Reed, Jacob C. Snyder.

*Hamilton*—Saml. Clippinger, Jacob Crider, David Eby, Davidson Greenawalt, Jeremiah Harrison, John Hunsecker, Henry Lenher, Jeremiah Mish, John W. Shatzer, Sam'l West, Sr.

*Letterkenny*—Jeremiah Ashway, W. W. Britton, Dr. J. M. Gelwix, John B. Kaufman, S. K. Lehman, W. D. Miller, Fred. Rife, J. A. West, H. G. Worthington, Wm. S. Keefer.

*Lurgan*—Hugh Cover, J. A. Faust, Josiah Fickes, J. W. Powell, M. R. Skinner, A. F. Snoko, D. D. Swanger, J. P. Grove, J. H. Maclay.

*Metal*—Frank W. Elliott, J. M. Wilhelm, Wm. Witherow, Dr. Jno. S. Flickinger, A. J. Noble, Wm. S. McAllen, James M. Jones, A. K. McCurdy, John H. Walker, Wm. M. Rice.

*Montgomery*—James Agnew, Hayes McClellan, John McCullough, Wm. D. McKinstry, S. M. Rhea, Geo. C. Steiger, John Waidlich, J. S. Whitmer, James S. Craig, John K. Keyser.

*Peters*—Robt. J. Boyd, N. P. Martin, Dr. W. P. Noble, Geo. W. Etter, I. U. Puffenberger, A. N. Ryder, Geo. M. Stenger, John Webster.

*Quincy*—W. H. Brown, D. M. Lowry, Melchor Elden, D. M. Funk, G. W. McCleary, Jacob R. Small, Geo. B. Wiestling, H. M. Fritz, Jacob Middour, Upton Funk.

*St. Thomas*—James Archibald, John Croft, Sr., Chas. M. Deatrich, Wm. D. Dixon, Alex. Martin, Martin Miller, S. Z. Hawbecker, J. N. Mowry, John Walker, Sam'l G. Walker.

*Southampton*—Wm. H. Blair, Jacob Kendig, Sam'l Knisely, Wm. B. Smith, J. A. Zullinger, Thomas E. Fuller, R. C. Johnston, Robt. McCune, John H. McMullen, J. McCord Means.

*Warren*—Jacob Bair, Solomon Cook, M. J. Grier, J. C. McCullough, S. L. Phenicie, John Zimmerman.

*Washington*—Geo. J. Balsley, A. J. Fahnestock, Martin S. Funk, Daniel Hoover, Simon Lecron, J. J. Miller, Joseph Price, Daniel Shockey, A. W. Good, L. F. Benchoff, D. O. Nicodemus.

By request of the executive committee, many of the pastors of the different churches of the county delivered, on Sunday preceding the anniversary, historical discourses bearing particularly upon the origin and progress of their own congregations and denominations. Persons had also been requested in the various townships to prepare historical sketches of their respective assignments. The only response, so far as the writer knows, was made by Rev. J. Milton Snyder, of Guilford, who prepared an elaborate and carefully written document that aided much in the compilation of the county history.

The following account of the two days' doings (Monday and Tuesday) is taken from the *Valley Spirit* of September 10, 1884:

#### MONDAY'S PROGRAM—ORDER OF PROCESSION, ETC.

Monday morning came in without a cloud to mar the deep blue of the heavens. Almost with the rising of the sun, hundreds of people began to arrive in town and continued to pour in from all points, by the railroads, by private conveyances and on foot, during the entire day. By 10 o'clock the streets were filled with sight-seers eager for the civic and military parade. By the hour named the companies had been arranged in line for the parade, and the command to march was given. The procession moved in the following order:

Officers—John A. Seiders, chief marshal; David Maclay, C. H. Ruthrauff, aids; B. F. Gilmore, special aid.

*First Division*—Grand Army of the Republic—H. G. Bonebrake, marshal; T. R. Gilland, D. B. Greenawalt, aids; drum corps; Capt. John E. Walker Post, No. 287, H. G. Bonebrake, commander, 25 men; Welsh Run Band, 13 pieces; Lieut. Pomeroy Post, No. 295, W. H. Stewart, commander, 30 men;

drum corps; Col. P. B. Housum Post, No. 309, Wm. Burgess, commander, 63 men; Fayetteville Band, 14 pieces; Capt. Stevens Post, No. 317, Milton Crawford, commander, 40 men; Shady Grove Band, 16 pieces; Clay Hill Band, 14 pieces; Corp. Rihl Post, No. 438, J. R. Davison, commander, 25 men.

*Second Division*—Secret Societies—Frank A. Zarman, marshal; John A. Sellers, Geo. W. McCleary, aids.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows—Roxbury Cornet Band, 21 pieces; Columbus Lodge, No. 75, 20 men; Chambersburg Lodge, No. 175, 20 men; Path Valley Lodge, No. 419, 18 men; Scotland Band, 15 pieces; Greenvillage Lodge, No. 831, 32 men; Fannett Lodge, No. 811, 18 men; Eagle Cornet Band, Mercersburg, 17 pieces; Marshal Lodge, No. 233, 25 men; St. Thomas Band, 17 men; St. Thomas Lodge, No. 950, 23 men.

Improved Order of Red Men—Waynesboro Lodge, No. 101, 100 men.

Knights of Pythias—Mount Alto Band, 15 pieces; Caledonia Lodge, No. 235, 40 men.

*Third Division*—Fire Companies—Christian Frederick, marshal; Christian B. Bechtelle, John H. Mull, aids; First Mechanics' Band of Greencastle, 11 pieces; American Steam Fire Engine Company of Greencastle, 40 men—engine drawn by 4 horses; hand engine "Rescue," made in 1741, drawn by 10 boys; Mechanics' Steam Fire Engine Company of Waynesboro, 40 men—engine drawn by 2 horses.

Chambersburg Fire Department—Aids, Dr. John Seibert, Wm. Michaels, Wm. McKane, Saml. Greenawalt; Greenwood band, 13 pieces; Friendship Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1, 28 men—engine drawn by horses; Fannettsburg band, 14 pieces; drum corps, 4 pieces; Junior Hose Company, No. 2, 48 men; junior band, 14 pieces; Good Will Hose Company, No. 3, 28 men—decorated hose carriage; Chambersburg band, 18 pieces; Vigilant Hook & Ladder Company, 28 men—truck drawn by 4 horses; Dry Run Band, 16 pieces; Cumberland Valley Hose Company, No. 5, 15 men—hose carriage; three wagons decorated with temperance mottoes, and filled with 80 girls and 40 boys singing temperance songs; executive committee in carriages.

The procession marched over the following route: Down Second to Catherine, up Catherine to Main, down Main to Second, up Second to Market, out Market to Federal, countermarched to the Diamond, and was dismissed.

The parade moved over the route without a hitch, the organizations, notwithstanding the almost intolerable heat, marching in fine style during the hour taken up by the procession. One thousand and eighty-three persons were in line, the great majority of them being in uniform. The crowd was very great, 5,000 being the estimate of the number of people in town.

In the afternoon the streets were enlivened by the great throng of humanity passing to and fro. Japanese fireworks were exploded at short intervals, and in watching these and imbibing freely of lemonade and crunching the ungrateful peanut, the visitors spent their time.

With the coming of the evening the town assumed a still gayer appearance than during the day. Line upon line of lanterns of all patterns and colors were stretched along the streets, and, throwing their tinted light upon the flags and bunting, added indescribably to the effect. The six electric lights erected by the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, on Market and Main Streets, contributed a large share of the brilliance.

The attraction of the evening was the carnival, the idea of which was conceived and carried out by the young men of town under the management of Mr. George Pensinger. It was a decided success. About 175 persons took





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part in it, all arrayed in rich costumes obtained in Philadelphia. Promptly at 8 o'clock the column moved, the order of procession being as follows: Marshal and aids, band, four heralds, knights in armor.

*Tableau I.*—"The Pen is Mightier than the Sword." This float, contributed by *Public Opinion*, was illustrative of the maxim that forms its title. To convey the idea, two groups were arranged, one representing the terrorism, bloodshed and death caused by the sword, while the other was typical of the blessings produced by the pen. Eight persons were upon this float.

*Tableau II.*—"Columbus before the Court of Spain," represented Columbus before the Royal Court of Spain after his return from the discovery of America. Queen Isabella and King Ferdinand were seated upon the throne, in front of which stood Columbus unrolling the chart, and just behind him, two Indians.

Gen. LaFayette and French Grenadiers.

*Tableau III.*—"Penn receiving the Charter," represented Penn receiving the charter of Pennsylvania from King Charles II. Five other characters were upon the float.

*Tableau IV.*—"Franklin's Printing Office," was represented by two printers engaged at their cases.

Drum Corps.

Gen. Washington and Continentals on their way to the Whisky Insurrection.

*Tableau V.*—"Benjamin Chambers' Visit to the Indian Camp." This float represented four Indian men and a squaw sitting and standing around a camp fire. Near at hand was Benjamin Chambers, the founder of Chambersburg, in the act of making a treaty.

*Tableau VI.*—"Massacre of Enoch Brown and School Children," portrayed the most tragic event in the local history of Franklin County. The figures on this float were Brown, his pupils and the murderous red men.

Knights in Armor.

Uncle Sam, mounted.

*Tableau VII.*—"Our Re-united Country." This was an allegorical tableau, illustrative of the progress and prosperity of our country. The principal figure was the Goddess of Liberty, seated on an immense keystone in the center of the float; on each of the four corners were figures which represented war, peace, prosperity and agriculture.

Young America.

Band of Indians.

*Tableau VIII.*—"Drafting the Declaration of Independence," was a reproduction of Chappell's famous painting of the same name. At a table were Jefferson and Livingston, while just behind them were Adams and Sherman. In front of the table, with one hand resting thereon, stood Benjamin Franklin.

English Soldiers.

The route of parade was altered slightly from that originally laid out, owing to obstructions on some of the streets.

All along the route the procession was greeted with applause, and the way was almost blocked by the delighted beholders who found in it the most unique parade this town ever provided.

#### TUESDAY'S PROGRAM—ORDER OF PROCESSION, ETC.

Tuesday morning, the centennial day proper, was welcomed by the ringing of bells and the blowing of whistles. From 12 o'clock until 1, the church and fire bells were rung, and the whistles of the mills and Taylor Works blown without a pause. At 3 o'clock the artillerymen fired a salute of 101 guns, and

soon after, the sun rose in the east and shone brightly, from an unflecked sky, upon the people of Franklin County eager to continue the celebration of their centenary without the intervention of rain. Early in the morning crowds began to arrive in Chambersburg on every train, in carriages and on foot.

At 10:40 o'clock the Trades Display moved. It was the grandest procession ever witnessed in Chambersburg, giving representation to the implements and scenes of the early years of the county's history, and comparing them with the almost perfect machine of to-day. More than an hour was occupied in passing one point, it extending over nearly four miles. The order of procession was as follows:

Officers.—Wm. D. Dixon, chief marshal; P. B. Montgomery, Wm. P. Skinner, aids; B. F. Gilmore, O. C. Bowers, special aids.

*Antrim Township, 1741.*—Marshal, B. F. Winger; Samuel Prather, C. Keefer Kisecker, aids; banner; members of township committee; directors Crowell Manufacturing Company; mechanics' band, of Greencastle, 11 pieces; marshal, W. W. Lohman; 125 employes Crowell Manufacturing Company; traction engine; two portable engines; saw-mill in operation; four pieces of machinery; H. S. Walck, grain cradles; Geo. B. Snively, oil-cake meal; E. W. Fuss & Son, cradles, etc.

*Lurgan Township, 1743.*—James Maclay, marshal; Murray Fickes, Hugh Cover, aids; Keystone Cornet Band, 21 pieces; banners; four wagons.

*Guilford Township, 1751.*—Andrew Statler, chief marshal; Amos Heintzelman, George S. Coover, aids; New Franklin Band, 13 pieces; I. L. Stiner's artesian well-borer; Hollywell paper-mill, two wagons; threshing machine, 100 years old.

*Hamilton Township, 1752.*—David Eby, marshal; J. W. Bossart, W. M. Allen, aids; hunting scene; steer drawing wagon, Philip Karper, owner; pack horse; bell team; Conestoga wagon; three wagons with brick-making and brick-burning scenes.

*Fannett Township, 1761.*—J. H. Witherow, marshal; J. A. Shoemaker, D. L. McDonald, aids; ox team driven by William Wilson, and bearing old plows; spinning scene; three wagons; A. C. Clugston, display of groceries.

*Washington Township, 1779.*—James H. Clayton, marshal; Clayton Philips, Ezra Frick, aids; banner; David E. Rider, marshal; Ringgold band, 18 pieces; banner; sixty employes of the American Manufacturing Company; dryer, drawn by traction engine; Edgar Penny, marshal; directors of the Frick & Co. shops; A. T. H. & L. band, 25 pieces; 712 employes of Frick & Co., with twelve banners; T. C. Reynolds, marshal; Eclipse Drum Corps, 10 pieces; two road engines and five pieces of machinery, among them a plow made in 1777; Geiser Manufacturing Company; Jos. Rohrer, marshal; Waynesboro Cornet Band, 16 pieces; large banner; four carriages with directors and clerks; 500 employes Geiser Manufacturing Company bearing fifteen banners; \$500 prize traction engine, and old thresher; two additional traction engines, four pieces of machinery and several wagons; Chas. H. Burhman, marshal; Rousersville band, 15 pieces; saw-mill of 1784; bell team drawing saw-mill; firm of Ames, Lecron & Sons, in carriage; bell team drawing fertilizers; Walter & Bonebrake, display of groceries. Fahrney's Blood Panacea; Midvale distillery wagon with barrels; J. D. Frederick's photograph wagon; traction engine drawing A. & J. Wiener's clothing wagon and Hiram Herman's display of organs.

*Southampton Township, 1783.*—David Fuller, marshal; J. McCord Means, aid; Cleversburg band, twelve pieces; thoroughbred horse of Samuel Knisley; sixteen horsemen; three carriages and banners.

*Greene Township, 1782.*—Milton Crawford, marshal; M. E. Battin, John S. Immell, aids; banner; representation of Gen. Greene's headquarters; wagon seventy-four years old and pack horse; band of fifteen Indians; twelve Continental soldiers.

*Peters Township, 1751.*—Jacob Blattenberger, marshal; banner; six mounted men.

*Metal Township, 1795.*—Fannettsburg band, 14 pieces; J. H. Walker, marshal; H. W. Jones, W. M. Rice, aids; banners representing Path Valley at the time of the first settlement, and the entrance to the Tuscarora tunnel; J. McGinly Wilhelm in a farmer's suit worn fifty years ago; five wagons and six mounted men.

*St. Thomas Township, 1818-20.*—Jacob West, marshal; Daniel Croft, John Allen, aids; St. Thomas band; representation of old-time breaking of flax and spinning; old plow on wagon; Conestoga wagon; war scene; wheat flailing scene; wheat fan, 140 years old; eleven wagons, five mounted men.

*Quincy Township, 1838.*—J. R. Small, marshal; D. M. Lowry, D. M. Funk, aids; Mont Alto band, 15 pieces; banner; bloomy wagon with forge in full operation; smoking charcoal pit; Quincy band, 12 pieces; banner, production of township in 1884, 363,000 bushels of grain; rustic pagoda from Mont Alto Park; Quincy Township merchants; banners and wagons.

*Chambersburg.*—Samuel Greenawalt, Wilbur F. Eyster, Abr. Hafer, aids; Wm. Michaels, marshal; Cumberland Valley Railroad employes; Junior Band, 16 pieces; drum corps; carriage containing men in the employ of railroad since 1838; Daniel Hull, the oldest engineer in the United States, commenced running in 1832; Jacob Shaffer, entered the shops in 1838; James Adams and Wm. Murray, connected with the road since 1842; A. H. McCulloh and Levi McCormick, connected with railroad since 1851; 200 employes Cumberland Valley Railroad offices and shops; four carriages containing directors of Taylor Manufacturing Company and office employes; carriage occupied by President Taylor and Superintendent Beck; 208 employes; Gillet's ice manufacturing machine; four engines; seven members Butchers' Association. Trades display of Chambersburg merchants: J. Sierer, carpets and hangings; J. N. Dyson, & Co., two wagons, boots, shoes and trunks; Finney & Ebersole, road engine and four pieces of machinery; R. T. Miley, saddler; B. L. Ryder, portable furnace and washer; W. G. Reed, plants; Jerø Walk, six pieces of machinery; Singer Sewing Machine Company, four wagons; A. M. Hyssong, organs; John L. Reside, brick-making; Jacoby & Bro., cigars and tobacco; B. F. Peters, groceries; Jenner Vaccine Farm; P. H. Peiffer, coach-making; W. H. Beck, clothing; D. F. Stager & Sons, tanning; Ed. Hutton, shoes, pony cart; H. S. Gilbert, two wagons, horse and cattle powder; J. L. Dechert, Domestic Sewing Machines; Peter Helfrick, sand contractor; J. N. Forbes, marble works; W. H. Eyster, tinware; Isaac Stine, groceries; Chambersburg Spoke and Wagon Works; J. B. Miller, tinware; American Sewing Machine Company; Craig, Nelson & Co., four wagons, lumber, etc.; M. A. Keefer & Co., two wagons, grain, coal and fertilizers; G. A. Miller & Son, hardware and farm implements; two wagons, men and women; John Peiffer, blacksmithing.

The display by Chambersburg merchants was large and fine. The floats were decorated with the various articles of merchandise dealt in by our business men, and were most creditable exponents of the progress during the century.

The procession numbering over 4,000 men passed over the route previously announced. The heat was so intense that many dropped from the line before the place of dismissal was reached.

In the afternoon the literary exercises of the celebration were given from a large and profusely decorated stand on the Diamond. The crowd of visitors by this time numbered fully 15,000, and so great was the heat that they wandered hither and thither seeking some place that would afford them a shelter from the scorching rays of the sun. Only a comparatively small audience greeted the speakers of the afternoon. The exercises were begun at 2:30 o'clock with prayer by Rev. John J. Pomeroy and the hymn, "Before Jehovah's Awful Throne," sung by a choir led by Mr. Wm. G. Reed. George Chambers, Esq., then delivered the historical address. "America" was rendered by the choir. John M. Cooper, Esq., then read a beautiful poem. The choir sung "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," after which Hon. Henry L. Fisher, of York, delivered an interesting oration on the event celebrated. "Auld Lang Syne" and the doxology were sung and the exercises closed at 6 o'clock. At their conclusion Gen. E. B. Tyler was called upon by soldiers of his old command and he addressed a short speech to them from the platform. He was heartily applauded.

At 8 o'clock in the evening a display of fire-works was made at East Point, where hundreds of people assembled. Rockets, fountains, mines, wheels and a number of large pieces, 1784 State coat-of-arms, Franklin and some comic portrayals, constituted the display. With this ended Franklin County's most successful and satisfactory celebration. The visitors on both days are estimated to have numbered about 20,000, over 6,000 taking part in the parades. The decorations surpassed any similar occasion, the crowds were larger and all arrangements had been so perfectly made that nothing contemplated failed of accomplishment. No serious accidents occurred and the best of order prevailed. It was an event which will long be remembered with happiest thoughts, and Franklin County can refer with pride to the honors paid her distinguished settlers and farmers in this celebration.

#### ADDRESSES, POEMS, ETC.

The subject matter of the address by Mr. George Chambers, which was an excellent epitome of the county's history, is given in the different chapters of this history. We regret that the lack of space prevents the publication entire of all the excellent addresses and the poem of the day. We append, however, an extract from Mr. Chambers' historical address, which pays a just compliment to the loyalty and patriotism of Franklin County's men and women. Says he:

"When the slaveholders fired upon the flag at Sumter, in no part of the United States was more indignation felt than in this border county of the North. Her sons were among the first to organize companies to battle for the Union. As the war progressed, men from Franklin County continued to press into the ranks of the Union Army until between 5,000 and 6,000 had become soldiers. Of their honored names I cannot mention all, and I shall not mention one. Officers and private soldiers, the living and the dead—they are remembered by friends and neighbors, from whom they parted when they left home for the war, and by their comrades of the camp and march and battlefield. The scenes of those exciting years are fresh in the memory of the citizens of Franklin County. In that war she was represented by her sons in every State where Union men were sent to crush the rebel hosts. Among all the armies of the North there were no braver men nor men more willing to sacrifice their lives that our free government might not be destroyed.

"As to-day the American flag is seen upon every hand, in many a heart will it reawaken the sad feelings of the day of the farewell words bravely spoken,

and the farewell look of love, as the soldier boy left Franklin County to fight for that flag. The father and the mother remember the son who died for his country in a barbarous southern prison—where cruelty worse than Indian tortures was deliberately inflicted upon the Union soldier. The sister looks with affectionate regard upon the emblem of liberty, to follow which, in the far off slave State, her brother went from Franklin County never to return. Widow and child now see again the husband and father, who, it would seem, should sleep in a quiet cemetery in this beloved valley, but whose shattered body sank beneath the waves when the stars and stripes went down in the battle on the sea. In 1862 our soldiers were startled by the news that rebel raiders had come into the very center of this county. And here, in 1863, the hosts of treason feasted their astonished vision upon farms, the like of which was never dreamed of in the slave State.

“The thunder of Meade’s artillery at Gettysburg echoed across this valley. Driven back in that terrible conflict in which soldiers from Franklin County, forgetful of fear, fought with intrepid valor to save the Nation’s life, thousands of the fleeing rebel army hastened through Franklin County beyond the Maryland line. In 1864 McCausland came. And soon our volunteers in distant camps were told that again the rebel cavalry had ridden at will through Franklin County, and that the town of Chambersburg had been plundered and burned by a horde of thieves and ruffians well selected for their infamous work. To many a Franklin County soldier came the feeling that while he was fighting the battles of the Nation and the commonwealth, at the front, the General Government or the State of Pennsylvania might have placed sufficient force in these border counties to protect his family and home. Still with undiminished patriotism our soldiers remained at their posts, and many more enlisted in the Union Army. Our citizens at home were loyal and steadfast, and the rebel purpose of intimidation failed.

“The people of this county suffered the same common calamities of war as those of the other portions of the North. Upon southern battle-fields her soldiers sleep side by side with the men from the other counties of the Keystone State. But her territory was peculiarly the border barrier between the rebel armies and the northern and eastern portions of the State. Her losses, aggregating millions, were enormously larger than those of any other county of Pennsylvania. Yet, when petitions, for reimbursement by the commonwealth of the actual money losses, were presented, the authorities answered with appropriations which impliedly admitted an obligation, but which paid only a small proportion of the indebtedness. The State saved the expense of troops with which she could have protected her borders. Rich and powerful Pennsylvania, by her refusal to pay the border losses, enables the rebel robbers and incendiaries to gloat over the continuance of privations which their robbery and torch had inflicted upon many Union families. Men of this valley during the French and Indian war had as a border people protected the counties farther east, while the provincial authorities disputed and delayed and left the frontiersmen principally to their own resources for their own defense.

“Yet, when the Revolutionary war had come, these same frontiersmen forgot their grievances and rallied for the cause of liberty in distant parts of the colonies. So now, should Nation or State be threatened by hostile army, no men would respond more patriotically to the call to war, than would the men of Franklin County.”

The poem of Mr. J. M. Cooper is full of historic imagery. The last four stanzas, which give a merited tribute to the natural and developed advantages of the county, will afford a tolerably clear idea of the happy style, which

characterized the entire poem. With genuine love for his native county, Mr Cooper feels perfectly justified in giving this advice:

Sons and daughters of Franklin, go see all the world  
O'er which banner has floated or sail been unfurled;  
See the rainbow that arches Niagara's thunders;  
Feast your eyes till they sate on Yosemite's wonders:

Go where history's columns are covered with mould  
And things new to us have for ages been old;  
Go where treasures uncounted by kings have been spent,  
And art unto nature her genius has lent:

Thread the paths of all lands; ride the waves of all seas;  
Drain the flagon of sight-seeing down to the lees;  
And when old age creeps on you and hazes your eye,  
And you feel that the end of life's journey is nigh—

Then return to the valley that sponsored your birth,  
For your last glimpse of sky and your last look of earth.  
For a picture to match her will never be seen,  
Till the hand of Jehovah shall roll up yon screen.

The address of Mr. Henry L. Fisher, of York, Penn., was replete with incidents and allusions, that commended themselves with great force to the older members of his audience. A native and former resident of the county, he was well qualified to hold the mirror up to nature, and present a trustworthy sketch of the olden times. That his purpose might be the better understood, he gave this prefatory hint:

“The old materials, which I have found and used, are drawn chiefly from three sources—the Bible of our fathers, a few of my favorite Poets, and Memory. From the Bible, a few serious thoughts; from the Poets, imagery; and from Memory, all the rest. Not a carefully culled and artistically arranged bouquet of literary flowers, but a basket of chips from a bungler's workshop; and I set them before you for what they are worth. If they shall become ignited—as they probably will, at the present temperature—and serve to rekindle the flame of old friendships, I am sure my highest ambition shall be gratified.”

Mr. Fisher recalls his experiences and observations in the olden time school as follows:

“In the winter of 1830–31 I had the good fortune to enter an institution of learning kept in a venerable log edifice that stood, like the famous temple of Apollo at Delphi, in the Cloven way, and near the Castilian fountain; that is to say, in the fork made by the road leading from the Harrisburg & Chambersburg turnpike, at the Mennonite meeting-house, to Zook's mill. The faculty were Henry Garver and David Snyder. Mr. Garver was the principal, and professor of languages—Anglo-Saxon and Pennsylvania German. Prof. Snyder filled the chair of grammar, geography and the higher branches of arithmetic. He had greater versatility of genius than any gentleman I ever knew except the late lawyer, Samuel B. Fetrow, of York County. Snyder was both skeptical and non-committal. He never could be convinced that there was any difference between six dozen dozen and half a dozen dozen, or that there was any absolutely correct ‘mathematical’ process for solving the old question: ‘If a herring and a half cost a cent and a half, what will twelve cost?’ except by means of logarithms. Nor would he ever squarely admit that two and two make four. He always qualified by saying that ‘according to arithmetics it would appear to be so.’ His pronounciation of certain words was very peculiar. Circumference, he pronounced *circumference*; politics, *poletics*, and moustaches, *musty cheese*.



“Our principal English text books were, I think, Olney’s Geography, Kirkham’s Grammar, the Bible, and the English Reader, Cobb’s Spelling Book, John Rodger’s Primer, and Pike’s and Jesses’ Arithmetics. In German we had *Der Psalter* and Martin Luther’s ‘*Grosse A B C Buch,*’ illustrated with a picture of the great reformer in his clerical robes on one side and a big rooster on the other side of the blood-red cover. At the holidays we barred the masters out, of course. John Lutz, the oldest male scholar, had the business in charge, and with his little salvation army of girls and boys, for a short time, bravely held the fort. But while Garver was making a diversion at a window, Snyder climbed up a corner, got on the loft, threw brimstone down the stove-pipe, and smoked us out. Notwithstanding, Garver, when in, signed the ‘article,’ drawn up by Lutz, and treated to all it called for: the usual quantity of cakes and candies, and two or three bucketfuls of strong beer. All passed off splendidly, according to the time-honored custom, and nothing was ever heard of it in the courts of law, or even in history. What would the school directors say to such performances now-a-days? I have been somewhat minute in this statement for two reasons: First, because there may be those still here who were there and will remember the circumstance (my old friend, Jacob Zook, for instance). And also, because it may furnish to those, who are too young to have had any experience of this kind, some idea of what an old-time country school was then like here in Cumberland Valley, and to contrast it with those of the present. And there on that classic spot of sylvan beauty, and under the influence and inspiration of those two oracles, Garver and Snyder, I, with other young ideas of the neighborhood—the Lehmys, the Lutzes, the Millers, the Manns, the Minichs, the Klughs, the Gelsingers, the Shirks, the Stouchs, the Zooks and others, all drank deep of the Pierian spring and learned to read, write and cipher.

“This temple of learning being closed during the summer months, the still higher and superior school of Prof. Thomas Harris and his able assistants was sought and entered—in the little old brick schoolhouse in the rear of the German Reformed Church. His school was soon after removed to the first floor of the Masonic Hall, on Second Street, where he taught for a number of years. His discipline, in point of severity, was fully ‘up to the mark’ of those times, as Dr. Abe. Senseny, Hiram Keyser, Jacob Miller, Jacob Noel, John Radebaugh, Dr. Boyle, Stephen J. Brown, Peter Dechert, Daniel Dethert and other old schoolmates might bear witness.”

The speaker pays his respects to the past by recalling some of its political movements:

“In that interval occurred, also, probably the two most remarkable national political campaigns of any age or country—those of 1840 and 1844. Their respective results at the polls, in the shape of dry figures representing the official vote and majorities, like those of any other election, however insignificant, have found their place in the pigeon holes of the political past. But nowhere, outside a few old musty newspaper files, so far as I am aware, is there any record to be found, illustrated or otherwise, of the extraordinary political sayings and doings of 1840 and 1844. They simply rest in the memories of a comparatively few survivors, who actually participated in those fierce presidential conflicts, which drew, not only men, but women and children into their fearful vortex. And in no other country, probably, save this glorious, free and law-abiding one of ours, could such scenes have been enacted and such rancorous partisan vituperation (to call it by no harsher name) have been indulged in, not merely at the hustings and by the political press, but at the fireside, in the family, in the social circle, in the shops, in the fields, on the

highways and the byways, wherever men of opposite political views and feelings met, and even in the churches, without bloodshed. And it really was no very rare occurrence for women (I won't say ladies, except in the sense in which every woman is a lady) who were on 'opposite sides of the fence,' to discuss the political situation with each other up to the boiling point—in the shape of hot water, as a more convincing argument in the last resort.

"The first log cabin I ever saw was in May, 1840, near the center of this square. It was built on wheels, and from a barrel of hard cider within, gourd-shells full of that delicious beverage were furnished gratuitously to all the votaries of Tippecanoe and Tyler, too, who desired to indulge; and they did indulge, as many of us remember, Whigs and floating Democrats, until both floated, locked in blissful union in each other's arms, or about each other's necks, singing and shouting hosannas to the nominees, and all in glowing anticipation of a promised political millennium, which none of them ever lived to see; which, in fact, never came; for to this day the promise of '\$2 a day and roast beef,' which was emblazoned on a banner surmounting that cabin, remains unfulfilled (unless in trade dollars and Chicago beef). The famous Buckeye-Blacksmith was on hand, haranguing the people on the tariff.

"The log cabin, with a ring-tailed, live raccoon on top, was drawn by four horses in the procession, a wild, moving panorama of footmen, horsemen, carriages and farm wagons filled with men, women, boys and girls, singing campaign songs to the tunes of 'Old Dan Tucker,' 'Mary Blaine,' 'Lucy Neal' and the 'Captain with the Whiskers,' shouting, cheering and waving flags and banners and rolling balls inscribed with all sorts of devices, mottoes, promises and predictions, that an unduly excited political feeling could suggest, or perpetrate. It succeeded for once. But four years later came the great reaction, and the Democrats went just as wild in their way, caricaturing the whole show of 1840 as a fraud under the banner of Polk, Dallas, Shunk and the tariff of 1842; carrying the now dead coon, labeled 'Whig Principles,' and John Stickle's stuffed mully cow, with a silver dollar dangling from each horn, in procession.

"The presidential campaign of 1844 was, probably, in all respects, more remarkable than that of 1840. The artistic part of that of 1840 was impromptu, crude and cheap; but it took the Democrats by surprise. It was the first attempt, on an extended scale, or organized plan, to sway the public mind by a big show, appealing to passion and popular prejudice, and by means of a free, intoxicating beverage, and doughnuts and cold cow-heels, even to the cravings of the sadly demoralized popular stomach, to carry the election by storm. And yet the Democrats appear to have been the first to resort to any unusual and extraordinary methods on such occasions; it was their hickory-tree and cotton-ball demonstrations in the interests of Jackson, in the campaigns of 1828 and 1832, and of Van Buren in 1836, that suggested or provoked the log cabin, the pine tree, the coon and the hard cider of 1840; and these, in turn, provoked the merciless caricatures and burlesques of 1844. But, after all, there was vastly more of fun than fury in those grand old-time popular uprisings and demonstrations; nor will the political history of the country ever be complete without an illustrated edition embracing an account of them. Each in its turn was, in effect, like a great thunder-storm, sweeping over the land, prostrating the weak and the rotten before it, but leaving the sound and the stalwart more firmly rooted than ever, and all proving the mighty strain which the great, grand and glorious political fabric reared for us by our fathers was capable of bearing."

The early settlers were religious by instinct and education. To them the



*Daniel Hawver*



church was indispensable both for the social and religious advantages. The are thus introduced:

“But we must go to church—the old church of our fathers and mothers. The pews may be a little stiff, and hard and uncomfortable. The brick floor may look hard and cheerless. The old half-mile stove-pipes and the great old stoves may have become a little rusty and unsightly, the velvet collection bags at the ends of long poles may have become a little faded and dingy and the little ‘klingie’ that was so deftly concealed in the huge black tassel may be lost. There may be wasps’ nests in the wainscoting and the quaint old cornices, and there may be a bumblebee’s nest in the sounding-board above the old sugar-bowl pulpit, or in the holy altar itself. But here we sit as the worshippers gather, clothed in the queer costumes of half a century ago; the men in their bell-crowned hats, brown sturtouts or blue swallowtailed coats, plaided pants, broad ribbon and big watch seal, buff, or satin vests, and high stocks, or square yards of black silk around their necks, and great square-toed boots on their feet. The women with their ‘sky-scraper’ bonnets or their green calashes; dresses with mutton-leg sleeves, upholstered with hoops and feathers, and—I don’t care what more. And now the congregation are all seated; the young people in the galleries cease to whisper as the preacher, with solemn mien, emerges from the cosy nook of secret prayer, and ascends the pulpit, and, as he lifts his hands to Heaven, all rise and reverently bow their heads; and once more we hear: ‘How amiable are Thy tabernacles, Oh Lord of hosts; a day in Thy courts is better than a thousand. The sparrow hath found a house, and the swallow a nest for herself, even thine altar.’ We sit and listen to an old-fashioned sermon, earnest, pungent, solemn and full of plain gospel truth. We join in the good old congregational praise singing, with the spirit and the understanding; out of the old books we sing to Old Hundred—‘Praise God from whom all blessings flow.’ All open their mouths wide and sing, and the swelling volumes of praise fill the house and roll out through the open windows and die away in the surrounding grove, but are heard in heaven.”

The natural] gallantry of the speaker would not allow him to cease without paying some attention to the claims of the fair sex. Having made a graceful bow, he continues: “And now, I invite the ladies to an old-time quilting. We have only time for a peep from the kitchen to see and hear what is going on, and make a slight sketch of the picture.

There is the quilt, already framed,  
 And now the quilters come;  
 Clothed in their homespun, hoods in hand,  
 Our good old rural mothers stand,  
 As welcome as at home;  
 Their hoods aside, or in their laps—  
 Behold their ruffled home-made caps.  
 Armed to the remnant of their teeth  
 With thread on skeins or spools,  
 They come with needles, thimbles, wax,  
 And chalk and scissors in their sacks,  
 Or quaint old reticules;  
 And many more convenient things,  
 All dangling from their apron strings.  
 And as of old, all talk at once  
 Of weather, health and news;  
 Now is the waning fire rebuilt,  
 And quilters sitting round the quilt  
 In pairs, or twos and twos;  
 The figures drawn and marked with pins,  
 The needle-work at length begins.

And so they quilt and talk and quilt,  
 With one eye on the clock,  
 Till older dames with failing charms,  
 With failing strength and weary arms  
 Sit back, awhile, and rock—  
 Pass round the pipe and take a puff,  
 Pass round the box and take a snuff.  
 The enervating stimulants  
 Excite a shortlived breeze;  
 The pipe glows with celestial fire,  
 Its fragrant fumes their tongues inspire—  
 Good heavens, what a sneeze!  
 'Twas like the roar of musketry  
 Charged muzzle deep with Pike's Rappee,  
 Or 'Congress,' or with 'Schneeberger'—  
 Great snuffs in olden times:  
 'Schneeberger' was the most renowned  
 For sneezing, on a half a pound  
 You'd sneeze a thousand times;  
 Nor did it ever fail to chase  
 A wrinkle from an aged face.  
 Brief is the breeze of puff and snuff,  
 Again they yawn and sigh;  
 Again they look up at the clock—  
 Hark! at the door a gentle knock,  
 And now it opens wide—  
 'O fortunate, O happy day!  
 Here's cakes and wine upon a tray!  
 And first the cakes are passed around,  
 And then the glowing wine;  
 When cakes and wine their tongues inspire,  
 The conversation raises higher,  
 And now we see them shine!  
 Their upturned specs bestride each head,  
 Their cheeks and noses turning red.  
 Such conversation as that is  
 No other place is heard;  
 Where, when ten women, for the nonce,  
 Promiscuously, all speak at once,  
 And each the final word  
 Determined is to have and speak,  
 The 'golden silence of the Greek.'

"It is now late in the afternoon, and supper is about over:

But still they sit and talk and sip  
 And praise the rich repast,  
 Inquire how this and that were made,  
 How much for this or that was paid,  
 And at the very last,  
 Each one, just for a final sup,  
 Consents to take 'j-u-s-t half a cup.'  
 O, Coffee! what hast thou not done  
 For suffering woman-kind?  
 What triumphs hast thou not achieved  
 O'er doctor's doses, and relieved  
 The body and the mind?  
 Where they with drastic drop and pill  
 But seldom cure and often kill.  
 Before the party separates  
 The quilt must be complete;  
 Each quilter now resumes her place,  
 And, now, behold, they quilt a race,  
 To see which side can beat;  
 And when complete they won't decline  
 Just one more cake and glass of wine.

Thus were the finest quilts prepared  
 That ever graced a bed;  
 O for the slumbers there enjoyed—  
 All undisturbed and unannoyed.  
 The happy, youthful head  
 And stomach were without one care  
 Or kick from the nocturnal mare.

Time never wearies in his flight,  
 No truce his match delays.  
 As quilts were made by thrifty wives,  
 So checkered are our several lives,  
 In many, many ways;  
 As quilts when they were done and rolled,  
 Our lives like fireside tales are told."

Thus closed Franklin County's First Centennial, a fitting tribute to the past and a hopeful index to the future. In what was said and done we see

In history's fragmentary tale,  
 Bright clews of continuity,  
 Learn that high natures over Time prevail  
 And feel ourselves a link in that entail  
 That binds all ages past with all that are to be.—*Lowell.*

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## CHAPTER XIX.

### BOROUGH OF CHAMBERSBURG.

DESCRIPTION — EARLY HISTORY — INCORPORATION — BANKS — FIRST MARKET HOUSES—PRESENT MARKET HOUSE—WATER WORKS—GAS WORKS—FIRE DEPARTMENT—MANUFACTORIES—SECRET SOCIETIES—CHURCHES—CEMETERY—SCHOOLS.

**C**HAMBERSBURG, the capital of Franklin County, is the queen town of the Cumberland Valley. It is pleasantly and healthfully situated at the confluence of the two beautiful creeks—the Falling Spring and the Conococheague, near the geographical center of the county of which it is the seat of justice, and only a few miles south of the central point of the valley. Representing the valley by the Indian's favorite weapon of warfare, the beautiful Kittatinny range is the bow, South Mountain is the string, the Susquehanna and the Potomac are the points of union, and the Baltimore and Pittsburgh pike the line along which the arrow was shot westward. Near this arrow line is the neat and cleanly little city whose history, personal and corporate, marks an era of struggle and conquest, destruction and recovery.

#### EARLY HISTORY.

As will be seen in another chapter, its origin dates from the pioneer settlement formed by Col. Benjamin Chambers, in 1730; but it was not regularly laid out till 1764, when the settlement known prior to that date as "Falling Spring," "Benjamin Chambers'," or "Chambers' Fort" was called Chambers' Town. The latter name it held till the erection of the county in 1784, when it was modified by the adoption of the present beautiful one—Chambersburg.

To bring the new town properly before the people, Col. Chambers, business-like, kept a standing advertisement in the Philadelphia press. In one of

the only papers published in the city at that time, the *Pennsylvania Gazette*, of July 19, 1764, appeared this card:

Notice is hereby given to the Public, that there is a town laid out on Conogogig Creek, on both sides of the Great Falling Spring, where it falls into said Creek, by Benjamin Chambers, of Cumberland County. Lots may be had on reasonable terms and Firm Deeds granted for them by said Chambers; the day appointed for drawing said lots is the 28th day of June inst., being Thursday. The situation of this town is very good for water and stone, both free and marble, and sand all handy to the spot, and a well timbered part of the country adjoining it; within said town is a good Grist Mill, Saw Mill and Grindstones going by water. The articles of the Town shall be read on the day appointed for the drawing of the Lots, and the terms of the sale published by me.

BENJAMIN CHAMBERS.

The original town plat was south of the Falling Spring and east of the Conococheague, and looked more for a southern than a western extension, as is shown by the improvements southward. "The growth of the town," says Dr. W. C. Lane,\* "was slow. Some ten years after it was laid out, the buildings were nearly all confined to Main Street, although a few farmers lived around what are now the outskirts of the borough. Dr. Calhoon, who was married to Miss Ruhamah Chambers, then lived on the corner of King and Main Streets. Beyond his residence no improvements were yet made. His house stood considerably beyond the other buildings on the street. North-east of the Falling Spring was a deep and almost impassable swamp, which was, of course, unfit for building purposes. The road toward Shippensburg crossed the spring at the present fording, on King Street, and, following its course through the Indian burial place, and the yard of the Presbyterian Church, finally joined the present road in front of the church, and pursued its eastward course several rods distant from the present turnpike, but nearly parallel with it. The only place where the Conococheague could be crossed near the southern limit of the town, was at the 'Lower Fording' at Lemnos Factory, where the stream is now crossed by the bridge. At this fording Col. Chambers kept a flat boat for the convenience of foot passers. Two roads then ran westward from the fording; one of which, now Franklin Street, wound over the hill till it reached Market Street, and then proceeded directly west. The other ran through Wolfstown and formed a junction with the former one at the western point, about a mile from the center of the town. Between the railroad, where it crosses Market Street, and the Diamond, were three or four small houses, in one of which, that stood near the residence of the late Dr. B. S. Schneck, lived Dr. Abraham Senseny, the grandfather of our eminent townsman, Dr. A. H. Senseny. These houses were nearly surrounded by woods. The hill on which the academy stands and the country surrounding it, was covered with a dense woods, and abounded in wild animals of various kinds. The venerable widow of Dr. Senseny told the writer that the howling of the wolves in this woods, after nightfall, was no infrequent sound, and that they often ventured beyond the margin of the forest, even in daytime, thus enabling her to view their gaunt forms from the door of her dwelling. On Market Street, between the Diamond and the creek, no houses had yet been built, and the original forest trees were still standing. Col. Chambers then lived on the bank of the creek, near the cemetery, as has already been stated; and his orchard extended from the creek west to Franklin Street, and embraced that large tract of ground between Market and Water Streets and the boundaries already specified. The grain fields of the Colonel were situated along Second Street, and extended from the present market house to Market Street, and ran

\*"Chambersburg in the Olden Time," written for *Public Opinion*, 1877.



back to the margin of the woods, a few rods further east, toward the academy.

“During the next few years the town considerably improved in appearance and growth, a number of settlers having purchased lots and built dwellings. On Main Street, on the corner of King, in the house long occupied by Mr. George Goettman, Capt. Owen Aston then resided. The building was erected by a man named McCune. Near the residence of the late Judge Oyster, stood a small house tenanted by an old lady familiarly known as Molly Cline. Opposite the residence of Dr. Calhoun, where the late Joseph Culbertson and William G. Reed, Esq. formerly resided, was a small log house, built and occupied by a man named McKain, whose occupation was that of a tanner. His tanyard lay between his house and the Falling Spring, and in it was manufactured the first leather made in Chambersburg. Col. William Chambers, son of the founder of the town, lived in the house for many years occupied by Mr. Alonzo Fry, a few doors north of Trostle’s hotel. Proceeding up Main Street, we next come to the stone house on the corner of the Diamond, belonging to Mr. Andrew J. Miller. This building was erected by John Jack, about the year 1770, and was used as a tavern for many years.

“For about ten years after the formation of Franklin County, until the court-house was finished, the courts were held in this building. On one occasion, during the progress of an important trial, when the room was crowded with spectators, one of the joists suddenly cracked and permitted the floor to sink several inches, to the great consternation of those present. The broken joist was retained in its proper position by iron bands, and thus remained an interesting memorial of our early history until the house was destroyed by fire at the burning of Chambersburg, in 1864, by McCausland’s incendiaries. The next building on that side of the street stood on the site of the Chambersburg Bank. This was the tavern stand of Robert Jack, and was the first tavern kept in the town. The building was at a later period occupied for many years by Jimmy Jack, so well known to the preceding generation, and of whose quaint sayings and doings the present citizens have heard so many examples. The house was built of logs and afterward weatherboarded, and was partly surrounded by a porch, which, on summer evenings, was a favorite place of resort for the gentlemen of the town. It was torn down in 1828, the year in which the bank was built. The next house to which we come, was a small log cabin, which stood where the fine brick dwelling of the late Thomas G. McCulloh, Esq., was subsequently built, and owned by Dr. James Hamilton when it was destroyed by the rebels, at the burning of the town, 1864. This original house was owned by Geo. Cresinger, who kept a small store. After the erection of Franklin County, in 1784, before the old jail was built, this house was used as a county prison. So insecure was it, that culprits were chained to the floor and a guard of armed men was stationed around it to prevent their escape. On the corner of the Diamond and Main Street, where the store of Messrs. J. Hoke & Co. stands, a small dwelling of logs then stood. This was the residence of Gen. James Chambers, the oldest son of Col. Benjamin Chambers.

“Adjoining the property of Gen. Chambers, Nicholas Snider lived in a small log house. Where the court-house stands was the residence of Capt. Samuel Lindsay, also a Revolutionary soldier. A small log hut then occupied the corner of the Diamond and Market Street, where the Franklin County Bank is located. The building was originally built for a blacksmith shop, but was afterward converted into a printing office, and was used by Mr. Robert Harper for the publication of the *Franklin Repository*, eighty years ago. Thomas Shau-

non's confectionery shop was next in order as we pass up Main Street. This stood where Capt. John Jeffries is now engaged in the same business. Shannon's original building was small and rough, but he eventually erected the one long occupied by Capt. Jeffries. For many years there were no buildings of any description between Shannon's property and the Union Hotel, for many years kept by Adam Fisher, and, after him, by his son, John, near the corner of Main and Queen Streets. Not far from Fisher's tavern, William Shannon kept a small public house. Mr. Shannon was a shoemaker as well as publican, and, in those early days, when traveling was not as common as it now is, he found ample time for the pursuit of his trade. These few scattered houses were then all that formed the now handsome town of Chambersburg. They were, with one exception, all built of logs, and were hastily and carelessly erected to meet the pressing exigencies of backwoods life. The country around the town was sparsely settled, although some of the more desirable locations were already selected by the hardy pioneers. It will be observed that there were yet no buildings on any of the streets of the town except Main Street. Building on Second Street did not begin until about the year 1780. At this time the improvement of the town was almost at a stand, and very few buildings were raised until the erection of Franklin County, in 1784. This event gave a fresh impulse to improvement, and during the ten succeeding years a large number of brick buildings were erected on Main Street. Eighty-five years ago, the following brick and stone houses had been built: Beginning at the southern end of the town, and proceeding toward the Falling Spring, the first house on the west side of the street is the one built by Daniel Onangst, and for many years occupied by Dennis Berry and his family, by whom it is yet owned. The next house is the stone one near the German Reformed Church, now owned by Mrs. Jarret. This building was erected by Moses Blackburn, a mason, about the year 1789. In 1791 Mr. Jacob Dechert built the brick house now occupied as an office by Dr. J. L. Suesserott. Joseph Allison, a hatter, built and resided in the house for many years owned and occupied by Mr. Frederick Miller, now the residence of his son, Charles F. Miller. There were no brick or stone houses between this point and the residence and office of the late Dr. John C. Richards. On this site then stood a two-story stone house, which was occupied as a tavern by William Morrow. This was then considered the best hotel in the town, and is rendered memorable as the house in which Gen. Washington and his staff lodged over night, while on their way to the western section of the State, to suppress the Whisky Rebellion in 1794. The stone house was removed by Thomas Johns in 1820, and a brick one erected in its place, which, in its turn, was burned by the rebels in 1864. On the corner of the Diamond and Market Street, on the site of the Central Presbyterian Church, stood a stone tavern, which was built by John McKonkey. This was known as the 'Green Tree Hotel,' at a later period kept by Thomas Hetich. These two last named houses were built about the year 1786. The stone house owned by Mr. Andrew J. Miller, as we have already seen, had been put up some years previously, and was the first stone house built in Chambersburg. The next house was across the alley, and was the residence of Mr. Denig, father of the late Louis Denig, and was, at a later day, occupied by the late Judge Jacob Oyster. These were all the brick and stone buildings on the west side of Main Street. Retracing our steps toward the point from which we started, we shall note the brick and stone dwellings on the other side of the street. Opposite the Presbyterian Church was a brick house then in course of completion by Dr. Andrew Baum, a native of Germany, who had recently come to the town. The Doctor

removed from Chambersburg before it was finished, and sold it to Christian Etter, by whom it was completed. It was purchased by Mr. Abraham D. Cauffman, and is now owned by Col. James G. Elder.

“The public house for so many years kept by Jacob Snider, was built in 1777, on the ground on which the National Hotel now stands. It was built by Nicholas Snider, father of Jacob Snider. The next house was the one already mentioned as belonging to Capt. John Jeffries. About the same year the stone house so long in the possession of the late George S. Eyster, was built and used as a dwelling by Samuel Purviance. Michael Trout kept tavern in the house long known as Radebaugh's Tavern, which stood where Mr. John Fisher's fine Indian Queen Hotel now stands. The next house on the south is the one formerly owned by Mr. Henneberger. It and the one occupied by Dr. Edmund Culbertson are supposed to be the oldest brick houses in Chambersburg. Nearly opposite the Berry property lived Conrad Snider, in a two-story brick house, which was the last one on this side of the street. From the above enumeration, the reader will readily perceive that, at this early period, Chambersburg presented a very striking contrast with its present handsome appearance. The great majority of the buildings were mere cabins, only a story and a half high, with the upper apartments so low, that a man of ordinary height could scarcely stand upright without striking his head against the roof. Rooms suitable for stores were scarce, and the latter were necessarily small. We may remark in this connection, that the first store opened in Chambersburg was kept by a man named Somerfield, in a small room on the corner of Main and Queen Streets, on the site of the store of Mr. John Huber. Mr. Patrick Campbell succeeded Mr. Somerfield, and carried on the business there for many years. Some of our older citizens well remember Mr. Campbell and his store.

“In the year 1788, Capt. Benjamin Chambers extended the town on the west bank of the Conococheague, in consequence of the increasing trade with the western part of the State. At the time the town was laid out by Col. Chambers, the travel was nearly all toward the settlements in Virginia and Maryland, and, influenced by that fact, the proprietor laid out his lots in that direction.

“The creek was crossed on Market Street by a rough wooden bridge, which, previous to the extension of the town beyond its western bank, was not often used. Now, however, it was replaced by a more substantial and permanent structure. About the year 1791 a few brick buildings had been erected in this portion of the town; notably, the house on the bank of the creek and the one adjoining it, opposite Mr. John Miller's hotel, the former then occupied by Fredrick Spahr, a mason of herculean strength, and the latter by Christian Grove. The old tavern stand had been already built. Before the old brick house was erected, a log house occupied the same position. This was the first house built on this side of the Conococheague. When the workmen were engaged in digging the cellar under this old house, they suddenly came upon a large, flat stone, which was found to cover the mouth of a well, that was of average depth, and walled with rough stones. When, and by whom, this well was built, become interesting questions for the antiquarian to solve. It will be remembered that prior to its discovery, no white settlers had yet dwelt on this side of the Conococheague, and, consequently, it could not have been dug by them. Then its mouth was several feet below the surface of the ground, and, if it could possibly have been constructed by them, why should they have gone to the almost impracticable labor of concealing it? It evidently existed long before the settlement of the town, and was made by some race of people who inhabited this region before the Indian tribes which lived here at the time when Col.

Chambers built his cabin at the mouth of the Falling Spring. The mystery attending its origin is deepened, when it is remembered that several elegant and never-failing springs were in its immediate vicinity, from which abundant supplies of clear and cool water could at all times be obtained. The above mentioned story is not fabulous, but was received by the writer from old citizens of unquestionable truthfulness, who saw the well at the time it was exposed by the excavation of the cellar; and their story has been fully corroborated by several most respectable citizens who had often heard of the singular discovery from their ancestors.

“In 1790 there were no buildings of any importance between the Diamond and the creek. Prior to the year 1822, the ground lay pretty much in its original condition. Between the corner, occupied by the old ‘Green Tree Tavern,’ so long a favorite lodging place for the old citizens of the neighborhood when visiting the town, and the alley west of it, on the ground formerly occupied by the Arcade, the only buildings were a small, weather-boarded house, and the stable belonging to the hotel. Between the alley and the creek was a deep and wide hollow, the lower side of which sloped gradually toward the water; near the bank of the stream was a large sycamore tree, which had stood there for ages, and beneath whose spreading branches the good wives of the town were accustomed to assemble in pleasant weather to perform their weekly labors over the washtub, and, perchance, discuss the prominent social events of the preceding week. Near this tree was a fine spring of cold water, which afforded a full supply of the refreshing beverage to the inhabitants of the neighborhood. This place was the play-ground of the children of the town, and the thick green sward and the cedar grove which covered a part of it, admirably fitted it for this purpose. The house on the old tannery lot, on the opposite side of the street, was already built and used as a brewery. It was afterward remodeled and converted into a dwelling house by the late James Finley. From this point toward the Diamond was a row of brick houses built by John Shryock and James Finley. There was one other house, further east, which was occupied by Mrs. Johns for many years. This was built by George Cook. These three last named houses were built about the beginning of the present century. The well-known stone tavern stand, styled the ‘Golden Lamb,’ on the corner now in the occupancy of the *Valley Spirit* printing office, and for many years kept by the late John Noel, was built in 1795, by Stephen Rigler. Previous to that year a large walnut tree stood on the same corner, and was a conspicuous landmark in the neighborhood. When the present handsome building was erected a few years ago by Mr. George Ludwig, the bole of the old tree was unearthed in an excellent state of preservation.

“The old court-house was built between the years 1786 and 1794. It was commenced in the former and completed in the latter year. The old stone jail, on the northeast corner of Second and Market Streets, was erected between the years 1786 and 1798. It was under roof in 1791, but not finished before 1798. The first jailer was Owen Aston, who lived in a small frame house east of the prison. Previous to the erection of the stone jail, an old log jail occupied the same site. In the yard attached to this building, a couple of convicts were hung at an early day. After the completion of the stone building, a couple of negroes were executed from a platform which extended into the yard from one of the back windows. These executions, with the hanging of a man named Thomas McKean, about the year 1807, on the hill near the academy, are the full number of all that have occurred in the county.”

The executions in Franklin County were briefly: (1) John Hanna and



*John H. Walker,*



Josiah Ramage, by Jeremiah Talbot, Wednesday, May 3, 1786, for murder; (2) Jack Durham, negro slave, by John Johnston, Tuesday, July 8, 1788, for rape; (3) John McKean, by Jacob Snyder, December 22, 1807, for murder; (4) Hezekiah Shaffer, by Michael Gable, April 18, 1879, for murder; (5) Peachey Swingle (colored) by Michael Gable, June 6, 1879, for murder. Formerly, it seems, other days than Friday were unlucky.—[COMPILER.]

“About the time of the erection of Franklin County, in September, 1784, the legal punishment of criminals was somewhat different from that which is enforced at the present day. The venerable Jacob Immel, late of Greenvillage, told the writer, that, upon one occasion, seeing a number of citizens collected in the Diamond, and, curious to learn the cause, he approached the crowd, and saw that the source of the attraction was a culprit who was undergoing the operation of cropping, after having previously stood an hour in the pillory and received thirty-nine lashes upon his bare back. Immediately in front of the *Repository* office was a large hollow, from the center of which grew a large walnut tree, to which culprits were tied when about to suffer flagellation. As the population of the town increased and with it also the number of criminals, a larger and more secure prison became necessary; and, consequently, the present building, which was formerly called the new jail, to distinguish it from the old stone jail, was built in the year 1818.

“The lot upon which the court-house was erected was given to the county by Col. Benjamin Chambers, and the contract for building it was awarded to his son, Capt. Benjamin Chambers, by whom the old stone jail was also raised. The work on the court-house was done by Walter Beatty, a prominent builder of that day. The court-house stood upon the site of the present handsome building. It was a plain, old fashioned brick structure, decorated with a high steeple, upon the top of which a gilded weather-cock indicated the direction from which the wind blew. The floor of the court room was paved with brick, it was warmed by two huge ten-plate stoves, into which a full length cord stick of wood could easily be thrust. In one corner stood an old wooden hydrant, the solitary visible memorial of the old water works. The bar for the use of the attorneys was elevated some distance above the floor, and the judges' seats were some two feet higher than the bar. These were situated on the north side of the room. Along the front on Market Street, seats for the audience were placed, also considerably elevated above the floor. The jury rooms were on the second story of the building.

“The county offices were formerly in a long two-story brick building adjoining the court-house on Market Street, and extending along that thoroughfare nearly to the alley. For several years after the formation of Franklin County, the several offices were filled by a single incumbent, Edward Crawford, Esq.

“As an indication of the extent of the population of Franklin County, eighty-seven years ago, we quote a letter from Mr. Crawford to Charles Biddle, of Philadelphia, secretary of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania. It may also serve in some degree to determine the activity with which Cupid conducted his amatory conquests at the same period:

“CHAMBERSBURG, April 26th, 1790.

“Dear Sir:

“About one year ago, I received 12 blank Marriage Licenses, which are all disposed of and accounted for by me, except one. The bearer hereof, Mr. John Colhoon, Merchant, will remain in Town a few days. Please be so obliging as to forward to me, by him, about the same number for the ensuing year. Mr. Colhoon will lodge at the Harp and Crown.

“And I am, dear Sir, Your obedient,

“And very humble Servant,

“EDW. CRAWFORD.

“The first house east of the county offices building was the one built by Andrew Dunlop, Esq., and stood on the ground upon which the law office of Messrs. Brewer & Gehr now stands. A short distance above the old jail, on the corner of the alley, was the stone house owned by a Mr. Swain, a hatter. This house was rough-cast and modernized, and became the hospitable home of the late lamented Benjamin S. Schneck, D. D. On the opposite side of the street were a few small, weather-boarded houses, which were not removed until a few years ago. At a somewhat later period than that of which we are speaking, Jeremiah Mahoney kept a tavern in a small, two-story log house, known as the ‘Light House,’ which stood on the spot now adorned by the handsome residence of William McLellan, Esq. This locality was then a high hill, unenclosed by a fence, and known as ‘The Common,’ and was the usual playground for the boys of the neighboring academy. Whilst excavating the hill for the track of the Franklin Railroad, in 1837, a huge limestone rock fell upon the roof of the old building and crushed its way to the cellar, so completely demolishing it as to render its repair impracticable. Around the outskirts of the town the only building of stone or brick which could be found in 1791 was the brick house on the corner of Washington and Water Streets, built a year or two previously by a shoemaker named Frederick Blecker. The land about the eastern point originally belonged to the plantation of Joseph Chambers, who lived in the stone house on the farm known as McKnight’s, thus designated from its owner, the Rev. John McKnight, one of the pastors of Rocky Spring Church. This locality possesses a mournful interest to the older citizens of the town, as being the residence of Joseph Pritts, Esq., the brilliant editor of the *Whig*, and at a later date, of the *Repository and Whig*, and the compiler of *Border Life*. Here his useful life was closed. Edward Crawford purchased this land from Mr. Chambers, and divided it into town lots. The land around the northern point also originally belonged to Mr. Chambers, and was part of the same tract. It was purchased from Mr. Chambers by Thomas Hartley, Esq., a gentleman from York County, by whom it was divided into building lots. The extreme end of the point was purchased by the Stittinger family, by whom several small houses were built. The rough-cast building, at its extremity, was used as a tavern for considerably more than half a century. The crossing on the creek, near Heyser’s paper mill, at the point now spanned by the handsome iron bridge, was called the Upper Fording, to distinguish it from the Lower Fording, near the old edge-tool factory, to which allusion has already been made.

“At the beginning of the present century, the whole town presented a rough and unpleasant appearance. The streets were neither graded nor paved; and, in wet weather, the mud was so deep as to render them nearly impassable. Old residents used to say that it was no unusual sight to see a wagon stopped in the Diamond and along Main Street, and so deeply embedded in the mud, as to render it impossible for the horses to withdraw it.

“Each citizen was expected to make such pavement in front of his dwelling or store as suited his taste and convenience; and, in many cases, no pavements of any description were laid. Brick walks were not yet introduced. Along Main Street, between the Diamond and Queen Street, a considerable hollow extended, which, in wet weather, was little better than a vast mud hole. The houses standing along this section of the street were much higher than their present level, and were reached by a flight of four or five steps. It has been filled up to the height of several feet. A high elevation existed in the Diamond, which was leveled when the streets were first graded. Queen Street, near Second, has been dug down to the depth of seven or eight feet. Between



the railroad and Second Street, the descent was quite steep and not entirely free from danger. For many years after the settlement of the town, this portion of it was not improved, and served as a grazing ground for herds of sheep and cattle which roamed over the neighborhood. When Chambersburg was laid out, in 1764, it was the original design of its inhabitants to make Second Street the principal business street of the town, on which its future public buildings should be erected. This design was, however, frustrated, through the united efforts of a number of rich and influential gentlemen who had purchased lots, and built houses on them, around the Public Square. This street, like Main Street, which lies parallel with it, runs nearly due north and south, while Market Street, which crosses it at right angles, runs nearly east and west."

On the 8th of September, 1781, Col. Benjamin Chambers, had, for the sum of £3, lawful money, deeded to his son, Col. James Chambers, a tract of 220 acres lying near Chambersburg, in Guilford Township. On this tract, Col. James laid out a suburban town, which was known as "Chamberstown," and is so spoken of in the records to distinguish it from the principal town of Chambersburg. It lay, as Mr. George S. Kyle has discovered by careful searching, in the southwest part of what is now Chambersburg, being bounded on the north by German Street, east and west by the borough lines of Chambersburg and south by St. Johnstown, commonly nicknamed Kerrstown.

Becoming financially embarrassed, Col. James and his wife, Catherine, disposed of the original tract to Andrew Dunlop, the consideration being "divers good causes and considerations, them moving." This transfer occurred September 29, 1786. On the 5th of June, 1797, Andrew Dunlop and his wife, Sarah Bella, for the sum of £2,800, transferred 130 acres of this tract, together with the quit rents on lots sold by James Chambers and themselves, to Col. Benjamin Chambers, younger brother of James. What became of the ninety acres is not stated; but they were probably the town site.

What is currently known as Kerrstown, was laid out by John Kerr, and by him called St. Johnstown. Town plats not being recorded, its limits were not ascertained.

As an indication of the price of town lots in Chambersburg one hundred years ago, it may be said that, on July 12, 1777, Benjamin Chambers and Jane, his wife, of the Township of Guilford, and county of Cumberland, conveyed to Nicholas Snyder the lot on which the National Hotel now stands, for the sum of £1 10s., Pennsylvania currency, equal in value to \$4 of the currency of the present day, on condition that the purchaser should, within two years, build a good, substantial dwelling house on said lot, at least sixteen feet square, with a chimney of brick or stone, and pay forever thereafter, on the 28th day of June in each and every year, an annual quit rent of 15 shillings, to the said Benjamin Chambers, his heirs or assigns. Other lots brought corresponding prices.

In an article published by Hon. Henry Ruby in the *Shippensburg News* of November 27, 1875, under the head of "Chambersburg Sixty Years Ago," he says:

"Franklin County was organized September 9, 1784. Chambersburg, now the county seat, was founded in 1764. The first settlers in this new county were the Chambers family, who occupied a small cabin near where Falling Spring empties into the Conococheague Creek. Unlike many of the old pioneers, this family was noted for its hospitality and kindness, and was always among the first to extend a hearty welcome to new comers as they arrived to settle down, ready to face the dangers, trials and hardships incident

to all new settlements, as civilization extended her borders westward, where the usual comforts and necessaries of life are not found, and, if wanted, could not be procured without great expense and difficulties in transportation.

"We were told by an old lady (the mother of an extensive family in Chambersburg) some years ago, that when she and her husband arrived, which was about 1785, they were immediately called on by Mrs. and Mr. Chambers, and heartily welcomed to their new home, with a pressing invitation to call and see them. A short time afterward they availed themselves of the invitation, and found the latch string of the door hanging out and the family snugly housed in their new cabin, with a board floor, a comfort which but few of the houses at that time had. The very kindly manner in which they were received had quite an encouraging influence, and it made them feel that, although among a strange people and in a new and wild country, they were among friends and protectors, which inspired them with fresh zeal in their newly adopted home.

"One can form some little idea of the wild state of the country when Chambersburg was first settled, from the fact that, about 1785, immediately back from Radebaugh's tavern stand, it was a wild wilderness so thickly overgrown that it was not safe for any one unacquainted to enter into it any distance, for fear of being lost. It was no uncommon thing to hear wolves near the town howl. This we have from one of the early settlers."

In the paper from which we took the foregoing extract, Mr. Ruby gives a list of the leading business men of the olden time. It does not pretend to be exhaustive, but serves its purpose in perpetuating the names and memories of the first inhabitants, one object had in view in this compilation.

Benjamin Chambers; Joseph Chambers; — Snyder; Stephen Rigler, innkeeper; John Noel, Sr., fuller; Dr. Abraham Senseny, Sr.; Frederick Roemer, innkeeper; Samuel Radebaugh, Sr., merchant; Daniel Reisher, Sr.; George Stech, innkeeper; — Hoffman, merchant; Patrick Campbell, merchant; Godfrey Greenawalt, Sr., butcher; Edward Crawford, prothonotary; Samuel Purvines, paper-maker; Samuel Colboun, merchant; John Shryock, book merchant; Thomas Johns, hardware store; Jacob Heyser, Sr., copper-smith; Christian Wolff, saddler; Jacob Brazier, saddler; Jacob Snyder, sheriff; Jeremiah Snyder, innkeeper; Dr. Lane; Henry Reges, scrivener; D. Comfort, basket-maker; Samuel Riddle, attorney; John Riddle, teacher; James Cooper, cabinet-maker; Samuel Blood, teacher; James Warden, shoe-maker; John Gross, Sr., shoe-maker; Samuel Holliday, justice of the peace; Dr. John McDowell; Dr. John Sloan; — Seibert, Sr.; William Seibert, carpenter; Samuel Seibert, carpenter; John Seibert, merchant; Wesley Seibert; Peter Cook, butcher; Samuel Cook, butcher; George Cook, butcher; John Shull, rope-maker; Solomon Patterson, justice of the peace; John Welsh, sheriff; John Campbell, innkeeper; Leven Murphy, blacksmith; John Oaks, windmill-maker; David Oaks, judge; G. Hummelshine, laborer; — Owens, carpenter; L. Denig, Sr., druggist; L. Denig, Jr., druggist; Hugh Greenfield, sheriff; John Greenfield, nail-maker; Jacob Wilt, blacksmith; Joseph Housum, shoe maker; J. Switzer, gunsmith; Jacob Oyster, tanner; Peter Oyster, saddler; Peter Minnich, tanner; Christian Flack, tanner; James Findlay, tanner; Owen Aston; Col. Young, farmer; — Fridinger, sexton; Peter Glossbrenner, tailor; Alexander Scott, watch-maker; — Brown, attorney; — Gibbons, Sr., blacksmith; Charles Gibbons; — Klunk, potter; Rev. B. S. Schueck; Reade Washington, attorney; Rev. McKnight; George Albright, miller; Thomas Lindsay, mail-carrier; — Nitterhouse, Sr.; Philip Nitterhouse, carpenter; John Nitterhouse, carpenter; J. Mohler, farmer; Judge J.

Nill; John Dietz, book-binder; — Coover, wagon-maker; Capt. James Calhoun; Capt. John McClintick; Charles Young, watch-maker; George Shillito, weaver; Hugh McNulty, hatter; Daniel Smith, tobacconist; George K. Harper, printer; John Rothboust, music teacher; M. Trout, Sr.; — Merckell, sheriff; Jacob Whitmore, merchant; John Hershberger, printer; Jacob Spahr; Philip Berlin, wagon-maker; Jacob Dechert, hatter; David Snyder, merchant; Jacob Spangler, blacksmith; Daniel Spangler, cashier of the Chambersburg bank; Capt. Allison, court-crier; John Stephenson, Jr., tailor; John Kelly, fuller; — Blecher, shoe-maker; Matthew Wilson, merchant; — Wilson, hardware merchant; Judge Riddle; Samuel Cooper, cabinet-maker; Rev. D. Denny; Rev. James Hoffman; Rev. Frederick Moeller; Dr. Samuel Culbertson; Joseph Culbertson, innkeeper; Thomas H. Crawford, attorney; Ludwig Heck, carpenter; John Durborrow, carpenter; John Favorite, wagon-maker; Jacob Jarrett, carpenter; F. W. Schoepflin, printer; Frederick Miller, tinner; Rudolph Harley, teacher; James Wright, hatter; Thomas Wright, book-binder; William Nixon, chair-maker; Thomas McCulloh, attorney; George Barnitz, brewer; — Kirby, Sr., teacher; — Davis, surveyor; H. Markline, engraver. Charles Markline, printer; Jacob Flinder, locksmith; John King, iron master; Paul Hoeflich, barber; — Brand, Sr., blacksmith; Samuel Brand, blacksmith; Robert Peebles, innkeeper; Jacob Soasy, jailer; George Brown, carpenter; Jacob Brown, carpenter; Martin Brown, carpenter; John Brown, postmaster; — Coffee, innkeeper; John Shortz, saddle-tree-maker; — Maneris, laborer; Jacob Hart, potter; John Measy, shoe-maker; Barnard Wolff, saddler; John Henneberger, tailor; — Suesserott, watch-maker; Fred Schneider, hardware store; James McFarland, merchant; David Washabaugh, sheriff; John McClay, sheriff; Frederick Stump, grocer; Frederick Smith, attorney; Dr. Jeremiah Senseny; William Heyser, paper-maker; John McGeehan, merchant; Thomas Early, sheriff; Silas Harry, bridge-builder; Thomas Plummer; Jacob Bickley, tailor; John McClintick, hatter; George Flory, cabinet-maker; John Smith, merchant; Henry Smith, teacher; John Noel, Sr.; — McLaughlin, teacher; — Stupel, watchman; John Sloan, printer; George Mason, innkeeper; Frederick Hoffman, farmer; Daniel Dechert, hatter; Richard Morrow, clerk of court; John Flanagan, prothonotary; Joseph Pritts, printer; Rev. H. L. Rice; Andrew Colhoun, bank officer; — Madeira; George Chambers, attorney; Joseph Chambers, attorney; James Dunlap, attorney; Robert M. Bard, attorney; James Riddle, attorney; Jacob Heck, merchant; Benjamin Fahnestock, druggist; Benjamin Fahnestock, merchant; Henry Heckerman, shoe-maker; Col. Marphy; — Monroe; — Biddle, vendue-crier; — Schaffer, distiller; Peter McGaffigan, turnpiker; John Hughes, turnpiker; Henry Trayer, brewer; — Little; — Pedigrew; John Stewart, weaver; John Bert, sexton; George Heck, tinner; Judge Thompson; Matthias Nead, prothonotary; John Burkholder, blacksmith; Peter Eberly, farmer; Henry Hatnick, printer; John Strealy, printer; Holmes Crawford, treasurer of the Saving Fund; John F. Denny, attorney; Jasper Brady, attorney; William Gillaspay, wagon-maker; Henry Byerly; Jacob Heagy, tanner; — Faber, card-maker; George Grice, plasterer; — Pierce, carpenter; Richard Burden, farmer; — Fetter, carpenter; — Warden, cotton factory where now part of the woolen-mill stands; — Jamison, tanner; — Stumm, tanner; Denny Stephenson; Jacob Grove, blacksmith; William Grove, wagon-maker; Rev. Litchey; John Stephenson, tailor; William Ferry, auger-maker; George S. Eyster, merchant; Dr. Samuel Fahnestock.

The pooling of interests is not wholly a modern practice. Seventy years ago,

as will be seen from the following pronouncement, the borough of Chambersburg was threatened with a dearth of fuel by the combination of its bucolic neighbors. Observe that its significance is intensified by the date of its issue:

*Notice.*

We, the subscribers, in order to regulate the price of fire wood, have unanimously agreed to the following resolutions:

1. We will not sell hickory wood for less than six dollars per cord; chestnut oak five dollars and fifty cents, and all other wood five dollars per cord.

2. If any of us after the first of August next sell any wood in the borough of Chambersburg for less than the prices above mentioned, he shall forfeit and pay a fine of five dollars, the informer to have the fine.

3. We wish to inform the town council of Chambersburg that we are not to be detained from morning to evening, for nothing, by his honor, their wood corder, except they wish to be more sensible of the effects of cold weather than they have been heretofore.

July 4, 1817, INDEPENDENCE.

Christian Keefer,	George Hoffman,	George Crider,	John Walgamote,
Benj. Keefer,	Martin Gross,	Wm. Bard,	Jacob Focorney,
Casper Lingel,	John Gross,	Abr. Hollinger,	John Eshway,
Robt. Anderson, Jr.	John Huston,	John Stands,	John Kessel,
John Ebersole,	Moses Besore,	Peter Harman,	Frederick Dech,
John Gilliland,	Peter Besore,	Frederick Roemer,	Sam. Goldsmith,
Christian Foltz,	Adam Harmony,	David Kraft,	John Straley,
Michael Doyle,	George Harmony,	David Kraft, Jr.,	Jacob McFerran,
John Bowers,	John Harmony,	John Kraft,	John Burkholder,
Michael Winger,	John Locher,	Jacob Ebersole,	John Tholl,
Abraham Winger,	Andrew Bard,	John Stacher,	Frederick Shark,
Peter Drushel,	Frederick Roemer,	Frederick Karper,	Christian Plough,
Samuel Leman,	James Boyd,	Joseph Winger,	Jacob Burkholder,
Abraham Eagle,	Abraham Huber,	Henry Krider,	John Spracher,
Peter Eagle,	Jacob Rod,	Archibald Gabby,	John Huber,
Wm. Harper,	George Beshore,	Robert McConnell,	Michael Hackman,
Jacob Hosleder,	Samuel Huber,	Abraham Keefer,	Jacob Hollinger.
Patrick Rady,	George Keisel,	John Brake,	

INCORPORATION.

By an act of the General Assembly of the State, dated 21st of March, 1803, the town of Chambersburg was incorporated into a borough. Its first election under this act is thus recorded:

At an election held at the Court House in the Borough of Chambersburg on the Second day of May Eighteen hundred and three, the Following Gentlemen were duly Elected. For Chief Burgess, Major John Holliday had ninety-two votes—and for the Town Council Edward Crawford Esq. had ninety-four votes—Andrew Dunlap had ninety-four votes—and Christian Oister had ninety-three votes—John Shryock had eighty-seven votes—and Patrick Campbell had fifty-seven votes, whereupon the above Gentlemen were duly elected, and Also George Strite for high Constable had seventy votes being duly Elected given under our hands this second day of May 1803.

ADAM HAILMAN, PETER DIÑKLE, JR.—*Clerks.*

The above were the first town council and high constable regularly elected under the act of incorporation. On March 7, 1840, the act was amended to divide the borough into two wards, the North Ward and the South Ward, the center of Queen Street being the dividing line. On the 9th of April, 1872, the act was again amended to divide the borough into four wards—the First, Second, Third and Fourth Wards.

A tax duplicate issued by the town council for the year 1803, based on a population of 500, amounted to \$550.97.

BANKS.

The citizens of the new borough, which was yet in its infancy, seem to have felt the want of a secure place to deposit their surplus funds, and for the

convenience of transactions in business and exchange, for we find that, on the sixth anniversary of its incorporation, the town council held a special meeting for the purpose of supplying the want, and passed the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That we, the Town Counsel, of the Borough of Cham'g, for the purpose met do hereby upon due consideration invite the establishment of an office of discount and deposit in the said borough, by the directors of the bank of Pennsylvania or Philadelphia, or any other bank in the State which now has, or hereafter shall have, competent authority so to do—promising said establishment as far as the influence of the corporation will extend their aid and protection.

Enacted March 8th 1809.

Attest:

HENRY REGES,  
*Clerk.*

J. HOLLIDAY,  
SAMUEL DRYDEN,  
JACOB WHITMORE,  
JEREMIAH SNYDER,  
CHRISTIAN GROVE,  
*Counsel.*

As a result of this action of the town council we find a banking association organized on the 4th day of September, 1809, with a capital of \$250,000, of which Edward Crawford was president, and Alex. Calhoun was cashier. Its banking rooms were in the building on the corner of the public square, now occupied by the Franklin County Bank. On the 13th of May, 1814, it was incorporated as a State bank. In 1828 a burglar succeeded in breaking into it, but obtained nothing but some counterfeit money, which the officers of the bank had collected together in a drawer. He was arrested the day following, and upon trial was convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for three years, but was pardoned after serving one year. Finding the old building insecure, the directors purchased the lot now occupied by the present bank, and erected the handsome building which was long one of the ornaments of the town, until destroyed by the rebels in 1864. On November 17, 1864, it was changed from a State to a national bank, with the capital increased to \$260,000, and, in the same year, they removed to their present beautiful building, having in the meantime occupied the first floor of the Masonic Hall, on Second Street. In March, 1875, an effort was made to rob the bank by Charles Claremont, *alias* Maj. Ralph Rolland, and an accomplice named B. Johnston, *alias* A. B. Wicks, of Chicago. They succeeded in gaining an entrance through the private part of the building, on pretense of business; attacked Mr. G. R. Messersmith, the cashier, in his private office, and succeeded in securing a package of money containing \$30,000. The resistance of the cashier raised an alarm, and the robbers fled, but only one was then captured—Rolland, who had the package of money, at the back door of the dwelling—, and Johnston, who made his escape, was arrested at Mercersburg the following day. They were tried, convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of ten years each. The present officers of the bank are W. L. Chambers, president; and John McIlvaine, cashier.

The Franklin County Bank was established as an office of discount and deposit in 1865, by Col. J. C. Austin and Col. James G. Elder. Shortly after, Scott Fletcher, Esq., was taken in as a partner, and the business of the firm was conducted under the title of Austin, Elder & Fletcher, until March, 1870, when they were succeeded by Hon. Chambers McKibbin and Charles H. Taylor, when it was organized into a banking institution, with Mr. McKibbin as president, and C. H. Taylor as cashier. Wm. McLellan, W. L. Chambers, T. B. Kennedy and John Stewart were subsequently added to the firm. In 1878 this corporation suspended payment, and asked the court for a receiver to wind up its affairs. The depositors were all paid in full.

In 1880, Jno. R. Orr purchased from the receiver the old Franklin County banking building, and on the 1st of April, of the same year, opened a banking house, under name of Chambersburg Deposit Bank, Jno. R. Orr & Co. being the

proprietors. There have been some changes in the name of the firm at different times. At present the proprietors of the establishment are Orr, Camp & Co. From 1880 to the present the establishment has done business as The Chambersburg Deposit Bank, Jno. R. Orr, the senior member of the firm, having been connected with the institution since its establishment in 1880. Mr. Camp entered the establishment as a clerk at the same time, and had been employed as one of its trusted clerks until May, 1886, when he became a member of the firm.

#### FIRST MARKET-HOUSES.

As the population of the town increased, a market-house was deemed necessary for its convenience. A long, low brick house, with a single story and comb roof, was accordingly built. The roof was supported by brick pillars, which left its sides and both ends partly open. Its floor was of brick, and it was in many respects well adapted to its use. It stood in the diamond, opposite the Repository Hall, and was not taken away until two or three years after the erection of the new building on the corner of Queen and Second Streets, in 1830.

One of the old customs of a former day, which has forever passed away, was the holding of annual fairs in the old market-house. In the early summer and in the fall the people were accustomed to prepare various articles for ornament and use, in endless variety, which were then offered for sale in the old building. The town was alive with people from all sections, and huge quantities of sweet-meats, small beer and ginger bread were consumed. Truth compels the additional remark, that a more potent beverage than small beer and mead was likewise in great demand. The lads and lasses enjoyed a grand gala day, whose facilities for love-making did not pass unimproved. The taverns were filled to their utmost capacity, and the houses of the citizens were also freely opened to their country friends. Dancing at the taverns was the most popular pastime, and the young people engaged in it with untiring zeal, the fiddlers of the town meanwhile reaping a rich harvest of "fips" and "levies" for their ceaseless services on these lively occasions. These fairs were the means of bringing the people of the county together, enabling them to enlarge the circle of their acquaintance, and spend a season of festive enjoyment with each other. That they were a more substantial benefit to the merchants and shop-keepers of the town, is a proposition not likely to be controverted. These annual festivities generally embraced a period of three days, and were abandoned about fifty years ago.

The old market-house was a common place of resort for the boys of the town, and many expeditions for the robbing of hen-roosts and the pillaging of orchards, as well as for less objectionable purposes, had their inception and the completion of their details effected in this popular trysting-place of a past generation.

A clause of the act of incorporation of the borough of Chambersburg, dated 21st of March, 1803, provides, that "Until it shall be otherwise directed by law, the inhabitants of said borough may hold two fairs every year hereafter, to continue two days each, commencing on the first Thursday in June, and upon the first Thursday in October."

#### PRESENT MARKET-HOUSE.

At a meeting of the town council, held on April 19, 1830, the following resolution was unanimously passed:

*Resolved*, by the Town Council of the Borough of Chambersburg, that the lot at the south-east corner of Queen and Second Streets, in said Borough, be purchased for the site



*D. J. Winger*





of a Market House and Town Hall, and that a note for six hundred and thirty-three dollars be given to Andrew Hemphill, the owner of said lot, payable on the first day of April one thousand eight hundred and forty, with interest from the date—the interest to be paid semi-annually, the Town Council having the privilege of paying any portion of the principal at any period before it becomes due. Under the corporate seal of said Borough.

Attest:

JOHN CALHOUN,  
*Town Clerk.*

JOHN RADEBAUGH,  
ALEXANDER FLACK,  
READE WASHINGTON,  
JAMES WRIGHT.

The above named property, on which the present market-house stands, was deeded to the burgess and town council of the borough of Chambersburg, on the 3d day of May, 1830, by Rev. Andrew Hemphill and Ruth his wife, for the sum of \$633. The deed to be null and void and all moneys paid by the burgess and town council to be refunded, the property to revert to the Rev. Mr. Hemphill, if a market house was not erected before the first day of April, 1833. The contract for the erection of the market-house was given to Jacob Zettle and Henry Winemiller, May 11, 1830. On September 6. Jacob Zettle threw up his portion of the contract, and Henry Winemiller undertook the erection of the entire building, John Radebaugh and Martin B. Wingert being his sureties for the faithful performance of the contract.

The first meat was sold in the market-house in March, 1831, and was hauled there on a wheelbarrow by John Tritle, Esq., from the butcher shop of John Reed. The steer was purchased from Jacob Heyser, then residing on his farm, two miles south of town. When being driven to town, and within sight of the shop, the steer became frightened and broke away from his drivers, who succeeded in heading him only when he had run as far as the site of the powder magazine of Brand, Speer & Co. But he was not even then ready to be captured, and upsetting horse and rider by a toss of his horns, he crossed the creek and made for the hills, and was finally shot in the draft above Sulphur Springs.

This building stood as erected by Mr. Winemiller, until the year 1874, when it was altered to its present convenient condition at a cost of \$4,000 by the burgess and town council, consisting of the following named gentlemen; Burgess, John Døbler: Councilmen, W. B. Gilmore, J. B. Miller, S. M. Worley, J. P. Culbertson, Dr. J. L. Suesserott, J. C. Gerbig, Thos. Cook and Daniel Harmony. As a result, there is to-day one of the most comfortable and convenient buildings for the purpose to be found outside of the larger cities, bringing into the borough treasury about \$1,200 per annum from stall rents and licenses.

On the 16th day of March, 1831, the burgess and council entered into an article of agreement, with Frederick and George J. Heisly, of Harrisburg, in which the Messrs. Heisly "agree to furnish a Town Clock in the cupola of the Market House, the great wheels of which shall not be less than sixteen inches in diameter, the clock to be made of the best materials, with maintaining power, with four faces, with hour and minute hands—the conductors of the hands to be fixed with universal joints—the whole to be made and finished in a workmanlike manner. \* \* \* In consideration of which the said Burgess and Town Council agree to pay to the said Geo. and Fred. Heisly, the sum of \$375, on the day on which they shall put up the clock, and the further sum of \$375 one year thereafter—that they will pay the expenses of bringing the clock from Harrisburg to Chambersburg, and that they will pay the expense of boarding two hands to the said Geo. and Frederick, while they shall be engaged in putting up the said clock."

## WATER-WORKS.

One of the first wants felt by the town after it had assumed the dignity of a corporate borough, was an abundant supply of good water. In 1818 a company was formed under the title of the Chambersburg Water Company, which erected water-works about one-half mile east of the town, the reservoir, or cistern, being located on the site of the present residence of Samuel Myers, Esq., and the force pump at the nearest point on the Falling Spring. The water was conveyed from the pump to the reservoir, and from thence to town in wooden pipes, which must very soon have proven their unfitness, for we have a list of thirty-seven subscribers, representing fifty-six and one-half shares of stock, agreeing to give \$12.50 for each half share subscribed by them "it being expressly stipulated by the managers that the sums raised by this subscription shall be applied to, and for no other purpose than to procure cast-iron pipes to convey the water from the force pump to the cistern." "On the 21st of March, 1818, Philip Seibert and Son agree to build the house over the reservoir, according to the old bill of rates, from which they are to throw off eight per cent and are to take one other share of water stock in addition to the seven shares which they have already subscribed for, and are not to demand any money until it be ascertained that the completion of the work shall exceed \$200." On the 30th of January, 1819, at a meeting of the town council, it was "*Resolved*, that the corporation enter into an article of agreement with the Chambersburg Water Company to pay them \$100 per annum, payable semi-annually, from 1st of July, 1819, in consideration of said company putting up and keeping in repair eight fire plugs, as agreed upon; and if any others shall be deemed necessary that they will put them also up and keep in repair at the same proportion and on the same terms." The article of agreement is dated January 30, 1819, and is signed by Patrick Campbell, burgess of the borough of Chambersburg, and James Riddle, president of the Chambersburg Water Company. The signatures are witnessed by M. St. Clair Clarke, and a copy of the article is recorded in the minute book of the town council by Henry Reges, clerk. On the 1st of September, 1820, there were fifty-five consumers. These works lasted but a few years—the records stop at 1823—when they were discontinued, and the town had no regular supply of water, other than from wells and cisterns, until 1875, when the town council of the borough erected the present water-works, which have been a decided success from the first day they have been operated. They were erected by H. P. M. Birkinbine, contractor, of Philadelphia, for the sum of \$55,000. The reservoir is situated on Federal Hill, a short distance northwest of the borough, and has a capacity of 1,200,000 gallons of water. The engine and pump are at the base of the hill on the west bank of the Conococheague Creek, opposite Heyser's straw board mill, and have a capacity for pumping 35,000 gallons of water per hour. The water can be forced through the pipe to town, by either direct pressure from the engine and pumps, or through the reservoir, and is supplied to the consumers through six and one-quarter miles of cast-iron main pipes of the best quality. The present number of consumers is 270, and is rapidly increasing. We take pleasure in recording the names of the burgess and town council through whose energy and perseverance the present complete system of water-works was erected: Burgess, George W. Nitterhouse; town council, W. B. Gilmore, J. B. Miller, Samuel M. Worley, J. P. Culbertson, John C. Gerbig, Dr. J. L. Suesserott, Thomas Cook and Daniel Harmony. The first superintendent for six years was Wilber F. Eyster, who assisted in securing them. A. C. McGrath was his successor, and is the present incumbent.

## GAS-WORKS.

The gas-works were erected in 1856 by a private company. They are located on the western banks of the Conococheague Creek, immediately opposite the Baptist Church. They manufacture about 225,000 feet of gas per month, which is supplied to consumers through four miles of pipe. A. C. McGrath is the superintendent.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The fire department is one of the oldest and most perfect in the State. It embraces the following organizations:

*Junior Hose Company.*—Regular meeting, first Monday evening of every month, at 7:30 o'clock, in Junior Hall, North Second Street. James A. Hamilton, secretary.

*Vigilant Hook and Ladder Company.*—Regular meetings, second and fourth Tuesday evenings of each month, in Vigilant Hall, North Second Street, at 8:30 o'clock. John C. Clark, secretary.

*Hope Hose Company.*—Meets on first Wednesday evening of each month, in their hose house on West Market Street, at 7 o'clock. Charles Fahnestock, president; A. C. McGrath, secretary.

*Good Will Hose Company.*—Regular meeting at 7 o'clock on the first Monday of the month, in their hall, on Catherine Street. Samuel Glass, secretary.

*Friendship Steam Engine and Hose Company.*—Regular meeting in Friendship Hall, South Second Street.

Of several of these the following historic sketches were obtained:

*Junior Hose Company* was organized in 1869, through the efforts of C. Henninger and Thos. Stumbaugh. It is well supplied with apparatus, having been recently presented by the city council with a new jumper and 500 feet of gum hose, thus making it one of the best equipped companies in the State.

The officers of the company are president, J. H. Shafer; vice-president, H. M. Eyster; recording secretary, J. A. Hamilton; assistant secretary, E. J. Hart; financial secretary, H. M. Miley; chief director and treasurer, Clay Henninger; assistant director, W. C. Hull; captain, G. W. Pensinger; board of trustees, H. M. Shirey, G. W. Pensinger, and A. L. Shafer.

The present membership is 54.

*Hope Hose Company.*—From the best information we can get, the Hope Hose Company is the descendant of the first fire company in Chambersburg, and in reality is No. 1 instead of No. 4, as at present. The company had two names prior to 1830, when it was located at the corner of the alley on Market Street, in the rear of the court-house. About 1830 the name was changed again to "Northern." In 1856 it was reorganized and known as the "Hope." The apparatus consisted of a suction engine, a suction, and a hose reel. In a contest this engine threw 210 feet, which was considered a big thing in those days. From 1856 to the breaking out of the war the membership numbered about seventy-five, and much interest was manifested, more so, really, than nowadays. The house was roomy and comfortable, and on cold winter nights when the wind was blowing "great guns" there was always enough of the boys quartered in the house to insure a lively getting there in case of an alarm. Something like forty of the members enlisted at the first call for troops, and the old Hope Company was represented in the army by every rank, from brigadier-general to private, and many of them fill soldiers' graves to-day. In the big fire of July 30, 1864, the engine house, apparatus and all the property of the company were destroyed, nothing being saved but half a

dozen pictures, which now hang in the meeting room of the hose house. In consequence of the fire, and the absence of so many members in the army, the company nearly went out of existence, but in 1856, through the influence of some of the old members, the town council purchased a second-hand engine and hose carriage, and provided quarters for them in a room in the eastern end of the market-house, which had been fitted up for the Protection Hook and Ladder Company, this company having disbanded. The meeting room was the one now used by the council, second floor of the market-house. The commissioners refused to allow the house to be rebuilt at the former location, although the members offered to do all the work free of charge. As a majority of the members lived down town, it was a difficult matter to get them to attend meetings in the market-house, though they always responded in case of fire. Until 1877 fire matters were dead in the town. About this time, owing to the introduction of water-works, the present department was organized, and the Hope Company numbered 4, more to correspond with the ward in which it is located than on account of its age. It has been in active service ever since, and now has a membership of about fifty. The present officers are George L. Hoffman, president; Wm. Houser, vice-president; John K. Berger, secretary; George Beitsch, treasurer; B. F. Gilmore, chief director.

*Good Will Hose Company*, No. 3, of Chambersburg, was organized, May 30, 1877. The list of charter members is as follows: John C. Gerbig, B. L. Maurer, J. A. Peiffer, Adam Koch, Fred. Frey, Henry Fisher, D. B. Gelwicks, A. Mills, Philip Bietsch, John Podschaver, J. C. Fisher, J. D. Richter, Peter Myers, Adam Lautenslager, William McKain, M. Humerhine, E. Lautenslager, Geo. Hart, Geo. Jacoby. The first officers were president, Adam Lautenslager; vice-president, S. E. Glass; secretary, B. L. Maurer; treasurer, Adam Koch; directors, J. C. Fisher, J. D. Richter, Geo. Hart.

The new building, located on East Catharine Street, was dedicated with much festivity, February 8, 1886, and is a handsome brick structure, well adapted to its use. The interior is being fitted up with fine furniture and Brussels carpet, and presents a neat and tasty appearance.

Following is a list of the present officers: President, Bruce M. Snyder; vice-president, Danl. McLeisher; secretary, Wm. Shatzley; assistant secretary, Fred Link; treasurer, Dr. J. J. Smith; chief director, Jacob Smith; assistant directors, John Diffendall, Geo. Michels. The present membership is fifty-six.

*Friendship Fire Company* was organized in the year 1780, being one of the earliest in Pennsylvania. The first organization was called the United Fire Company, and was destitute of nearly every appliance. The fires were extinguished by dashing the contents of small buckets upon the flames. No engine was purchased until 1816, and then two little machines, small enough to be carried upon a wheelbarrow, were obtained.

In 1838 the company was incorporated under the title of Friendship Fire Company, and so great was the interest manifested in the cause, that the organization numbered 100 members. The first known election occurred June 18, 1843, with the following result: President, Samuel Seibert; vice-president, J. M. Radebaugh; secretary, A. F. Armstrong; treasurer, H. B. Davison; directors, Robt. Viri, J. H. McClintock, Lewis Heist, J. B. Wright, J. T. Houser, Peter Deckert, Chas. Evans, G. A. Grove, G. W. Nitterhouse; messenger, Maj. Hen. Greenawalt.

The service of the new company was extensive, and many a conflagration has been averted by the promptitude and valor of its members.

In April, 1869, the office of chief director was erected, and was first filled

by Christian Frederick. Two years later a reorganization took place. There had been 310 active members previous to this time, and it was thought best to reduce the number. The company now took on new vigor, and soon extended its reputation for promptness and efficiency.

On the 13th of May, 1880, the centennial anniversary of the Friendship Fire Company was celebrated, amid scenes seldom witnessed in the Cumberland Valley. Fellow organizations, from all parts of the State, assembled to aid in the demonstration.

The town was handsomely trimmed and decorated in honor of the occasion, and all were determined to signalize the celebration. Gov. Hoyt was present, and reviewed the assembled societies from a platform erected for the purpose. A magnificent banquet was tendered the visitors in the evening, and an address of welcome was made by Hon. John Stewart, to which H. M. Kelly and Mayor Paterson, of Harrisburg, responded in feeling tones.

The members of this organization take an honest pride in the respect shown them by their appreciative fellow citizens, and by their many services they have obtained the merited title of "Old Reliables; always ready."

#### MANUFACTORIES.

From a very early period of her history, Chambersburg has been noted for the variety and extent of her manufactured articles. Thus, in the past, she has had shops for the manufacture of buhr millstones, sickles, augurs, saws and edge tools, wool hats and various other products. For several years a powder-mill was in operation near the suburbs of the town. For a long series of years, she enjoyed an enviable reputation for the manufacture of various kinds of edge tools. These were made at the Lemnos Factory, which was established in 1826 by Messrs. Shugart & Co. It was purchased by Dunlop & Madeira, and conducted by them for many years. It next became the property of Messrs. Carlisle & Co., and finally came into the possession of Messrs. Huber & Co. In consequence of the multiplicity of similar establishments in different parts of the country, the factory has been suspended.

*Mills.*—About the year 1780, Dr. John Calhoun, son-in-law of Col. Benjamin Chambers, built at Chambersburg the first paper-mill that was established in Pennsylvania, west of the Susquehanna River. This was a long, low, weather-boarded building covered with red paint. It was situated precisely where the woolen-mill now stands. It was removed in 1832 to make room for the large mill erected on the same site in that year. In this old mill, paper was manufactured from rags by the old hand process generally used before the introduction of modern machinery. Its production of printing paper was large for that day, and had an extensive sale, being used by many newspapers both East and West. Previous to the year 1796, the whole Western country, as far as the State of Kentucky, was supplied with printing paper made at Chambersburg. *The Pittsburg Gazette*, for many years after its foundation in 1786, was printed on paper made at this mill, which was transported to the office on pack-horses.

In the year 1808, Hollywell Paper Mill was built by John Shryock and Thomas Johns. It soon became extensively engaged in the manufacture of printing and various kinds of wrapping paper, as well as a very superior variety for the printing of bank notes. Its products were sent to all parts of the country, and the United States Government became its largest customer. In 1827 George A. Shryock, son of one of the original proprietors, took possession of the mill. While under his control, in it were made the first boards and paper which were ever manufactured from straw.

Upon the completion of the large paper-mill built in 1832, by Messrs. S. D. Culbertson, Reade Washington, G. A. Shryock, and Alexander Calhoun, the manufacture of straw boards and straw paper was discontinued at Hollywell, and it was thoroughly refitted with new and improved machinery for the production of the various kinds of paper made from rags.

In 1841 it was owned by Barnard Wolff, Philip Nitterhouse, Wm. Heyser, and John Smith. This firm made an important change in the mill—taking out the wet machine and putting in a 48-inch cylinder machine with steam dryers, making the paper a continuous sheet and drying it as it was made. In 1862 it came into the possession of Wm. Heyser, Jr., and J. Allison Eyster, who improved the capacity of the mill by putting in improved turbine water wheels, erecting a separate building for the machinery, and generally refitting the mill. In 1872 it passed into the hands of Mr. Wm. Heyser, who, finding cylinder made paper no longer salable, sold his cylinder machine, purchased and put up a 62-inch Fourdernier machine, enlarged the machine house and increased the capacity of the mill. On the 20th of March, 1877, the building was burned to the ground, and the entire contents destroyed, or rendered useless. The present new mill with its improved machinery and enlarged facilities was built by Wm. Heyser, in the fall of the same year.

In the northern end of the town, at what was called the Upper Fording, on the Conococheague, as early as 1803, stood an old saw-mill. A few years after this date the saw-mill gave place to a stone grist-mill, known as Albright's mill. This property was purchased by William Heyser and Philip Berlin, afterward by William Heyser. In 1848 Jacob Heyser became the owner, and in 1850 he and his father, Wm. Heyser, changed the grist-mill into a straw-board mill, under the name of the Franklin Mill. It was burned down in January, 1856, but was promptly rebuilt and was in running order in July of the same year. In 1857 the senior partner withdrew, leaving Mr. Jacob Heyser sole proprietor. The business was continued by this gentleman until 1860, at which time it was sold to Mr. J. Allison Eyster. It remained in Mr. Eyster's possession until 1869, when it passed into the hands of Mr. Jacob Heyser. In 1875 Mr. Thomas B. Kennedy became its owner. While owned by Mr. Eyster, the mill was greatly enlarged, and its production of boards reached 6,000 pounds daily. It is now run by Mr. William L. Heyser, and is capable of producing 1,000 tons of straw boards per annum.

The mill referred to above as having been built in 1832, by Messrs. G. A. Shryock & Co., was justly entitled to the appellation of "Mammoth," by which it was generally designated, its dimensions being 150x50 feet, five stories high, and containing 102 miles of drying poles, seventeen large drying presses, and every facility for the manufacture of paper boards and paper from straw. This mill was capable of producing 1,000 pounds of boards per hour, and was destroyed by McCausland's incendiaries when the town was burned in 1864. It was never rebuilt, but its site was sold to a company who erected a large woolen mill on it in 1866. This establishment is known as the Commonwealth Woolen Manufacturing Company. It employs eighty hands, and produces annually 140,000 yards of three-quarter woolen goods. The average amount of wages paid each year is \$34,000.

A large flouring-mill, capable of grinding 300 bushels of grain every twenty-four hours, is adjacent to the woolen-mill, and belongs to the same company.

The steam flouring-mills, established in 1872, by Wunderlich, Nead & Co., are now owned and managed by Mr. Christian Burkhart. They have a capacity for grinding 900 bushels of grain every twenty four hours.

A steam saw and planing-mill and sash and door factory was established

in 1857, by Messrs. Henry Shepler and Joseph Clark. It is now owned by Messrs. Shepler & Son, and employs an average number of twenty hands.

*Other Industries.*—The foundry and machine shop of T. B. Wood & Co. was established, in 1840, by Messrs. Wm. Gilman and Charles Eberly. The motive power for the machinery and for the blast of the foundry was furnished by a single horse. The establishment passed through many hands until it finally came into the possession of T. B. Wood. In 1872 he associated with himself his son Mr. Geo. A. Wood and Mr. Levi D. Houser, the latter gentleman having been foreman of the establishment for fifteen years previous. In 1875 the old machine shop was torn down, and an entire new two-storied brick building, 90x40 feet, was erected on its site. The establishment is now one of the most complete in the Middle States, and ships work to the extreme West and South.

The furniture factory of Henry Sierer & Co. was established on West Queen Street, in 1853, by Henry Sierer, with steam motive power. Finding the location and steam power too limited for his increasing trade, in 1858 he leased the water-power belonging to the property of Upton Washabaugh, on West King Street, and erected extensive shops at that locality. He also built large and commodious warerooms near the site of his former stand on Queen Street. These rooms, containing a large stock of valuable furniture, were burned by the rebel force under McCausland, in 1864. They were immediately rebuilt on a larger scale. The factory on King Street was destroyed by fire in 1868. It was also rebuilt on a larger scale, with additional improvements and conveniences to accommodate his large and growing business. The lease of this water-power having expired in 1872, the firm, now H. Sierer & Co. (Mr. Sierer having associated with him Mr. W. H. Bricker) purchased the old Lemnos Edge Tool Works, with its fine water-power. After rebuilding the dam, enlarging and remodeling the old buildings, and erecting the necessary new ones, they established what is possibly the largest furniture factory in the Middle States, employing a large number of hands, and selling furniture through the States of New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey, Virginia, North and South Carolina and the District of Columbia.

In addition to the foregoing, mention is briefly made of Wolf & Hammaker, who for several years have been engaged in the building of machinery of various kinds; D. F. Stager & Son, tanners and curriers; P. Nicklas & Bro., manufacturers of furniture; Craig & Nelson, planing mill, sash, doors, blinds, etc.

In 1882 was begun the establishment in the town of the large works known as the Taylor Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of locomotive and stationary engines, machinery, saw-mills, mill gearing, and general machine work. The site of the works embraces the grounds obtained from the last agricultural society of the county—some eight acres all told. Its organization began with a heavy stock company, embracing some of the substantial men of the town and county. It has done an extensive business, sending its products to all parts of the country. At a recent meeting of the board of directors, the following letter was read:

CHAMBERSBURG, PA., January 15, 1887.

*To the Board of Directors of Taylor Manufacturing Company, Chambersburg, Pa.*

GENTLEMEN—Owing to the fact that my business interests in North Carolina are demanding my entire time and attention, I am obliged to tender my resignation as President and Director of the Taylor Mfg. Co. With the encouraging outlook for trade I believe the future prosperity of the company is assured. Thanking you for the courtesies extended to me during my term of service with you, and with best wishes, I am,

Very Respectfully,

J. E. TAYLOR.

The board accepted Mr. Taylor's resignation, expressing regret that his interests required a severance of his relations with the company.

The board then elected Mr. John L. Latshaw president.

#### SECRET SOCIETIES.

*The Masons.*—On the 5th of April, 1800, Lodge No. 79 of A. Y. M. was organized by Gen. James Chambers, and held its first meetings at the house of Owen Aston, on Market Street, a short distance east of the old jail. Gen. Chambers was its first master—a position he held till the time of his resignation in 1804. It is not improbable that the lodge disbanded in 1804, no trace of its existence subsequent to July 3, of that year, appearing.

George Washington Lodge, No. 143, of A. Y. M., was organized April 23, 1816, and continued an active existence until the strong anti-Masonic sentiment compelled their dissolution. Their last meeting was held December 3, 1830, after which their building on Second Street was sold to the Messenger Association for a printing office. On the 20th of August, 1845, the lodge was re-organized in a room on the third floor of Dr. W. H. Boyle's building, in the arcade on West Market Street. After a short time, they changed to a room in the third story of Dr. James Hamilton's building on Main Street. In 1848 they repurchased their former building from the Messenger Association, and have occupied it ever since. When Chambersburg was burned, it was one of the buildings saved from the conflagration, and this was the secret of other buildings in the same region being spared. Present officers: George Bietsch, W. M.; Jno. M. Gilmore, J. W.; B. L. Maurer, S. W.; A. C. McGrath, Sec.; H. S. Gilbert, Treas.; A. L. Langdon, Wm. M. McKnight and D. M. Eiker are trustees. The lodge meets each Friday, on or before the full moon of each month, at Masonic temple on South Second Street.

George Washington Chapter No. 176 R. A. M., was organized with thirty-one members, March 6, 1856, by the M. E. H. P. Its original officers were Wilson Reilly, K.; Geo. W. Brewer, S.; John Armstrong, Treas.; Thos. M. Carlisle, Sec. Its present officers: Geo. Bietsch, M. E. H. P.; John Goetz, K.; W. M. Snyder, Scribe; Hastings Gehr, Treas.; A. C. McGrath, Sec. Meets third Monday of every month.

*The Odd Fellows.*—Chambersburg Lodge, 175, I. O. O. F., was instituted at Chambersburg on the 16th of May, A. D. 1846. The original charter and records of the lodge having been destroyed by the great fire in 1864, it was impossible to secure a complete history of this organization. The new charter granted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania after the fire makes no mention of the charter members, nor of the first officers. Of those who took an active part in its organization, or who became members shortly after, but few are at present associated with it. Peter Feldman, Augustus Barnitz, John Earhart, William Robinson and John Monath united with the lodge at an early day, and yet hold their membership in it.

The meetings were first held in the building that formerly stood on the site now occupied by the Washington Street School-building. After several years the lodge moved to the market-house, in the room now called "Council Hall." That room not being well adapted to lodge purposes, a more commodious one was secured in the town hall building. The burning of the hall, in 1864, compelled a return of the lodge to its old quarters in the market-house. The meetings continued to be held in that place until the hall was rebuilt, when the room now occupied was taken possession of, and has been devoted to lodge purposes ever since. The burning of the hall caused serious loss to the lodge. All its furniture, regalia, records, etc., were destroyed. The members, however,





*H. G. Christman*



were not disheartened. The new room was fitted up at considerable expense; the walls and ceiling were beautifully frescoed; suitable furniture was purchased, and everything necessary to make the room attractive and comfortable was carefully attended to. After taking possession of their new quarters, the members went to work with a will. Applications for membership were so frequent, that at one time the roll numbered considerably over 100. The treasury, which had been depleted by the necessary expenditures above mentioned, was rapidly replenished, and the prospects for the future were very flattering. But the financial crisis, which several years ago swept over the country, sadly interfered with its prosperity. The number of admissions decreased, and many of those who had been most active in promoting the welfare of the organization became discouraged. Their discouragement led to carelessness, and finally they permitted their membership to lapse. Numbers of these have recently been reinstated, and hopes are entertained that it will not be long before the membership will number as many as it did years ago.

Chambersburg Lodge has enjoyed an enviable reputation as a working lodge. Its work has been carried on without the use of rituals, thus adding very much to the interest of the meetings. The matter of refitting the room is now being agitated, and should this be done, it will not be long before the lodge will have as fine a room as is to be found in the valley. The present corps of officers is as follows: Noble Grand, D. M. Funk; Vice Grand, W. H. Small; Secretary, Samuel Gelwix; Assistant Secretary, E. M. Smith; Treasurer, George W. Bietsch; Warden, A. J. Eiker; Conductor, D. J. Simmers; R. S. to N. G., Emanuel Hall; L. S. to N. G., B. F. Burgner; R. S. to V. G., George Hart; L. S. to V. G., George A. Bietsch; R. S. S., Philip Bietsch; L. S. S., William Robinson; I. G., Isaac Irwin; O. G., Jacob Bickly; Hall Keeper, Jacob Bickly; Trustees, A. J. Eiker, Emanuel Hale and B. F. McCurdy. The membership of the lodge at present numbers seventy-five. Many of those whose names appear on the roll are non-resident members; quite a number live in other States, while many others reside in different parts of Pennsylvania. This being the case, the weekly attendance is materially reduced; but the attendance cannot be accepted as a proof of lack of interest, as those who are unable to attend are among the most prompt in the payment of their weekly dues. During the year ending October 1, 1886, this lodge paid \$475 for the relief of its members. While thus attentive to its own household, it has not overlooked worthy applications for assistance from other sources. Very rarely indeed does such an application fail to meet with a favorable response. About \$1,500 are invested in bonds and other securities; a good working fund is in the hands of the treasurer; the property of the lodge is valued at \$500, thus making the total worth of the lodge something over \$2,000. The present District Deputy G. M., D. J. Simmers, is a highly esteemed member of Chambersburg Lodge. So efficiently does he fill the office, that year after year he receives the almost unanimous support of the different lodges throughout the district for this honorable position.

Columbus Lodge, No. 75, I. O. O. F., was organized in a room in Dr. W. H. Boyle's building, on West Market Street, on the 31st of March, 1842, with the following charter members: Jabez Porter, Benj. F. Nead, Lewis F. Heck, Wm. Stevenson, Wilson Reilly, Samuel McCrory, William J. Stewart, Eby Byers and Robert P. Hazelet. But one of this number, Benj. F. Nead, is now living. Wilson Reilly was the first Noble Grand and Benj. F. Nead the first secretary of the lodge. This room in a short time proving too small, they removed to the third floor of the Lutheran lecture room, on West Washington Street, where they remained until 1857, when they removed to

the front room on the third floor of Franklin Hall, on the Diamond, which they fitted up in good style and occupied undisturbed until the outbreak of the Rebellion. In September, 1862, after the battle of Antietam, a large number of wounded union soldiers were brought to Chambersburg, and in order to give them comfortable quarters, the members of the lodge gave up their room to the United States Government for a hospital, and while so occupied the lodge held its meetings in the adjoining room of Chambersburg Lodge. Shortly after again getting possession of the room, in the latter part of June, 1863, the rebel army under Gen. Lee passed through Chambersburg on its way to Gettysburg, and some of the vandals gaining admission into the lodge room, destroyed all the regalia, canopies, curtains and other fixtures of the order. Hardly had the lodge recovered from this loss, when, on the 30th of July, 1864, the rebel horde, under Gen. McCausland, again visited Chambersburg and burned the greater portion of the town, Columbus Lodge being entirely burned out. Not dismayed at their misfortune, they procured temporary quarters on the second floor of the market-house, and remained there until the completion of Repository Hall, when they removed to the front room, on the third floor of that building. On the afternoon of November 26, 1866, the new hall was dedicated to the uses of the order. The following named brethren acted as officers of the grand lodge of Pennsylvania, in the dedicatory ceremonies: P. G. Isaac H. McCauley, as G. M.; D. D. G. M. Jacob Spangler, as D. G. M.; P. G. Speakman Hicks, as G. W.; P. G. Samuel King (of Potomac Lodge, Hagerstown, Md.), as G. C.; P. G. Jacob N. Snider, as G. M.; P. G. D. B. Kirby, as G. H., with Brothers William E. Tolbert as H. of the North, John S. Hicks, as H. of the South, Edward G. Etter, as H. of the East, and Frank Henderson, as H. of the West. The hall was formally delivered to the G. M. by D. D. G. M. Jacob Spangler, on behalf of the furnishing committee of the lodge, and was then dedicated to the uses of the order by the sprinkling of water, lighting of fire, scattering of wheat and strewing of flowers in the manner prescribed by the grand lodge of the United States. Music by the Hagerstown (Md.), and Chambersburg brass bands. At the conclusion of the dedicatory services an address was delivered by P. G. M. Isaac H. McCauley, on the duties of the order.

Since the organization of the lodge it has had but four secretaries, viz.: Benj. F. Nead, Charles W. Heart, Dr. William H. Boyle and the present efficient occupant of the office, David F. Leisher. Seventy-eight Past Grands have been created, forty-six of whom are now members of the lodge. Whole number of persons admitted to membership, 592; present number of members, 146.

Olive Branch Encampment, No. 13, I. O. O. F., was organized on the third floor of the Lutheran lecture room, on the 24th of October, 1844, and after a few years' existence disbanded. It was reorganized on May 14, 1861, in the room of Chambersburg Lodge, where its meetings were held until the destruction of the town by order of the rebel, Gen. McCausland. Quarters were then obtained with the two subordinate lodges of I. O. O. F. in the market-house, until 1866, when the encampment was moved into the room of Columbus Lodge, and is now in a flourishing condition.

*Chambersburg Council, O. U. A. M., No. 228*, was instituted March 22, 1870, by District Deputy State Councilor B. K. Spangler, of Council No. 205, Carlisle, assisted by the following *pro tem* State Council officers: V. C., A. C. Landis, of No. 207; R. S., C. F. Dinkle, of No. 205; F. S., J. P. Rankin, of No. 207; I. James Eckenrode, of No. 207; Ex., C. Fenstermacher, of 207; I. P., Jas. A. Smith, of 205; O. P., C. D. Eckels, of 205; Jun. Ex. C.,

C. M. Holler, 205; Sr. Ex. C., O. M. Blair, of 207. The charter members were E. G. Etter, M. A. Foltz, G. H. Wood, D. B. Dunkison, J. C. Wood, J. P. McClintock, Jas. Aughinbaugh, Jno. Fisher, D. A. Wertz, C. E. Fetter, J. F. Gibbs, J. F. Fuller, C. W. Fuller, D. F. Leisher, Leo Ebert, C. F. Smith and A. C. McGrath. The names of the first officers were Councilor, G. H. Wood; V. C., D. A. Wertz; R. Sec., A. C. McGrath; Financial Sec., J. F. Gibbs; Treas., F. S. Gillespie; Inductor, J. F. Fuller; Examiner, J. P. McClintock; Inside Protector, D. B. Dunkison; Outside Protector, Jno. C. Wood; E. G. Etter, D. A. Wertz. Frank Henderson, Trustees. The names of the present officers are: C., Wm. Miles; V. C., Abram Rife; Rec. Sec., J. C. Streal; Asst. Rec. Sec., George Auxt; Fin. Sec., J. Frank Snider; Treas., J. F. Gibbs; Ex., G. F. Wolf; Ind., Harry Bickly; Inside Pro., Geo. Claudy; Outside Pro., Adam Gruber; Wm. Stake, Dan'l Harmony, S. A. Swert, Trustees. Present number of members, 79; whole number of admission from time of organization to date, 229.

*Franklin Guards* were organized October 11, 1878, by Capt. George L. Miles, at Chambersburg. The present officers of the company are Captain, John C. Gerbig; first lieutenant, Philip Lautenslager; second lieutenant, Harry Gillespie; secretary, Charles Hyssong. They meet every Friday evening for drill and attend annual encampment for brigade drill every summer.

*McDowell Camp, Sons of Veterans*, Frank McGrath, captain, meets second and fourth Thursday evenings of each month in Housum Post room. It has been in existence but a short time.

*Housum Post, G. A. R., 309*, meets every Tuesday evening, in Post room, corner of Main and Queen Streets. It was organized February 21, 1883, by Capt. W. E. Miller, of Carlisle, Egan, Humor, Haverstick, Ensminger and Asst. Adj. Gen. T. J. Stewart, with the following charter members: Wm. Burgess, Jno. A. Siders, Jno. Doebler, B. A. Fahnestock, E. S. Shank, Calvin Gilbert, Geo. W. Duncan, John Herron, A. C. McGrath, L. V. Armstrong, John H. Leshner, J. H. Aughinbaugh, Frank Myers, Wilson Stewart, C. H. Fulweiler, W. J. Norton, D. W. Rowe, Geo. L. Miles, C. H. Cressler, Thos. Durbarow, Geo. B. Preisler, W. R. Kreps, C. M. Ditsler, Napoleon Hunter, Sam'l McGowan, J. B. Holtzworth, Alex Stewart, Dan'l W. Brandt, W. H. Davis, John W. Shenafield, John C. Gerbig, Adam Gruber, John Stewart, Fred Watts.

Its first corps of officers embraced the following comrades: Wm. Burgess, C.; John Doebler, S. V. C.; C. H. Fulwiller, J. V. C.; C. H. Cressler, Q. M.; Thos. Durbarow, Surg.; John A. Seiders, Adj.; J. C. Gerbig, O. D.; J. B. Holtzworth, O. G.; J. H. Aughinbaugh, S. M.; Calvin Gilbert, Q. M. S.; John Shenafield, Chap.

Its present officers are: T. R. Gilland, C.; Dr. F. G. Platt, S. V. C.; E. E. Byers, J. V. C.; A. C. McGrath, Adj.; C. H. Cressler, Q. M.; T. Durbarow, O. D.; Robert Dunkinson, O. G.; Dr. J. A. Crawford, Chap.; Dr. E. Brallier, Surg.; W. H. H. Mackey, S. M. and Geo. A. Minnich, Q. M. S.

It enrolls 115 members, and is in a prosperous condition.

P. B. Housum was born September 21, 1824, in Berks County, Penn. On the 25th of September, 1845, he married Miss Lucy S. Edmiston, of Bedford County, by whom he had five children: Mary Elizabeth, John Peter, Maria Louise Fannie, Benjamin Franklin and Cynthia; all are living except the first and third. He served in the late war as captain in the Second Pennsylvania Infantry during the three months' service. Subsequently, in 1862, he entered the Seventy-seventh Pennsylvania Regt. as lieutenant-colonel, and was with the regiment in its campaign in the Army of the Cumberland against Bragg's army in Kentucky and Tennessee.

He was wounded on the morning of the 31st of December, 1862, in the battle of Stone River, and died of the wound received on the evening of January 1, 1863. He was buried on Stuart's Creek, twenty-five and one-half miles east of Nashville, on the Nashville and Murfreesboro Pike.

In his last letter written from Nashville on Christmas day, 1862, six days before he was wounded, he spoke thus to his wife: "I wish the war was over. I am tired of running after the rebels. \* \* I will write as soon as we stop. \* \* God bless you all, and pray for our safe return."

*C. V. Council of Royal Arcanum* was organized August 2, 1886, with the following gentlemen as charter members: Emanuel Brallier, M. D., James N. Dyson, John L. Reside, George Denton, M. W. Straly, A. C. Rossman, Mahlon Havens, Frederick Kerlin, Samuel B. Hege, Daniel Herman, J. William Eyster, S. J. Hayden, John W. Talhelm, Benj. L. Maurer, A. L. Overcash, Rev. A. S. Hartman, J. H. Dechert, Samuel Shryock, Frederick Heneberger, William D. Brooks, Harry A. Blair, Horace A. Logue, of whom E. Brallier, M. D., was Regent; J. N. Dyson, Vice Regent; Geo. Denton, Past Regent; John L. Reside, Orator; M. W. Straly, Sec.; A. C. Rossman, Collector; Frederick Kirlin, Treasurer; S. J. Hayden, Guide; Maylon Havens, Warden; John W. Talhelm, Sentry. These officers' term expired December 31, and the new officers elect are as follows: J. N. Dyson, Regent; S. J. Hayden, Vice Regent; E. Brallier, M. D., Past Regent; Benjamin L. Maurer, Orator; John H. Deckert, Secretary; A. C. Rossman, Collector; Daniel Herman, Treasurer; M. W. Straly, Guide; Rev. A. S. Hartman, Chaplain; Henry Meyers, Warden; John W. Talhelm, Sentry; George Denton, Representative to Grand Council; Dr. E. Brallier, Alternate Representative; George Denton, J. W. Eyster and B. L. Maurer, Trustees. This is a very young organization (only six months old), but has been advancing steadily, holding their meetings bi-weekly on Friday evenings in Ludwig's Building, Memorial Square. Council room nicely furnished by individual exertion, and financially on a good foundation and a good show for advancement.

*Improved Order of Heptasophs*, Franklin Conclave, No. 104, was organized July 24, 1885, with the following charter members: Chas. F. Palmer, B. F. Gilmore, Joseph Pomeroy, Wm. Burgess, Geo. W. Bietsch and sixteen others. Original Officers: Past Archon, B. F. Gilmore; Archon, George W. Bietsch; Provost, C. Henninger; Prelate, W. Burgess; Inspector, N. E. Shade; Secretary, A. N. Pomeroy; Financier, W. H. Eyster; Treasurer, A. W. Pomeroy; Warden, G. W. Pensinger; Sentinel, E. W. Smith. The object of the organization is beneficial, and it meets in the Repository Building. Its present membership is nineteen.

*Young Men's Christian Association*.—There was formerly a similar organization here, but through mismanagement and an undue appreciation of its legitimate sphere, it collapsed. The present organization was begun in the spring of 1886 and perfected by the election of the following charter members on May 31 of the same year, the fiscal year ending June 1, 1887: Jno. M. McDowell, Wm. B. Reed, Sam'l Gelwicks, R. E. Coyle, F. P. Harbaugh, A. L. McClurg, S. H. Keagy, Victor Leisher, Andrew Blair, Thomas Blair, H. S. Gilbert, A. L. Langdon, David Speer, H. C. White, E. M. Smith, F. W. Day, Chas. L. Haney, Wm. Renck, Wm. Blair, Theodore Carl. President, David Speer; vice-president, Wm. B. Reed; recording secretary, F. W. Day; treasurer, H. S. Gilbert; general secretary, R. E. White. The above is a list of the present officers. State secretaries, Rev. S. A. Taggart, W. A. Bowen, and S. K. McKee, assisted in the organization, and Mr. McKee acted as general secretary from July 7 to August 7, 1886. The object of

the society is the spiritual, mental and physical improvement of young men. At present they occupy temporary rooms over the Chambersburg Deposit Bank. Col. J. C. Austin has offered to erect a fine building, which will be ready for occupancy in 1887. He purposes to place the entire building, except the three stores, under the supervision of the association. The building will be situated on Main Street, opposite the National Hotel, on the site formerly occupied by the Rosedale Seminary.

*Woman's Christian Temperance Union* was organized in April, 1883. Its charter members were some fifteen or sixteen in number, only a few of which could be obtained: Mrs. L. V. Haulman, Mrs. Martha J. Shenafield, Mrs. Charlotte Eyster, Mrs. Martha J. Eiker, Mrs. Delilah Bickley, Mrs. Anna M. Robinson, Mrs. Scott Flack, and others. Mrs. M. J. Shenafield was the first president, and an efficient one. She died in March, 1886, much loved and lamented. The union passed appropriate resolutions recognizing her as the strong friend of temperance and "mother of the temperance union in Chambersburg." Some difficulty was experienced in securing competent and trained presiding officers. Mrs. Shields is the present efficient and zealous president, and Mrs. L. V. Haulman, secretary. During its existence, the union has had some distinguished lecturers, viz.: Miss Narcissa White, Grove City, N. J.; Mrs. E. M. Laughlin, Boston; Mrs. Josephine Nichols, Indianapolis; Mrs. Annie Wittmeyer, Philadelphia; Mrs. Mary Hunt, Boston; Col. George Bain, Louisville, Ky.; Hon. A. H. Colquitt, Atlanta, Ga.

#### CHURCHES.

*Falling Spring Presbyterian Church* was established in 1736, in what is now known as Chambersburg. "The deed for the ground was dated January 1, 1768, from Benjamin Chambers and Jane, his wife, to Patrick Vance, Matthew Wilson, Edward Cook, Robert Patterson, William Lindsly, Jr., William Gass and William Brotherton, in trust for the Presbyterian congregation of Falling Spring." In 1787 the congregation was incorporated by act of Assembly.

The purpose of this church is to maintain that system of doctrine and that form of ecclesiastical order set forth in the Westminster confession of faith and catechisms. It is Presbyterian. It is subject to the authority of the Presbytery of Carlisle, and of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States of America. The first structure was a log building erected in 1739, on the bank of the Conococheague, not far from the site of the present edifice. This was used also for educational purposes. In 1767 it gave place to a frame building, seventy feet long and thirty-five wide. This stood until 1803, when the present stone church was erected.

In the year 1856, during the pastorate of the Rev. Joseph Clarke, changes were made in it; the porch in front was removed and the two towers were built. Other changes were made in 1868. In 1876 the stone wall along the eastern side of the church grounds gave place to the present iron fence. In 1877, during the pastorate of the Rev. J. Agnew Crawford, the present chapel was built. In 1885 an annex was made to the church, and a large pipe organ was set in it, at a cost, total, of \$5,193.

In 1868 a colony of twenty-eight went out from the congregation and was organized by presbytery as the Central Presbyterian Church of Chambersburg. Present number of members, 242. Expenses last year, total for all purposes, \$3,027. Owing to the fact that a volume of the minutes of presbytery, containing the record of the years 1750-59, was lost, by having been loaned to a clergyman residing in the South during the civil war, nothing is known of

this church in its relation to presbytery during that period. When this town was burned by the rebels in 1864, the session book of the church and the church register were destroyed, so that we have no list of members reaching back of the year 1821, and no account of the early proceedings of the session. This great double loss causes the history of this congregation to be quite incomplete.

It is not easy to fix upon the "most prosperous period of the church." If changes going to the external improvement of the church are to be considered, the last ten years, perhaps, may be taken as a prosperous period. If we note the tokens of spiritual prosperity, we may say that in the year 1866 there was a work of grace wrought which brought nearly forty into the church. In 1876-77 sixty-six united on profession of their faith. The last few years have been signalized by great activity and zeal in the work of foreign and domestic missions. Last year \$1,905 were raised for benevolent work. Names of pastors: Samuel Thompson, 1737-39; Samuel Cavin, 1739-41; James Lang, 1767-94; William Speer, 1794-97; David Denny, 1800-38; William Adam, 1839-41; Daniel McKinley, 1841-50; Joseph Clarke, 1851-57; Lambert S. Fine, 1858-59; Samuel J. Nicolls, 1860-64; Jno. Agnew Crawford, 1867-87. Dr. Crawford's resignation was handed in the autumn of 1886, and accepted to take effect January 1, 1887. At present (January, 1887,) the congregation has no regular pastor.

The Sabbath-school connected with this church was begun in 1816, and is still in vigorous life. For many years Mr. John Cree, a ruling elder, was its excellent superintendent. For the last nineteen years Dr. George F. Platt, ruling elder, has been filling the position with great ability.

It may be of interest to state that for many years this church had in connection with it a very large and prosperous mission school among the colored people of the town. It began about the year 1862. Mr. William G. Reed, a ruling elder of the congregation, was for a long time its efficient superintendent. He was elected in 1864. It was suspended a few years ago simply because no suitable room could be found in which to meet, but with the expectation of opening it again.

*The Central Presbyterian Church.*—This congregation owes its existence chiefly to the crowded condition of the old Falling Spring Church, and an earnest desire on the part of its originators to provide abundance of room for all, rich and poor, who hold to the doctrines, and prefer the order and forms of worship approved of in the Presbyterian Church. Hence, in response to a petition signed by thirteen persons, as follows, to wit: J. C. Austin, J. A. Reside, H. L. Reed, E. D. Reid, Mrs. E. D. Reid, A. H. McCulloh, Miss Alice E. McCulloh, Miss Mary E. McCulloh, W. Blair Gilmore, I. H. McCauley, Joseph McClure, J. R. Orr, John L. Grier, the presbytery of Carlisle, at its adjourned meeting held at Duncannon, on the 9th of June, 1868, appointed Rev. Thomas Creigh, D. D., Rev. W. A. West and Elder J. E. McLanahan a committee "to consider and, if the way be clear, organize a church in accordance with the prayer of the petitioners." This committee met in the Falling Spring Church on the 15th of August, 1868, and, after a full consideration of all the facts in the case, proceeded to organize a church, which was afterward called the Central Presbyterian Church of Chambersburg. Twenty-eight persons presented certificates from the old Falling Spring Church, and, after having promised and covenanted to walk together in church fellowship, proceeded to the election of ruling elders, which resulted in the unanimous choice of James A. Reside and James C. Austin. These persons were ordained and installed into office the next day by prayer and the laying on of hands of the ministers and elders present, the session of the old church participating.



On the 6th of September, the Sabbath-school was organized with four pupils, viz.: Preston R. Austin, Alma Cassel, Edith Boyle and Susie Elliott. A superintendent and other officers and teachers were selected. The session held its first meeting in the court-house—used for the time being as a place of worship—on the 19th of September, 1868, at which time Preston R. Austin was received into the communion of this church, being the first person received upon the profession of his faith in Christ.

At a congregational meeting held September 28, 1868, the Rev. I. N. Hays, of Middlespring, was unanimously elected pastor, and promised, for the present, \$1,000 a year, to be paid in regular quarterly payments. At the same time the following persons were elected to act temporarily as trustees, being all the adult male members of the church, viz.: James A. Reside, Jacob Fetter, H. L. Reed, W. Hopkins, Wm. Clark, H. H. Elliott, H. Auld and J. C. Austin. The Rev. I. N. Hays, having accepted the call presented to him, was installed as pastor on the 11th of December, 1868, Rev. S. S. Mitchell preaching the sermon, Rev. T. Creigh, D. D., delivering the charge to the pastor, and the Rev. J. W. Wightman to the people.

At a congregational meeting held January 18, 1869, it was resolved to undertake and, if possible, complete within the present year, a house of worship to be dedicated to the worship of Almighty God. Messrs. J. C. Austin, J. A. Reside and Col. O. N. Lull were appointed a committee to procure a plan, etc. On the 22d of February, 1869, the plan submitted by the committee was unanimously accepted and adopted, and the same committee was requested to act as a building committee, to open subscriptions at once, and push forward the building of the church with all possible energy. On the 18th of January, 1869, a charter for the church was procured from the court of common pleas of Franklin County, and on the first Monday of May (the 3d) eight trustees were elected, whose names will be found in the list of officers.

The Central Presbyterian Church stands on the corner of Market and Main Streets, fronting the Diamond, on the site of the old Franklin Hotel. Its extreme length, including tower in front and study in rear, is 110 feet; and its width, including buttresses, is 64 feet and 6 inches. At 8 o'clock on the morning of the 25th of May, 1869, a large congregation assembled about the foundation of the church building to witness the ceremonies connected with the deposit of certain articles in the corner-stone. The Rev. J. A. Crawford, pastor of the Falling Spring Church, after Invocation, read the following portions of Scripture, viz.: Ezra iii: 8-11; Psalm cxxvii: 1, 2; also Psalm cxxiii: 8-18, after which the pastor, Rev. I. N. Hays delivered an appropriate address. At the close of the address the pastor deposited in the corner-stone, a copper box very securely fastened and made air-tight, containing the following interesting historical relics, etc., viz.: A copy of the address—a brief history of the church up to this time, to which is added a complete list of the original petitioners asking for the organization—the present officers and members of the church, the names of the generous contributors to the building of the church, and of the pupils at present in the Sabbath-school, all of which will be found herein but the names of the Sabbath-school children. In addition to the above, the box contained a copy of the confession of faith and of the hymn book used by the congregation; copies of all the newspapers of the borough, and of the daily papers of Philadelphia and New York circulating in Chambersburg, together with the names of the editors and employes of the *Valley Spirit* and *Franklin Repository* printing offices; copies of the constitution and by-laws of the temperance, beneficial, benevolent and other institutions of the borough; of the burning of Chambersburg the rules of

court, and impressions of the seals of the different courts of the county; the coin and paper money of the United States now in circulation, from one cent up to \$1; the Government stamps—postage and revenue.

The box having been deposited, the Rev. James F. Kennedy led in prayer, after which the congregation joined in singing the old version of the One Hundredth Psalm to Old Hundred. Names of members of the church at date of organization, August 15, 1868: Hugh Auld, James C. Austin, Mrs. S. E. Austin, Beckie A. Austin, Mrs. Mary Cassel, Mrs. Annie E. Cassel, Wm. Clark, Mrs. Sarah Clark, Elizabeth J. Clark, Eliza Durborow, Martha Durborow, Henry H. Elliott, Mrs. Emma Elliott, Jacob Fetter, Mrs. Maria Fetter, Minnie R. Fetter, Wm. Hopkins, Mrs. Sarah Hopkins, Mary E. McCulloh, Alice E. McCulloh, Mrs. Maggie Orr, Henry L. Reed, Mrs. Charlotte Reed, Mrs. Elizabeth A. Reid, Annie Reid, James A. Reside, Mrs. Mary M. Reside, Carrie V. Reside. Officers at the date of laying the corner-stone, May 25, 1869: Pastor, Rev. I. N. Hays. Ruling elders: James C. Austin, James A. Reside. Trustees: J. C. Austin, for four years, J. A. Reside, for four years, John R. Orr, for three years; H. H. Elliott, for three years; Wm. Clark, for two years; Wm. T. Speer, for two years; John M. Gilmore, for one year; John L. Barr, for one year. Building Committee: J. C. Austin, J. A. Reside, O. N. Lull. Architect, S. D. Button.

The beautiful edifice was ready for occupation in the autumn of 1870. The formal dedication services took place on Thursday, September 21, 1870. In these services, the Rev. John L. Withrow, pastor of the Arch Street Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, preached the sermon. The Rev. J. A. Crawford, Rev. Jas. F. Kennedy, of Chambersburg, Penn.; Rev. Geo. P. Hays, D. D., President of Jefferson and Washington College, Pennsylvania, with the pastor, took part in the services of the day. On the Sabbath following the dedication, the members of the two Presbyterian churches of Chambersburg united in a union communion service, held in the new church edifice. On this occasion the Rev. J. A. Crawford, pastor of the Falling Spring Church, preached the sermon. In 1885 a fine pipe organ, manufactured by J. H. & C. S. Odell, New York City, was placed in the church. The catalogue price was \$4,000. It was a free-will offering of some friend or friends of the church, who have not permitted their names to be made known to the public.

In the spring of 1886 the pastor moved into the parsonage, purchased several months before, on Queen Street. The property with the deeded repairs cost about \$6,000. The present membership is 185. The enrollment in the church and chapel Sabbath-schools is 369; of this number 150 are in the Chapel school.

At a meeting of the session, September 27, the pastor presented the project of building a chapel in the southern part of the town, near the Taylor works. At this meeting Jas. A. Reside, Hezekiah Keefer and Jas. C. Austin were appointed a committee to examine a site already recommended as a desirable location. After viewing the ground, this committee reported favorably, both as to the project of a chapel and its location, and September 29, 1884, purchased four lots fronting on the east side of Fairground Avenue. The chapel erected thereon is a brick building with a frame annex, the main part, with the addition, being 57x29 feet. The lots and the building cost about \$3,000. On Sabbath, December 21, the chapel was first occupied, twenty-one persons coming together through the snow and rain. On this day the Sabbath-school was organized. After an existence of two years, it has 150 teachers and scholars, enrolled, with an average attendance of eighty. Jas. C. Austin is superintendent; W. H. H. Mackey, assistant superintendent; J. W. Rearick, secretary, treasurer and librarian.



*W. B. Folts*



On Sabbath, February 1, 1885, the chapel was formally dedicated. The Rev. C. R. Lane, Ph. D., read the Scriptures. The Rev. John Jay Pomeroy, pastor of the Central Church and the Chapel, made the prayer of dedication. The Rev. Jas. F. Kennedy, D. D., Rev. John Edgar, Ph. D., and Rev. J. A. Crawford, D. D., followed with addresses.

Rev. Isaac N. Hays, D. D., was installed the first pastor of this church, December 11, 1868, and served with unusual success for six years.

Rev. John C. Caldwell, D. D., the second pastor, was installed October 22, 1874, and on August 7, 1883, the pastoral relation was dissolved, to enable him to accept the call extended to him from the First Presbyterian Church, of West Chester, Penn., which church he still serves.

Rev. John Jay Pomeroy, D. D., the third pastor is a native of Franklin County, the eldest son of the late Judge Thomas Pomeroy, of Roxbury. He was installed pastor of this church April 10, 1884, and is the present incumbent.

*St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church.*—Inasmuch as the records of this church were entirely destroyed during the burning of Chambersburg by the Confederates under Gen. McCausland, on the 30th of July, 1864, it is scarcely possible to obtain thoroughly reliable dates in regard to the early history of the church; and wherever inaccuracies occur they must be attributed to the fact that the early history had to be constructed out of scattered fragments, gathered from numerous quarters and from the memory of the oldest inhabitants. It appears that a number of German families migrated to what is now Franklin County, as early as 1740, and located in the neighborhood of Grindstone Hill, about seven miles southeast of Chambersburg. These were either Lutherans or Reformed in the religious faith. It is not known that they had the ministrations of the gospel in their own tongue or by ministers of their own denominations, until about 1765, when one Rev. John George Bager of Conewago, near Hanover, York County, visited them, and gave them occasional attention in spiritual affairs.

The first notice we have of regular preaching was about the year 1770, when Rev. John George Young, of Hagerstown, Md., succeeded Rev. Bager, and began to preach in the Scotch-Irish village of Chambersburg, in the German language. Rev. Young was the first regularly stationed minister of the Lutheran Church, in the southern end of the valley, and the most of the old congregations in Washington County, Md., and in this county, were collected and organized by him. He continued in charge of these small and widely scattered congregations until 1783, when he was succeeded by Rev. John Michael Steck, who served four congregations in this county, viz.: Jacob's, near the Maryland line, in Washington Township; Grindstone Hill, in Guilford Township; Chambersburg and Scherer's, or Pleasant Hall, near Orrstown. He continued pastor four years, when he removed to Bedford, Penn. The last year of his ministry in Franklin County, he resided in Chambersburg, and he was doubtless the first Lutheran minister who resided here. He was succeeded in the pastorate by the Rev. Anthony Ulrich Lutgen, of Greensburg, Westmoreland Co., Penn., who took charge in 1789, and remained pastor until 1794, when failing health compelled him to resign. He died in 1796. His remains repose beneath the present church edifice, and are marked by a marble slab, placed in the floor of the lecture room, with an appropriate inscription. Between the years 1794 and 1802, the name of the pastor is in doubt. It may have been the Rev. John Ruthrauff, who resided in or near Greencastle, and preached at Jacob's, Grindstone Hill, and at other points; but it is more probable that Chambersburg during that time was connected with Scherer's, Ship-

pensburg, and perhaps other places, lying north and west of Chambersburg. Hence it is necessary to pass over seven or eight years, without doing more than merely surmising as to the history of the congregation.

We are able to resume the thread of history definitely on the 1st of June, 1802, at which time the Rev. John Frederick Möller, of Frederick, Md., took charge of the pastorate and continued in the place until the autumn of 1829, when owing to impaired health, he removed to Somerset, Ohio, where he died in 1833, of a violent attack of apoplexy, aged about sixty years. Pastor Möller was born in Graudentz, Prussia, on the 5th of March, 1773, and was educated at the University of Königsberg. He came to America in 1799, and was settled over the pastorate at Frederick, for about two years, when he was called to Chambersburg, where he was pastor for nearly twenty-eight years. Until the close of his ministry here the services were conducted entirely in German.

After a vacancy of nearly two years, Rev. Benjamin Kurtz, D. D., of Hagerstown, Md., took charge of the pastorate on August 1, 1831. His entrance upon the pastoral work, marks a new epoch in the history of the congregation. By reason of the retention of the German language, and, consequently, German methods also of carrying on the work of the church, its growth and development had been greatly hindered, and the congregation was in a languishing condition. Pastor Kurtz introduced English preaching, established a Sunday-school, instituted prayer meetings, and earnestly labored to promote revivals of religion, and was a strenuous advocate of temperance. And though on account of his earnest advocacy of these principles he was bitterly persecuted, yet he was eminently successful in promoting the prosperity of the church. During the first year of his ministry a remarkable revival of religion took place, which resulted in a large increase in the membership of the church, among which were included many heads of families and prominent citizens. By reason of failing health his labors were abruptly terminated before he had completed his second year.

He afterward became the editor of the *Lutheran Observer*, which position he retained for nearly thirty years. He also founded the missionary institute at Selins Grove, Penn. He died at Baltimore, Md., on the 29th of December, 1865, aged about seventy years. His successor in the pastoral office was the Rev. John N. Hoffman of Taneytown, Md., who took charge on the 1st of September, 1833, and remained in the pastorate of this charge until December, 1842. He was succeeded in the beginning of 1843 by the Rev. Samuel Sprecher of Martinsburg, Va., who remained pastor until the beginning of June, 1849, when he resigned, to accept the presidency of Wittenberg College, located at Springfield, Ohio. His ministry was attended with large success, interesting revivals of religion were held, and large and important accessions were made to the church.

During the summer of 1849, the congregation called the Rev. James L. Schock of Reading, Penn., to be its pastor. His connection with the church was brief, covering only two years. He was called to the Church of St. James, in New York. He was succeeded by Rev. W. F. Eyster on the 1st of October, 1851. His pastorate extended over a period of about eight years. During his ministry the present church edifice was erected, in 1854. The next pastor was Rev. Jacob Stock, who took charge in April, 1860, and remained pastor until October 12, 1863. He was succeeded by Rev. F. W. Conrad, D. D. of Lancaster, Penn., who remained in charge about two years and a half, when he resigned, to become the editor of the *Lutheran Observer*. Rev. J. A. Kunkleman was called to succeed him, and took charge on the 1st of January, 1867,

but his pastorate was very brief. He was called to the Lutheran Church at Fort Wayne, Ind., and retired from the pastorate at Chambersburg on the 1st of September, 1867. Rev. Irving Magee succeeded him on the 1st of January, 1868, and remained in the pastorate until February 1, 1869, a space of thirteen months. The next pastor was Rev. L. A. Gotwald, who entered upon the duties of his pastorate on the 1st of August, 1869, and remained in charge until the 1st of March, 1874, a period of four years and seven months. A vacancy of fourteen months and a half ensued, when Rev. A. Stewart Hartman, of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church of Brooklyn, N. Y., took charge on the 15th of May, 1875. He is still in charge at the present time, November 15, 1886. The congregation is one of the largest in the Cumberland Valley, and has always been prominent and influential in the Lutheran denomination. Its present membership is over 500, with a Sunday-school of equal size.

The present church edifice is the third owned by the congregation, and erected on the same site the first was built, as a Union Church, Reformed and Lutheran, on land donated by Capt. Benjamin Chambers, on condition that he should be given a rose each year, from a bush grown upon the land, as a rental. This church was built during the pastorate of Rev. John Michael Steck, the second during the pastorate of Rev. Frederick Möller, and the last, as already stated, during that of Rev. W. F. Eyster.

*German Lutheran Congregation* was organized on the 14th of September, 1839, by John Monath, Anton Hornung, George Hoffman, Adam Trietsk, Philip Pfeifer, G. L. Dillman, A. Hornung, P. Wendel, John Gottman, S. Reiz, F. Dittman, L. Ebert, George Ludwig, L. Heist, and H. Bauer. The house had been erected two years previous by a branch of the Zion Reformed Congregation, at a cost of \$2,400, but on account of debt it was closed for nearly two years, when the present congregation secured it. A parsonage was erected in 1883, costing \$3,000. It enrolls 180 members. Annual expenses about \$800. The pastors, from 1839 to 1886, have been as follows: R. Clemens, J. H. Fischer, G. H. Brandan, G. M. März, C. Bauman, C. Schwankosky, F. W. Naschold, C. Bauman (second time), M. Wolf, G. Roth, L. Zuber, A. Berg, E. J. Nidecker, R. H. Clare and A. Kurz.

*Methodist Episcopal Church.*—In 1793 Mr. Daniel Madeira and his wife, Ellen, moved to Chambersburg from Reisterstown, near Baltimore, Md., and lived on south side of Market Street, between Second and Third, in the house now occupied by Mrs. Dr. A. H. Senseney and child. In this house, in the above named year, the first Methodist meeting was held and the first sermon was preached. The preacher who was the pioneer in this work was Rev. Charles Burgoon, then stationed on the Frederick Circuit (1794-95) and subsequently on the York Circuit (1796). The first meeting house, a log building, was erected in 1799 on a lot deeded by John Madeira to whom it had been left by Daniel Madeira to Thomas Yeats, Joseph Brarely, Jacob Kern, and John Walls, of Cumberland County, and David Huss, of Franklin County, trustees. It stood on the south side of Queen Street, east of the railroad, and on the southeast corner of the first alley from Queen to Washington Street. A burial ground adjoined the church, in which the first interment was that of James Falkner. For some twelve years this house sufficed for the little congregation. In March, 1802, Thomas Yeats, a trustee living at Shippensburg, moved to Chambersburg and formed a class, consisting of himself and his wife Elizabeth, Daniel and Nancy Morrison, John Lloyd, Hannah Carver and Robert Cadden. Mr. Yeats, licensed in his native country, Ireland, to preach, exercised his office here. Leaving his farm in the country, he removed to town, where he kept a dry goods and grocery store on Queen Street. His melancholy

death occurred at the building of the Arcade in 1830. The ministers since 1794, when Chambersburg was made a part of the Carlisle circuit, just formed, were: Charles Burgoon, 1794-97; Seeley Bunn, 1799; David Stevens and Abraham Andrews, 1800; James Smith and John Wells, 1801; R. R. Roberts, 1802; David Fidler, Joseph Stone and Nicholas Willis, 1803; Jacob Gruber and Wm. Brandon, 1804; Solomon Harris and Leonard Cassel, 1805; James Paynter and Joseph Carson, 1806; James Hunter and Jacob Dowell, 1807; Robert Burch and Lasley Matthews, 1808; Robert Burch and Jacob Guest, 1809; James Reid and George Askins, 1810; Peter Beaver and Robert Wilson, 1811. On the 25th of October, 1809, an appeal in the form of a subscription "to the liberal public," saying "the members of the Methodist society, in and near Chambersburg, finding themselves inconveniently circumstanced for divine worship, by reason of the smallness of their present meeting house, and distance thereof from the center of the town, and considering it as closely connected with the good interests of their fellow-citizens, that a building be erected in a more eligible part of the borough, have resolved to make sale of their present house of worship, and to apply the price thereof to the raising of another, on a lot ground lately purchased for that purpose, adjoining the lot occupied at present by Dr. Sloan.

\* \* Length, 45 feet; breadth, 35 feet; height, 18 feet."

The house was completed in 1811, and dedicated on the 8th of October, Rev. Robert Wilson delivering the dedication sermon. In 1845, the congregation having increased so rapidly as to require it, the old house was torn down and the present handsome structure erected in its stead.

A class register for June 17, 1806, reveals the names of the following members under the leadership of Thomas Yeats and James Wright: Elizabeth Yeats, Daniel Morrison, Mary Allison, John Lloyd, Nancy Cypha, Mary Brown, Kitty Burns, Richard Lewis, Elizabeth Brooks, Christiana Riblets, Rudolph Harley, Ann Yeats, Margaret Lowth, Sarah Carver, William Johnston, Sarah Johnston, Nancy Johnston, William Robert Yeats and Michael Burns.

The following named have served as preachers since 1811: 1812, Robert Wilson; 1813, James Reid, George Askins; 1814, George Askins, N. B. Mills; 1815, Robert Wilson, Thos. Larkins; 1816, Robert Wilson, George Brown; 1817, Hamilton Jefferson; 1818, Hamilton Jefferson, Fred Steir; 1819, Caleb Reynolds, Fred Steir; 1820, Caleb Reynolds, Wm. Munroe; 1821, Andrew Hemphill; 1822, Marmaduke Peirce; 1823, Robert S. Vinton; 1824-25, John Bear; 1826, Joseph Rowan; 1827-28, William Prettyman; 1829-30, Andrew Hemphill; 1831, Basil Barry; 1832, Joseph White; 1833-34, Tobias Reilly; 1835-36, George Hildt; 1837-38, Richard Bond; 1839-40, John Bowan; 1841, Jared H. Young; 1842-43, James Lauks; 1844-45, James H. Brown; 1846, Thomas H. W. Munroe; 1847-48, E. R. Weitch; 1849, John Smith; 1850-51, Robert M. Lipscomb; 1852-53, John M. Jones; 1854-55, John Guyer; 1856-57, Philip R. Reese; 1858-59, Daniel Hartman; 1860-61, Wm. Harden; 1862, Wm. Brittain; 1863-64, Thomas Barnhart; 1865-67, S. H. C. Smith; 1868-69, Samuel Barns; 1870, E. W. Kirby; 1871, C. Little; 1872, Thomas Reese; 1873, B. B. Hamlin; 1874, Francis Hodgson; 1875, J. A. Lippincott; 1876-78, W. G. Ferguson; 1878-80, G. W. Miller; 1880-83, Dr. D. S. Monroe; 1883-86, M. L. Ganoë; 1886, M. L. Smyser.

Statistics: Number of members, 510; one church, valued at \$12,000; one chapel, valued at \$2,000; one parsonage, valued at \$3,000; Sunday-schools, 2; officers and teachers, 63; scholars, 520. Benevolent contributions last year: For missions, \$1,067; other causes, \$250; total, \$1,317. Annual expenses, including ministerial support, \$2,600.



*The Second Methodist Congregation* was organized in September, 1869, with about three-fourths of a dozen of members. They leased the ground whereon had so long stood the house of worship of the United Presbyterians, and which was burned by the rebels under McCausland, and built a comfortable frame edifice. Their numbers increasing with their zeal, they bought a lot on the northeast corner of Second and King, known from time immemorial as the Gross lot, occupied by a family of that name found in the annals of the borough as hunters and fishermen, and put up a substantial and attractive church and parsonage in the summer of 1875. The order of their ministers is as follows: Rev. Francis Dyson, from September, 1869 to April, 1870; John Donahoo, 1870; A. D. Yocum, 1871; A. M. Kesler, 1872; William C. Robbins, 1873-74-75. The congregation was finally disbanded, and the house sold to the United Brethren Church.

*Zion's Reformed Church.*—This congregation was organized in 1784 or 1785, by Rev. Jacob Weymer, in the house then occupied by Nicholas Snider, near the Diamond. At the time its charter was received, March 24, 1819, the following members constituted it: Godfrey Greenawalt, Christian Etter, Jacob Heyser, Jacob Snider, Christian Wolf, John Stump, Abraham Keefer, Sr., Benjamin Keefer, John Swartz, Barnard Wolff, William Heyser, Henry Smith, S. Sainy, Daniel Smith, Christian Smee, S. Faber, Henry Keiler and John Whitmore. The present excellent house was built in 1811, and remodeled in 1883-84. Its first Sunday-school was organized in 1830. The congregation has a membership of 350, and incurs, for all purposes, an annual expense of about \$1,700. Its condition is a prosperous one.

The following is its line of pastors: Rev. Jacob Weymer organized the congregation in 1784 or 1785, and was the first regular pastor, but remained such for a short time only. Rev. John Christopher Faber was his successor, at what date is not known. He preached his farewell sermon in the spring of 1789. Rev. ——— Leitzel next supplied the pulpit for a short period. He is supposed to have been connected with the Lutheran Church. Rev. Philip Stock was his successor, at what date is not known, probably in 1791, as he was pastor of the congregation at York, Penn., in 1790, for a short time. He continued pastor here for some years, as he had a student (Rev. John Brown, D. D.), from 1798 to 1801. At what time he resigned is not known. Rev. James Hoffman became pastor in 1807, and remained such until 1818. Rev. Frederick Bahauser became pastor in April, 1819, and remained until April, 1833. Rev. Hamilton VanDyke was associate pastor, preaching English part of the year 1833. Rev. Henry L. Rice became pastor in May, 1834; died May 3, 1837. Rev. Jacob Helfenstine became pastor in October, 1838, and continued to April 1, 1842. Rev. W. Wilson Bonnel became pastor May 6, 1842, and continued to September 18, 1845. Rev. Alfred Nevin, D. D., became pastor in November, 1845, and continued to March 1, 1852. Rev. Samuel N. Callender, D. D., became pastor September 1, 1852, and continued to October 15, 1856. Rev. Samuel Philips became pastor January 11, 1857, and continued to April 28, 1861. Rev. B. Bausman, D. D., became pastor November 1, 1861, and continued to November 1, 1863. Rev. P. S. Davis, D. D., became pastor May 1, 1864, and continued to January 1, 1875. Rev. W. C. Cræmer became pastor November 1, 1876, and is present incumbent.

*St. John's Reformed Church, East Market Street.*—About the year 1849 there was a division in the German Lutheran congregation on East Washington Street, Chambersburg. A part remained where they were, while the others erected what is now known as St. John's Reformed Church, on East Market Street. The congregat on remained Lutheran for about ten years

then, having become too weak to call a pastor, they prevailed on Rev. B. S. Schneck, D. D., who was a resident here, to serve them, and the church became reformed from that time on. The early records of the congregation were all burned with Dr. Schneck's library during the war, so that there is no record in existence of the first members and officers. Dr. Schneck served the congregation until his death in 1874. Then the congregation called Rev. H. Hanhart, now of Cincinnati, who remained about two years. He was succeeded by Rev. C. Gundlach, who remained three years. From that time on until the summer of the present year (1886), the congregation was supplied by Rev. W. C. Cremer, pastor of Zion's Reformed Church. Up to this time the congregation had been wholly German, but as there was scarcely any German immigration to Chambersburg, and as the young people were all receiving an English education, it became apparent that the congregation could not survive unless English services were introduced. To this end application was made to Mercersburg Classis, to which the congregation belongs. Classis granted the request, and the following arrangement was made: Every alternate Sunday morning service was to be German, all other preaching services English; the Sunday-school to be conducted in English, with room for German classes; in the prayer meeting members were to have the privilege of praying in the language they preferred. Under this arrangement Classis promised financial aid, and the congregation called Rev. M. Z. Hittel as pastor. He began his work on October 1, 1886. At present the congregation numbers about sixty members.

*First United Brethren Church.*—As early as 1818 preaching was done at the house of Jacob Braizer, by three German local preachers, viz.: Samuel Huber, John Crider, and Jacob Wingerd. About the same time John Oakes moved to town, and opened his house for preaching. At his house the congregation, consisting of eighteen members, was organized in 1823, by the Rev. Samuel Huber. Among the charter members were Samuel Huber, John Oakes, Catherine Oakes, Margaret Jarret, Jacob Glosser, Jacob Bigler, Jacob Braizer, Henry Flinder, Elizabeth Melinger, Harriet Jarret, David Oakes, John Oakes, Jr., George Oakes, Mary Hutz, Frederick Glosser, Mary Croft and others. The first house was erected through the labors of Samuel Huber, who made a personal canvass for aid in 1823; the second in 1852 during the labors of Rev. John Dickson; the third or present, in 1882, during the pastorate of Rev. J. P. Miller, at a cost of \$10,000. In 1871, over 100 members withdrew and formed the King Street congregation. Present membership, 400. Sunday-school was organized in 1842. The following is the roster of preachers: 1823-24, Rev. John Brown; 1824-25, Simon Dresbach and William Brown; 1826-27, Gideon Smith and John Zohn; 1828-29, Jacob Erb, and Jacob Wieman; 1830-31, John Krock, and John Hendricks; 1832, Frederick Gilbert; 1833, George Gilbert and Enoch Hoffman; 1834, J. Binger and Joseph Hershey; 1835-36, Jacob Ritter and John Debalt; 1837-38, John Fohl and Jacob Kessler; 1839-40, Rev. John Fohl; 1841-42, Jacob Rhinehart of Virginia conference; 1843-45, George Miller, of Allegheny Conference; 1846, John Fohl; 1847-48, Alexander Owens; 1849-50, John W. Bonewell; 1851-53, John Dickson; 1854-56, Z. A. Colestock; 1857-59, W. B. Raber; 1860-61, Z. A. Colestock; 1862-65, John Dickson; 1866-68, H. Y. Hummelbaugh, (Mr. H. died October, 1868, and Rev. J. M. Bishop supplied the congregation until meeting of conference, in February, 1869); 1869, Rev. J. G. Schaff; 1870-72, W. T. Lower; 1873-74, B. G. Huber; 1875-77, H. A. Schlichter; 1878, D. W. Proffitt; 1879-81, S. A. Mowers; 1882-87, J. P. Miller.

*King Street Church, United Brethren in Christ.*—During the year 1876 there arose difficulties in the United Brethren Church of Chambersburg, located on South Second Street, growing out of the failure of the pastor to enforce the rule of the discipline of the church in regard to secret societies. The result of these differences (which also led to others) was that quite a number of the membership did not worship with the rest of the congregation during the year 1877; but they held services (on Sunday afternoons) in a private house on East Broad Street. Appeals were taken to the annual conference of 1877, which met at Baltimore, Md., and the conference of 1878, at York, Penn., and also to the general conference held in Westfield, Ill., 1877, and the general conference held at Lisbon, Iowa, 1881. The committee of the Westfield General Conference, to whom the appeal was referred, reported as follows: "That there have been some irregularities in the proceedings of the Chambersburg Quarterly Conference, and in the rulings made at its sessions, by which the rights of some parties have been prejudiced; but your committee is of the opinion that this body has no jurisdiction in the case." This general conference referred the whole matter back to the annual conference. During the month of March, 1878, after the session of annual conference, held in York, Penn., the people, seeing that there was no redress of their grievances to be had from the powers that were, determined to have a house of their own where they could worship together in peace. Accordingly during the month of April following they bought the church building on the northeast corner of Second and King Streets from the Second Congregation of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which they took possession on the 5th of May following. There were 100 members from the old church who united to worship. From the time that they began to worship in the private house on Broad Street, in 1877, until October, 1882, they were served by the following ministers who held local relations in the United Brethren Church: J. M. Bishop, J. Fohl, J. Fetterhoff, and A. Bickley. From October, 1882, to April, 1884, they were served by Rev. W. O. Tobey, of the Central Illinois Conference. From April, 1884, until the present time, Rev. M. F. Keiter, of the Virginia Annual Conference has served as pastor. The church edifice has cost them about \$6,000. During the past summer they have erected a parsonage on South Second Street, at a cost of about \$2,300. Their annual expenses are about \$850. Their original membership from the old church, as seen above, was 100, and their present membership is 200. As a church they stand by Section 7, Article II, of the constitution of the United Brethren in Christ, which says, "There shall be no connection with secret combinations," and the rules of discipline in harmony therewith. In consequence of this position they do not hold a very popular place in the community where secret societies seem to be so very popular. They now stand independent of any annual and the General Conference of the church at large, and what the result of the agitation over church questions in the United Brethren Church will be, and what benefits, if any, will accrue to them therefrom, remains yet to be seen. They also have a Sabbath-school with an average attendance, during the last six months, of 155.

*Corpus Christi Catholic Church.*\*—There is a tradition that a Catholic Church existed in Chambersburg as early as 1785 or 1787, but its truth has never been verified: The lot on which the present edifice stands was bought from Thomas Hartley, Esq., in 1792, in which year the first structure, a log building, 25x40 and 12 to 15 feet high, was built. It had three oblong windows on each side, and, according to the prevailing custom, the door was at

\*From facts furnished by F. X. Deckellu ayer.

the western end of the building, and the altar at the eastern, compelling the audience to pass from the street to the opposite end of the building to enter it, and thus face eastward. The priest at the time was Rev. Dennis Cahill, a man of considerable distinction. He was succeeded by Revs. Duhamel, Fillon, Prince, Galitzan and Dietrich. Rev. Fillon is said to have resided at Chambersburg for a short time and taught school in a log house whose site was that of the warehouse of Grier Bros. These attended at intervals of four or more weeks.

About 1806, Rev. Nicholas Zachary, from Taneytown, Md., became pastor and continued till about 1820, attending once a month. In 1812, he built the present substantial church whose front is a marvel of stone masonry. Its front on Second Street is 45 and depth 60 feet. The log building which it replaced was sold to the Colored Methodists, who removed it to Kerrstown, and used it till 1860. In 1818, the church was incorporated with the following trustees: Rev. Nicholas Zachary, Patrick Campbell, Thomas Murray, John Devine, Patrick Brown, Richard Heyden and George Garlin. Owing to financial pressure, 32 feet of the original lot was sold conditionally. About 1820, Rev. Kerns became the first resident pastor, and conducted services twice a month, the remaining time being given to Waynesboro and Path Valley, mission points. He was succeeded in 1825 or 1826, by Rev. Ferdinand McCusker, who continued until 1834. In December, 1828, during his pastorate, the church organ was bought in Philadelphia, through the instrumentality of the late Archbishop Hughes, of New York, who, on account of his parents, brothers and sisters living in Chambersburg, took great interest in the matter. This instrument, the first used in Chambersburg, was built by Longman & Co., of London, and was brought to Philadelphia by Father Creaton, an Englishman, and used in St. Joseph's Church as early as 1748. During the Revolutionary war its sweet tones were heard by many distinguished officers, American and foreign.

Following McCusker, Rev. Thomas Hayden, an excellent man, preached about three years, being succeeded in 1837 by Rev. Patrick Rafferty. After eleven months, Rev. Mr. Barges, a German and English student, came, during whose term the pastor's house was erected. The other pastors in succession were Revs. Mr. Loughran (1839), James Miller (1839-42), Father Nugent (1843), Basil Sharb (1844), Lane, William O'Hara (1844), Schraudenback (1846), Richard O'Connor (1847), Leavitts, Hugh McMacken (1848), M. A. M. Wirtzfield (1849-51), Dr. Lightner (1851-53), John Dougherty (1853-55), McDonough, Barrett, Linden, Kelley, A. Miller (1857-60); McKee, (1860-63) (during his pastorate important changes and additions were made to the house. He entered the army as chaplain.) McCullum (1863-64), Gerteman (1864-66), Mullen, Coxe (1866-69).

In 1866 Chambersburg was placed under the diocese of Harrisburg. Rev. Field was first pastor, Coxe retiring; Stenzel, 1870-71; Botzker, 1871-75, during whose office important changes occurred—weekly services were established; Rev. T. J. Fleming, 1875-82, made repairs and paid off much debt. Father Schlatter has been pastor since 1882. The congregation is out of debt. Membership, 350; condition prosperous.

*Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church.*—Occasional services of the Episcopal Church were held in Chambersburg previous to the year 1868. The first settled minister was the Rev. Wm. George Hawkins, whose term of service extended from February, 1868, to September, 1873. During his ministry the parish was organized and admitted into union with the convention of the diocese, in May, 1869. The corner-stone of the present church edifice was



*C. H. Burkman.*



laid July 6, 1870, and the building completed and occupied in 1872. The Sunday-school building in the rear of the church was also erected during the time of Mr. Hawkins' rectorship. The rectors since have been the Rev. John Collins McCabe, D. D., who served from November, 1873, until his death, February 27, 1875; the Rev. Henry C. Swentzel, from August, 1875, to July, 1881; the Rev. George C. Hall, from October, 1881, to March, 1884; the Rev. V. Hummel Bergham, from October, 1884, to the present time. The present number of communicants is 40; scholars in the Sunday-school about 45, and the annual expenditures for all purposes about \$1,000. The estimated value of the property is about \$11,000.

*Church of God.*—This organization established its work in the year 1858 by purchasing, through the agency of the East Pennsylvania eldership, a house of worship begun, but not completed, by the Baptists. This purchase occurred April 9, the sum paid being \$1,928.08. It was dedicated the 29th of the following September; destroyed by the rebels in 1864. The house was rebuilt in 1866 at a cost of \$6,499.55. The membership, at present, is upward of 80. The following is the list of pastors or preachers who have served it: Revs. G. U. Ham, D. A. L. Laverty, B. F. Beck, A. H. Long, C. H. Forney, J. Hunter, D. Townsend, W. H. Englar, J. B. Soule, J. W. Miller, J. M. Carvell, J. B. Lockwood, I. S. Richmond, G. L. Cowen, S. W. Nail, W. J. D. Edwards, C. D. Rishel and J. H. Martin, the last being the present incumbent.

*Colored Churches.*—The first congregation of colored people was organized in 1811. In 1812 they purchased the log building which was used until that time as a Catholic Church, and moved it to a lot in Kerrstown. In this they worshiped as a Methodist Episcopal congregation until 1872, when it was torn down and the present brick building was erected and dedicated to the worship of God by the African Methodist Episcopal Bethel congregation. In 1845 a division occurred in the Kerrstown congregation, and the seceding branch built a log church on West German Street. The first church was built of a log stable purchased from Jacob Heck, Esq., and served the congregation until 1872, when, emulating the example of their Kerrstown brethren, they tore it down and erected the present brick building which was dedicated to the worship of God by the African Methodist Episcopal Zion congregation.

*The first Sunday-school* in Chambersburg was a union school intended for all denominations. It was established by Mr. Samuel Blood and Mr. James B. Ross, of Philadelphia, on the third Sabbath of August, A. D., 1816, in the old academy, in the rear of the ground where the Chambersburg Academy now stands. It was only one story high, and divided into two rooms, in one of which Mr. Samuel Blood was teacher at that time. The Sabbath that the school opened, there were nearly 100 children and only two teachers, Mr. S. Blood and Mr. J. B. Ross. On the second Sabbath there came an additional number of nearly 100, making in all 190 children, and all to be managed by two men, and they both very young. It continued in this manner for a few Sabbaths, when several ladies, among whom were Eleanor Calhoun, Eliza Riddle, Mary Purviance, Elizabeth Ross and several others, wishing to lay a helping hand to the good work, offered to take charge of the female members. Then the school was divided in two parts, under the same roof, one for each sex. One day Mr. Smith Findlay, son of Gov. Findlay, was standing at his door when several colored children from the Sabbath-school passed. Attracting his attention, he asked where they had been. They replied at the new Sunday-school in the academy. Mr. Findlay resolved to go to see this new, and to him unheard-of, Sunday-school. Accordingly, he went next Sabbath and took charge of a class, becoming a very worthy teacher. The union school was subsequently divided into six or eight different schools.

## THE CEDAR GROVE CEMETERY.

The grounds of this cemetery were opened for interments in the fall of 1854. The first body buried there was that of Mrs. Jane Snider, wife of Geo. W. Snider, November 3, 1854. The next burial was the re-interment of the body of Alfred M. Smith, Esq., long connected with the public press of this place, and perhaps the most brilliant literary genius ever born in Chambersburg. Mr. Andrew Eiker, superintendent of Cedar Grove Cemetery, has buried 1763 persons during the past nineteen years as follows: 1868, 58; 1869, 57; 1870, 86; 1871, 86; 1872, 74; 1873, 90; 1874, 107; 1875, 110; 1876, 101; 1877, 90; 1878, 80; 1879, 81; 1880, 105; 1881, 112; 1882, 94; 1883, 114; 1884, 90; 1885, 98; 1886, 130. There were more burials last year than during any other in the history of the cemetery. Mr. Eiker, the very efficient superintendent of the cemetery, has just entered upon his twentieth year as superintendent.

## EDUCATIONAL.

Education received early attention in Chambersburg. The private school first, then academy, and finally the public school and college was the order of development. In one of the numbers of the *Western Advertiser and Chambersburg Weekly Newspaper* for February, 1793, published by William Davison, appears the following advertisement:

*A Grammar School.*

The friends of literature in Franklin and the neighboring Counties are informed that James Ross, if suitably encouraged, will open a Grammar School in Chambersburg about the beginning of April next. Those who are desirous to favour this undertaking are requested as speedily as possible to call and Subscribe, or send their names to John Calhoun, in whose hand the subscription paper will be placed.

It is expected from the long tried and well-known abilities of the teacher, that generous encouragement will be given to this institution, which promises to be the foundation of a permanent seminary of learning in this place.

CHAMBERSBURG, 20th February, 1793.

James Ross was a native of Delaware, and professor of languages in the first faculty of Dickinson College, at Carlisle, Penn., which was organized in 1784. He came to Chambersburg, agreeably to his announcement, in 1793. The exact length of time he remained here can not now be ascertained, in consequence of the destruction of the records of the academy, by rebel incendiarism. He removed from Chambersburg to Lancaster, about the year 1800, and reopened his school. Finally, he went to Philadelphia, and was in that city in 1812, for, in the fourth edition of his Latin grammar, published in that year, he styles himself "professor of the Latin and Greek languages, North Fourth Street, Philadelphia." Mr. Ross published, while in Chambersburg, the first edition of "Ross' Latin Grammar," a work which was the most popular text book of its kind of that day, and had a very wide circulation and reputation. It was very cordially recommended and used by such eminent scholars as Dr. Henry Muhlenburg, Drs. C. L. Becker, James P. Wilson and Ashbel Green, as well as many others equally distinguished. Among his pupils in Philadelphia was that eminent divine and scholar, Rev. James W. Alexander, D. D., of Princeton College, who was accustomed to speak in the most enthusiastic terms of the fine classical attainments of his teacher. Dr. Alexander was a favorite pupil of Mr. Ross, who was accustomed to call him "Alexander Magnus." in facetious allusion to his rather diminutive stature.

Mr. Ross also published several other small works for the purpose of aiding the student in acquiring a knowledge of the Latin tongue. He was in the habit, as a pastime, of writing Latin poetry and epitaphs, and made an admir-



able translation of the "Westminster Shorter Catechism," in that language. Mr. Ross was a close Bible student, and always read the New Testament in the original Greek, and his copy gave evidence of frequent and careful study, its margins being closely covered with acute critical annotations. Mr. Ross died in Philadelphia, on the 6th of July, 1827, aged eighty-four years. He was buried in the grave-yard of the old Ranstead Court Church, but when the property was sold, his remains were taken to Carlisle for re-interment.

Sufficient encouragement having been given, the new school of Mr. Ross was opened, tradition says, in a small log house on West Queen Street, not far from its junction with Water Street, on the north side. Here it remained for the next four or five years. Meanwhile, Capt. Benjamin Chambers, with that enlightened liberality which ever distinguished him, gave, in 1796, two lots of ground upon which to build a permanent school. He also took an active part in establishing and placing the new school on a solid foundation. A charter for the academy was granted by the State of Pennsylvania, dated August 23, 1797, and a substantial, though small, brick schoolhouse, was soon afterward erected. The trustees designated in the charter were James Riddle, Capt. Benjamin Chambers, Edward Crawford, William M. Brown, John Colhoun, Christian Wolff, Samuel Riddle, George Hetich, Nicholas Clopper, John Brown, Christian Oyster and Patrick Campbell. The building being finished, James Ross removed his grammar school, into it, and thus completed the organization of the Chambersburg Academy. The original building at first answered sufficiently well for the comparatively small number of scholars which comprised the school. In the course of time, however, the population of the town increasing, a larger and more commodious building was required for the growing number of students. The old house was, therefore, removed in the year 1825, and a large, handsome and convenient edifice erected in its stead. This second building was destroyed by fire in July, 1864, by the rebel horde under McCausland. Four years later, the academy was rebuilt and greatly remodeled, and, in all the conveniences of an institution of learning, it has few superiors. Among its principals were James Ross, Rev. D. V. McLean, Rev. S. W. Crawford, Rev. David Denny, Samuel Blood and William Van Lear Davis. These were succeeded by Dr. J. H. Shumaker, an instructor and manager of great ability, and Prof. Alexander, the present incumbent.

In the *Repository* of April 12, 1814, Mrs. Catherine Durang, lately from Philadelphia, informs the ladies of Chambersburg and vicinity, that she has received a fresh supply of millinery goods at her dwelling in the George Cook building, next door to John Shryock, and that she had secured the services of a gentleman to conduct a school in connection, he instructing in writing, arithmetic, geography and other sciences, while she gave lessons in embroidery and needle-work. This, it seems, was the embryo of an industrial school, the first in the town.

July 11, 1815, John Riddle and Joseph Parks announce the opening of the "Chambersburg Union School," pupils being "accommodated with boarding on moderate terms by either of the subscribers." This was evidently a private school under a union name. Schools for dancing, writing, etc., were held at various times by A. Bonaffon and T. M. Fitzgerald, from 1817 to 1819. Thus the work continued, until, without attempting to trace the intervening steps, the present school system was developed.

*Schoolhouses.*—The Chambersburg School District owns four first-class brick buildings and rents a second-class frame building.

The King Street Schoolhouse, built in 1857, is three stories high and contains nine school-rooms and four recitation-rooms, in which thirteen teachers

are employed. The grades are two first primary, one for each sex; two second primary, one for each sex; two intermediate (two teachers each), one for each sex; one first grammar for boys, two teachers; one second grammar for boys, and one high school for boys. There are 185 girls and 344 boys in this building. Cost of lot, building and furniture, \$20,000.

The Washington Street Schoolhouse was built in 1877, and contains six principal, and two recitation-rooms. The pupils are all girls, and number 344. The schools are graded as follows: one first primary; one intermediate, two teachers; two first grammar; one second grammar, and one high school. Cost of lot, building and furniture, \$11,500.

The West German Street Schoolhouse was erected in 1874, and contains four rooms. The scholars are all colored, and consist of 100 boys and 87 girls, graded as first primary, second primary, intermediate and grammar. All scholars who pass examination in the higher grade in this building are then transferred to the high schools. Cost of lot, building and furniture, \$5,300.

The East German Street Schoolhouse was built in 1885, and contains four rooms, which accommodate 231 pupils—110 boys and 121 girls—in the following grades: two first primary, one for each sex; one second primary for girls, and one intermediate for boys. Cost of lot, building and furniture, \$5,900.

The rented building, on the corner of Washington and Water Streets, is two stories high, and contains a first and second primary for boys, 127 in number.

On account of the crowded condition of the primary schools, the school board has decided to purchase a lot of ground, upon which to erect another school building, something similar to those on German Street.

The school board of the district for the school year commencing June 1, 1886, is composed as follows: First Ward—John A. Seiders, William D. Guthrie, Charles S. Hull. Second Ward—Jacob N. Snider, Dr. John P. Seibert, James A. McKnight. Third Ward—W. Rush Gillan, W. H. H. Mackey, Samuel Monath. Fourth Ward—Charles H. Cressler, Henry S. Gilbert, John D. Breuner. President, Jacob N. Snider; secretary, John A. Seiders; treasurer, Charles H. Cressler. The amount appropriated by the State to the Chambersburg School District for the year commencing June 1, 1886, was \$1,689.16, and the amount of the tax duplicate for the same year, \$16,763.40. State appropriates and tax for 1835, \$426.22; for 1886, \$18,452.56.

The Act of Assembly establishing the office of borough superintendent, was passed in 1867, but its provisions were not accepted by the Chambersburg School District until June, 1884, and on the 26th of that month, Prof. Wm. H. H. Hockenberry, then principal of the male high school, was elected to that position for the period of three years, at a salary of \$800.

The following is a synopsis of the monthly report of the borough superintendent, W. H. Hockenberry, for October, 1886: Number of male pupils, 667; female pupils, 719; number in high schools, 81; in grammar schools, 296; in the intermediate schools, 297; in the second primary schools, 272; in the first primary schools, 444; average per cent of deportment, 89; average per cent of progress, 87; average per cent of attendance, 90; number of scholars not absent from any session, 506; number of scholars not tardy, 903; visits by school officers and patrons, 86; hours spent in school by officers and patrons, 115.

*Wilson Female College.*—For some years prior to 1870 various ministers and laymen of the Presbytery of Carlisle had expressed a desire for an institution abreast of the age and devoted to higher female education under Christian auspices. It was resolved among them at some informal conferences to locate it in the Cumberland Valley, at whatever point presented most advantages and

offered most help to the proposed college; for the plan to make it a college and of full standing as such, and not merely a seminary, was the desire of those seeking to found it. Various good seminaries did then, as now, exist in the State, but no female college in connection with the Presbyterian Church. Carlisle and Chambersburg seemed to be the competing points, but a gift of \$30,000 from Miss Sarah Wilson, residing near Chambersburg, was the principal thing leading to a decision in favor of the latter town, in connection with the favorable location of the town, situated as it is near the center of the entire valley, the more southern portion of which, beyond the Potomac, is known as the Shenandoah Valley, famous in the civil war.

About the same time an opportunity occurred for a purchase near Chambersburg, which in its favorable terms was almost equal in itself to a gift. Alexander K. McClure, Esq., now (1887) of Philadelphia, had erected, just north of Chambersburg, a palatial residence on which he had spent \$35,000, but owing to certain reverses he had to part with his ideal and magnificent structure. This, with the large farm surrounding it, was purchased for the intended college and then the surplus land was sold off, about thirty acres being reserved for college use. Of course other gifts were needed and were received for the work and for the extension of the buildings. Thomas A. Scott, Esq., then (1869) of Philadelphia, gave \$20,000. Thomas B. Kennedy, Esq., and many other Chambersburgers and residents of the valley, both men and women, subscribed in fair proportions and gave, also, both interest and labor to the new work. Among these were many excellent clergymen, one of the various earnest workers being Rev. I. N. Hays, D. D., now of Allegheny, Pa.

It was judged best, even by the clerical friends of the enterprise, that the college should have its own separate board of trustees, and accordingly a charter passed by both houses of the Pennsylvania Legislature and approved March 24, 1869, by Hon. John W. Geary, then governor of the State, put the college into corporate existence, with power to grant any degrees granted by any college or university in the United States, and with a board of eighteen trustees and a limit of twenty-nine, a majority to be always Presbyterian ministers holding the Westminster Confession, and two-thirds to be Pennsylvania citizens. While holding these points the board has invariably been liberal, having always had many laymen in it, and having other States and other denominations always represented in its membership, and requiring from its pupils who were not Presbyterians that they attend at their own church, if such church existed in the town or unless parents wished otherwise.

The college started its work in the fall of 1870 in the handsome building originally belonging to the McClure estate, and in a \$20,000 extension put to it, of 106 by 35 feet and of four and one-half stories high. To this another extension of 40 by 35 feet has now (1886) been added, to accommodate the late continual increase of pupils. With the new gymnasium building, finished in 1877, the value of college buildings and grounds is now about \$80,000, and, as about 1875-76, nearly \$20,000 was held as endowment, the gifts, etc. to the founding of the college may be valued at \$100,000. For a few years say, 1876 1877 and 1878, the management of the college exceeded its income, and changed the endowment held into about that amount of debt. For several years prior to the present time (1887) this condition of things has been reversed, and with releases, mainly from certain liberal-minded, trustees, in connection with other gifts and payments of certain mortgages, the claims against the college are but half what they were some years ago. In 1883 the town, with some help from elsewhere, raised \$3,000, and prevented the college from passing into other hands, the friends of the college having hopes that before many years Presbyterian men and women of means would have the same in-

terest in, and be as liberal to the cause of higher Christian female education, as to the education of young men. Of the original trustees of the college, W. L. Fletcher, Esq., T. B. Kennedy, Esq., and Rev. J. A. Crawford, D. D., of Chambersburg, Rev. Wm. A. West, of Harrisburg, W. D. McKinstry, Esq., of Mercersburg, J. C. McLanahan, Esq., of Greencastle, W. S. Amberson, Esq., of Waynesboro, with Rev. C. P. Wing, D. D., of Carlisle as president, still continue on the board with the addition of many worthy members both lay and clerical. The college opened, as first catalogue\* (1870-71) records, with Rev. Tryon Edwards, D. D., as president, but in the next year's catalogue Rev. Jas. W. Wightman, as vice-president, stands at the head of a well chosen faculty. In the third (yearly) catalogue, Rev. Jas. F. Kennedy, D. D., takes the position previously held by Rev. Mr. Wightman, and holds it in the fourth and fifth year catalogues. In the sixth (1875-76) Rev. W. T. Wylie heads the faculty as president elect, and as president in the seventh and eighth. In the ninth, tenth and eleventh annual catalogues, Rev. T. H. Robinson, D. D., now of Allegheny Theological Seminary, holds the position of president, with Miss Abby F. Goodsell, now of Vassar, as lady principal.† In the twelfth and thirteenth years of the college (fall of 1881-83) J. C. Caldwell, D. D., is president, and from that time to the present (1887) Rev. John Edgar, Ph. D.

The highest ranking of the pupils who entered in that first year was as sophomores, and so of course none graduated in the fall of 1871, and none in 1872. A first senior class graduated in 1873, and the three years following saw thirty added to that number. The present senior class (1887) numbers nine, each class behind it probably doubling on the one preceding it, and the whole college numbering 125. This numbering of graduates who take a B. A. degree, does not however include the many who graduate in music with the B. M. degree, nor the many who finish in art, or in the shorter courses of study, which for a few years prevailed in the college curriculum. The college work is of the same type as that in the higher male colleges of the land, and the college presents a strong faculty in its various departments, and one which is increasing in numbers with the constant increase in the number of the pupils, and in the continued enlargement of the buildings. The college runs at a low rate of expense, considering its many advantages. Tuition in all branches is but \$60 per year, and board, with room, light, heat, etc., is but \$190 per year when paid half yearly in advance. Young women, with this slight advance on normal rates, have opportunities for much higher recompense, than in common schools when teaching in the larger institutions, for which Wilson thus fits them. The college is evidently fulfilling the expectations of its founders in training young women for the various duties of life.

#### BOROUGH OFFICERS; 1886-87.

Burgess, S. Miller Shillito; council: First Ward—Chas. Yoh, James Aughinbaugh; Second Ward—P. H. Peiffer, Geo. A. Wood; Third Ward, B. F. Johns, F. A. Henninger; Fourth Ward—John Miller, Fred Zullinger; clerk to council, Samuel Myers; attorney, T. R. Gilland; fire marshal, P. H. Peiffer; water commissioner, Geo. A. Wood; chief of police, C. Kriechbaum; subordinates—Jack Gallagher, Jefferson Carbaugh, John Mull; wood inspectors—D. M. Funk, Geo. Dittman; magistrates—John A. Seiders, Van T. Haulman, Loren A. Culp; market master, Adam Wolf; borough treasurer, James L. Black; borough auditors—W. H. Hockenberry, D. S. McFadden, John Cree.

\*We have termed the catalogue issued June, 1871, the first catalogue because it covers the record of the first actual college year, from fall of 1870, to June, 1871. It was preceded by what is properly a prospectus, dated December, 1870.

†Dr. Edwards and Dr. Robinson did not reside at Chambersburg or at college during incumbency.

## CHAPTER XX.

## BOROUGH OF MERCERSBURG.

LOCATION—SETTLEMENT—JAMES BLACK—EARLY TRAFFIC—ORIGINAL PLAT—DERIVATION OF NAME—SKETCH OF DR. MERCER—PAST AND PRESENT BUSINESS INTERESTS—INCORPORATION—PROMINENT RESIDENTS—BIRTHPLACE OF PRESIDENT BUCHANAN—MERCERSBURG COLLEGE AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS—CHURCH HISTORY—CEMETERY—BANKS—FIRE COMPANY—SECRET SOCIETIES.

MERCERSBURG, the fourth town in size in Franklin County, is situated on a terminal branch of the South Penn division of the Cumberland Valley Railroad. It is on the line of the main gravel pike leading from McConnellsburg through Mercersburg, Greencastle, Waynesboro, across South Mountain to Baltimore. The site of the town is a beautiful one, being but three miles from North or Kittatinny Mountains, which lie in graceful waves along the west and, in autumn, afford views of exceeding grandeur. The larger part of the town is in Montgomery Township, the remainder being in Peters.

## SETTLEMENT.

The first settlement is said to have been made by the Scotch-Irish in 1730. At that early date James Black built a mill at or near the present site of Mercersburg. The settlement which grew up around it was, in honor of him, christened "Black's Town." The religious proclivities of the people soon led to the organization of a Presbyterian Congregation, known as "The West Conococheague Church," the membership of which embraced a vast stretch of country, now tributary to the congregations of Welsh Run, Loudon and St. Thomas, about fourteen miles square.

The property which Black owned was subsequently sold to William Smith. Though this transaction is not on the records, there is good reason to suppose it occurred about 1750. The latter was one of the justices of the peace for Cumberland County, and a man of considerable prominence in those early times. In those early days, say from 1750 to 1765, Smith's (now Mercersburg) was an important place, an extensive trade being carried on with the Indians and first settlers on the western frontier.

## EARLY TRAFFIC.

It was nothing uncommon at that time to see from fifty to one hundred pack-horses in a row, laden with salt, iron and other commodities for the Monongahela country. Sometimes dishonest and unscrupulous people surreptitiously took goods which, falling into the hands of the Indians, were injurious to the settlers. This led to the practice of inspecting, military-like, whatever these tradesmen carried. Justice William Smith was one of these inspectors. The following is a copy of his passes:

## CUMBERLAND COUNTY, ss.

*By William Smith, Esq., one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace of Sa'd County.*

Permit the Bearer, Thos. M'Camis, to pass to Fort Bedford with nine Kegs of Rum, Eight Kegs of Wine, One Keg of Spirits, One Keg of Molasses, Three Kegs of brown Sugar, Four Kegs packed with Loaf Sugar and Coffee and Chocolate, in all Twenty-six

Kegs. and One bag of Shoes, provided always, that this permit shall not Extend to Carry any Warlike Stores, or any Article not herein mentioned.

Given under my Hand and Seal, 15th May, 1765.

WM. SMITH.

To make assurance doubly sure, James Smith, then a military man in nature and subsequently in practice, gave this additional authority:

As the Sidling Hill Volunteers have already inspected these goods, and as they are all private property, it is Expected that none of these brave fellows will molest them upon the Road, as there is no Indian Supplies amongst them. Given under my Hand, May 15th, 1765.

JAS. SMITH.

One more will suffice to show the spirit of the times very clearly. Like the others it is given exactly as found in Vol. IV, Pennsylvania Archives, First Series, page 220.

CUMBERLAND, SS.

Permit the Bearers, Alex'r M'Kiney and Lachlan McKinnon, to pass unmolested to and from Antelatum, they behaving themselves Soberly and inoffensively, as becomes loyal Subjects, they being Soldiers Carrying a Letter to Daniel M'Cay, and as they say, is going to purchase two Cows. Given under my Hand, this 20th of May, 1765.

WM. SMITH.

The reason for this precaution is found, perhaps, in the following statement, taken from *Incidents of Border Life, etc.*, of an occurrence that antedates the foregoing passes:

"In the life and travels of Colonel James Smith, an interesting incident, having some relation to this place, is mentioned. The King's proclamation was then circulated, prohibiting any person from trading with the Indians until further orders.

"Notwithstanding all this, about the 1st of March, 1765, a number of wagons loaded with Indian goods and warlike stores were sent from Philadelphia to Henry Pollen's,\* Conococheague, and from thence seventy pack-horses were loaded with goods in order to be carried to Fort Pitt. This alarmed the country, and Mr. William Duffield raised about fifty armed men, and met the pack-horses at the place where Mercersburg now stands. Mr. Duffield desired the employers to store up their goods and not proceed until further orders. They made light of this, and went over the North Mountain, where they lodged in a small valley called the Great Cove. Mr. Duffield and his party followed after, and came to their lodging, and again urged them to store up their goods; he reasoned with them on the impropriety of their proceedings, and the great danger the frontier inhabitants would be exposed to if the Indians now should get a supply; he said it was well known that they had scarcely any ammunition, and were almost naked; to supply them now would be a kind of murder, and would be illegally trading at the expense of the blood and treasure of the frontiers. Notwithstanding his powerful reasonings these traders made game of what he said, and would only answer him by ludicrous burlesque.

"When I beheld this, and found that Mr. Duffield would not compel them to store up their goods, I collected ten of my old warriors that I had formerly disciplined in the Indian way, went off privately after night, and encamped in the woods. The next day Smith and his men brought the traders to their own terms—prevented them from carrying the goods to their place of destination."

\*Henry Pawling, one of the early settlers and leading spirits of Antrim Township.



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## ORIGINAL PLAT.

By a son of the aforesaid Squire Smith, William Smith, Jr., the town of Mercersburg was laid out, the original town plat yet to be seen, somewhat disfigured, in a public office in the village, bearing date March 17, 1786. Had it six streets, three north and south, viz.: Main, Fayette and Park, and three east and west, Seminary, California and Oregon. The paper above referred to, which should have been recorded at the county seat, has been so thoroughly blurred as to make it difficult to decipher the names of the original lot holders. The following few were secured: Benjamin Sterrett, Chas. Tipper, Wm. Leaman, George Robertson, James Davidson, Wm. Elliott, James Huston (a captain in the Revolutionary war, to whose company, as it was ready to start for the field, the celebrated Dr. King made a very patriotic speech.—See chapter on Revolutionary war) and Robert McDowell.

## DERIVATION OF NAME.

The name, Mercersburg, was given to the new town in honor of Dr. Hugh Mercer, a distinguished officer during the war of the Revolution. He was a Scotchman by birth, and a man of considerable talent which was made effective by a liberal education. With a military training and experience in Europe, he was admirably adapted for service in the colonies, to which he was assigned, with a captain's rank, in 1756. After several years he was promoted to the rank of colonel. When the Revolutionary war broke out he was, on the recommendation of Washington, appointed by Congress to the rank of brigadier-general. He served faithfully in various engagements and capacities. In the battle of Princeton, January 3, 1777, he "received seven wounds—five in his body and two in his head, and was much bruised by the breech of a musket, of which bruises he soon after died."\* A Tory paper, as quoted in "Diary of American Revolution," says: "Among their [American] slain were eleven officers. Mr. Mercer (one of the rebel officers since dead), when he was taken up by our people, asked how many the numbers were who had thus attacked him; and upon being told he cried out with astonishment, 'My God! is it possible? I have often heard of British courage, but never could have imagined to find such an instance as this.' †

## PAST AND PRESENT BUSINESS INTERESTS.

Mercersburg was formerly a more active business place than at present. The building up of rival towns in other parts of the county, with excellent railroad facilities, has had the effect to diminish its trade; and yet the natural elements of soil and climate are wholly in its favor. With proper efforts, the close proximity of Cove Gap, with its natural advantages and historical associations, ought to make Mercersburg a summer resort of great importance. Though it cannot hope to be again what it was formerly—the Athens of Franklin County—it may, by the utilization of the facilities near at hand, be the finest resort in the county.

As showing the business of the town forty years ago, the following item from Rupp's history is given:

"Marshall College, the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church and affiliated institutions are located here. The town contains 4 dry goods stores, 1 grocery, 2 druggists, 3 confectionaries, 4 tailor shops, 6 shoe-makers, 2 hatters, 2 wagon-makers, 1 coach-maker, 1 plow-maker, 2 weavers, 2 silversmiths, 3 butchers, 2 livery stables, 2 oyster cellars, 4 tan-yards, 1 distill-

\*Pennsylvania Journal, February 5, 1777.

†For full sketch of Dr. Mercer, see pag. 270.

ery, 1 pottery, 3 hotels, 4 rough carpenters, 6 house joiners, 4 cabinet-makers, 5 chair-makers, 4 saddlers, 4 coopers, 4 blacksmiths, 1 public school, 1 female seminary, 1 flouring-mill, 2 brick-yards, 7 physicians.”

At present it has 3 dry goods stores, 6 groceries, 2 drug stores, 2 hardware stores, 3 milliners, 2 hotels (Mansion and McAfee), 3 coach-makers, 7 churches (Presbyterian, United Presbyterian, Lutheran, Reformed, Methodist Episcopal, United Brethren and Colored Methodist), 3 physicians, 1 undertaker, 2 bakers, 1 tinshop, 3 blacksmiths, 1 cabinet shop, 2 meat markets, 1 bank, 1 newspaper (*Mercersburg Journal*\*) 2 coal dealers, 1 postmaster, 1 lodge I. O. O. F., 1 G. A. R. post, 2 barbers, 1 attorney, 1 notary public, 2 justices of the peace, 2 tailors, 1 monument dealer, 1 dentist, 3 boot and shoe dealers, 1 brass band.

#### INCORPORATION.

The town was incorporated in February, 1831. Its population by the census of 1880 was 970.

#### PROMINENT RESIDENTS.

Its history records the residence within its limits of some prominent men, among whom we can mention only a few: Wm. Findlay, ex-governor of Pennsylvania; James Buchanan, President of the United States; Thomas A. Scott, the railroad king of America; Dr. Philip Schaff, the renowned Biblical scholar and theologian; Dr. J. W. Nevin, ex-president of Marshall College, and eminent divine; Dr. Frederick A. Rauch, first president of the college in Mercersburg; Hon. E. E. Higbee, present State school superintendent. At present we simply give their names. In chapter XVII, “Master Spirits,” will be found a brief sketch of several of them.

#### BIRTHPLACE OF PRESIDENT BUCHANAN.

On Main Street stands the house which James Buchanan, the father of the President, built at the opening of the present century. It has been remodeled and is now known as the “McAfee House,” conducted by the McAfee brothers. On Fayette Street stands, on a very humble site, a one-story, hewed-log house, 20x21 feet, as measured by the writer, aided by W. H. Wilson, in the summer of 1886. It is whitewashed as any ordinary wooden building would be, and was, at the time the measurements were made, occupied by John Rodgers and his wife, both very aged people. This rude hut is the one in which James Buchanan, once President of this Nation, was born April 23, 1791. It then stood by the side of a packer’s path in Cove Gap, distant three miles and a half. It was removed to Mercersburg and placed on its present site, about 1830 or 1832. From the site in the Cove was dug, in October, 1885, a number of ancient coins, one of which was sent by Mr. Unger to President Cleveland, who acknowledged its receipt in a kind letter. One of them, an English penny dated 1776, was obtained by the writer of this sketch from E. E. Parker, who dug it from the debris that now marks the birth-place of a deceased President. Could the hut and these coins tell their simple story, they could give many incidents connected with the early life of the boy who, with a bell about his neck to prevent his being lost among the rocks and bushes, was securing that training which subsequently qualified him for a life of distinction and public trust.

In the building on the northwest corner of the Diamond was kept, forty-five years ago, a dry goods store by William Metcalfe. One of his clerks at the time, receiving the sum of \$10 per month and board, was Thomas A. Scott,

\*See Chapter X.

subsequently the president of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and railroad king. In one of the books kept by Mr. Metcalfe is found this journal entry:

MERCERSBURG, Feby. 19, 1842.

Jno. Myers (tailor)

Cr.

By making coat and vest for T. A. Scott. . . . . \$7.00

We give, in order, a brief account of the various educational, religious and other agencies by which society in the village and community has been fashioned and preserved in the past, and which have been the pride of the place. Naturally we commence with the college.

#### MERCERSBURG COLLEGE.

Mercersburg became a center of literary and theological education, and activity for the Reformed Church in the United States, about fifty years ago. A large number of the most prominent and active clergymen and laymen of the denomination have been educated at its literary and theological institutions.

Marshall College was founded at Mercersburg under a charter granted by the Legislature of Pennsylvania, March 31, A. D. 1836, and went into operation on the 9th of November, of the same year. The Legislature, at the same time, voted an appropriation of \$12,000 toward its endowment. The college sprang originally out of the high school, attached to the theological seminary, of the German Reformed Church, and which had been removed from the borough of York, Penn., to the village of Mercersburg, in the previous autumn. The theological seminary followed two years later from York. The college was named in honor of Chief Justice John Marshall, of the Supreme Court of the United States, who had died during the previous year, in the zenith of his fame.

Rev. Frederick A. Rauch, Ph. D., who had previously been the principal of the high school, whilst still located at York, from 1832 to 1835, became the first president of Marshall College. A German by birth and education, he had been thoroughly educated, and was well fitted for the position. In 1840 he published his work, or treatise, on "Psychology," which may be said to have introduced this science to the attention of American students. Dr. Rauch continued to fill the position of president until his lamented death, in the thirty-fifth year of his age, which occurred March 2, 1841, causing marked sorrow, not only among the students and immediate friends of the college, but also throughout the denomination. He had also been professor in the theological seminary, whilst still at York, and subsequently, from its removal to Mercersburg, in the fall of 1837, up to the time of his death.

The large four-story seminary, or college building, together with the adjacent professor houses, on the east side of the town, was erected in 1836 and 1837. In the autumn of 1837, as already stated, the theological seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States, was removed to Mercersburg, from York, under the solemn pledge of the church, that it was to be permanently located there, a pledge that was subsequently shamefully violated, by its removal to Lancaster, Penn.

Early in 1840, the Rev. John W. Nevin, D. D., at the time a professor in the theological seminary in Allegheny, Penn., was called to fill the chair of systematic theology in the institution at Mercersburg, which had become vacant through the resignation of Rev. Dr. Lewis Mayer. After due consideration, Dr. Nevin accepted the appointment, removed to Mercersburg, and in May, of the same year, entered upon the duties of his professorship. The

death of Dr. Rauch, in the early part of the following year, rendered it necessary for Dr. Nevin to assume the temporary presidency of Marshall College, which was afterward made permanent, and which he filled acceptably for the period of twelve years.

In October, 1843, the synod of the Reformed Church unanimously elected Rev. Dr. Philip Schaff, then of Berlin, Prussia, to one of the professorships in the theological seminary. A call accordingly was extended to him, which, after due consideration, he accepted. In August, 1844, Dr. Schaff arrived, and in the following October was duly installed as professor of church history and Biblical literature. His inaugural address, "The Principle of Protestantism," delivered in the German language, was translated by Dr. Nevin, and published in English and German, and at once attracted extraordinary attention. Its ability was universally recognized. It, however, contained views concerning the then present state of the church, which appeared new to American readers, although well known in Europe, and provoked no small amount of adverse criticism, but which are now very generally accepted by Christian thinkers. Dr. Schaff continued in connection with the seminary until his removal to New York, where he subsequently became a professor in the Union Theological Seminary. He has been a prolific writer of books of acknowledged worth. His reputation as a distinguished theologian and author is international. He is still living at this time, whilst his coadjutor, Dr. Nevin, departed this life June 6, 1886.

Marshall College, while located at Mercersburg, held deservedly high rank as a literary institution. The number of students was large, and nearly 200 were graduated in the regular classical course. In 1853, however, the college was removed to Lancaster, Penn., and formally united with Franklin College, the united colleges being named Franklin and Marshall Colleges. The difficulties, which necessitated the acceptance of propositions of union from Franklin College, were purely of a financial nature. Even as such they were rather imaginary than real. Many persons believe and affirm, that had the membership of the Reformed Church put forth the same strenuous efforts to endow and carry forward Marshall College at Mercersburg, that were made to bring about its union with Franklin College, and to secure an endowment since, the results would have been at least equally great, if not greater.

Although Marshall College was removed to Lancaster, Penn., in 1853, the theological seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States continued to remain at Mercersburg, where its permanent location had been solemnly promised for eighteen years longer, until 1871, when it too was transferred to Lancaster, its present habitation.

After the removal of Marshall College to Lancaster, the buildings at the south end of Mercersburg, which had been the property of the college, and by its board of trustees had been sold to the citizens of the place, were still occupied and utilized for educational and literary purposes, under the name of Marshall Collegiate Institute. This arrangement continued in force until the summer of 1865.

Mercersburg College was incorporated by the court of common pleas of Franklin County, Penn., October 30, 1865, receiving a liberal charter "for the education of youth in the learned languages, the arts, sciences and useful literature." The original corporators, styled the board of regents of Mercersburg College, nine in number, were Rev. Henry Harbaugh, D. D., Prof. E. E. Higbee, Adam B. Wingerd, Rev. Thomas G. Apple, Rev. Peter S. Davis, Rev. Walter E. Krebs, Rev. Cyrus Cort, David Zeller and Jacob Reed. Rev. H. Harbaugh, D. D., was chosen president, Prof. E. E. Higbee, secretary, and Adam B. Wingerd, treasurer of the board.

The property owned by the college at present, and which was purchased in 1865 from the citizens of Mercersburg, for the sum of \$6,500, consists of the preparatory building, diognothian hall, professor house, and five acres of ground at the southern extremity of the borough limits. In 1871, what is known as the seminary or college building, two professor houses adjacent, and four acres of land, situated on an elevation at the eastern border of the town, were transferred, at a nominal sum, to the board of regents of Mercersburg College by a lease from the board of trustees of the Theological Seminary, for the term of ninety-nine years, subject to certain specified conditions and restrictions.

Mercersburg College soon became a success, and had during the first year 100 students enrolled. Its first graduates went forth in 1871, and in a period of nine years graduated sixty young men in the learned languages, the arts, sciences and useful literature, one-half of whom have entered the ranks of the Christian ministry. In 1873 a post graduate department was formed, in which regular theological instruction was given to such graduates as desired to prepare themselves for the work of the holy ministry.

From the very start Mercersburg College was hampered financially, being without endowment, and depending upon its income from tuition, which proved to be an uncertain source of revenue. When the financial crisis came, measurably at least, brought about by the terrible rebellion in the Southern States of the Union, 'twenty-five years ago, the college soon felt its effects. The number of students began naturally to decrease, while the expenses of the college remained substantially the same. It gradually became so much crippled financially as to be compelled to suspend operations in October, 1881, and close its halls of learning for the time being. The amount of its indebtedness at the time was about \$15,000. This has been very materially decreased but is still an unfortunate incubus on its operations and usefulness.

In September, 1881, the college was revived and reopened, and has been moving forward in its important work since, agreeably to its charter rights and privileges. It is under the efficient management of the Rev. George W. Aughinbaugh, D. D., as president, who has had considerable experience as an educator as president of Heidelberg College, at Tiffin, Ohio, and subsequently as president of Palatinate College, at Meyerstown, Penn. He is assisted by a competent corps of teachers in the different branches taught. The number of students is again increasing from year to year.

Mercersburg College has had three presidents thus far: Rev. Thomas G. Apple, D. D., from 1865 to 1871; Rev. Elnathan E. Higbee, D. D., from 1871 to 1880; and Rev. George W. Aughinbaugh, D. D., from 1881 to the present time.

The college is under the control of the board of regents, elected by the Synod of the Potomac of the Reformed Church in the United States. Rev. Wm. M. Deatrich has been president of the board of regents since 1880. Extensive repairs to the property are being made at this time, June, 1886. A better location for a college could not well be found. The site of Mercersburg is healthful and it is surrounded with scenery at once striking and beautiful. It is easy of access, being in direct railroad communication with the great thoroughfares of travel on every side, and yet, at the same time sufficiently retired to form a secure retreat from the stir and noise of public life. In this respect its students are removed from the excitement and distraction of a large city, and brought under the elevating and educational power of an undisturbed college life in the midst of scenery almost unrivaled in its beauty and grandeur. There is not at the same time a more healthful

location in any part of the county or State. In point of air, water and general climate, it is all in this view that the most anxious parents can desire.

#### PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The earliest knowledge that can be obtained of the schools in Mercersburg dates to about 1825 or 1830. This school was known as the "Stone Academy," situated on what was then known as "commons," but which is now occupied by the new Presbyterian Church on the corner of West Seminary and Park Streets. This building was erected by the citizens. The money was raised by subscription. How long this institution remained separate from the public school system, we are unable to say.

For a number of years, the schools of Mercersburg were under the control of the directors of Montgomery Township; school being held successively in the basement of the Methodist Episcopal Church—the building now occupied by Dr. Unger—Gœthean Hall and the public school building.

April 14, 1857, the people of Mercersburg and surrounding community applied to the court of Franklin County to be incorporated into a separate district from Montgomery Township. Viewers were appointed who met in June of the same year, and August 14, 1857, the grant was obtained. This, then, is the basis from which we date the existence of Mercersburg Independent School District.

On the 14th of September, 1857, Gœthean Hall and the lot of ground on which it stood were sold by Franklin and Marshall College to J. O. Carson, W. D. McKinstry, Atchison Ritchey and J. H. Murphy, who held it as trustees. These parties retained it in trust until the 30th of September, 1862, when they disposed of it to the school board of Mercersburg Independent School District for the sum of \$2,500. The building was used for public school purposes from that time until in 1878, when Henry Waidlich accepted the building and grounds in part payment for the erection of the present public school building on West Seminary Street. After the fire, part of the walls tumbled down, and the work of completely razing the stone and brick work will soon destroy all vestige of a once stately and useful edifice.

May 31, 1878, a contract was made for the erection of the building now occupied for school purposes. Henry Waidlich took the contract at \$5,391.41, together with the two buildings—Hall and Dr. Unger's place—occupied at that time for school, which, together with cost of grounds upon which the building stands, amounts to about \$8,000. The board of directors who gave the contract was R. P. McFarland, J. S. Whitmer, O. L. Murray, John Orth, John Waidlich and Dr. R. S. Brownson.

The board having control of building and schools at present consists of Thos. McAfee, Henry Spangler, J. W. Witherspoon, W. L. McCullough, R. P. McFarland and J. O. Martin.

Among the principal teachers, before the present building was occupied, were Messrs. Richard, Clark, Rice, Bruce, Atherton, W. C. McClelland; Misses Sarah and Maggie Andrews, Annie and Maggie C. Beall.

At the opening of school in the public building, Prof. H. A. Deisert was elected principal, and graded the schools. The principals from then to the present were J. A. Hashinger, J. H. Devor and Will A. Elder. The present corps of teachers are Will A. Elder, principal; Miss Maggie C. Beall, assistant; Miss Sadie M. Parker, grammar; Miss Mollie Patterson, secondary; Miss Annie R. Geyer, second primary; Miss Maggie Porter, first primary; J. Calvin Wilson, colored school.

They have a five years' course in the high school: first year—reading, geog-

raphy, spelling, grammar, arithmetic and penmanship; second year—history, geography, physiology, arithmetic, grammar, spelling and penmanship; third year—grammar, algebra, physiology, history and penmanship; fourth year—book-keeping, literature, algebra, physiology, familiar science; fifth year—review of all branches.

Graduating class of 1886 consisted of fifteen members—thirteen girls and two boys.

There is a colored school, separate from the white school, whose pupils, when prepared, are permitted to enter the secondary room of the general system.

#### CHURCH HISTORY.

*Presbyterian Church.*—In 1738 was organized the Presbyterian Church, known as Upper West Conococheague, embracing within its ample domains what now constitute the congregations known as Welsh Run, Loudon and St. Thomas—about fourteen miles square. Two rival points claimed the location of the edifice,—Waddell's Grave-yard, near Bridgeport, opened up in anticipation of being successful, and Church Hill, several miles from Mercersburg. The latter place was finally selected, the warrant for the land having been taken by William Maxwell and William Campbell. As the result of a controversy in the general church, which originated some years prior to this time, and which involved even the newly organized congregations, a separation took place in this body resulting in the establishment of the Lower West Conococheague, or what was subsequently known as the Welsh Run Church, but now the Robert Kennedy Memorial Church.

In 1754 Rev. John Steele was invited to become pastor of Church Hill, and likewise of East Conococheague, now Greencastle. This call he accepted, and continued the work for about two years. His congregation was subjected to incessant attacks by the Indians. In fact, the usual course pursued was for preacher and members to repair to the church with rifle in hand, ready to be summoned at any time by the cries of distress in the neighborhood. When such calls came, pastor and people went forth to wreak summary vengeance on the cruel savages, the reverend captain leading. "It was about this time that Col. James Smith and Messrs. John McCollough and Richard Bard and his wife were taken captive by them, all of whom were connected with this congregation (the latter three after their captivity), and whose thrilling narratives are recorded in 'Incidents of Border Life,' and which give a good idea of the exposures and hardships and sufferings of the inhabitants of this region of country at this early period."\* For a time the congregation was unable to meet, on account of the depredations of the Indians, which dispersed its members. After their return they reorganized and received "supplies" till 1762 and 1763, when Indian incursions came near breaking it up again. The session at this period embraced William Maxwell, William Smith, John McDowell, William McDowell, John Welsh, Alexander White, John McClelland, Jonathan Smith, William Campbell, Robert Fleming and Samuel Templeton.

August 30, 1769, Rev. John King was installed pastor of the congregation, numbering at the time 130 families. Mercersburg having now been established, a house of worship, very plain, was erected in the village in 1794, on grounds given by Hon. Robert Smith. The congregation, subsequent to this time, met in the village. Dr. King, a minister second to none in his day.

\* Rev. Thomas Creigh, in *History of Presbyterian Church of Upper West Conococheague, now Mercersburg, Franklin Co., Penn.*

in the Presbyterian Church in this country, continued to serve it until 1811, when ill health compelled his resignation.

Rev. David Elliott became pastor October 7, 1812, and continued until October 29, 1829. In 1818, during his pastorate, the "Social Weekly Prayer Meeting" was instituted, and proved to be a source of great strength to the people. In 1819 a new house of worship was erected at a cost of \$6,000. After a faithful service of more than seventeen years, he was chosen to fill the pulpit in Washington, Penn.

November 17, 1831, began the pastorate of Rev. Thomas Creigh, and it continued until it was terminated by death a few years ago. He was a preacher of power and usefulness, and deeply impressed himself on the people whom he served.

The following is a list of prominent persons whose birthplace was within the bounds of the congregation, and whose parents were members either of the church or congregation: James Buchanan, President of the United States; William Findlay, governor of Pennsylvania; John Findlay, member of Congress; James Findlay, member of Congress; Prof. John McDowell, LL. D.; Wm. McDowell, captain Revolutionary war; Robert McCoy, captain Revolutionary war; Archibald Bard, associate judge; Robert Smith, associate judge and representative; James A. Irwin, captain United States Army; Thomas A. Scott, president Pennsylvania Railroad. In addition, there were lawyers, physicians and ministers of great prominence and worth.

*United Presbyterian Church.*—The present congregation, which numbers about twenty-five members, is the successor of two religious branches—the Seceders and the Associate Reformed. The history of each congregation is briefly told: The Seceders, about the year 1772, erected a log meeting-house a mile and a half from the present site of Mercersburg, on the road leading to Greencastle. Owing to its peculiar location it was called "Slate Hill Church." The building was used for school purposes, James Buchanan when a boy having been a pupil within its walls. This building was subsequently removed to the village; but with age its place was supplied by a new brick one, in 1828, which the congregation continued to use for a period of forty-four years. It was finally sold and is now the property of Jacob R. Kreps, and used by him for a town hall. The congregation was absorbed, and is no longer in existence.

About 1794 Thomas Johnston, of Lancaster County, settled near Mercersburg, and became the harbinger of the Associate Reformed Church in its region. His membership for a time continued at Carlisle. His family and those of several neighbors constituted a sort of mission, which was visited by such men as Pringle, Kendall, Scroggs, Blair and others.

In August, 1822, a call was extended to Rev. Thomas B. Clarkson, who officiated with acceptance. Through his labors, the church in Little Cove was united with the one in Mercersburg, so that in 1826 he reported 184 members. His successors were Rev. Findlay W. McNaughton, 1828-57; Rev. James Bruce, 1858-65; Rev. Robt. G. Ferguson, 1866-78; Rev. J. E. Black, 1878-83. Since 1883 no regular pastor has been had, but it has been fed by "supplies."

The house of worship owned and occupied by the United Presbyterian Church, the successor by union in the past of the other two, was erected at a cost of \$16,000. It is a handsome structure.

*St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation.*\*—It is an important historical fact, especially in many of the smaller towns and rural districts; that Lutheran and Reformed congregations erected and owned church buildings and burial grounds jointly, in the early history of these two denominations.

\*By the present pastor, Rev. M. L. Culler.





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They had a common language, the German, and often neither congregation was able to build without the aid of the other. Each denomination had its own pastor and church officers, and the pastors conducted divine service alternately for their respective congregations. This is true of the Lutheran and Reformed Churches of Mercersburg. They began their history about the same time. Rev. George Baugher who lived at Conewago, York County, began making visits in 1765 to the Lutheran settlement in Franklin County, preaching the word of God, catechising the youth, and administering the holy sacrament. The Lutherans in and about Mercersburg were organized into a congregation about the year 1800, by the Rev. John Ruthrauff, who lived, and also served the Lutheran Church in Greencastle. The first church building erected jointly by the Reformed and Lutherans, was constructed of logs, and situated in the northeastern portion of the town, or near the present stone building, afterward erected and now owned by the "United Brethren." It was a very primitive structure, and small. The seats were made of logs split in halves and smoothed on the split sides, and supported from the floor by wooden pins fastened into these slabs. Evidently there was not much in such sittings to encourage drowsiness. A constitution for the government of the pastors, church officers and members of the two congregations, and also the graveyard, very strict in its requirements, was drawn up by Rev. Ruthrauff, May 10, 1804, signed by him and also by the church officers, Jacob Geyer and Peter Shearer on the part of the Lutherans, and by Daniel Eigelberger and Michael Hoke on the part of the Reformed. Two copies of this constitution in manuscript are in existence at the present time (1886). One is in the possession of each congregation; both are in the German language, one, however, is written in English characters. In 1813 a lot was purchased upon which the stone building already referred to was erected by the two congregations. The lot was also used as a graveyard, and is yet owned by the two denominations. The building was begun in 1814 and not entirely finished in every respect until about 1825. Rev. Ruthrauff, the first regular Lutheran pastor, was possessed of considerable means. The incident is related of him, that while he was preaching a sermon in the church at Greencastle, a gentleman came into the church, and, walking up to the pulpit, told him his mill was on fire. In reply he quietly remarked that "he supposed he would let it burn," and continued his sermon to its completion. Most preachers would have cut the sermon short, and tried to save the mill. It is also said that his congregation, impressed with his earnestness and devotion, contributed more than sufficient to rebuild the mill, which is yet standing about one mile north of Greencastle, a little to the west of the turnpike and on the Conococheague Creek. In 1827 Rev. Ruthrauff resigned, and was succeeded by Rev. Mr. Shultze, who served the church for two years. In 1830 Rev. Mr. Baughey became pastor, and continued as such until 1832, when he was succeeded by Rev. Reuben Weiser, who afterward received the title of D. D. from Pennsylvania College in 1876. After a long and successful ministry, he resided several years in Georgetown, Col., where he died in 1884, at the advanced age of eighty-three years. During his ministry the church building was repaired at a cost of \$1,000. The members at that time numbered sixty. He was the first to introduce the English language in the worship of the congregation. He resigned the church in 1835. From this date until 1846 there was no stated pastor, but the congregation was supplied at intervals by different adjacent pastors.

Some time in 1846, Rev. Michael Eyster, who had charge of the church at Greencastle, also became pastor of the Mercersburg congregation, and continued in that relation until 1849. In 1851 Rev. P. P. Lane became pastor,

and was succeeded in 1853 by Rev. M. M. Bæchtel, who served the church for one year. In 1854 Rev. S. McHenry took the pastoral care of the Mercersburg church, and was succeeded in 1859 by Rev. John Roth, during whose ministry a difficulty arose which caused about twenty members, principally Germans, to withdraw from the Lutheran congregation and unite with the Reformed Church. In June, 1859, a Lutheran Sunday-school was first organized, with Samuel King as superintendent. Among the teachers in the Sunday-school at its first organization were Miss Harriet Sohn, Jacob Phinice, John Greenwald, Messrs. Sellers, Furry, Gilbert, Eresman, and Miss Rebecca Lightner. Sometime in the summer of 1863, Rev. A. M. Whestone became the pastor. During his ministry the church enjoyed considerable prosperity. Among the church officers in the stone building in its earlier history were Jacob Geyer, Peter Shearer, Solomon Weiser, Mr. Sellers, Edward and Christian Walt. In the spring of 1867, during Rev. Whestone's pastorate, the lot on which the present brick church and parsonage stand was purchased for \$820, and on the 13th day of July of the same year the corner-stone was laid, and the church was dedicated to the worship of the Triune God, July 5, 1868, at a cost of \$9,064.11. In 1871 Rev. Whestone resigned the church, and in February, 1872, was succeeded by Rev. A. J. Hesson. During Mr. Hesson's ministry the church enjoyed increased prosperity and many additions were made to the congregation. In the summer of 1876 the handsome and commodious parsonage was built, on a part of the lot previously purchased, in the south end of the town and near the church, at a cost of about \$5,000. Waidlich & Bros. were the architects and builders, both of the present church and parsonage. In the summer of 1880 the church was repainted and handsomely frescoed. Beautiful lawns with a variety of evergreens and other trees are in the front of both church and parsonage, making the church property of St. John's one of the most attractive in Cumberland Valley. Until the year 1875, the congregation of Mercersburg had always been served in connection with other adjacent Lutheran congregations, the pastors dividing their time between the several congregations, over which they had pastoral care. But in the spring of 1875, St. John's resolved to support its pastor alone and enjoy the benefit of his entire service. They have honorably and faithfully carried out their resolution ever since. When in 1881, by reason of impaired health, Rev. Hesson was compelled to resign the pastorate, the number of members had increased to 220.

In August, 1881, Rev. M. L. Culler, the present pastor, took the pastorate care of the church. The congregation has continued to prosper steadily. Although many of the members have moved West, and to other portions of the country, and others have been called from the church militant to the church triumphant in heaven, yet at present, June, 1886, the membership is 250. A spirit of progress and improvement has especially marked St. John's history, ever since the congregation abandoned the old stone building in 1868. The Reformed congregation abandoned the stone building in 1845. The present church officers are John Klee, David Thompson, George C. Steiger, Sr., John Waidlich, elders; Adam Steiger, Sr., William Brubaker, John Schoenberger, Jacob Fries, and John Steiger, deacons. The trustees are J. O. Martin, H. L. Waidlich, and Jacob H. Fries. The Sunday-school at present numbers 143 scholars and fifteen teachers, the largest number ever reached in its history. In the library are about 225 volumes. Lesson books and helps, and two instructive religious papers are distributed to the school. Organ and cornet, and other appliances are used to make the exercises of the school interesting and instructive. In view of the condition of the congregation and Sunday-school, without intending any disparagement to the faithful and suc-

cessful labors of previous pastors, it can with truth be said that the present is the most prosperous condition the St. John's congregation has yet attained in all its varied history. In studying the history of the church of Christ, both in general and of particular congregations, we are impressed with God's gracious and faithful care of his people who are devoted to His service, and the wonderful vitality of the church amid the most adverse circumstances, disappointments and discouragements. While it has often happened that many mere human and secular organizations have existed only for a time, and have then passed away, there is not an instance on record of a Christian congregation becoming extinct, whenever founded on the pure Gospel of Christ, and where the word of God is faithfully preached and the holy sacraments properly administered, except when the members of a congregation move away in very large numbers; and they, then in their new homes organize themselves into congregations, so that the church is perpetuated. "The gates of hell shall not prevail against the church."

*Trinity Reformed Congregation.*\*—The first record of any member of the Reformed Church living in Mercersburg or vicinity that has as yet come into our possession is an article of agreement between the members of the Reformed and Lutheran Churches, made on the 10th of May, 1804. This article is signed by Rev. John Ruthrauff, pastor of the Lutheran congregation at Greencastle, and Jacob Geyer, Peter Shearer, Daniel Eigelberer and Michael Hoke, who constituted the church council. It is not only an article of agreement, but at the same time a constitution defining the rights, privileges, duties and qualifications of pastor, officers and people. It is an interesting and in some respects, a curious document. From this article of agreement and constitution we learn that the Reformed and Lutheran members constituted but one congregation in this place at that time; that they occupied and owned one church building; that pastors had to be members of some evangelical synod; that officers must be elected from both religious persuasions; that they must be men of good report, upright and devout; that they must exercise a watchful care over the congregation and punish all outward violations of God's law; that members must aid in supporting the Gospel; that all such had a right to vote, a share in the church and burying-ground, and all the blessings and privileges of the congregation.

Rev. Jonathan Rahausser's Pastorate.—Rev. Jonathan Rahausser was pastor of the Reformed people from October, 1792, to the day of his death, which occurred in September, 1817. He had nine other preaching points. We do not know whether the Reformed members were served regularly with preaching before Mr. Rahausser came or not, but it is not likely that they were. Their number could not have been very large at that time, for at a communion held on the 23d of December, 1804, the communicants numbered only fourteen. Their names are as follows: Michael Hoke, Simeon Leidy, Johannes Wolf, Frederick Scherer, Peter Scherer, Paul Schafer, Johannes Dahlman, Johannes Troutman, Barbara Hisson, Anmaria Wolf, Dorothea Dahlman, Catharina Merckel, Elizabeth Breidenthal, Barbara Leidy. On Saturday preceding the above date the following persons were confirmed: Jacob Schort, Jacob Leimaster, Jonathan Scherer, Johannes Leidy, George Schafer, Johannes Schafer, Samuel Brand, Johannes Dahlman, Paul Schafer, Joseph Zimmerman, Isaac Dahlman, Jacob Kalm, Jacob Dahlman, Martin Reudenauer, Andreas Herkman, Adam Kugal, Maria Bahn, Elizabeth Bahu, Hanna Dahlman, Freuny Dahlman, Hana Leidy, Susana Mauerer, Elizabeth Kalm, Anamaria Kugel, Catharina Wolf, Mearia Schaffer, Susana Rendenauer, Elizabeth Wolf, Margretha Scherer,

\*Extracts from sketch of the church by its present pastor, Rev. J. W. Knappenberger.

Elizabeth Leimeister, Anamaria Leimester, Anamaria Kamel, Susana Wolf. The names are spelled as they are given on the record. According to this record, there were forty-seven Reformed members the 23d of December, 1804. This includes those confirmed on the preceding day. It is probable that some members were prevented from being present at this communion, so that the actual membership was somewhat larger.

These members were formed into a separate and distinct organization some time previous to the year 1811, for in the minutes of the synod of the German Reformed Church in the United States, which met in Reading, Penn., in May, 1811, it is stated "that the three congregations, Greencastle, Miller's and Mercersburg, in Franklin County, which are served by Rev. Mr. Rahausser, made a request to be received as congregations by synod." It is said that the request was granted and that they were to be informed of the fact by letter.

The Union congregation, thus divided into two distinct organizations, since known as the Reformed and Lutheran congregations, still worshiped in one building and continued to do so until the year 1847.

The first church was built of logs.\* The lot on which it stood was owned by Joseph Grub, in 1786. When it came into the possession of the Reformed and Lutheran people, or in what way, the court records have, as yet, failed to give us any information. But on this lot, No. 88, on the original town plat of Mercersburg, on North Fayette Street, a log church was built some time after the year 1786, but previous to the year 1804.

The log church was used until the year 1813. It was then moved to the lot adjoining on the south; converted into a dwelling-house, and was so occupied for many years. It was then used as a shop for some time, and was only taken down and altogether removed in the spring of the year 1876, by Christian Haulman, who wished to erect a new building on the lot on which it stood.

A bell not honored with a place in a cupola or spire on the top of the log church, but hung on several poles sunk in the ground a short distance away, was used to call the people together for worship. This bell was afterward placed in a small spire on the stone church, where it did service for a long time. It was in due season elevated to a position in the cupola of Trinity Church, and was used until it became cracked and entirely worthless. It was then given in exchange, as old metal, when the bell in present use was purchased.

The log building was used until 1813, when the lot adjoining on the north was purchased of John Brownson by Michael Hoke and Jac. Geyer, in trust for the Reformed and Lutheran congregations. On the land now owned a new church of stone was erected. It was commenced in 1813, but was not entirely finished until some time after 1820. It required patience and perseverance to build a church in those days, when the people were in moderate circumstances, money scarce and times hard. The church was a credit to those that built it. Dr. Welker describes this church as follows: "The stone church originally was entered on the side next the street, and the pulpit was on the rear side opposite the door, and galleries were over the front side and the two ends, the stairway starting at the left of the door."

The Rev. Rahausser, as already stated, served this congregation until September, 1817. Few additions were made during his pastorate, as the list of communicants numbers only fourteen in 1821. The reason was that his charge was so large that he could preach here only once a month, and do very little

\*See description under head of Lutheran Church.

pastoral visitation. No congregation could grow very rapidly under those circumstances. Mr. Rahauser was, however, a faithful worker and an earnest preacher.

Rev. F. A. Scholl's Pastorate.—Rev. Rahauser was succeeded by Rev. F. A. Scholl, who served this congregation until 1830; he had five other preaching points; he preached here once a month and in the German language exclusively; this was a severe loss to the congregation, as many went where they could hear preaching in the English language. Little pastoral work was done, and the congregation was mainly held together by church affection and the observance of the sacrament, which was only once a year. The highest number that communed at any time during the pastorate was forty-six, and the smallest fourteen; the average number is twenty-one.

Rev. Dieffenbacher's Pastorate.—Rev. Dieffenbacher's pastorate began in 1830 and continued until 1832. He preached at Loudon, McConnellsburg, and the Little Cove. His pastorate marks an epoch in the history of this congregation. He was the first pastor to make his home in Mercersburg. He preached alternately in the German and English language. He held weekly prayer-meeting, organized a Sunday-school, catechized the young, and kindled new life and spirit in the hearts of the people. The attendance was largely increased and the list of communicants more than doubled. Dr. Welker, who began the Heidelberg catechism under his ministry, speaks of him as a most amiable and exemplary Christian minister.

Rev. Dieffenbacher thought best to resign this charge in the spring of 1832, and accepted a call to Woodstock, Va. To a large part of the congregation this was a great loss. Yet how strange are the ways of God! His resignation opened the way to secure the location of the theological seminary and the establishment of Marshall College at this place.

Rev. Hamilton Vandyke's Pastorate.—After Rev. Dieffenbacher had gone, Rev. Hamilton Vandyke supplied the congregation with services for a short time. He was assistant pastor to Rev. F. Rahauser in Chambersburg, in preaching in the English language.

Rev. Meayer's Pastorate.—Rev. Jac. Meayer became pastor in the fall of 1833, and remained pastor till 1836. He was active and energetic, and the congregation grew in numbers and interest under his ministry. He preached in the German and English languages.

It was during his pastorate that the proposition to locate the theological seminary and high school was brought before the people of Mercersburg and vicinity. Rev. Meayer was heartily in favor of having it here, and worked enthusiastically for its accomplishment. It is due to him to state that he was largely instrumental in bringing it to pass. In his great enthusiasm to get the institutions here it is said that "he held out unwarrantable inducements to get subscriptions, which in the end alienated many of the members of the church from him, and undermined his reputation for integrity with the public." This led to his resignation in 1836, when he became financial agent for the Theological Seminary.

Rev. Joseph F. Berg's Pastorate.—After Rev. Meayer resigned, the congregation was served for a short time by Rev. Joseph F. Berg, who was professor of languages in Marshall College, and at the same time pastor of this congregation. This was the beginning of the year 1837. He was an eloquent preacher, a fine scholar, and very pleasant, socially. The congregation was greatly benefited by his brief pastorate.

Rev. John Rebaugh's Pastorate.—Rev. John Rebaugh became pastor in the fall of 1837, and served this congregation until 1839. He was active and

energetic, an earnest preacher and successful pastor. The congregation continued to grow and flourish during his pastorate. In 1839 the list of communicants numbered 116; the average number of communicants was eighty-eight.

The congregation was without a pastor from 1839 to the spring of 1843, being supplied with services by the professors of the college and seminary, and by candidates for the charge, of whom there were a goodly number. The congregation suffered a great deal during this long vacancy from want of pastoral care and attention. It could not be otherwise, and yet the communions were held regularly, and were well attended on the part of the membership. Additions were made from time to time. In 1843 thirty-five members were added to the congregation. This addition was owing largely to the work and influence of Mr. McCauley, then a student in the theological seminary. During the winters of 1842 and 1843 he had taught a catechetical class and prepared them for church membership. He preached to the congregation under seminary license from April, 1843. He was installed pastor of the congregation on the 11th of June, 1843, which relation continued till the autumn of 1845. Rev. McCauley did an excellent work in this congregation. He used his influence to have everything done systematically. The congregation adopted a constitution, which defined the duties of officers and members, and provided for the regular election of the officers, the regular meetings of the consistory, and a book for the keeping of a record of the proceedings, as well as bringing about a better state of discipline than had prevailed heretofore. The congregation grew rapidly under his ministry. Ninety-one members were received into the congregation during his pastorate, including the students. Dr. McCauley, speaking of his work here, says, "The period of my ministry in Mercersburg was characterized by a greater degree of activity than any subsequent part of my ministerial life and met the approbation of the Classis." He resigned in the autumn of 1845.

It was during Rev. McCauley's pastorate that the brick church on East Seminary Street in which we now worship was built. The movement to build a new church originated in the college and seminary. The stone church was too small for the commencement and anniversary occasions, and not in harmony with the institutions of learning. The place in which the leading institutions of this denomination were located demanded a larger and more handsome church. The time had come when the congregation was able to build a church for its own use, and which it required for its future development and growth. Such were some of the arguments used to influence the congregation to undertake the work. They were a little slow to move at first but at length decided to build a new church, at a congregational meeting held October 6, 1844. Dr. Schaff headed the subscription with \$100. On January 18, 1845, the committee appointed for the purpose had raised \$4,395, and was continued with instructions to raise the amount as speedily as possible to \$5,000.

The corner-stone of the new edifice was laid in June, 1845.

The church was not completed until the spring of 1847. It was dedicated on May 30, 1847; the dedicatory services were conducted by Rev. J. Rebaugh; the sermon was preached by Rev. J. W. Nevin, D. D.

Rev. William Philips' Pastorate.—Rev. Wm. Philips became pastor of the congregation in December, 1846, and continued pastor until December, 1849. The congregation had been taxed pretty heavily in building the new church, and from this and other causes did not pay Rev. Philips' salary. He seems to have done all that he could to build up the congregation in members and in righteousness, but became discouraged, and resigned in 1849.



The congregation remained without a pastor until 1851. It was supplied with services during this time by the professors in the college and seminary, and by persons who were candidates for the charge. Very little pastoral work was done and the congregation became very much demoralized.

Rev. Theodore Appel's Pastorate.—In the spring of 1851, Rev. Theodore Appel became pastor. He preached for the congregation on Sunday morning, and taught in the college during the week. The congregation revived, grew in interest and numbers, and some of the debts were canceled. The record says that twenty-five persons, including students, were received into this congregation during his pastorate.

Rev. Henry Wagner's Pastorate.—Rev. Henry Wagner became pastor in 1853 and served this congregation till 1856. During his pastorate seventeen members, including the students, were admitted to membership.

Rev. G. G. Brown's Pastorate.—After various fruitless attempts to get a pastor, the congregation extended a call to Mr. Brown, then a student in the theological seminary, who accepted the call and served the congregation until April, 1883. Under his ministry the congregation made steady progress. He was a faithful pastor. During his pastorate 473 members, including students, were added to the congregation, averaging about eighteen each year. During his pastorate the parsonage on South Main Street was purchased, and the three building lots on the east of the church, on Seminary Street, were presented to the congregation by Mrs. A. R. Schnebley, and one and part of another lot adjoining them were presented to the congregation by the heirs of Adam Hoke, for the building of a new parsonage for the congregation. So that the church owns a parsonage and over four lots of ground near the church, as well as having an interest in a property on Oregon Street.

Rev. J. W. Knappenberger succeeded Rev. Brown November 1, 1883, and is pastor at the present time. The congregation at present is in a very prosperous condition.

*Methodist Episcopal Church.*—The first Methodist minister to preach in Mercersburg was known as "Daddy Stone." His first discourse was preached in the bar-room of Henry Spangler, from whom the old missionary received kind treatment. This occurred in 1807 in the hotel kept at that time by Spangler.

For a period of about fifteen years, all worship was conducted in private houses. In 1822 a small brick edifice was erected in the northwest corner of the town. This structure was used till August 9, 1833, when a fire consumed it and some six or eight others. In 1834 the present brick structure on the corner of Fayette and East Seminary Streets was built at a cost of \$2,300.

Preachers under the organization since 1826, have been Samuel Clarke, N. B. Mills, Robert Minshall, John Paisel, James Lanks, George Hitt, Wm. Butler, David Shaver, Christopher Parkison, James Reed, N. P. Cunningham, James Bershley, Basil Barry, Jesse Stansbury, W. B. Edwards, D. Hartman, J. Stine, J. Clary, T. C. Hays, J. M. Jones, P. D. Lipscomb, Jos. S. Rook, W. Clem, M. Goheen, John Lanahan, P. McAnally, A. Jameson, W. How, E. Teal, Wm. Monroe, Wm. Mercer, D. Hartman, John M. Green, B. F. Brook, W. Monroe, T. T. Hyssong, Isaiah Forest, P. E. Waters, G. W. Cooper, E. Welty, John Lloyd, ———— Weltz, John Thrush, Horace Holland, John Hersey, Samuel Smith, D. Hartman, Jacob Hartman, J. Monroe, L. M. Gardner, R. R. Murphy, W. R. Mills, J. H. Clippinger, N. Schloper, D. Castleman, Wm. Ernschaw, Jas. H. McCord, Dr. T. Daugherty, James Curns, G. W. Heyd, J. W. Buckley, J. P. Moore, J. H. Marsh, G. W. Izer, B. Rhodes, J. H. S. Clark, F. Adams, Wm. Stevens, J. H. Colgrove, E. A. Deaver, John

Moorehead, B. H. Mosser, J. Mortimer, J. W. Forest, J. W. Feight. The house of worship is undergoing repairs, at present, which will cost \$2,000.

*United Brethren Church.*—This church was organized in 1867, with the following charter members: John Sharar, John S. McCuen, David Springer and others, former members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

John Cell, a member of the church in Peters Township, bought for \$400, the house formerly used by the Reformed and Lutheran Churches, and presented it to the new congregation. This house, repaired at a cost of about \$1,000, is still used by them. The preachers have been S. A. Mower, Luther Bricker, Bingaman, Jacob L. Vancy, John Fohl, Jacob Wantz, D. W. Profit, S. T. Wallace, W. H. Sherer, C. A. Butner, L. A. Mickey, W. A. Grim.

#### FAIRVIEW CEMETERY.

This cemetery was incorporated on June 5, 1866, by S. A. Bradley, M. Fallon, Atchison Ritchey, H. N. Eberly and D. M. B. Shannon. The grounds, containing nearly twelve acres, were surveyed and drafted by Jas. D. McDowell. Its first directors consisted of D. M. B. Shannon, S. A. Bradley, H. N. Eberly, W. D. McKinstry and J. N. Brewer. Of this number Bradley was president, McKinstry, secretary, and Brewer, treasurer. The present corps embraces J. W. Witherspoon, president; J. N. Brewer, treasurer; W. D. McKinstry, secretary, and D. M. B. Shannon, superintendent.

#### BANKS.

*Mercersburg Savings Fund.*—About 1845 this institution was established by Wm. McKinstry, Jas. O. Carson, David Dunwoody, John Johnston and Edward Aughinbaugh. Mr. Aughinbaugh was its first cashier and secretary. Johnston the second, and W. D. McKinstry its third and last. It had several presidents in succession, the last one being John McFarland. It closed out its business in 1857-58.

*Farmers Bank.*—This institution was organized as a bank of deposit June 1, 1874, by George C. Steiger,\* Wm. Boyd, T. C. Johnston, Jos. Boyd, Joseph Winger,\* A. R. Schnebely,\* F. C. Waidlich, J. N. Brewer,\* John Waidlich,\* J. S. Whitmer\* and others. Geo. C. Steiger has acted as president from the first; W. M. Marshall was cashier from 1874 to 1878, since which time J. W. Witherspoon has held the position. The bank building was erected in 1881 at a cost of \$3,200.

#### FIRE COMPANY.

*Eclipse Fire Company,* of Mercersburg, was organized in December, 1885. Its first officers were Geo. W. Atherton, president; H. L. Waidlich, vice-president; Geo. A. Hornbaker, secretary; A. B. Lauderbaugh, chief director; John Pensinger, C. H. Fallon, assistant directors; John Eckert, treasurer; J. V. Pheil, chief engineer; S. C. Jordan, Geo. W. Weitzel, assistant engineers; David Criswell, chief pipeman; Oliver Myers, hose captain; M. S. Murray, engine captain. Present officers: Geo. W. Atherton, president; John Pensinger, vice-president; Geo. A. Hornbaker, secretary; John Eckert, treasurer; A. B. Lauderbaugh, chief director; John Pensinger, C. H. Fallon, assistant directors; J. V. Pheil, chief engineer; S. C. Jordan, Ed. Anderson, assistant engineers; J. Myers Martin, chief pipeman.

Hand engines were used till 1885, when, in December, the village council purchased a Silsby Engine for \$2,200 and 1,000 feet of hose for \$800. Three large cisterns for water supply were dug in the village, holding 18,000, 20,000 and 25,000 gallons respectively.

Time of meeting, first Tuesday evening of each month.

\*Present board of directors.



*S. J. Hawbecker*



## SOCIETIES.

*Independent Order of Odd Fellows.*—Marshall Lodge, No. 233, was organized March 12, 1847, with the following charter members: Adam Wolff, Noble Grand; John D. Sehriver, Vice-Grand; A. M. Spangle, Secretary; Malachi B. Hassler, Assistant Secretary; Samuel Welchans, Treasurer.

The present is the second permanent hall, the first having been a room in the McKinstry block. The first two were private dwellings, used but for a short time. The present officers are A. R. Hoffeditz, Noble Grand; John A. Dale, Vice-Grand; M. J. Slick, Secretary; John Waidlich, Assistant Secretary; Banner Graves, Treasurer; A. E. French, Chaplain.

The present membership is thirty-five; the value of lodge furniture and regalia, \$400; resources of lodge, \$2,600.

*Capt. J. P. McCollough Post, No 497, G. A. R.*—Charter members: N. W. Kuhn, M. J. Slick, A. A. Myers, A. E. French, Milton Hause, R. M. Small, Saml. Sites, Wm. Hollingshead, Wm. F. Seltzer, Harry Shorts, G. W. C. Myers, David F. McDonald, Jno. K. Shatzer, David T. Miller, Michael Kreps, J. G. McLaughlin, Jno. W. Winters, David Sharar, Jacob Spidal, J. Monighan, Geo. W. H. Ely, John Bennett, D. S. Stouffer, W. E. McKinstry, J. M. Greer, Wm. F. Mish, Isaac Hollingshead, Jacob Henninger. This post was organized October 2, 1885, with the following officers: N. W. Kuhn, C.; Isaac Hollingshead, S. V. C.; J. G. McLaughlin, J. V. C.; M. J. Slick, Adj.; A. E. French, Q. M.; David Criswell, S. M.; A. A. Myers, Q. M. S.; D. F. McDonald, O. D.; W. F. Mish, O. G.; Milton Hause, Chap.; Jacob Blattenberger, Surg.

(Capt. J. P. McCollough was born near Upton, Penn., April 1, 1837. He entered the One Hundred and Twenty-Sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers as first sergeant of Company C, and was promoted for gallantry at the battle of Fredericksburg to the captaincy of same company, Capt. Robt. Brownson having been promoted to the majorship of the regiment. After the muster out of the One Hundred and Twenty-Sixth Regiment, Capt. McCollough entered the Two Hundred and Ninth Regiment as captain of Company D, the 16th of September, 1864, to serve for one year. He participated with the regiment in all its engagements till the 2d of April, 1865; when in front of Petersburg he was wounded near Fort Cummings, a piece of shell striking his right hip and wholly destroying it. He died about 10 o'clock the same night. He was a good officer, and performed his duties faithfully. His body was buried and still rests in the White Church Graveyard, about two and a half miles east of Mercersburg.)

*Sons of Veterans of United States Army.*—Maj. Robert S. Brownson Camp No. 132, division of Pennsylvania Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., was organized and mustered August 30, 1886. Officers: Captain, Geo. W. Atherton; first lieutenant, Jno. A. Small; second lieutenant, W. C. Myers; chaplain, C. L. Seibert; orderly sergeant, J. M. Kuhn; quartermaster-sergeant, J. T. Pensinger; sergeant of guard, Washington Winters; corporal of guard, D. E. Criswell; camp guard, G. W. Ely; picket guard, W. J. Hepfor; color sergeant, Edwd. Winters; trustees, Thos. St. Clair, E. C. Kershner and C. L. Seibert. The above are all the charter members. The camp meets each Wednesday evening in McCollough Post room. Present membership is twenty-five.

*Woman's Christian Temperance Union.*—This society was organized January 23, 1884, in the Methodist Church, by Mrs. McLaughlin, of Boston. The original officers were president, Mrs. Emma J. Baker; vice-presidents, Mrs. Culler, Mrs. Kieffer, Mrs. Knappenberger and Mrs. Stevens; treasurer, Mrs. Reisner; recording secretary, Miss E. D. Creigh; corresponding secretary, Miss Mary

Ritchey. The present officers are president, Mrs. Reisner; vice-presidents, Mrs. Kieffer, Mrs. Culler and Mrs. Knappenberger; treasurer, Mrs. Reisner; recording secretary, Mrs. E. J. Baker; corresponding secretary, Miss Ritchey; superintendent of library, Mrs. Lane; assistant superintendent of library, Miss McKinstry. The number of members is now thirteen.

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## CHAPTER XXI.

### BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO.

ORIGIN OF THE NAME—LOCATION—THE PLAT—ORIGINAL LOT OWNERS—INCORPORATION—BANKS—MANUFACTORIES—WATER-WORKS—SOCIETIES—CHURCHES—TEMPERANCE UNION—SCHOOLS—CEMETERY—A FAMOUS SEWING MACHINE.

THE borough of Waynesboro was first christened Waynesburg, a name it probably would have retained, but it was in time discovered there were other towns in the State bearing this name, and so it was changed. It is said that it received its christening from this incident: Gen. Anthony Wayne, at one time, in his travels through this part of the State, stopped over night at the wayside inn that was then established here. He was pleased with his night's entertainment and still more pleased with the cool, sparkling sweet water that bubbled up from the spring hard by, and then too, when he looked on the wide and lovely landscape that lay spread before him, he was so impressed that he remarked, "what a lovely place to build up a town."

#### LOCATION.

It is situated on the old national turnpike, leading from Baltimore to Pittsburgh through Greencastle and Waynesboro, in as lovely a spot as there is in the rich and beautiful Cumberland Valley. The Baltimore & Cumberland Valley branch of the Western Maryland Railroad passes through it, and in it terminates the Mont Alto branch of the Cumberland Valley Railroad.

#### THE PLAT.

The village of Waynesburg (now Waynesboro) was laid out by John Wallace, and the instrument signed by him in the presence of Jacob Stephens, Peter Hefleigh (or Hoeflich) and David Soll, on December 29, 1797, Daniel Royer attesting the signatures as justice of the peace. The land was held by the original John Wallace, great-grandfather of the John in question, by virtue of two warrants from the proprietors of Pennsylvania, dated March 1, 1749, and August 3, 1751, respectively.

A diamond was located, through which two streets at right angles were run, the one east and west known as Greencastle and Nicholas Gap; the one north and south, as the Chambersburg and Hagerstown road.

#### ORIGINAL LOT OWNERS.

The names of lot owners on original plat, recorded March 6, 1798, were as follows:

1 Michael Corkery.	28 and 29 Adam Lenhart.	52 53, and 54 Peter Hefleigh.
2 and 3 Jacob Stevens.	30 Michael Corkery.	55 to 60, inclusive, Michael
4 John Wilson.	31 Abraham Stoner.	Corkery.
5 John Burns.	32 and 34 John Wilson.	* * *
6 Christian Cagy.	33 Jacob Holm	69 and 70 for Dutch Lutheran
7 Jacob Wolf.	35 Hans Gordon.	meeting-house.
8 Daniel Corkery.	36 Abraham Stoner.	71 and 72 Peter Hefleigh.
9 Robt. Buchanan.	37 and 38 Michael Corkery.	73 John Hefleigh, Jr.
10 James Moorhead.	39 Michael Stoner.	74 Peter Hefleigh.
11 and 12 Hans Gordon.	40 James Downey, Sr.	75 and 76 John Thomson.
13 and 14 David Shull.	41 John Wallace, Jr.	77 John Wilson.
15 and 16 Henry Fore.	42 Jacob Stoner.	78 and 79 Fleming & McClan-
17 Henry Neely.	43 Samuel Royer, Sr.	nahan.
18 Henry Neisely.	44 David Parks.	80 Jacob Stevens.
19 and 20 John Ziter.	45 James Downey, Jr.	81 Hans Gordon.
21 Wm. Miner.	46 Jacob Holmes, Jr.	84 Thomas Hunter.
22 Patrick Mooney.	47 Jacob Holsinger.	85 for Church.
23 and 24 Hans Gordon.	48 John Stoner.	86 Joshua Stevens.
25 James Moorhead. *	49 Henry Smith.	87 to 90, inclusive, Jacob
* * *	50 David Stoner.	Stevens.
27 Hans Gordon.	51 Abram Stoner.	

The chance finding of this old record gives nearly a full list of the early settlers in and about the village. Many of the names of these pioneer families are still those of their respectable descendants in the county.

This tract of land was first taken up by John Wallace, Sr., in 1749. The settlements for some time around it grew slowly. For some time after a hostelry was first opened it was called by the neighbors "Wallacetown."

When the ground was platted and the village laid out by John Wallace, Jr., grandson of the above named John Wallace, the people then began to purchase property in the place, and several residences were soon put up. The price of choice lots was fixed at £6 each, and others at £5, with a quit rent of \$1 per lot annually.

#### INCORPORATION.

December 21, 1818, the town was incorporated into a borough, and then definitely named Waynesboro.

#### BANKS.

*The First National Bank of Waynesboro.*—This bank, which grew out of the savings bank, an institution established in about 1856, was organized in 1863, first directors being George Jacobs, Daniel Mickley, Samuel Frantz, George Besore, James H. Clayton, Alex. Hamilton, John Price, Henry Good, W. S. Amberson. Presidents have been George Jacobs and W. S. Amberson, the present one being Joseph Price. John Philips has been cashier since the organization.

*The Waynesboro Savings Fund Society* was started in February, 1883. John Mill, treasurer until 1886, was succeeded by John Philips, present incumbent. Capital stock, \$75,000; surplus, \$15,000.

#### MANUFACTORIES.

Waynesboro from its first settlement was regarded as the best point for manufactories in the county. In this respect it took the lead, and maintains it to this day.

*Frick Company.*—George Frick, general superintendent, began the manufacture of grain drills and small machinery at Quincy, three miles north of Waynesboro, about 1848; afterward removed to Ringgold, Md., three miles south of Waynesboro, where he continued the business, adding that of threshing machines and, later, steam engines. In 1860 he removed to Waynesboro,

built shops on the ground now occupied by the Geiser Manufacturing Company's works, and increased his line of manufactures. In 1866 works were built adjoining the original shops, and the manufacture was confined to steam engines, boilers, saw-mills, etc. In 1871 he associated C. F. Bowman as partner, under the firm name of Frick & Bowman, which continued till the death of Mr. Bowman in 1872, after which a stock company was formed under the name of Frick & Co., and commenced business February 10, 1873, with a capital of \$35,000. Increase of business and want of railroad facilities led to a removal of the works to the west end of the town, where new shops were built in the winter of 1881 and spring of 1882, which gave increased capacity to meet the growing demand for their machinery. The cost of the land and buildings was \$150,000, and the machinery, \$130,000.

In the month of October, 1884, arrangements were made to incorporate the company under the laws of the State, and on January 15, 1885, a charter was issued to the company, under which they commenced business February 1, 1885, as Frick Company. The charter capital is \$1,000,000, of which \$900,000 had been the paid up capital of Frick & Co. and is the working capital of the company at present.

Upon the organization of Frick & Co. John Philips was elected president, which position he held during the entire continuance of that company, and also the first year of Frick Company. S. B. Rinehart, Esq., was elected president for the present year. George Frick has been general superintendent since the formation of the company. The following board of directors of Frick Company has (1887) been elected: S. B. Rinehart, W. H. Snyder, Samuel Hoeflich, A. H. Strickler, A. O. Frick, Daniel Trittle, C. L. Hamilton, Jno. Philips, Jacob S. Leshner.

*The Geiser Manufacturing Co.*, one of the largest manufacturing establishments in its line in the State, began business in a small way on the site of its present works, in the year 1866, under the firm name of Geiser, Price & Co., the individual members being Daniel Geiser, B. E. Price, Josiah Fahrney and J. F. Oller. With a capital of \$16,000 they confined their operations to the building of separators and horse-powers. Their success was so great that the following year they purchased the entire works, heretofore leased by them, and in 1868 the firm was increased by the addition of Daniel Hoover, John Philips and John S. Oller, to its membership. The business of this year increased to \$185,000. January 1, 1869, the firm became incorporated under the title of The Geiser Manufacturing Company, with a capital of \$134,600. New buildings were erected, until the works covered nearly two acres of ground, with a capacity of four machines per day, employing about 175 hands, the business at this time amounting to from \$185,000 to \$200,000 per annum. The stockholders were Daniel Geiser, B. E. Price, Josiah Fahrney, J. F. Oller, Daniel Hoover, Jno. Philips, A. D. Morgenthall, A. E. Price, Joseph Price and Samuel Hoeflich. The manufacture of "The Geiser" separators and horse-powers was continued till the fall of 1879, when, on the 11th day of November, they purchased the steam engine works of F. F. & A. B. Landis, of the city of Lancaster, which, together with all the machinery, stock in trade, etc., were moved to Waynesboro, necessitating a still further increase of the works, the erection of more buildings for the accommodation of this branch of the business, and it was not till the first of April, 1880, that everything was in readiness for the manufacture of the now celebrated "Peerless" steam engine, the demand for it increasing, as its reputation extended, year by year, till these extensive works were pushed to their fullest capacity. The business was interrupted and a serious loss entailed on this company by the almost entire destruc-



tion of their works by fire April 29, 1882. The loss was heavy and the blow a severe one, yet the men who had conducted this business from its inception to this time were not easily discouraged, but at once erected temporary buildings, pushed forward the work, and in a few weeks the shipment of engines and separators was again commenced, the heavy business of that year attesting to their energy. At the same time the erection of the present extensive and substantial buildings was begun and carried on as fast as possible to completion, till to-day they stand an ornament to the town of Waynesboro as well as an important factor in its prosperity, a monument to the men of energy composing The Geiser Manufacturing Company, and an item of no small magnitude in the history of Franklin County. The following are some of the dimensions of the several buildings: Main building 334x55 feet, three stories high; one wing, 150x55 feet, three stories high; one wing, 120x55 feet, one story; foundry, 190x68 feet, one and two stories; boiler shop, stack shop, paint shop and testing department in proportion; pattern house, a three-story building, 50x50 feet, all of brick, built in the most substantial manner. The capital stock is \$656,000, the list of stockholders being too long to secure personal mention in this article. The officers for 1886 were Daniel Hoover, president and superintendent; B. E. Price, vice-president; J. J. Oller, treasurer; J. F. Oller, assistant treasurer; A. D. Morganthall, secretary; F. F. Landis, mechanical engineer; directors, B. E. Price, Josiah Fahrney, Daniel Hoover, A. E. Price, A. D. Morganthall, J. F. Oller, Reuben Shover, Jason Bell; treasurer, Melchor Elden; secretary, A. D. Morganthall. Of the original incorporators all are still living except Daniel Geiser, who died November 19, 1882.

*American Manufacturing Company* build the celebrated fruit evaporators, that are marketed in this country, South America and Europe. The reputation of these fruit dryers is unequaled, and they are in such demand, that the factory is constantly run to its full capacity.

*Sash and Door Factory.*—M. Good & Bro. have an extensive sash and door factory.

*Hosiery Factory.*—Lidy & Hess Seamless Hosiery factory was established in a small way in 1884, by G. Frank Lidy, at first with a capacity of two dozen half-hose per day. It has grown to a capacity of eighty dozen per day, employing forty-five girls, two boys and three men. In 1885 J. C. Hess was made a partner. The plant was taken to Hagerstown, Md., in 1886.

*Planing Mill.*—Daniel Shockey has a planing-mill, and deals extensively in walnut lumber.

*Miscellaneous.*—There are six warehousemen, grain and coal dealers, three hotels, three firms dealing in stoves and hardware, four printing and job offices [for particulars as to the newspapers of the town, see Chapter X.] four dry goods stores, fourteen grocery stores, two jewelers, three druggists, three hat and shoe stores, six clothing houses, six millinery establishments, and a corresponding number of the usual smaller establishments.

#### WATER-WORKS.

No town in the State is better supplied with excellent water than Waynesboro. In addition to the elegant springs, that for years were the town's supply, the borough is now provided with the most perfect water-works. It was made by simply building a reservoir on the side of the hill, and putting in pipes to conduct it into the town, the force of gravitation answering all the purposes of expensive machinery.

## SOCIETIES.

*Independent Order of Odd Fellows.*—Lodge No. 219 was organized February 16, 1847, by Joseph Bender, H. Stonehouse, J. H. Stoner, J. B. Resser, J. C. Tracy, F. A. Harbaugh, J. Mills. First officers: J. W. Stoner, N. G.; H. Stonehouse, V. G.; J. B. Resser, Sec.; J. C. Tracy, Ass't Sec.; Joseph Bender, Treas. This hall was built in 1873, at an expense of \$6,000; number of members, 111.

*Knights of Pythias.*—George Washington Lodge, No. 487, K. P., was organized March 7, 1883, in Odd Fellows Hall by B. F. Gilmore, D. D. G. C., Simon Wiener, A. M. Frick, G. B. Beaver, Wm. A. Price, J. C. Hess, J. Wiener, D. W. Burns, J. H. Brown, D. Johnston, B. H. Garlinger, D. T. Miller, F. Sothers, J. F. Lohman, A. Bowders, A. Baker, L. Kretzer, J. P. Lowell, A. D. Morganthall, G. H. Baker, H. H. Barkus, Ezra Hinestine, W. A. Diener, A. W. Ovelman, L. Snyder, W. F. McGrail, D. King, A. C. Rossman, W. A. Hess, John Neal, J. Frantz, E. C. Morganthall, Jacob Funk, Fred. Funk, S. Six. Jacob F. Lohman died six months after institution, and J. H. Brown, a past officer and the founder of the lodge, in fact, was suddenly killed at Phoenixville, Penn., Iron Works, January 23, 1886. Original officers: G. Beaver, P. C.; S. Wiener, C. C.; W. Price, V. C.; J. Brown, Prelate; E. Morganthall, M. A.; A. D. Morganthall, K. R. & S.; D. Johnston, M. E.; Jacob Wiener, M. F.; D. W. Burns, I. G.; J. C. Hess, O. G.; J. P. Lowell, A. Frick, J. P. Frantz, Trustees. The membership numbers 68.

*The Waynesboro Academy of Medicine* was instituted March 3, 1884. The original members were Drs. Benj. Frantz, I. N. Snively, A. H. Strickler, John M. Ripple, James B. Amberson, John A. Bouse, Geo. W. Boteler, and Joseph Frantz. Officers: Dr. Benj. Frantz, president; Dr. I. N. Snively, vice-president; Dr. J. B. Amberson, secretary and treasurer, and Drs. John M. Ripple, John A. Bouse and Joseph Frantz, censors.

The avowed objects were "to promote the usefulness, honor and interests of the medical profession, and for the purpose of fostering friendly intercourse between those engaged in the profession. Their anniversary exercises were held February 18. Present officers, J. B. Amberson, president; John M. Ripple, vice-president; J. Frantz, secretary and treasurer; Drs. Koons, Fritz, I. N. Snively, censors.

The first medical society of Waynesboro was called to meet at the office of Dr. E. H. Henry, April 18, 1872. The following officers were elected: Dr. Benj. Frantz, president; A. H. Strickler, secretary. The membership of this society was composed wholly of physicians of the town: Drs. B. Frantz, A. H. Strickler, I. N. Snively, John M. Ripple, A. S. Bonebrake, E. A. Herring.

*Improved Order Red Men.*—Uncas Tribe, No. 101, I. O. R. M., was organized May 15, 1870, in Odd Fellows Hall, by J. R. Reiniger and W. A. Price, with seventeen charter members. First officers were J. B. Russell, W. A. Price, W. A. Hanstine. They place their wigwam in Odd Fellows Hall. This is said to be first society of this order organized in America. It has a membership of ninety-four.

*Grand Army of the Republic.*—Capt. John E. Walker, Post No. 287, was organized September 22, 1882. The following were charter members: H. G. Bonebrake, F. J. Beard, D. C. Detrich, P. R. Welsh, W. A. Price, L. W. Detrich, J. B. Hoefflich, G. G. Pilkington, I. J. Cunningham, J. W. Wheeler, A. D. Morganthall, Geo. A. Rhea, J. B. French, D. Cleverstine, G. W. Welsh, G. Frank Lidy, A. Bowder, M. H. Stiner, Jas. P. Wolff, J. R. Wolfersperger, Samuel Hoefflich, A. S. Bonebrake, J. C. Smith, C. S. Eckman, E. S. Hanstine, Jacob Potter, J. A. Dieloler, J. C. Martin, I. N. Snively, M. D., Henry

Manns, J. L. Weagley, Wm. Symons. First officers: H. G. Bonebrake, commander; P. R. Welsh, adjutant; S. Hoeflich, quartermaster. Present officers: John J. Grumbine, commander; Wm. H. Miller, senior vice-commander; E. Diffenderfer, junior vice-commander; F. J. Beard, chaplain; P. R. Welsh, sergeant-major; Jer. Zimmerman, O. D.; Abram Bender, O. G. Delegates to encampment, Geo. F. Lidy, alternate W. W. Leach.

(We insert, as most appropriate here, a short sketch of Capt. Walker from whom the post is named: John Edmund Walker was born in Waynesboro, March 11, 1839, a son of Dr. Thomas and Harriet Walker. He spent his childhood days at the Waynesboro schools, and when the war broke out he enlisted in the ninety days' service and served his time. He then raised part of a company and again enlisted with the rank of first lieutenant in Company A, Seventy-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers; was promoted to the captaincy; served until near the close of the war; took part in many hard fought battles; was wounded at the battle of Stone River, and, creeping from the battle field under cover of darkness, was sent home to recruit in strength and for the regiment. He fell near Atlanta, Ga., August 5, 1864, shot through the temples; his body fell into the hands of the enemy. Friends tried to bring the body from the field but were forced to retire under heavy fire. They, however, secured his sword, but in the chances of war it never reached the hands of those for whom it was intended. His sacred ashes rest among the "unknown." It is supposed they are in some one of the national cemeteries. A cenotaph to his memory has been erected in Waynesboro.)

#### CHURCHES.

*The German Baptist Church* gives us the earliest church history of Waynesboro and vicinity. The old Antietam Church was organized in 1752. Its first location was not in, but near, Waynesboro. Its founders were John Price, Ulrich Snowberger, Dr. George Gingerich, Theodore Ingold, John Funk and David Stover. The first officers were D. Stover, John Funk and William Stover. Their first rude log church was built in 1798, Welty's church in 1836, and Snowberger's in 1856; the latter in the town of Waynesboro. This was the pioneer church. It existed in the days of Indian forays and massacres. The congregation for years carried their guns regularly to church, stacked them by the door, and placed a sentinel by them to give the alarm, so that the men could rush to their arms. The territory of this congregation was very large, and in time it was divided into subdivisions as follows: Manor and Beaver Creek, in Maryland, Welsh Run, Back Creek Ridge and Falling Springs, in Franklin County, and the original Antietam Church. It was impossible to have regular supplies until 1790. Those in charge from that date to the present were as follows: Revs. William Stover, George A. Martin, John Funk, Daniel Stover, John Royer, Jacob Holsinger, Henry Strickler, Jacob Fahrney, Israel Senger, D. Fogelsonger, Daniel Keefer, William Boyer, Jacob Price, David Bock, Isaac Renner, Abram Stanny, Joseph F. Rohrer, Joseph Garber, Daniel Holsinger, Jacob Foller, D. F. Good, Abram Golly, Jacob Snider, Daniel Baker, John D. Benedict, B. E. Price, Tobias F. Imler. Present membership is 405.

*The Evangelical Lutheran Church* of Waynesboro, Penn., was organized by Rev. John Ruthrauff in the year 1800 with the following charter members: Jason Bell, Martin Geiser, G. W. McGinley, T. J. Filbert, Daniel Tritle and John Johnston. As was customary in the earlier days, the Lutheran and Reformed Churches occupied the same houses. The present commodious church was built in 1869 at a cost of \$11,000, and greatly repaired under the minis-

try of Rev. P. Bergstresser, in 1885, at a cost of \$9,000. The following pastors have served the congregation: Revs. John Ruthrauff, from 1798 to 1825; Samuel K. Hoshour, 1825-29; John Reck, 1829-35; John P. Cline, 1835-40; F. W. Conrad, D. D., 1840-44; John Heck, 1844-57; John F. Campbell, D. D., 1857-62; Edwin Dorsey, M. D., 1862-63; Alfred Buhman, 1863-71; C. L. Keedy, M. D., 1871-75; P. Bergstresser, D. D., 1876-87.\* In 1879 was held a spirited discussion, lasting through a period of seven days, between the pastor, Rev. P. Bergstresser, and Elder S. H. Bashor, of Ashland, Ohio. The subjects were "Baptism," "The Lord's Supper," and "Feet Washing." The debate, which aroused great excitement in Waynesboro, was published, and an edition of 2,000 copies was readily sold. The congregation, which enrolls about 400 members, is maintained at an annual expense of \$1,000.

*The Trinity Reformed Church* was organized out of a part of the membership of the Salem (Besore's) congregation, in 1817. First pastor, Rev. Jonathan Rahauser; second, Rev. F. A. Scholl; worshiped in the Union Church on Church Street, owned conjointly by the Lutherans, Presbyterians, and Reformed until 1826. A log church was built on the site occupied by the present edifice, and dedicated May 20, 1827. Mr. Scholl's services being altogether in German, the need of English services was felt, and Rev. G. W. Glessner was called in 1831. He officiated in English and German. A new brick church was built, the corner-stone of which was laid in the spring of 1833, and it was dedicated June 21, 1834. An addition of eighteen feet was built to the rear end of it in 1839. Rev. Glessner resigned in 1840, and was succeeded by Rev. J. H. A. Bomberger, who remained until 1845, when Rev. Theodore Appel took charge and remained two years. Rev. G. W. Glessner became pastor the second time, remaining until 1851. Rev. H. W. Super took charge and remained until 1854, was then absent one year, when he returned and remained in charge until 1862; from this year to 1868, Rev. Walter E. Krebs was in charge. Rev. H. H. W. Hibshman succeeded Rev. Krebs in July, 1869, and remained in charge until October 1877. During his time, the present house of worship was built, the corner-stone of which was laid August 7, 1870, and it was dedicated December 24, 1871. The present pastor in charge, Rev. F. F. Bahner, was installed December 1, 1877. During his pastorate the church indebtedness has been paid, and large accessions made to the congregation.

*St. Paul's Reformed Church.*—The membership originally of this church was organized out of the old (Trinity) church in 1873. The officers were S. Hoeflich, D. B. Russell, W. F. Grove, elders; J. R. Hoeflich, T. R. Resser and G. F. Lidy, deacons. Their church building was erected in 1871, at a cost of \$3,000. The first pastor, Rev. W. C. Shaffer; present pastor, Rev. Isaac M. Motter. Membership 130.

*St. Andrew's Catholic Church* was organized in 1819, where the Catholic graveyard now is, with the following charter members: Michael Coskery, Dr. John Oellig, William Mooney, Richard Hayden, James A. Yerck and others. A small wooden building was erected the same year at a cost of \$400. This congregation was served by Revs. Lockey and Westfield, and probably some others whose names are unknown.

In 1850 another organization by the same name was formed, consisting of Joseph Hoover, Jacob Wright, Michael Little, David Ryder, Samuel Ryder and Henry Harret. By them a brick edifice was erected at a cost of \$2,000 on the corner of Main and Broad Streets. It has been served by the follow-

\*Rev. P. Bergstresser, D. D., of Waynesboro, has accepted a call extended him by the Lutheran congregation of Middletown, Md., and his resignation of his present charge has been accepted by the General Council of the congregations composing it.



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ing pastors: Revs. James Miller, Dougherty, J. J. Demming and J. Sleater. It has a membership of sixty.

*The United Brethren in Christ Church* has a brick edifice and frame parsonage. The buildings were erected in 1882. The first officers were E. Heller, leader; Christian Miller, steward; B. F. Funk, D. Barnhart, C. Miller, trustees. The church buildings were erected under the pastorate of Rev. J. H. Young, the first minister in charge. He remained until 1885, and was succeeded by Rev. A. H. Shank, and then the present pastor, Dr. R. Burkholder, was installed in 1886. Membership, sixty.

*Methodist Church.*—There are no recorded data by which to fix with certainty the date when Methodism was introduced into Waynesboro. In the early part of this century the preachers on Carlisle Circuit included this among their preaching points, and it was by one of them, the Rev. J. Gruber, in all probability, that the first converts were received into the society. The first class was formed about the year 1805, and consisted of three members, Mrs. Phoebe Wilson and her daughters, Hannah and Margaret, who had formerly been connected with a meeting of Friends in Chester County. About this time Charles Rice, an Irishman, removed to the town. He had been a class-leader in his native country, and was at once appointed to that position in the incipient society here. Meetings for worship were regularly held in a log building on Main Street, formerly used as a carpenter shop. Preaching services usually occurred on Tuesday evenings, when the clergyman remained over night with Squire Nathaniel Wilson. There was no remarkable increase in the membership until 1823, when Revs. James Hanson and Robert Clark held a camp-meeting on what was then known as the Wallace farm, southeast of town. This was the first evangelistic effort of the kind ever made in the vicinity, and was regarded as a novel method of procedure. The encampment consisted of five tents and "a half," the latter being a covered wagon owned by a Mr. Anderson, whose desire to participate in the meeting exceeded his ability to provide the usual accommodations. A number of prominent citizens united with the society, and from this time the hostility and suspicion with which it had formerly been regarded seem to have completely subsided.

The erection of a church building was at once agitated. A lot of ground at the corner of Church and Second Streets was secured and the work of building was at once begun. Much of the material and labor was contributed gratis by the members, and although in size and appointments the structure compared favorably with others of a similar character, its cost represented a comparatively modest sum. It was built of brick, and in conformity with the ideas of church architecture in vogue at the period, had a wide vestibule, high pulpit, and uncomfortable seats. It was completed in 1825 or 1826, and thus, within twenty-five years from the time the first efforts to effect an organization were made, the society was firmly established and had every prospect of a prosperous future. The succeeding thirty years present little of interest. In 1831 a second camp-meeting was held in what was then known as Pine Grove, a local pleasure resort on the Quincy road. Rev. Edward Smith was the pastor at this time. The appointment was successively transferred from Carlisle Circuit to Hagerstown Circuit, and then to Greencastle Circuit, which, when Revs. Elias Welty and John Z. Lloyd were pastors in 1848, comprised thirteen appointments. Waynesboro became a station in 1856 and was placed in charge of Rev. John H. C. Dosh. In September, 1857, the corner-stone of a new church edifice was laid, a camp-meeting of several days' duration forming part of the exercises. The dedication occurred in the following year. This building occupies the site of its predecessor, and ranks among the most substantial and attractive churches in the county.

The following list of pastors since 1856 has been compiled from the annual conference minutes: 1856-58, John H. C. Dosh; 1858-60, Thomas Daugherty; 1860, Richard Norris; 1861, — Rescoel; 1862, — Savage; 1863-65, A. M. Kesler; 1865-67, C. F. Thomas; 1867-69, Daniel Sheffery; 1869-71, J. A. DeMoyer; 1871-74, J. Donahue; 1874, W. L. Spottswood; 1875-78, J. H. McCord; 1878-81, William H. Keith; 1881-83, Thomas S. Wilcox; 1883-86, Alfred S. Bowman; 1886, Benjamin Mosser. Owing to the illness of the latter, Rev. — Buck, ex-missionary to India, has performed the active work of the pastorate since October, 1886.

*Presbyterian Church.*—The early history of this church in Waynesboro is involved in obscurity. The records have unfortunately been lost and such information as is now attainable is entirely traditional and correspondingly meager and unsatisfactory. It appears that as early as 1790, there were Scotch-Irish families residing in the vicinity who were occasionally supplied with preaching. An organization was effected but not continuously sustained, owing to the sparsely settled character of the country and the difficulty of procuring a settled pastor. It is said that in 1805 there was an unfinished church building on Church Street, but the preponderance of evidence seems to indicate that no effort in this direction was made until 1811, when Lutherans, Reformed and Presbyterians united in building a church on the site of the German Baptist meeting-house. The original organization was then revived, and a pastor called in connection with the church at Greencastle. The latter place was thenceforth the Presbyterian center of a large section of country. Revs. Long, Buchanan, Davie, Emerson, Clark, Richardson, Beatty and Wightman were successively pastors at Waynesboro under these circumstances, all residing there except Mr. Clark, who lived at Millerstown, Adams County. The several parties to the ownership of the union church having disposed of their respective interests, Mr. Wightman suggested to his congregation the erection of a separate church building. An eligible site was secured and the project assumed definite form in the appointment of a building committee, consisting of D. F. Gordon, J. H. Clayton and W. S. Amberson.

Active building operations were begun in 1865; March 26, 1867, the spire was completed, and in July of the following year, the finished structure was dedicated. It is a brick building with a seating capacity of 500, and is pleasantly located on the principal street of the town. The first resident pastor was Rev. W. N. Geddes, and his successors in regular order, Robert F. McClean, Samuel McLanahan and T. C. McCarrell, the present incumbent, who preached his introductory sermon July 11, 1880, and was ordained and installed July 21, 1880. The present membership is 150. The present session is constituted as follows: W. S. Amberson, elected in 1862; James H. Clayton and Joseph Price, elected in 1873; Thomas H. West and William Hammett. Among those who were prominently identified with the earlier history of this church were John Clayton, William Downey, William Fulton, James Burns and Robert McIlvaney.

#### TEMPERANCE UNION.

*The Women's Christian Temperance Union*, of Waynesboro, was organized in October, 1883, by Mrs. John Shinfield, president of the Chambersburg Union, and some of her associate officers. The officers elected were: President, Mrs. Samantha A. Brenisholts; vice-presidents, Mrs. Rev. McCarrell, Presbyterian Church; Mrs. Rev. Bahner, Reformed Church; Mrs. Jennie Stover, Methodist Episcopal Church; Mrs. C. C. Eyler, Lutheran Church; secretary, Miss Kate Brotherton; treasurer, Mrs. Annie Hawker. The union needs to be aroused to increased activity, is the opinion of the presiding officer.



## SCHOOLS.

The town has long been noted for the excellence of its schools and the comfort of its school buildings. The present building was erected in 1871, meeting with strong opposition when first suggested. The total cost of buildings was \$22,000. They were provided for and erected under the auspices of the following board: J. H. Krebs, president; John Hamilton, secretary; John Coon, William Hamilton, Dr. Herring, George Harbaugh. The enrollment at present is 600 pupils. The present board consists of Dr. F. S. Brenisholts, president; George M. D. Bell, secretary; J. R. Wolfkill, Dr. A. H. Strickler, Dr. B. F. Boteler, J. B. Krebs. High school—Principal, Charles H. Albert; assistant, Miss L. C. Clugston. Grammar school—Principal, L. F. Benchoff; assistant, D. C. Weller. Intermediate schools—A grade, Flo. Richardson; B grade, Ida M. Negley; C grade, Jennie Cunningham. Primary schools—A grade, Emma Worley; B grade, Mary Gordon; C grade, Mamie J. Criswell and Annie Stauffer; D grade, Ada M. Hewitt and May Shank. The fiscal statement for 1885 shows receipts, \$7,100.82; expenditures, \$6,940.14.

## CEMETERY.

*Burn's Hill Cemetery* was incorporated in 1880 by James P. Wolfe, W. S. Amberson, T. H. West, John B. Hamilton, George W. Welsh, A. J. Beard. The first board of directors were Dr. J. M. Ripple, John B. Hamilton, George W. Welsh, Charles West, James H. Clayton, James P. Wolfe, Jesse Beard. The present officers are: Dr. J. M. Ripple, president; George W. Welsh, secretary, and W. S. Amberson, treasurer.

## A FAMOUS SEWING MACHINE.

In the spring of 1886 Miss Addie G. Beaver, of Waynesboro, conceived the novel idea of securing a sewing machine by tid-bit contributions from members of the United States Congress. Writing to each senator and representative a neat letter, in which she suggested that not poverty but curiosity prompted her action, she requested such small sum as each one might contribute. As the result of this voluminous correspondence, some 900 letters all told, she received \$86.10, which was invested in an American sewing machine, made in Philadelphia, the inscription being: "Presented Addie G. Beaver by Members of 49th Congress, U. S., 1886."

## CHAPTER XXII.

## BOROUGH OF GREENCASTLE.

SITE OF THE BOROUGH—ANCIENT BURYING GROUNDS—PLAT OF THE TOWN, AND FIRST RESIDENTS—EARLY REMINISCENCES AND ANECDOTES—OLD CHURCHES, CEMETERIES AND EPITAPHS—INCORPORATION OF BOROUGH—ITS CENTENNIAL—THE TURNPIKE—CHURCH HISTORY—CEMETERY—THE SCHOOLS—INDUSTRIES—BOROUGH OFFICERS—BANK—TOWN HALL COMPANY—SOCIETIES.

GREENCASTLE was originally a hyphenated word, "Green-Castle," and was so known for years after it was founded. It was a natural town site, as is evidenced by the fact that from a time unknown it was a favorite rendezvous of not only the Indians, but, if there was a race of men here before the Indians, it was also their important meeting place. This is attested by the very old burying place near the town, known to our forefathers as the "Indian burying grounds." The writer, in company with Dr. J. K. Davidson and the Rev. C. Cort, of Greencastle, visited recently this interesting place. It is situated nearly a mile southeast of the town, about two and a half rods from a spring in the field opposite Col. Winger's Crystal Springs. Dr. Davidson pointed out the spot where he remembers seeing, fifty years ago, a pile of human bones. His information at the time was that these were Indian bones. In this neighborhood were found many Indian arrow-heads, stone axes and other implements. In this connection it is not irrelevant to state that the Indians, probably following the migrating game, but certainly from some cause, were the real engineers in designating the future sites of all, or nearly all, our cities and towns. The buffaloes were migratory in their habits, traveling long distances with the seasons. On their way they would have certain resting places or stopping places, as in crossing large streams. These points would in time become the rendezvous of the Indians, and at such places their tepees would be erected and a burying place selected. Every great city in the country has thus been indicated by the Indian or buffalo. Their necessities or instincts were better guides, it seems, than were the judgments of the best engineers sent to this country by Europeans to select town sites and found cities. The latter were nearly always entire failures, where men sank fortunes, and in a few years the promised city would be given over to the bats and wild beasts.

Greencastle is in the southeast part of the county, in Antrim Township, in the heart of the fertile limestone country, well watered, and has reached a high state of improvement. It is on the old Baltimore turnpike passing through Mercersburg and Waynesboro. The Cumberland Valley Railroad passes through it. The land on which it is located was deeded to John Smith, November 4, 1761. Smith conveyed it to John Davidson November 6, 1762, and he conveyed it to William Allison April 25, 1763. The patent was issued to him July 26, 1766. The tract described in the patent contained 300 acres. May 3, 1769, he conveyed the land to his son, Col. John Allison, who platted and laid out the village of Greencastle in 1782. It acquired its name, most probably, from a place called Greencastle, in County Donegal, Ireland.

## TOWN PLATS, ETC.

The town plat, as originally made, described 256 lots of equal size, and numbered from 1 to 256, inclusive. They were then sold by lottery, the price placed upon each lot being \$8. The lottery consisted in buying a ticket for \$8; the 256 numbers were then placed in a box, and each ticket holder drew a number, the number drawn to determine which should be his lot. There were no blanks, and the only prizes were what were considered the choice lots.

Henry P. Prather, the present postmaster in Greencastle, now (1886) in the seventy-fifth year of his age, says of the first settlement of the place: ("I remember that about sixty-two years ago a man named Tanner, a teamster over the Baltimore & Pittsburgh road, informed me that when he first came through Greencastle there was but one house in the place. It was a log house on the present site of the National Hotel, and was used as a tavern. He frequently drank in the place, the only drinking cups used being made of cow's horns. Here is evidently the origin of the well-worn expression, 'took a horn.'" It is highly probable some of the Allison's were the "mine host" of this old time hostelry that was the favorite stopping place of travelers and freighters, as well as the famed old wide-mouthed fireside that was a most tempting resort of neighbors, far and near, to meet in friendly discourse.

Before the French-Indian war, Henry Prather and Elias Davidson, grandparents of Henry P. Prather and Dr. J. K. Davidson, respectively, drove cattle from the Cumberland Valley to Detroit. After the Allison's, among the first settlers were the Crawfords, Statlers, Lawrence's, Grubbs, Watson's, Clark's, Nigh's, McCullough's and McClellan's. Dr. McClellan, who died at an advanced age a short time ago, was the first regular bred physician in this part of the county. In 1778 the Revolutionary hero, Capt. Miller, located in what afterward became Greencastle. His daughter, Mrs. Mary McDade, died in the town August 3, 1870, at the remarkable age of one hundred and three years. She could give most interesting descriptions of the wilderness when her young eyes first looked upon it. She remembered the one house that was then in the place—the hotel above spoken of. There was also a blacksmith shop on the Rhodes' corner. Her father, Capt. Miller, had served through the entire war for independence. When Gen. Washington passed through Greencastle, in 1794, he was much moved at meeting Mary McDade, and solemnly laid his hands upon her head and blessed her.

Mr. J. C. McLanahan has now in his possession a deed, dated February 1, 1783, made by John Allison and Elizabeth Allison to John Nigh, Sr., for Lot No. 81, on the north side of Baltimore Street, 60x240 feet; consideration, £3. The instrument was acknowledged before Thomas Johnston, justice of the peace. Col. John Allison, the founder of the town, was born December 23, 1738; William, his brother, was born November 15, 1749, and lived and died on the old homestead.

An incident of these early times, worth mentioning, is the following: When Mason and Dixon were running the line between Pennsylvania and Maryland, they boarded for a time with Col. Allison. They marked a meridian on the door sill, and this was for years used by the neighbors to set their time pieces.

## OLD CHURCHES AND CEMETERIES.

The *Presbyterian Church* at Moss Spring, adjacent to Greencastle, was evidently the oldest church building in this part of the county. It was built in 1737 or 1738, frame, 28x42, and called "Old Red Meeting House." It was enlarged in 1804 by an addition of twelve feet on the south side. The situation

is a delightful one, and during the intermission of services the people, lunch in hand, would gather at the spring and drink of its cool, clear waters, or stroll at will among the rocks and woods of the surrounding groves. The first pastor was Rev. Samuel Cavin. The "Old White Church," in Greencastle, was erected in 1792. It stood on the south side of Baltimore Street, east end of the town. It was made of logs and clapboards and painted white. The deed to the church lot was made by James McLanahan and John Allison, and the trustees, George Gelby, George Clark, Andrew Reed, John Cunningham and James Crooks. In 1826 these two churches were united in faith, but organically in 1828, the pastors at the time being Rev. Buchanan, of the "Red" church, and Rev. Fullerton of the "White," and a brick church was erected in Greencastle. Rev. Fullerton removed to Hagerstown. Rev. Buchanan remained in charge here until 1839. His successors were Rev. I. Marshall Davie, 1840 to 1845; Rev. T. V. Moore, to 1847; Rev. W. M. Paxton, to 1850; Rev. Edward Emerson, to 1860; Rev. W. T. Beatty, to 1863; Rev. J. W. Wightman, to 1870; Rev. D. K. Richardson, to 1880; then came Rev. J. H. Stewart, who was succeeded, in 1883, by the present pastor, Rev. J. D. Hunter.

The historical house in the town is now the residence of Joseph H. Beeler, on Lot 42. John Allison sold this lot to William Scott in 1783; he sold to John Rodman in 1791, who erected the front, as the building now stands, in 1792. In 1797 Robert McLanahan purchased it, and in 1801 sold to Jacob Krebs. He used it as a residence and hatter shop until 1829, when it was sold by the sheriff to Polly and Sarah Weaver. In 1842 they sold it to Rudolph Heichert. It was a parsonage of the German Reformed Church until 1870.

In the *German Reformed Graveyard* we find some of the oldest accessible records of the early settlers: Margaret, consort of John Gearhart, born 1765, died August 8, 1855. Robert Scott, Sr., died May 15, 1842, aged seventy-two years; Elizabeth, his wife, died April 16, 1842, aged seventy-three years. John Scott, born September 12, 1795, died July 2, 1870. Michael Stickel, died February 28, 1863, aged seventy years and four months. Mary Swisher, born 1771, died April 10, 1852. William Alsap, died July 21, 1867, aged ninety years; Elizabeth, consort, born April 19, 1775, died August 16, 1856. Adam Shirez, born February 14, 1797, died May 7, 1862. Nicholas Shrader, died May 19, 1859, aged eighty-four years. Samuel Smith, born February 19, 1779, died March 10, 1870; Eliza, consort, born December 27, 1791, died October 11, 1867. John Shrivey, died March 20, 1850, aged seventy-six years. Peter Stoner, died April 12, 1853, aged seventy-five. James Powell, born February 24, 1786, died April 18, 1856. Conrad Spielman, born February 11, 1753, died December 4, 1829; Dorothea, consort, born May 6, 1748. Daniel Stall, born September 20, 1764, died June 17, 1837. Michael Tice, died February 20, 1824, aged sixty-six years. On this tombstone is the following couplet:

"Now I am dead and in my grave  
And all my bones are rotten,  
When this you see, remember me,  
Although I am forgotten."

Barbara, consort of Michael, died April 2, 1825, aged fifty-nine. Rev. F. A. Scholl, died May 13, 1865, aged seventy-seven years; Eliza, consort, died February 16, 1840, aged forty-eight years.

In *Mossy Spring Cemetery* are the following: William Wallace, died March 26, 1818, aged eighty years; Martha, consort, died August 9, 1834, aged eighty-six years. Archibald Fleming, died September 20, 1869, aged

eighty-six years; Eve, consort, died July 11, 1865, aged seventy-three years. Joseph Davidson, died May 13, 1842, aged eighty-eight years. Margaret Robinson, wife of Joseph Davison, died November 10, 1836, aged seventy-five years. Margaret Davison, *nee* Brown, consort of J. Davison, died February 26, 1797, forty-one years of age. William Davison, died September 31, 1831, aged fifty-two years. Jane Davison, died August 28, 1869, aged eighty-seven years. James Watson, died July 2, 1831, aged eighty-eight; Elizabeth, consort, died October 30, 1804, aged fifty-nine years. John Watson, died July 30, 1842, aged seventy-three years. David Watson, died May 22, 1847, aged sixty-four. Elizabeth Watson, died October 23, 1849, aged sixty-two years. Isabella Watson, died March 26, 1860, aged eighty-two. Robert Crooks, born August 17, 1772, died March 9, 1850. John McLanahan, died September 4, 1797, aged sixty-seven years. John Allison, died June 14, 1795, aged fifty-seven years; Elizabeth, consort, died November 19, 1815, aged sixty-seven years. William Allison, died September 4, 1825, aged seventy-six years; Mary A., consort, December 7, 1848, aged seventy-seven years. Nancy, daughter of Col. John and Elizabeth Allison, wife of Elias Davidson, died December 26, 1818, aged thirty-eight years. Rebecca, wife of Elias Davidson, died June 22, 1824, aged thirty-six years. Rev. Robert Kennedy, died October 31, 1843, aged sixty-six years; Jane, consort, and daughter of John and Mary Herron, died May 31, 1803, aged twenty-six years; Mary D., consort, born August 16, 1785, died March 14, 1845. John Boggs, M. D., born August 8, 1787, died July 12, 1847. James Allison, Sr., born June 5, 1798, died January 25, 1861; Susan M., consort, born December 10, 1795, died January 29, 1861. Eleanor, wife of Thomas Hughes, born April, 1774, died June, 1852. George Fatzinger, died January 16, 1880, aged ninety-seven years; Catharine, consort, died September 20, 1870, aged eighty years. Dr. John McClellan, died June 11, 1846, aged eighty-four years. [His son Robert became governor of Michigan and a member of President Polk's cabinet.] John Kennedy died January 17, 1815, aged seventy years. James Mitchell, born April 25, 1780, died July 17, 1854; Catharine, consort, born May 14, 1792, died March 22, 1841. William Martin, died July 22, 1873, aged eighty years.

In the "Old White Church" cemetery are Mrs. Sarah, wife of Rev. McElroy, died June 10, 1842. William McLanahan, died December 27, 1833, aged sixty-one years; his wife, Mary Gregg, died June 9, 1826, aged thirty-eight years. David Fullerton, died February 1, 1843, aged seventy-one years; Joanna, consort, died July 29, 1837, aged sixty-seven years. Rev. John Young, second pastor of the congregation of Greencastle and Conococheague, died July 24, 1803, aged forty years. Margaret, consort of George Clark, died February 12, 1810, aged fifty-nine years. Rev. John Lind, died September 20, 1821, aged forty-one years; Ann Washington Smith, consort, died February 19, 1819, aged forty years. James McLanahan, Sr., died April 17, 1823, aged eighty-eight years; Isabella G., consort, died September 16, 1819, aged seventy-six years.

#### INCORPORATION.

The village became an incorporated borough by act of the assembly, March 25, 1805. By ordinance, in 1812, new names were given to the streets, as follows: Mifflin, Madison, Baltimore, Franklin, Dahlgren, Morris, Washington, Carlisle, Findlay.

#### THE TOWN'S CENTENNIAL—1782-1882.

July 4, 1882, was celebrated with due pomp and ceremony as Greencastle's centennial year. A grand street parade that was arranged, was seriously in-

terfered with by a heavy rainstorm. The meeting was driven from Ziegler's Locust Grove to the town hall. The president was Geo. W. Ziegler; vice-presidents, Henry P. Prather, William W. Fleming (the oldest native born citizen), Dr. Wm. Grubb, Dr. Adam Carl, Dr. J. K. Davidson, William McCrory. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Stewart, and reading Psalm by Rev. D. Agnew. Declaration of Independence by A. G. McLanahan, Jr. The historic address by Hon. D. Watson Rowe. Interesting addresses made by Rev. Cyrus Cort, Rev. F. Klinefelter, Rev. Samuel McLanahan, the latter giving many interesting incidents of his ancestor, Col Allison. A poem was read by Capt. C. F. Bonner, entitled, "The Centennial Lay." Patriotic songs were sung by the audience. The St. Thomas and Mercersburg bands were present. The celebration was a great success throughout; and much of the credit of this is due the committee of arrangements, as follows: President, J. C. McLanahan; secretaries: W. C. Kreps, J. R. Davison, John H. Shook, P. S. Wilhelm, William G. Davison, James Shirey, B. F. Winger, Dr. F. A. Bushey, R. G. Scarlett, C. P. Bechtelle, William Snyder, H. Clippinger, Samuel Detrich, C. H. Ruthrauff, Dr. W. B. Brown. For the vocal music, the audience was indebted to the choristers: Mrs. Helen Strickler, Mrs. M. K. Detrich, Misses Sadie Fisher, Julia Bart, Clara Goetz, Alice Goetz, Grace Eby, and Messrs. S. H. Eby, H. Clippinger, Samuel Detrich, J. C. Gilliland, James E. Fisher, J. W. Thiel, William Parkhill, George W. Parkhill; Miss Grace Bishop, organist.

#### GREENCASTLE AND MARYLAND TURNPIKE.

This was first a turnpike and plank road, and organized in 1849. Incorporators: Henry Miller, Jacob Pensingler, A. B. Wingerd, Michael Gordon, Jacob Wingerd, B. M. Powell, Charles W. Farner, Mrs. C. Grabriel, David Hicks, David Strite, Michael Geller, Michael Grossman, John Ruthrauff, John Rowe, Joseph Hallor, William Grubb, A. L. Irwin, Geo. W. Ziegler, Samuel Obercash, Samuel Miller, W. H. Brienbaugh, Benjamin Snively. The route was surveyed, and work commenced in 1857. Length of road, five miles.

#### THE CHURCHES.

The accounts of the "Old Red Church" and the "Old White Church" are given at pp. 543-544, because they were among the oldest record accounts that are now accessible.

*Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church* of Greencastle.—The date of organization can not be definitely ascertained. The earliest extant record is a copy of the paper deposited in the corner-stone of the old church, bearing the date, September 13, 1792, and containing the following names: Nye, Bayer, Saylor, Basehore, Zimmerman, Brundlinger, Simon, Hochlender, Gerard, Hoefflich, Schaffner, Klapsaddle, Wagner, Peifer and Mann. Until the dedication of that building, April 2, 1798, the Lutherans worshiped with the Reformed congregation in the "Old Log Church." The first known pastor, Rev. John Ruthrauff, took charge April, 1795, and served this people forty years, all the services being in the German language. The first English pastor was Rev. John Reck, 1832; succeeded by the following: Revs. Jer. Harpel, 1835; Jacob Martin, 1837; Peter Sahn, 1840; Michael Eyster, 1846; Christian Kunkel (supply), 1850; James M. Harkey, 1850; Edwin Breidenbaugh, 1852; William F. Eyster, 1865; A. Stewart Hartman (supply), 1869; Thomas T. Everett, 1870; Frederick Klinefelter, 1872. The German and English services alternated until 1865, when the former was discontinued. The original church building was enlarged in 1836, remodeled in 1857, and removed March, 1875, to be replaced by the present structure, the corner-stone of which was laid June



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13, of the same year, and the first service held in the lecture room February 6, 1876. The building was completed and dedicated June 13, 1880, costing \$16,352. The Sunday-school is one of the oldest in the county, having grown out of a German Union parochial school, as early as 1810, the first teachers of which were Zimmerman, Cleveland and Kibler. The superintendents have been Messrs. Conrad Sohm, John G. Miller, Matthias Walter, Thomas Davidson, Bernard Walter, Dr. Adam Carl, John Heichert, John Schillito, Peter Spence, Matthias Nead, Samuel Ruthrauff and Benjamin Palmer.

*The Methodist Episcopal Church* was organized in 1826, in the house of Jacob Staley, in Greencastle. The first members were Albert Kröps, Joseph Akers and Jacob Staley and family. The first public house of worship was built about 1834. The second church was erected in 1851, at a cost of \$1,600. The present building was erected in 1883, at a cost of \$10,000. Pastors: 1867, Rev. Oliver S. Stuart, served one year; 1868, G. D. Pennepacker; 1869, J. A. Woodcock; 1870, J. B. Shaver; 1871, A. H. Mench; 1872-73, H. B. Fortner; 1874, W. V. Gane; 1877-79, H. C. Cheston; 1880-81, J. P. Moore; 1882-84, J. Y. Shannon; 1885, R. H. Wharton. In 1886 J. C. Brown began his term and he is the present pastor. The church membership is 105. A successful Sunday-school is connected with the church; it numbers about 125.

*The German Reformed Congregation* worshiped in a log church, at first, in company with the Lutherans. The Reformed built their own church in 1808. An account of this old log church is given above. Their minister in 1808 was Rev. Rahouser. In 1818, Rev. F. A. Scholl, the first resident pastor, resigned in 1833. Supplies were then furnished from Mercersburg, Revs. Jacob Mayer and Hamilton Vandyke acting generally. The next resident was Rev. John Rebaugh, from 1837 to 1851, succeeded by Rev. John S. Faulk; then Rev. Thos. G. Apple, whose successors were Drs. S. N. Callender, Moses Keifer, and Revs. S. K. Kremer, John H. Sykes and Cyrus Cort, the present efficient incumbent.

*The United Brethren Church* was organized in 1816, at the house of Peter Hawbaker, who afterward served the church as pastor. The first congregation numbered six, viz.: Peter Hawbaker, Susan Hawbaker, Conrad Cofforth, Mrs. Cofforth, Jacob Byerly, and Henry Knauber, Jr.; the last named was the class leader. Until 1829 meetings were held in the union schoolhouse, where two other congregations worshiped at the same time. Their own house was erected in 1828—a frame, costing about \$900. The trustees and building committee were John Dowe, Geo. Ziegler, Jacob Wingerd, Samuel Lauchard and Solomon Moore. They worshiped in this house until 1884, when it was removed and the present brick erected, costing \$7,000. It is on North Washington Street, near Madison. The trustees and building committee were Rev. Christian Newcomer, Mr. Flack, Jacob Erb, William Brown, Mr. Dreisbach, John Zahn, Frederick Gilbert, Geo. St. Clair Hussey, John Hendricks, James Neiman, John Fohl, James M. Bishop, Tobias Crider, Alexander Owen, W. B. Raber, Z. A. Colestock. The pastors of this church have been as follows: 1854, Revs. T. F. Howell and J. S. Wentz; 1855, J. S. Wentz and J. B. Weidler; 1856, G. W. Showman and William Owen; 1857 and 1858, J. M. Bishop, William Owen and S. L. Minnick. Wm. R. Coursey served the church during the years 1859 and 1860, with H. Y. Hummelbaugh. During 1861 and 1862 Alexander Tripner was pastor, with J. F. Wilt as junior preacher during 1861. From 1863 to 1865, inclusive, J. C. Smith was pastor, with Wm. Humberger, as assistant, during the first two years, and J. X. Quigley the year 1865; 1866-67, J. Dickson, with Mr. Brickley assistant the first year and S. A. Mower during the year 1867. During 1868, J. G. Schaff and B. G.

Huber. From 1869 to 1870, J. X. Quigley. From 1871 to 1872, J. F. Sheaffer; 1873, J. M. Bishop; 1874-75, Wilson Owen; during the former part of the year 1876, W. O. Smith; during the latter part of the same year, D. W. Weller; 1877, W. B. Evers, and, during 1878, W. A. Dickson; from 1879 to 1880, Wm. Quigley; 1881-84, G. W. Bingham. The present pastor, J. B. Weidler, was appointed to this place in March, 1885. Total membership, 342. The first services in Greencastle by United Brethren were held in 1814, conducted by Rev. Christian Newcomer. For a long time services were at very long intervals.

#### CEDAR HILL CEMETERY.

President, Alex. S. Elliott; secretary, J. R. Ruthrauff; treasurer, Jacob Hostetter; superintendent, George M. Byers; board of managers, Alexander S. Elliot, Jacob S. Fleming, Jacob Pensinger, Jacob Hostetter, Jacob Dearsdorff, Jere. Detrich, Dr. F. A. Bushey, L. H. Fletcher, Hamsher Clippinger, S. H. Prather, J. R. Ruthrauff.

#### SCHOOLS.

An early school-teacher in the town of Greencastle was Robert Allen. He taught a school here in 1812; he was noted for his fine penmanship; he had formerly clerked in a wholesale flour establishment in Boston. His outfit was so remarkable for that day and attracted such keen interest we are unable to describe it: a splendid rifle and sword, excellent violin, a gold watch and clothes of latest cut. He was a bachelor, intelligent, companionable, and, for that day, a further mark distinguished him from teachers—he was not a member of any church.

The schoolroom was built of round logs, the corner ends not cut off, roof of clapboards four feet long and eight inches wide, and weighted down with heavy poles; chimney in the center of the room, where logs could be burned, the usual batten door and string latch; floors made of slabs from the saw-mill; the same with wooden legs in auger holes made the seats, and also the writing bench around the wall.

Other prominent teachers were John Bryson, McCune, Gammel, Miss McAllister, George Lawrence, Thomas Gamble. James McDowell was a prominent and successful teacher, well known in this line all over the county; he was capable, and severe in his discipline. Then there were teachers, Clark McDowell, Mrs. Rankin, Robert McClellan. Thomas Davis taught a select school, and Daniel B. McClain a classical school. Holmes Agnew was a teacher for some time. John B. Farmer is well remembered as a teacher; he taught faithfully during the week, but drank freely during his vacations; he was quite successful, nevertheless, as an instructor. In 1847 Rev. William Bell Stewart commenced a school and taught three years; he introduced the use of the blackboard.

The text books in the olden time were not many; Dilworth's speller, Bible reading, Gess' arithmetic, then Pike's. Geography was not then taught. Penmanship received much attention, and the pens used were goose quills.

#### INDUSTRIES.

*Crowell Manufacturing Company* was started as a foundry, by Bradley & Chappel, in 1845. In 1850 J. B. Crowell bought Chappel's interest, and, as Crowell & Bradley, the business was conducted till 1857, when Franklin Keller was admitted to a partnership. At this time the manufacture of grain drills and hay rakes was added to the business. The establishment was burned in 1861, and at once a temporary structure was erected. Bradley, Crowell &

Keller dissolved the firm the same year. The new board of directors of the Crowell Manufacturing Company, of Greencastle, has (1887) elected the following officers: President, J. B. Crowell; secretary, C. F. Fletcher; treasurer and superintendent, Jos. E. Crowell.

*Steam Saw-mill.*—In 1860 Edwin Emerson, Gen. Detrich and W. H. Davison started a steam saw-mill, sash and door factory. In 1861 James C. Austin purchased the interest of Emerson and Detrich, and in 1862 Mr. Crowell bought out Mr. Austin and formed a partnership with Mr. Davison, adding the grain drill and hay rake business to the factory of Austin & Davison. In 1870 Crowell & Davison dissolved, and Davison's half interest was purchased by J. B. Crowell and Jacob Deardorff, the latter having been clerk of the old firm. In 1874 Joseph E. Crowell, of Ohio, nephew of the senior Crowell, purchased a fourth interest. The firm then became J. B. Crowell & Co., and so continued until 1882. The company was incorporated in 1878, capital stock \$65,000, but the name was not changed by the act of incorporation until 1882, when it was newly incorporated as the Crowell Manufacturing Company; capital stock at present, \$200,000. In addition to the articles manufactured, the company added the making on an extensive scale of traction and stationary engines, boilers, saw-mills, threshers, etc. It is now one of the most extensive and successful manufactories in the country. The company gives employment to about 100 hands.

*J. A. Harper's Carriage Works*, consisting of wood, paint, blacksmith shops and warehouse, were commenced in 1881. The sales are to the surrounding country and the South.

#### BOROUGH OFFICERS.

Burgess, John Carl. Town council: C. P. Bechtelle, president; Geo. W. Brumbaugh, C. F. Bonner, J. J. Stager, C. C. Teatian, D. W. Mowen; secretary and attorney, J. R. Ruthrauff; treasurer, J. E. Whitmore. Constable, Chas. W. Pentz; justices of the peace, Peter Mutersbaugh and Wm. A. McKinney. School directors: H. R. Gaff, president; Wm. G. Davison, secretary; D. B. Keefer, John Wilhelm, Dr. J. F. Nowell, C. F. Fletcher. Auditors, Fred. Z. Heck, Wm. A. Reid, E. E. Davison; assessor, William A. McKinney; tax collector, Peter Smith; high constable, Samuel Garman, Sr.; wood measurer, Samuel Detrich; policeman, William Shrader.

#### NATIONAL BANK.

President, Dr. James K. Davidson; cashier, John H. Shook; clerk, Samuel H. Eby; directors, Dr. J. K. Davidson, Benj. Snively, Geo. W. Ziegler, Jacob B. Crowell, John Carl, John Wilhelm, David Z. Shook, Abraham Grove, Jacob Shank, J. C. McLanahan, Isaac Shank.

#### TOWN HALL COMPANY.

President, Addison Imbrie; secretary and treasurer, Jacob Pensinger; directors, Jacob Pensinger, John Wilhelm, Jacob Deardorff, J. C. McLanahan, James S. Crunkleton, Addison Imbrie and Dr. J. K. Davidson.

#### SOCIETIES.

*Independent Order of Odd Fellows.*—Conococheague Lodge, No. 228, was organized in 1846. Charter members: A. N. Rankin, Michael Cantner, Wolford Rosenfeld, John Wilhelm, William Brown; meetings originally held in building now occupied by depot. The society was revived by charter in 1876, and called Greencastle Lodge. The following were charter members: Michael

Cantner, Frederick George, George Bradley, Levi Pickle, Jeremiah Detrich, A. N. Hubert; Henry W. Scott, Secretary; Harry Stoner, N. G.; Thomas Gordon, V. G.

*Knights of Honor* was organized February 24, 1880. Charter members: W. F. Patton, dictator; John B. Davison, P. D.; C. B. Bechtelle, V. D.; J. R. Davison, F. R.; A. K. Branisholts, treasurer; W. G. Davison, William Snyder, C. H. Ruthrauff, W. R. Ruthrauff, Josiah Lesher, A. S. Elliott, G. B. Hawbaker, A. A. Wagner, H. H. Carr, Dr. F. A. Bushey, Dr. J. F. Nowell, William Laubbs, Peter Smith, Theodore Koontz, C. H. Fulwiler, C. F. Eckman.

*Legion of Honor* was organized in February, 1881. Members: J. Detrich, William Snyder, John Gates, B. F. Winger, E. W. Rhodes, Charles E. Rhodes, C. H. Ruthrauff, Geo. E. Haller, J. Patton Moore, William Snyder, A. A. Wagner, J. S. Snively, Jacob Stover, J. C. Spielman, F. A. Bushey, J. R. Davison, J. Fletcher Nowell, J. E. Whitmore, W. O. Snyder, W. G. Davison, H. R. Gaff, Benj. Palmer, T. J. Nill, W. R. Ruthrauff, W. S. Snively, Addison Imbrie, John R. Ruthrauff, J. H. Scarbaugh, C. F. Fletcher, M. S. Kinkle, John Goetz, Jacob Hostetter, Jacob Wilmer, J. R. Metcalf, Benj. Snively, Clifford Rhodes, William Laubbs, W. L. Rhodes, W. S. Detrich, W. D. Parkill, P. B. Haller, James M. Leiter, D. B. Keefer, Henry M. Pope, David Byers. First officers: John Gates, commander; W. F. Patton, P. C. (since deceased); J. Detrich, V. C.; William G. Davison, secretary; Jacob Hostetter, treasurer; A. W. Welch, collector.

*Masons*.—Mount Royal Lodge was organized about 1815. The charter members were Col. Wood, Robbin Guinnea, Jacob Kunkle, John D. Work, Eli Fuss, Capt. James Brown, Arowine Miller, Daniel Horr, William Clark McDowell. The society disbanded in the days of anti-Masonic excitement. The present is the Mount Pisgah Lodge, No. 443. It was organized August 26, 1869, by William Adams, A. F. Schafhirt, Benj. F. Winger, S. B. Snively, Joseph A. Davison, John Goetz, H. R. Gaff, S. H. Prather, Jacob Lear, Jacob R. Smith, Eli Fuss, James M. Brown, Wm. Hammett, George W. Frye, Wm. H. McDowell, James P. Wolff, A. J. North, Joseph W. Winger and Thos. Pawling. William Snyder was the first initiate. Present officers are F. A. Bushey, W. M.; Lewis Cantner, S. W.; John Goetz, J. W.; H. R. Gaff, Treas.; B. F. Winger, Secretary.

*The W. C. T. U.* was organized October, 1883, by Mrs. Shennafield and Mrs. Dr. Kennedy, of the Chambersburg union. The charter members were these ladies: Mesdames, Sarah J. Crooks, M. J. Ruthrauff, John Bert, Ben. Bert, M. H. E. McLanahan, H. J. Agnew, Feldman, Joseph Crowell, E. Martin, Annie C. Branisholts, Oliver Brown, Hollenberger, J. D. Hunter, B. F. Winger, Dr. Nowell, Chas. Ruthrauff, Joanna Pittenger, William Addleman, J. Y. Shannon; Misses H. J. Davison, Sarah P. Moore, Susan P. Hawbecker, L. C. Fatzinger, Kate Clippinger, Jennie Agnew, May West, Blanche Winger, Bessie Brown, Sarah Glaser, Bel. Ruthrauff, Kitty M. Martin, Minnie Snively, Nannie Gordon, Julia Bert, Jennie Brosius, Clara S. Yous, Mary Wilders. First officers: President, Mrs. John Bert; general vice-president, Mrs. Rev. John Agnew; corresponding secretary, Miss Blanche D. Winger; recording secretary, Miss May West; treasurer, Mrs. Benj. Bert. Present officers: President, Mrs. John Bert; general vice-president, Mrs. Rev. John Agnew; corresponding secretary, Mrs. William Addleman; recording secretary, Miss Blanche D. Winger; treasurer, Mrs. Benj. Bert. Meetings are held once a month. They make use of the W. C. T. U. monthly readings; have spent \$35 for literature.

*Corporal Rihl Post, No. 438, G. A. R.*, was organized May 12, 1884, by John A. Seiders, of Chambersburg, with the following charter members, J. R. Davison, Jacob S. Snively, M. W. Kisecker, C. H. Fulweiler, Rev. J. Y. Shannon, William Snyder, Daniel Hellane, J. B. Byers, Geo. B. Snively, Jacob Wilt, Henry Foster, William Brenizer, Dr. F. A. Bushey, Dr. H. G. Chritzman, G. W. Kennedy (deceased), Cyrus Kennedy, James Morehead, Jacob Helfrich, David H. Mowen, David Hager, George Arendt, E. B. Carpenter, Geo. T. Hudson, Frank Hoffman, J. R. Cummins, Samuel Showalter: J. L. Meredith, Oscar Anderson, Simon Palmer and D. A. Pentz. Original officers: Commander, J. R. Davison; senior vice commander, Jacob S. Snively; junior, M. W. Kisecker; adjutant, C. H. Fulweiler; chaplain, Rev. J. Y. Shannon. The post is in a flourishing condition.

(William H. Rihl,\* after whom the post was named, was born in Philadelphia, in 1843. Concerning his ancestry, nothing has been learned. He was by occupation a gardener. At the time he entered the service he was eighteen years old; five feet, six and a quarter inches in height; had light complexion, blue eyes and dark hair. On the 19th of July, 1861, he enlisted for three years, or during the war, in a company of cavalry recruited and organized by Capt. W. H. Boyd, one of the first companies raised for that branch of the service during the war. The company was finally attached to the First New York Cavalry, a regiment authorized to be raised by Col. Carl Schurz, but which, on account of his being appointed minister to Spain, was finally drilled and led into the field by Maj. Andrew T. McReynolds, who became its colonel. This company became Company C, with the following corps of officers: Captain, William H. Boyd; first lieutenant, Wm. W. Hanson; second lieutenant, James H. Stevenson. The regiment was known as the First New York (Lincoln) Cavalry, and was the first cavalry authorized to be raised during the rebellion. The following was the authority:

WAR DEPARTMENT,  
Washington, May 1, 1861.

*To the Governors of the several States and all whom it may concern:*

I have authorized Col. Carl Schurz to raise and organize a volunteer regiment of cavalry. For the purpose of rendering it as efficient as possible, he is instructed to enlist principally such men as have served in the same arm before. The Government will provide the regiment with arms, but can not provide the horses and accoutrements. For these necessities we rely upon the patriotism of the States and the citizens, and for this purpose I take the liberty of requesting you to afford Col. Schurz your aid in the execution of this plan.

SIMON CAMERON, *Secretary of War.*

It was composed of four companies of Germans and six of Americans, recruited in New York; a company from Michigan, and Boyd's company, from Philadelphia. The command operated with the Army of the Potomac in its various movements. During Lee's invasion of Pennsylvania Boyd's detachment rendered invaluable service in escorting Gen. Milroy's supply train from Winchester to Harrisburg, and then harrassing the advance and flanks of the advancing rebel army. At Greencastle the company, with some forty-three men, made a bold dash on Jenkins' advance, and drove them in great confusion back to the main command. In this reckless charge, M. S. Cafferty and Corp. William H. Rihl were far in the advance. As they were dashing past the Fleming house, just out of town, they were fired upon by a body of rebel infantry lying in a wheat field to the left. The result was the wounding of Cafferty in the leg and the shooting of Rihl through the head, the ball entering his upper lip and passing out through the upper part of the skull. Thus

\* Much carelessness has been shown in the spelling of this name. The one given in this text is the authorized one, being sanctioned by the orderly sergeant, his captain, and his muster and pay rolls in Albany and Washington.

fell, on the 22d of June, 1863, Corp. William H. Rihl, the first Union soldier slain on free soil during the war of the Rebellion. Miss Mary Fleming was the first loyal person to be at the side of the young soldier, brave and dashing in life, but now a martyr to the cause of liberty. His body was interred by the enemy in the wheat field, where it remained for several days, when it was exhumed and removed to the Lutheran graveyard, in the village. On the 22d of June, 1886, twenty-three years after his tragic death, the remains of Corp. Rihl were taken from their resting place in the graveyard, and with imposing ceremonies reburied by patriotic hands on the site where he fell, preparatory to the erection of a suitable monument. These exercises were under the direction of Corp. Rihl Post, the members of which conceived the idea of perpetuating in this public manner the memory of the brave comrade after whom the post was called. A large fund has already been subscribed, and much more is to be raised to complete the work undertaken.\*)

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## CHAPTER XXIII.

### TOWNSHIPS.

ANTRIM, 1741—LURGAN, 1743—PETERS, 1751—GUILFORD, 1751—HAMILTON, 1752—FANNETT, 1761—LETTERKENNY, 1762—WASHINGTON, 1779—MONTGOMERY, 1781—SOUTHAMPTON, 1783—FRANKLIN, 1784—GREENE, 1788—METAL, 1795—WARREN, 1798—ST. THOMAS, 1818—QUINCY, 1838.

THE territory now embraced in Franklin County was formed into the civil divisions of townships long before the county they are in was thought of. When the Cumberland Valley, embraced in what is now Cumberland and Franklin Counties, was part of Lancaster County, it was divided and townships erected. In 1735, the valley was separated into two townships, and, by a singular coincidence, the division line was substantially the same as now divides the counties of Cumberland and Franklin. At that time the land in this and Cumberland County was in the possession, and the ownership of the Indians. The treaty with the Five Nations, at Philadelphia, by which the proprietors of the province became the owners of the soil here, took place October 11, 1736. The court of quarter sessions of Lancaster County, at the November session of 1835, divided the valley into two townships, Pennsborough and Hopewell, the former embracing substantially what is now Cumberland County and the latter what is now Franklin County. The division line between Pennsborough and Hopewell Townships crossed the valley about where Newville now is—then or soon afterward known as the "Big Springs." From this place to the Maryland line was, for a time, Hopewell Township, Lancaster County.

In giving the account of the erection of the different townships now in the county, we have followed, as closely as we could, the chronological order of their formation.

\*[Just as our forms go to press we learn that Dr. H. G. Chritzman has introduced a bill in the Legislature appropriating \$500 for this monument.—ED.]

## ANTRIM, 1741.\*

At the May term, 1741, of the quarter sessions court of Lancaster "upon the application of the inhabitants of the township" (of the western portion of Hopewell), presented by Richard O'Cain, Esq., the order of the court erecting Antrim Township was made; and here again is the coincidence that the order forming the new township included the same territory now forming the county, except Warren (Little Cove), Fannett and Metal Townships. Therefore, except these three, the present townships of the county were, at different times, taken from the territory of Antrim.

It was evidently named for Antrim, Ireland, and the name is significant of where the early settlers were from—the brave and hardy Scotch-Irish, who pushed their way to the extreme frontier settlements and in the face of appalling obstructions "hewed the dark old woods away," and gave us the smiling green fields of to-day.

## FIRST SETTLERS.

The first settlers were Jacob Snively, James Johnston, Joseph Crunkleton and James Rody. They came in 1735. Joseph Crunkleton had obtained from the proprietaries his "license" for land the year before, 1734, and it is therefore probable that he was the main cause of directing the attention of those who came with him to this place. His "license" was for so much land to be selected in or about a certain rather indefinitely described place, to be afterward surveyed and patented to him. The land selected by Mr. Crunkleton is the property now owned by Benjamin Snively and David Eshelman, situated about two miles east of Greencastle. Mr. Snively made his improvement upon the land that was the homestead of Mr. Andrew Snively, deceased. Mr. Johnston took up the lands now owned by Christian Stover and Henry Whitmore. Mr. Rody settled on Conococheague Creek and made his improvement on the land now owned by Andrew G. McLanahan. Thus was constituted the first white settlement in Antrim Township.

This was known as, or was called, the "Conococheague settlement." They had hardly got up their first log cabins when other "settlers" began to arrive. In the preceding history of the borough of Greencastle is given the account of the early settlers in and about Greencastle, and in the account of the "Old Red Church" may be found also all the known facts of many of the prominent early settlers in Antrim Township. The "Red Church" was the first organization of the kind in this part of the county. It was situated about three-fourths of a mile east of where Greencastle now stands. The transcriptions from the old graveyard are of much interest to the descendants of these early settlers.

## EARLY LAND TITLES.

From the oldest records of land titles in the township are taken the following:

William Allison's warrant dated September 7, 1750, for 270 acres. His neighbors at that time were Robert McCrea, John Allison, Casper Walter, Andrew Robison, Samuel Smith. The deputy surveyor was John Armstrong.

John Allison, 80 acres, warrant dated August 1, 1766. Neighbors: John Davison, Evans Shelby.

Gustavus Brown, 282 acres, warrant, August 22, 1751. Neighbors: John Wallace, Capt. A. Cain.

James Bones, 228 acres, warrant, August 4, 1766. Neighbors: John Gordon, John Potter, Michael McNulty, John Johnston.

\*For Borough of Greencastle, see page 547.

Thomas and George Brown, survey, February 22, 1763. Neighbors: Jacob Snively, John Potter's heirs, Joseph Cook, Benjamin Chambers, Patrick McClane, Robert Thompson's heirs, Joseph Reynolds.

Joseph Gallady, 60 acres, warrant, May 13, 1763. Neighbors: Henry Snively, S. Crunkleton, Samuel Smith.

John Nigh, 65 acres and 62 acres, warrant, May 13, 1763. Neighbors: John Waggenerly, Samuel Findlay.

Simon Eaker, (in right of Philip Wolff,) 130 acres surveyed September 14, 1767. Neighbors: George Patty, Simon Eaker, Robert Beard, William Patty and John Leab.

John Mitchell, 227 acres.

James Beatty, 114 acres.

Henry Gordon, 67 acres. Neighbors: James Bones, Jacob Snively, Henry Gordon, Thomas Johnston.

Abraham Gable, 195 acres, warrant, April 13, 1749. Neighbors: Michael Gable and W. O. Grubb.

Abraham Gable, in right of Richard Gable, 130 acres, warrant, May 31, 1762. Neighbors: Henry Stoll and Wm. Berryhill.

William Findley, 169 acres, warrant, May 3, 1768, Neighbors: John Scott and Robert Davison.

Elias Davidson three tracts, 176 acres. Neighbors: David Scott, William Neal, Robert Crunkleton, John Lowman, John McClellan, Abraham Smith, Robert Davison.

John Davison, 147 acres, December, 1752.

Robert Davison, 3 tracts, February, 1766.

Elias Davidson, 26 acres, December 19, 1761.

Samuel Findley, 106 acres, June 10, 1762.

Robert Crunkleton, 101 acres, June 3, 1762.

Joseph Cook, 264 acres, December 4, 1766.

Thomas Clugston, 109 acres, January 14, 1767.

John Scott, 109 acres, August 1, 1766.

Henry Stahl, 13 acres, March 1, 1768.

Richard O' Cain, 79½ acres, July 25, 1751.

Henry Stahl, two tracts, 270 acres, October 5, 1765.

Jacob Snively, four tracts, January 20, 1753.

James Scott, two tracts, 447 acres, June 5, 1762.

Abraham Smith, two tracts, 370 acres, June 10, 1747.

Samuel Smith's heirs, 437 acres, August 13, 1746.

William Smith, two tracts, 67¾ acres, November 18, 1748.

John Coil, 68 acres, August 28, 1766.

Michael McNulty, 334 acres, May 24, 1753.

Joseph Alexander, 100 acres, February 8, 1742.

Andrew Miller (right of David Magaw), three tracts, 440 acres, March 18, 1737.

Benjamin Chambers, 361 acres, August 1, 1755.

George Gibson, 520 acres, October 28, 1746.

Andrew Gibson, 203 acres.

Richard Gable (right of Abraham Gable), 110 acres, October 31, 1767.

Adam Hoops, 242 acres, September 30, 1751.

James Knox (in right of Samuel McFarren), 160 acres, June 10, 1747.

David Kennedy, 50 acres, November 9, 1741, and June 14, 1740.

David Scott (now John Lowman's), 187 acres, August 20, 1738.

John Mitchell, 254 acres, March 21, 1737.





*Geo. A. Shermaker*



Archibald McClellan, 64 acres, October 16, 1744.  
 James McLanahan, four tracts, 900 acres, July 5, 1742.  
 William Magaw, 86 acres, March 25, 1748.  
 Henry Pawling, 121 acres, June 10, 1762.  
 Thomas Poe, 568 acres, October 9, 1750.  
 Henry Prather, 72 acres, June 4, 1762.  
 George Reynolds, 343 acres, October 6, 1738.  
 Robert Wallace, 65 acres, October 19, 1743.  
 John Brotherton, 135 acres, April 25, 1747.  
 John Potter, 114 acres, October 9, 1750.  
 Samuel McPherran, 174 acres, June 10, 1747.  
 Moses Thompson, 141 acres, May 24, 1753.  
 James McBryer, 219 acres, February 3, 1755.  
 David McBryer, October 4, 1753.  
 Moses Thompson, April 9, 1755.  
 Thomas Entricken, April 9, 1755.  
 Thomas Nesbitt, April 9, 1755.  
 George Corbet, April 9, 1755.

## OLD GRAVEYARD TRANSCRIPTIONS.

In *Brown's Mills Cemetery* are found the following: Henry Pawling, died in 1761 (this is the oldest record on the stones in this graveyard); near this is another which informs us that Henry Pawling died February 15, 1794, aged forty seven years. John M. Pawling, born December 1, 1783, died November 26, 1838; Rebecca, daughter of Thomas Prather, and wife of John M. Pawling, born May 18, 1788, died November 12, 1864. Sarah Courtney, died August 29, 1802, aged sixty-two years. Jane McCleary, consort of Robert McCleary, born March 7, 1766, died July 20, 1851. William Reynolds, died April 2, 1819, aged seventy-nine years; Ruth Reynolds, died June 23, 1824, aged eighty-two years. John McLean, born November 13, 1766, died August 1, 1849. James Poe, one of the Revolutionary patriots, died June 22, 1822, aged seventy-four years; Elizabeth Poe, consort, died September 11, 1819, aged fifty-two years. Rev. Mathew Lind, died April 21, 1800, aged sixty-eight years; his consort, Jennette Fulton, died April 1, 1819, aged seventy-three years. James Witherspoon, died March 18, 1838, aged eighty-one years; Mary, consort, died November 25, 1838, aged eighty-seven years.

In cemetery near Shady Grove are found the following: Col. Thomas Johnson, died in 1819, aged seventy-five years; Martha Beatty, consort, died in August, 1811. Eliza M. Lanahan, daughter of Thomas Johnson, died aged fifty-eight years. Joseph Cooke, died February 5, 1804, aged eighty-two years. James Johnston, born in north of Ireland, died in 1765. From documents in the possession of his descendants, he settled in Antrim Township in the early part of the year 1735. There are some evidences indicating that he was the first white settler in the township. In time, however, he would have preceded those mentioned above by a few months. Add to these the account of the interments in *Mossy Spring Cemetery*, given in the account of Greencastle, and it makes a full account of necrology of the early settlers.

## LIST OF TAXABLES—1786.

The earliest records accessible, of those who were here in 1786, are furnished in the list of taxables for that year, in Antrim Township with its present boundaries, including the borough of Greencastle.

John Allison.	Wm. Eaker.	Saml. McCulloch.	Peter Remer.
William Allison.	Abm. Elie.	Jacob Millar.	John Rodeman.
William Adams.	Humphrey Fullerton.	James Moor.	John Rodgers.
John Allan.	Fredk. Fisher.	John Millar.	George Rumble.
Samuel Archer.	Conrad Fisher.	Danl. Millar.	Wm. Reany.
Dr. Robert Ambruse.	Nich. Frye.	Henry Millar.	Wm. Rankin.
Conrad Burner.	Jas. Fleck.	Jas. McBride.	Eml. Stotlar.
Widow Bee.	John Foy.	John McCLaughlin.	Abraham Smith.
Hugh Barkley.	Henry Gordon.	Danl. Mowan.	John Scott.
James Boreland.	George Gordon.	Ludwick Mowan.	Wm. Scott.
James Brotherton.	Alex. Gordon.	Patrick McEntyre.	John Stoonking.
Wm. Berryhill.	Hugh Gaff.	Mary Michal.	Jacob Stotler.
Wm. Burk.	Abm. Gabriel.	James McLene.	John Stotler.
Jacob Brumbaugh.	Richard Gabriel.	Danl. McLene.	Samuel Smith.
George Brown.	John Gay.	Richard McLene.	David Snider.
Jacob Bair.	John Gibson.	Hugh McKee.	Dr. Henry Snively.
Wm. Beaty.	John Gibson (creek).	Jas. McRoberts.	Jacob Saylor.
Fredk. Byars, Sr.	John Grindle.	Jas. McCormick.	Patrick Sangerson.
Fredk. Byars, Jr.	Jacob Gallady.	John McCormick.	Andrew Snively.
Conrad Bush.	Abm. Gansinger.	Jas. McClenahan.	Jos. Snively.
James Brown.	John Greer.	Widow McClenahan.	Saml. Stotler.
Geo. Bartlebaugh.	Robt. Gibson.	Wm. McClellan.	Henry Sights.
John Beatty.	Danl. Hughes.	Robt. McClellan.	Crisley Snively.
Henry Beast.	Jacob Harshberger.	Jas. McKelley.	Henry Snively.
Christ. Brandibarger.	Widow Hanna.	Alex. McCleary.	Dr. Geo. Stover.
Jacob Brunk.	Widow Hart.	Saml. Moor.	Gasper Stotler.
Joseph Crunkelton.	Abm. Hull.	John Marshal.	Wm. Stover.
Hugh Curathers.	John Heafley.	Pat. Maxwell.	Jacob Stover.
John Crunkelton.	Francis Hibrick.	Jas. McEntyre.	Emil Stover.
Robt. Crunkelton, Sr.	Saml. Hutchison.	Stephen Mowan.	Fredk. Summers.
Robt. Crunkelton, Jr.	Wm. Henderson.	Baltsher Mowan.	Henry Snively.
Saml. Crunkelton.	John Haugh.	Morris McGraw.	Nick Stuff.
Wm. Cross.	Thos. Hutson.	Leigh Masters.	Henry Stall, Sr.
James Cross.	Henry Hoover.	Henry Morrow.	Peter Shenholtz.
George Clark.	Nich. Hewit.	Danl. McCan.	Widow Stitt.
Thos. Clugston.	David Howell.	Jas. McClain.	Henry Secrist.
Gabriel Carpenter.	Henderson & Wilkin.	Henry Millar.	Philip Stiffey.
Joseph Cook.	Jas. Johnston.	Hance Miller, Jr.	George Sharer.
Peter Coon.	John Johnston.	John Mares.	Ludwick Small.
Christ. Creamer.	Thos. Johnston, Esq.	Lazarus McLean.	William Stever, Sr.
James Crawford.	Dr. Robt. Johnston.	John Nye, Sr.	William Scott.
Charles Cox.	Wm. Johnston.	John Nye, Jr.	Moses Thompson.
Robert Cooper.	Robert Johnston.	Wm. Neal.	Robert Thompson.
Michael Carey.	Andw. Jack.	Wm. Nesbit.	Richard Taylor.
Wm. Callahan.	Crissy King.	Cutlip Nuts.	Andrew Thompson.
Leonard Crowbarger.	John Keer.	Thos. Prather.	Thomas Tacy.
Robert Clugston.	John Kirk.	Abm. Prather.	John Thompson.
John Downey.	John Kennedy.	Christ. Piper.	John Weerman.
Wm. Downey.	Fredk. Kycher.	John Porter.	Peter Wolf.
Saml. Downey.	Wm. Kiers.	Joseph Paton.	Geo. Wallace.
Alex. Drybrough.	Rev. James Lang.	Robt. Paton.	Christ Widener.
Robt. Davison.	Rev. Matthew Linn.	Henry Pawling.	Jacob Weidner.
Elias Davidson.	John Lawrence.	Jas. Poe.	John Woods.
Dr. John Davidson.	Richd. Lawrence.	John Packman.	Peter Whitmore.
John Davison.	Robt. Linn.	Felty Pachel.	James Watson.
Joseph Davis.	James Long.	Jacob Packsler.	Richard Wright.
John Davis, tailor.	David Long.	John Piper.	William Woodman.
Saml. Duglas.	Michl. Lowman.	Felty Preman.	Christopher Wise.
James Dixon.	Jacob Lowman.	Peter Poorman.	James Witherspoon.
Thos. Duglas.	George Lowman.	John Paton.	James White.
Wm. Downey.	David Larimore.	Andrew Robison.	Adam Wilson.
Abm. Derush.	Joseph Lowrey.	James Roberts.	Jacob Weaver.
John Dusingberry.	Evans Lewis.	James Rea.	Fredk. Weibel.
Adam Dickey.	John Lowman.	John Rinch.	Peter White.
George Eldrich.	Jacob Leisure.	Wm. Rankin.	Jacob Winterberger.
Peter Elie.	Danl. Lane.	James Roddy.	James White.
Cutlip Evert.	Danl. Linbaugh.	Andrew Reed.	Alex. Young.
Wm. Evert.	Wm. McKee.	John Rule.	John Youst.
John Erwin.	Robert McCulloch.	Mat. Ryburn.	Jacob Zacharias.
George Eaker.			

## FREEMEN.

William Allison.	Peter Hull.	James McLanahan.	Abm. Smith.
William Cook.	James Johnson.	Hugh McIntyre.	Emanuel Stotter.
Jeremiah Callahan.	Felty Killer.	Thos. McClain.	Samuel Stotter.
Joseph Crunkleton.	Danl. Keek.	Geo. Nye.	Stophel Sites.
Jos. Crunkleton, No. 2.	James McLanahan.	Henry Pawling.	Saml. Smith.
Jacob Crone.	Robert McClellan.	Robt. Pattern.	Saml. Stover.
William Downey.	Wm. McClellan.	Abm. Prather.	Henry Siecrist.
John Ervin.	Saml. Moore.	John Rush.	Henry Strimb.
James Gibson.	Daniel McLene.	James Robinson.	Conrad Speer.
Jacob Galladay.	Thos. McLene.	Dr. Adam Rankin.	Fredk. Summers.
Joseph Grubb.	John McCloskey.	James Richey.	Robert Wilkens.
Abm. Gansinger.	William Mintooth.	Thos. Richey.	Cutlip Wisar.
Sol. Hoover.	John McCleary.	William Rule.	Andrew White.

## EARLY SETTLEMENTS.

*The Kennedy Settlement* in Antrim Township was made between the years 1755 and 1760. John Kennedy, a native of Lancaster County, came to the confluence of the East and the West Conococheague, in the southwest part of Antrim Township, and located on 700 acres of land, the first tract being bottom land extending a mile and a half in length along the creeks. Contrary to the general principle that the early settlers locate on the uplands, and hence on the poorest land, he chose the lowland because of the superior fishing qualities it possessed. This tract he obtained from an old Indian chief, Cornplanter, with whom he lived in the most pleasing friendship for a quarter of a century, the old chief having pitched his wigwam at the junction of the stream on account of its easy approach to the haunts of the finny tribes. Subsequently John was joined by his brother David, who, being a bachelor, lived with John in a hut located 100 yards south between the house now occupied by Lazarus Kennedy and the creek. John had a son, David, and two daughters, Ellen (subsequently married to Joseph Lowry, who lived near to Upton), and Mary (married to George Eaker). David, the son, inherited all the farm, and became a boatman on the creek between the confluence and the Potomac at Georgetown and Alexandria. He married Mary Robinson, daughter of Francis Robinson who lived across the creek in what is now Montgomery Township. From this union sprang three children—one son, Lazarus, and two daughters, Harriet and Charlotte. It is claimed that the same Indians who murdered Enoch Brown and his faithful pupils, wounded old John Kennedy. He was out hunting his horses which were found grazing in the creek bottom about a mile from his home when he was attacked by a party of Indians. They killed the horse he rode, and wounded him in the right thigh and shoulder. Being a good marksman, he continued to retreat and fire upon them until he reached a bushy oak tree that had fallen down into Rush Run, in the top of which he secreted himself till nightfall, when he ventured forth and crept away to Cross' Fort, distant about a mile from the tree top, where he remained about six weeks away from his family. Finally, Cornplanter sought him out, and hearing his story, went in pursuit of the desperadoes and chased them into the mountains. The 199 acres lying at the north end of the track, on which Lazarus Kennedy is now living, have remained in the possession of the Kennedys since the first settlement by John. Near neighbors and early settlers were the Allison and Henry Pawling at Greencastle; the McColloughs and Beards near Upton; the Davises near Welsh Run; Adam Armstrong, Richard Gabriel.

About the close of the last century John Kennedy attempted to establish a village at the confluence of the two Conococheagues, on the south side of the main stream, but the enterprise was soon given up and the town plat vacated.

It is now known as the Kennedy farm. It was here the first and only attempt in the county was made to transport merchandise by water.

In 1772 John Crunkleton laid out a town on the road from "Conococheague settlement," (which afterward became Greencastle) toward Waynesboro, about two miles east of Greencastle. He named the town "Crunkleton." Several lots were sold, three houses built and a tavern, by George Clark; another, a store, by John Lawrence. This was the maximum of the town's growth. Two of the houses were moved away and the place became a part of Benjamin Snively's farm. There is no mark now left, except one house, to indicate it ever was a village.

David Brown, who settled in Antrim Township, probably where Brown's mill now is, in 1769, came on a trip through what is now Franklin County. He kept a diary of his trip, and we extract from it that portion referring to the county. It is what he saw and what he wrote down, dated April 26, 1769. We apprehend that nothing in this book will be read and pondered with more interest than these words from Mr. Brown just as he wrote them:

"After which we crossed Yellow Breeches (which seldom rise much,) and went up the creek to Moris' works, which consisted of one furnace and a forge, with five fires and 2 hammers, that were all worked by a spring, the head of which was not above fifty rod distance, being the largest spring and the best works I ever saw—and from thence to *Fultons in Carlyle* and lodged—had good entertainment (but the town is inferior to York both as to size and to situation) had an agreeable conference with Col. Armstrong, &c.

"27th. Set out a half after 11 for a miller and went to Laughlins mill on the great spring—there met Lyon on the road, and on enquiry found he was the man we were looking for. From thence went up the Spring by R. Whisbeys mill, at which we stopped and reviewed it—thence up to Barritz's Tavern on the road and fed—went to Wm. Ripleys on the run at Shippenstown.

"28th. Sett off and went to Baineys and fed; from thence across Coneygogig to Chamberstown, where there is a mill on a large spring with about thirty feet fall right down into the east Conegogig—went up the road, then turned and crossed Conogegig again on Adam Hoopers place, a little above Jacks mill and went to Samuel Moorheads, where we dined and fed with great welcome without pay—thence went across the woods into Loudon road and up to James Campbells at a large stone house, about four miles from Loudon, where we saw three young bears, that were lately caught by a wagoner who lived down by Brandywine and was carrying them down—thence up across the west Conogogig to Rowland Harris's in the gap; lodged all night.

"29th. Went to Allen Browns to breakfast, then turned to the left hand up the mountain to a large body of iron ore, and saw about 10 dear in the woods; then turned down to the road again and went to the foot of Tus Krora (Parnell's nob) mountain to the sleeping place, where we saw six waggons going to Pittsburg; went to Mr. Elliotts, staid all Day—walked to his mill and to a large rich bottom along the creek, part of which he has cleared."

David Brown was the grandfather of Capt. James Brown. A note from Genl. C. T. Campbell, of Scotland, Dak., says: "I think his remains are in the old Brown graveyard, where my grandfather Poe was also buried."

#### BOROUGH AND VILLAGES.

The borough and villages in the township are Greencastle, Shady Grove, Wingerton, Middleburg, Brown's Mills and South Pennsylvania Junction.

*Shady Grove* was one of the early settlements in the county. The first to

come here were the Johnstons, Gordons and Snivelys, 1734-35. They came in about the order following: A. Gordon, Jacob Lay, Abraham Unger, M. Snively, Henry Ditch, John and Henry Baltzley, Samuel Fisher and Henry Grove. A good portion of the land is held by the descendants of those who originally purchased it.

The village was platted and laid out in 1840 by M. Snively. The church in the village is the German Baptist—called Dunkards. It was organized in 1877.

The population is 125 souls. In the village is a creamery, one general store, two blacksmith shops, a steam chopping-mill, a pump-maker, doctor, etc.

*Middleburg.*—The first settler here, who built the first house, was Jack Wolgamot. The village was founded by Jacob Strickler, in 1812. It is on the main road leading from Greencastle to Hagerstown, and takes its name from the fact that it is equi-distant between the two places.

It was originally called "Spiglersburg." Wolgamot, it is said, built his house on the State line—one-half the house in Maryland and one-half in Pennsylvania, so he could worry the officers who occasionally called to see him on official business. But upon a new swing of the line, he had made a mistake, as the house was in Maryland and only the chimney in Pennsylvania.

The Middleburg Reformed Church had its first preaching by Rev. John Rebaugh in 1837; congregation organized in 1852, sixty-four members. The active members, elders and deacons were Philip Stine, Abraham Ziegler, Daniel P. Miller, Henry Miller, Michael Stine, Peter McLaughlin, Daniel Brickley, John Zeigler. Rev. Rebaugh continued in charge until 1863, then Revs. Thomas G. Apple and Callender until 1870. The place was then made a supply station; preaching by Rev. W. F. Colliflower, then by Revs. Stephen R. Remer and John Sykes. Rev. Cyrus Cort is now the pastor in charge. The congregation is rapidly growing and the church entirely prosperous. There is a Sunday-school of 120 attendants and nineteen teachers.

#### THE MORMONS.

*Mormons in Antrim.*—It is not generally known, perhaps, that a strong effort was made to establish Mormonism in Pennsylvania, and yet such is the case. After the killing of Joe Smith and Hiram Smith, at Carthage, Ill., by a mob, on the 27th of June, 1844, the leadership of the Saints naturally belonged to Sidney Rigdon; but Brigham Young, an ambitious man and a more recent convert to the faith than Rigdon, was chosen first president. His talented competitor was cut off from the communion of the faithful, cursed, and solemnly delivered over to the devil, "to be buffeted in the flesh for a thousand years." In a short time, Rigdon, with a band of faithful followers, came eastward to Pittsburgh, Penn., where they established a paper to promulgate their doctrines. While Young and his associates were flying to Salt Lake City, Rigdon and his adherents, reversing the doctrine that "westward the course of empire takes its way," sought a congenial field among the conservative inhabitants of the Keystone State.

The work at Pittsburgh did not prosper. In a short time, two emissaries sent out by Rigdon made their appearance in Antrim Township. Stopping on the bridge that spans the Conococheague Creek, about a mile and a quarter west of Greencastle, they cast their eyes over the farm of Andrew G. McLanahan, which lay spread out before them and said: "This is the place the Lord has shown us in visions to be the site of the city of New Jerusalem." Shortly afterward, Peter Boyer, a wealthy farmer of Allegheny

County, Penn., come on and contracted with Mr. McLanahan for his farm of about 400 acres, at \$14,700. Boyer paid \$6,000 in advance, and gave a mortgage for the remainder of the purchase money. The purchaser took possession in the spring of 1846, and in a short time Sidney Rigdon, Elders Hyde and Heber, Judge Richards, William E. McClellan, Hatch, Hinkle, Zody, Grimes, Ringer, and others joined them. The band numbered, all told, about 150. Most of them moved upon the farm, where they intended to lay out a grand city, build a magnificent temple and establish extensive manufacturing establishments. Some of them located in town, and some engaged in various business interests. They brought with them a printing press, under the direction of Mr. E. Robinson, now of Iowa, and established a weekly paper, called the *Conococheague Herald*.

They had among them mechanics, farmers, professional men and a few capitalists. Among the latter class was Judge Richards, who claims to have sacrificed \$200,000 for the cause of Mormonism. Sidney Rigdon was the Prophet and Commander. Every Sunday they held services on the barn floor at the farm, Rigdon doing most of the preaching. He was regarded a very shrewd and eloquent man.

They did some preaching in the town, but were unsuccessful in arousing, on the part of the community, the opposition which they had expected, to make their cause popular. Rigdon boasted that the conflict would rage till the streets were drenched with blood. He declared that there was not in the churches of the town religion enough to save a nest of woodpeckers.

Idleness prevailed among these people. The money brought with them was soon consumed. The house, the barn, the corn crib, the smoke house even, were used as dwelling places. Crops of grain were allowed to go to waste. The time for the payment of the mortgage notes arrived, but no money for that purpose was available. McLanahan foreclosed, in August, 1847, and all the visions of the future great city disappeared. Some went to Utah, and some joined the Gentiles. The conservative spirit of the Pennsylvanians would not accept the new religion, and the whole scheme failed, to the great rejoicing of the people. To the western branch must the future look for the fulfillment of the prophecy uttered in 1829 by Robert Southey, the English poet and historian: "The next Aaron Burr who seeks to carve a kingdom for himself out of the outgrown territories of the Union may discover that *fanaticism* is the most effective weapon with which ambition can arm itself; that the way for both is prepared by that immorality which the want of religion naturally and necessarily induces, and that camp-meetings may be very well directed to forward the designs of military prophets. Were there another Mohammed to arise, there is no part of the world where he would find more scope or fairer opportunity than in that part of the Anglo-American Union into which the older States continually discharge the restless part of their population, leaving laws and gospel to overtake it if they can; for in the march of modern civilization, both are left behind."

#### LURGAN—1743.

The name of this township, like old Antrim, plainly indicates the nativity of the people who were here in control of affairs at the time it was erected. The territory of which it was formed was taken from the north part of Antrim Township, its north boundary line being the line of Cumberland County, its east and south boundary lines being Conodoguinet Creek, and its west line the summit of Kittatinny Mountain. When formed it embraced its present ter-



ritory and what is now Letterkenny, Greene and Southampton Townships. The date given above as that of its formation is not from the records, but the oldest mention found of it now in the archives is in a "deed" for land in Cumberland County, in which Lurgan Township is a part of the description and the deed bears the date of the year above given—1743. This was then Lancaster County, but the instrument was afterward recorded in Cumberland County. This is conclusive that it is that old at least, but does not furnish any other evidence that it may not be older.

The situation of the original territory in this township was such that it would naturally catch the eye of the immigrants as they passed up Cumberland Valley in the hunt of new homes. The territory now forming the township lies west of the main traveled route of immigrants in passing down the valley. Blue Mountain and Kittatinny Mountain are on its west and northwest borders. It is drained by Conodoguinet Creek, Paxton Run, Trout Run, and several small ravines flowing east from Blue Mountain.

## EARLY LAND TITLES.

The earliest land entry in the township was November 4, 1736, John Hastings (Hastings). The entry made in the statement of the survey says: "By virtue of a warrant from the Honorable Proprietaries bearing date the day of—I have surveyed and laid out unto John Hastin, in the township of Hopewell in the County of Lancaster on the west side of Susquehana River, 603 acres of land." (Signed) Zach Butcher, D. S.

## Endorsements:

"To survey this tract, if any more vacant land include it."

"If any persons settled thereon, let them know they must apply to ye Sec'y's office."

"Returned &c., May 18, 1762, for Samuel Jones in person, and a warrant dated October 10, 1760."

"May Hastings sells, as is said, this land to Samuel Jones, who sells, as is said, to Joseph Jones, who is deceased, leaving a widow and two children. All parties concerned, are to be present together, 14 April, 1759."

"John Everly applies for the share belonging to the widow and children of Joseph Jones."

The other land entries were as follows:

John Maclay, 263 acres, August 16, 1754. Neighbors, A. Grimes and Francis Grimes.

John Reynolds, 433 acres, October 6, 1738. Neighbors, Robert Edmonson, Samuel Reynolds, Edward Shippen.

Samuel Reynolds, two tracts, 160 acres, June 13, 1749. Neighbors, James Reynolds, A. McIntire, Wm. Rippey, John Reynolds.

Henry Swaney, 69½ acres, April 19, 1746. Neighbors, Arthur Clark, John Cummins, Robert Peebles, Robert Scott.

James Culbertson, 184 acres, August 14, 1751 (he reported no neighbors with lands adjoining).

## LIST OF TAXABLES, 1786.

Taxables in what is now Lurgan Township, in 1786, were as follows:

Benjamin Alsworth.	John Crookshawks.	Philip Foust.	Philip Hollinger.
Peter Alport.	George Cripaugh.	Francis Grimes.	Henry Humbrey.
Thomas Barr.	Michael Cripaugh.	John Grimes.	William Hunter.
Christopher Bower.	Andrew Dickey.	William Gaston.	Margaret Hemphill.
John Campbell.	Robert Donovan	David Harron.	John Johnston.
William Crossman.	James Dunlop.	Frederick Hess.	Archibald Johnston.

John Knox.	Gawin Morrow.	James Patterson.	John Shoeman.
Henry Millar.	Sarah McCormick.	Thomas Pumroy.	Peter Sheerer.
William Leim.	Isaac Miller.	James Reid.	John Seyoc.
Ludwich Long.	Lettice McKibben.	Peter Ratts.	George Stevenson.
Joseph McKibben.	Andrew McPharren.	Joseph Reed.	John Snider.
Archibald Mahan.	Wm. McCall.	Giles Reed.	Wm. Turner.
Robert Miller.	Wm. McKnight.	John Strain.	John Thompson.
John Maclay.	John McKnight, Jr.	Abel Seyoc.	John White.
Charles Maclay, Jr.	Wm. McCombs.	Harman Shoeman.	Abraham Weir.
James McKee.	Barnabas M'Laughlin.	Thomas Snodgrass.	Samuel Woodrow.
Alex. McCammont.	Henry Mahan.	Barnhart Sower.	George Wright.
Charles Maclay.	John Maclay.	Anthony Shoemaker.	John Watson.
Robt. Morrow.	John McCall.	Andrew Suber.	George Winsel.
Robert McKane.			

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Michael Brady.	Joseph Kyle.	William Magaw.	Philip Shoeman.
William Bradley.	George Martin.	Joseph Porter.	Simon Shoeman.
Dennis Cintery.	David Maclay.	Thomas Reed.	James Trimble.
John Emery.	James McRorey.	Andrew Ralston.	Samuel Walker.
James Gaston.	Joseph McKane.	John Shoeman.	George Weir.
Robert Huston.			

## THE POMEROYS.

Among the earliest settlers in the county and in Lurgan Township, was Thomas Pomeroy, who came about the year 1730. He was the owner of a large tract of land about two miles from Roxbury on the Newbury road. He reared a family of eight children—four sons and four daughters. He died about 1770. His widow, Margaret, died in 1777. The sons were Thomas, John, George and Samuel. One of the daughters married a Mr. Doyle, and another married Mr. Duncan. Except Thomas, who remained on the old homestead, the sons all went West. He was born in Lurgan Township in 1733, so far as we now can know, the first white child born in the township.

In the history of the State, and especially of the Revolutionary times, the Pomeroy's are a noted family. Thomas, the son of the first settler became eminent in his day. His first wife and two children were massacred by the Indians.

## VILLAGES.

*Roxbury.*—The first settler in this place was Alexander W. Pomeroy, who located on the Pomeroy farm, immediately adjoining the village, now in the possession of his great grandson. A relative of the Pomeroy's, Francis Graham, Jr., was an early settler in the village. He was one of the Revolutionary heroes, and to the time of his death drew a pension for his services in the war.

The village is situated on Condouinet Creek, at the base of Kittatinny Mountain. It was laid out by William Leephar about 1778. In the old days of "pack horses" it grew to be quite a business point, but its busy days have now departed. Mr. Leephar built a grist-mill in 1783. The "Sound Well Forge" was built by Leephar, Crotzer & Co. in 1798; the Roxbury furnace in 1815. The last to carry on these works were the Hughes, in 1857. Two churches were built in the place, the Union Church, in 1815, and the Methodist Protestant, in 1873.

Grand Army of the Republic.—Lieut. A. A. Pomeroy Post, No. 295, of Roxbury, was organized December 26, 1882, by Capt. W. E. Miller, assisted by Comrade Haverstick. Charter members: W. H. Stewart, J. Breckenridge, W. McGowen, Jacob Seilhamer, J. E. Harvey, Frank Creamer, John Watson, Wm. Watson, Adam Franklin, J. Maclay, H. D. Bechtel, Peter Pfeiffer, Samuel Pery, George Franklin, George Seilhamer, Cyrus Hazlett. First officers of the post: Commander, John Breckenridge; Senior Vice-Commander, A. Franklin; Junior Vice-Commander, Jacob Seilhamer; Quartermaster, W. H.

Stewart; Adjutant, Frank Creamer. The officers for 1887 are as follows: Commander, A. Franklin; Senior Vice-Commander, Wm. Traxler; Junior Vice-Commander, G. Gussman; Quartermaster, J.P. West; Adjutant, J. Seilhamer. The post is named in honor of the gallant Lieut. A. A. Pomeroy, who was killed at the battle of White Oak road, March 31, 1865.

(Andrew A. Pomeroy, fourth son of the late Hon. Thomas Pomeroy, and brother of Revs. J. J. and Seth W. Pomeroy, was born and reared in Roxbury. His education was acquired in the schools of his native village and at the Fayetteville Academy. Prior to the war he became so firmly convinced that "human slavery as it existed in the United States was an iniquitous institution—an outrageous sin against God and man" that he expressed his sentiments unreservedly and was pronounced by time-serving politicians "a young Abolitionist." With these sentiments deeply rooted in his youthful nature, he entered Company H, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, August 9, 1862, and, excepting a period of sickness following the battle of Antietam, was with his command till it was mustered out of service. He was wounded in the left arm at the battle of Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863.

After a short stay at home, he entered Company I of the One Hundred and Ninety-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteers, his commission bearing date September 14, 1864, and did valiant service with it in the Army of the Potomac till the period of his death.

The following communication is inserted in justice to the gallant hero:

HEADQUARTERS 1ST DIV. 5TH CORPS,  
ARMY OF THE POTOMAC.  
June 30, 1865.

THOMAS POMEROY, ESQ., ROXBURY, PENN.:

*My Dear Sir:* As this army is about to break up, and I am reminded anew of the brave and good who have served with me through the hardships and hazards of war, I can not forbear to address you a line expressive of my high regard for your son, late 1st Lieut. 198th Reg't Penn. Vols., who fell while gallantly fighting at his post in the battle of the White Oak Road, March 31st, 1865. Be assured, sir, his manly and noble conduct was not unnoticed by his General, nor did he fall without tears due to so brave and true a man. I must also speak of your other son, Chaplain of the same Regiment, whom I esteem as a man worthy of all love and praise, faithful to every trust, wise and not weary in well doing. You may have a pride, though tinged with sadness, in having given men like these to your country's cause; and, though one life was laid down, yet such lives are never lost. I honor you—I congratulate you as the father of such sons, and I shall always remember with love and mournful satisfaction their heroism and devotion. I am, my dear sir, with high regard, your friend and servant,

J. L. CHAMBERLAIN,

*Brevet Major-General, Commanding Division.*

*Mowersville* is about three and a half miles from Roxbury. It was laid out in 1866 by Joseph Mowers. It has a population of about forty. Its first settler was John Mowers. The United Brethren Church was organized in 1832.

Lurgan Mutual Fire Insurance Company was established April 6, 1852; Joseph E. Mowers, president; John E. Maclay, secretary. It commenced in a small way, intended as a mutual benefit to neighbors, and has now grown to much importance. December, 1885, its total risks were \$5,122,293. Its charter members were Joseph E. Mowers, David Hays, Daniel Snoke, John Hensel, Jacob Foglesonger, John E. Maclay, Adam Shoemaker, Henry Clippinger, Christian Snoke.

*Centre* is situated on the road leading from Roxbury to Orrstown.

#### PETERS—1751.

This township was named in honor of Richard Peters, the distinguished colonial secretary of the province under Govs. Thomas, Palmer, Hamil-

ton, Morris and Denny, from 1743 to 1762. Mention of the township in the Cumberland County records is made in 1751, raising the presumption that it was organized by the court soon after that county was erected. At first it embraced its present territory and that of Montgomery, and a part of St. Thomas west of Campbell's Run. Here, too, the names of early settlers indicated Scotch-Irish people.

## FIRST SETTLERS.

Among the first settlers were William McDowell, born in the North of Ireland, and came to America between 1714 and 1720, and to Peters Township in 1730 or 1731. In 1759 the people were driven away by the Indians, and the McDowells went to Wrightsville, where William died at the age of seventy-seven years. His sons were John, William, Nathan, James and Thomas. The grandchildren of William are all dead except two—Mrs. C. M. White and William H. McDowell, children of Thomas.

## EARLY LAND TITLES.

The earliest record of land titles in what is now the territory of Peters Township is that of Rev. John Black and Samuel Harris, March, 1737; then Andrew McCleary, August 17, 1738; then are the following: William Armstrong, June 15, 1752; neighbors, Thomas and John Barr. John Dickey, May 25, 1753. James Glenn, December 2, 1743. Heirs of William Withrow, in right of William Halliday, September 7, 1753. Samuel Irwin, in right of Henry Johnston, March 4, 1742. William Maxwell, November 1, 1745. James McCullough, March 23, 1771. William Clark, January 22, 1753. John McDowell, December 26, 1752. James McDowell, April 30, 1773; his neighbors were John McDowell, Nathan McDowell, William McDowell, L. McClellan, Eliza J. McLellan. Richard Peters, August 17, 1751; his neighbors were Joseph Smith, James Irwin, Joseph Stewart and Robert Smith. Edward Shippen, November 1, 1745; his neighbors were Robert Clark, William Wilson, James Irwin. John Taylor, November 10, 1742; neighbors, John Dickey, Sr., Robert Wilson, William Hays, John Harris. James Wilson, November 15, 1746; neighbors, Samuel Robb and William Wilson. Robert McClelland, February 18, 1744. James McClelland, March 31, 1743; neighbors, Robert Culbertson. James Wilkins, James Gardner.

## LIST OF TAXABLES—1786.

The list of taxables in 1786, in the territory of the township, as it is now, was as follows:

Daniel Alexander,	James Black,	Robert Culbertson,	Joshua Davis
Andrew Alexander,	Widow Brown,	Charles Campbel,	Thomas Davis,
William Armstrong,	Robert Barnett,	Thomas Clark,	Joshua Edwards.
Hez. Alexander,	David Bowel,	John Dickey,	John Erwin,
Adam Armstrong,	John Blair,	James Dickey,	Mathew Erwin,
Arthur Alexander,	George Brown,	Widow Donelson,	James Erwin,
John Baird,	Hugh Kerrell,	Wm. Dunwoody,	Widow Farier,
James Blair,	Wm. Clark,	John Docherty,	John Flanaghin,
Alexander Brown,	Robert Clogage,	Samuel Davis,	James Flanaghin,
Thomas Barr,	William Campbel,	David Davis,	Moses Fisher,
Ann Black (widow),	Michael Carsell,	James Davis,	James Galbreath,
Thomas Boal,	Samuel Chapman,	Widow Davis,	John Gillmore,
Samuel Brown,	Thomas Calhoun,	Philip Davis,	Widow Garison,
William Barnett,	Michael Campbell,	Joseph Dunlop,	Samuel Gilespie,
Joshua Bradner,	Robert Crawford,	Arthur Donelson,	James Galaway,
John Black,	Patrick Clark,	David Davis,	Joshua Hariss,
John Baird,	Wm. Campbel,	Nathaniel Davis,	John Hariss,

Jeremiah Hariss,	John Morlan,	James Murphy,	Hugh Shanon,
Charles Hariss,	John Martin,	Wm. Morrison,	Widow Scott,
Widow Huston,	James Mercer,	James McClellan,	Alex. Staret,
James Holland,	John Mercer,	Robert Newell,	Collin Spence,
John Huston,	Wm. Marshall,	Victor Neeley,	John Taylor,
John Hamilton,	Wm. Moor,	James Orr,	James Wright,
Joseph How,	Widow McFarland,	Thos. Orbison,	Wm. Wilson,
John Holyday,	Andrew Morison,	Thomas Owins,	John Wilson,
William Holyday,	John McDowell,	Nathan Orr,	John Winton,
Wm. Hanby,	Alexander McKee,	Matthew Patton,	James Wilkey,
David Huston,	Robert McClellan,	John Patton,	James Wilson,
John Hill,	Wm. McDowell, Jr.,	Francis Patterson,	Mathew Wallace,
James Holiday,	Wm. McClellan,	David Rees,	Moses White,
Alexander Hutchison,	John McClellan,	James Rankin,	John Wason,
Messech James,	Andrew Moor,	Alexander Robertson,	Joseph Williams,
Wm. Lowrie,	Wm. McDowell,	Wm. Semple,	John Woods,
Henry Larkan,	James McConnel,	Richard Stevens,	Joseph White,
Wm. Maxwell,	Robert McCoy,	Andrew Simpson,	Thos. Waddel.
James Mitchell,	Wm. McIlhallon,	Wm. Shanon,	
James Sloan,	James McMahan,		

## FREEMEN.

Samuel Templeton,	Oliver Wallace,	James Coyle,	Alex. Hutchison,
Wm. Taylor,	Robert Anderson,	James Brown,	Ed. Horkan,
James Wilson,	Gayin Cloggage,	Alexander McConnel,	William Guen,
James Wallace,	Robert Banefield,	James Carswell,	John Laird,
And. Willabee,	David Alexander,	Tames Blair,	David Wallace.

## LOUDON.

Loudon is on the Chambersburg and Bedford turnpike road, in Peters Township, fourteen miles west of Chambersburg, at the base of Parnell's Knob. As early as 1756 it appears in the history of those times as Loudon town. That year a fort was erected there. (For full particulars see chapter III.) The present town is about a mile northwest of the fort. In the days of bridle paths and pack-horses it was quite a point for the departure of pack trains for Bedford, Fort Cumberland and Pittsburgh.

The present town was laid out by Johnston Elliott, in 1804. When the great highway to Pittsburgh was made it became noted for manufacturing wagons and equipments. The opening of the railroads in the valley, however, changed all this, and the town's business passed to other points. The Southern Pennsylvania Railroad passes by the town and now the people have free communication with the outer world.

In the village is the Eagle House, many years ago owned and kept by Thomas Scott. In this house was born Hon. Thomas A. Scott, the railroad magnate, and here he spent his young days.

The village has two general stores; two merchant tailors; wagon and blacksmith shops; four new churches, as follows:

*Methodist Episcopal.*—This church had an organization here in 1826, and at that time they erected a church building. Some of the active members were the Mileses, Hendersons, Statlers, Burkholders and Duffields. Since 1877 St. Thomas, Loudon and Charleston have been joined as one charge and called Loudon Circuit, Rev. E. M. Aller, pastor in charge.

*Lutheran Church.*—This was organized about 1830, by Rev. Peter Sahn, with the following charter members: John Beaver and wife, Catherine Allinder, Elizabeth Brahm; Sarah McGrath, Peter Spencer, Catherine Spencer, James McCuen and wife, Mrs. Sarah Wright. Prior to 1845 the congregation met in the Union House with the Reformed congregation. In 1846 it erected a brick edifice of its own at a cost of \$1,600. In 1855 it was torn down and replaced by the present brick structure, at a cost of \$3,400. The membership

is sixty-five. The Sunday-school, under the superintendency of Ferdinand Senseny, enrolls seventy-five to one hundred. The following preachers have served the congregation: Revs. Peter Sahn, David Smith, William Kopt, Solomon McHenry, Bechtel, George Roth, A. M. Whetstone, A. J. Hesson, H. B. Winton, Benjamin F. Kantz.

*United Brethren Church.*—Preaching had been held in and around Loudon at an early day, but not regularly till 1854, when, through the efforts of John Haller and his wife, the proclamation of truth was made. The organization began in 1855, and consisted of John Haller and wife, Benjamin Hoover and wife and John Lehmaster and wife. The last two families moved away, leaving Mr. and Mrs. Haller to fight their battles alone. Among the preachers may be mentioned Revs. Tobias Crider, Humberger, Jeremiah Bishop, Adam Cress, Jacob L. Vance, Jacob G. Schaff, S. L. Minnich, P. C. Haller, A. Bickley, Samuel Young, W. A. Jackson, J. F. Smith, John Haller, S. Big-ham, Jacob T. Shafer, J. M. Bishop, Samuel A. Mowers, T. Enterline, John Fohl, Jacob Wantz, William Palsgrove, P. Corte, D. W. Proffitt, S. T. Wallace, W. H. Sherer, Luther Bricker, C. A. Burtner, L. A. Wickey, W. A. Grim. The present structure was erected in 1883, under the direction of John Haller and C. A. Burtner, at a cost of \$1,600. The congregation has seventeen members, with no Sunday-school, at present.

*Reformed Church.*—This was partially organized in 1815, and was completed in 1819. Says the Rev. Jacob Hassler, present pastor: "At first the preaching was in Stenger's schoolhouse; first regular pastor, Rev. F. A. Scholl. Communicants in 1820: John Long, Magdalena Long, Philip Tritle, Elizabeth Tritle, George Palsgrove, Samuel C. Palsgrove, George Werner, Rebecca Werner, Peter Stenger, Conrad Stenger, and others. Seventeen are on record. The church grounds were donated by Conrad Stenger. This was adjacent to the Stenger Cemetery. No building was erected, however, on this ground, but uniting with the Presbyterians and Lutherans, a building was put up in the village in 1819. The charter members in this early church were John Dickey, Thomas Scott (father of Thomas A.), John Beaver, Sr., Conrad Stenger, Sr. (father of the late Hon. Peter Stenger, and grandfather of Hon. W. S. Stenger), Matthew Patton, James Lowe and R. W. Kirby. In 1851 the church was repaired and remodeled at a cost of about \$800. In 1876 it was torn down, and the present St. Peter's Reformed Church was built on Main Street—a brick structure, two stories, with spire, vestibule, lecture room, and cost about \$5,200. The following is a list of the different pastors: Rev. F. A. Scholl, 1819-29; Rev. Jacob Dieffenbacher, 1830-33; Rev. Jacob Mayer, 1834-37; supplied by Rev. John Rebaugh and Theo. Students, 1838-42; Rev. C. F. McCauley, 1842-45; Rev. William Phillips, 1845-49; Rev. J. Hassler, 1850-58; Rev. D. M. Giles, 1858-59; Rev. John Ault, 1859-62; Rev. R. P. Thomas, 1863-65; Rev. F. A. Gast, 1865-67; Rev. W. C. B. Shulenberg, 1868-73; Rev. J. Hassler, 1873-86, who is the present pastor—embracing thus a period, in the two pastorates, of over twenty-one years. Present membership is from eighty-five to ninety. The elders are Peter Shearer, Casper Metz, A. Dale and Henry Gluck; deacons, Thomas McGuire, Fred Snyder, J. H. Hoerner; trustees, Elias Patton, P. Shearer, A. Dale. Sunday-school has sixty to seventy-five scholars; superintendent, Elder Casper Metz."

*Presbyterian Church.*—[See history of Presbyterian Church under chapter head—"Borough of Mercersburg."]

#### LEMASTERS.

This place is a small station on the South. Penn. railroad; has a postoffice, etc. The church of the United Brethren was erected in 1881, at a cost of

\$2,200. The building committee were Rev. M. Bitner and Jacob Lehmaster; first ministers: Revs. Bitner, John Hoover, J. Lehmaster; membership fifty; pastors in charge: Revs. Bitner, Wickey and Grimm. The nucleus of the village was started in 1876 by Samuel Plumb, who purchased eleven acres of ground of Mr. Lehmaster and built a workshop. It has a population of 150 souls.

## UPTON.

This town was laid out in 1840 by George Cook, who commenced business in the old tavern stand now belonging to the estate of Notley Easton. He erected a number of buildings, and became the godfather of the town. He was an enterprising citizen, dying October 1, 1871, at the age of fifty-eight years. At one time he was captain of a company of light dragoons, a militia company that embraced such men as the McDowells, Potters, Eatons and McCoy's. One of the first settlers was Wm. Maxwell, who owned a large body of land one mile west of Upton, subdivided into six or eight farms. A graded school of two rooms was built in 1868. A union church is occupied by the Lutheran and Reformed bodies; the house is of brick completed in June, 1858, at a cost of \$1,304. Organization began at that time.

*St. Stephen's Reformed Congregation* at first held meetings in the school-house near Upton; the building is part of the residence of N. P. Martin. The first attendants were George Cook, George Summers, Jacob Hawbecker, John Greenawalt, Adam Mummart, William Benniger, Charles Eckert, Thomas Goltman, Thomas Clingan, David Shoup, Fred. Houghlander. Elders in 1859: George Cook, J. Hawbecker. Deacons: Wm. Stitzel, Henry Michley, J. Shriver, Leander Brindle. Rev. T. G. Apple was the pastor until 1866, when he was succeeded by Rev. S. N. Callender, remaining until 1870; Rev. J. G. Bunn until 1883, when the present pastor, Rev. J. W. Knappenberger, took charge.

*Lutheran*: Rev. Ed. Breidenbaugh, Rev. Eyster, Rev. Thos. T. Everett; Rev. Fred. Klinefelter.

In the old *Waddell Cemetery*, sometimes called Eckert's, between Lemasters and Mercersburg, are buried the following:

Thomas McDowell, died August 4, 1857, aged seventy-nine years; Mary G., consort, died October 31, 1854, aged seventy years. Patrick McDowell, died April 24, 1846, aged seventy-six; Elizabeth, consort, died August 2, 1851, aged seventy-one. Nathan Brownson, born October 2, 1779, died January 24, 1856. James McDowell, died April 8, 1864, aged seventy eight years. Mary P. McDowell, died October 9, 1876, aged eighty-eight years.

James Buchanan (father of President Buchanan), died June 11, 1821, aged sixty. We quote these words from the stone marking his grave; "The deceased was a tender husband, an intelligent parent, and a faithful friend. In all his intercourse with society, which was extensive, he sustained the character of an honest man and a useful citizen." Elizabeth, widow of James Buchanan, died May 14, 1833, in the sixty-seventh year of her age. Elliott T. Lane, died November 23, 1840, aged fifty; Jane Buchanan Lane, wife, born July 17, 1793, died February 20, 1839.

W. S. Buchanan, born November 14, 1805, died December 19, 1826. George W. Buchanan, lawyer, died September 26, 1832, aged twenty-five years.

Harriet E. Henry, wife of Rev. Robert Henry, born August 5, 1802, died January 23, 1840.

James Dickey died March 13, 1813, aged fifty-nine. Rebecca Dickey, died August 27, 1821, aged seventy. James Dickey died March 6, 1855, aged seventy-three.

Wm. S. McDowell, born October 20, 1776, died January 20, 1834; Mary, consort, born January 8, 1781, died January 4, 1860. John McDowell died January 6, 1794, aged seventy-eight; Agnes, wife, died August 8, 1766, aged fifty-one. John McDowell, LL. D., died December 22, 1820, aged sixty-nine.

Mathias Moris, born in German Township (Philadelphia), May 19, 1717, died October 9, 1811.

Wm. McDowell, died September 17, 1812, aged ninety; May, consort, died April 9, 1805, aged seventy-eight.

Capt. Samuel Patton, died June 9, 1821, aged eighty. He settled on what was the site of Fort Loudon; Elizabeth, consort, died July 13, 1826, aged eighty.

Jacob Lehmaster, born July 8, 1775, died June 25, 1861; Elizabeth, consort, died July 8, 1857, aged seventy-one. David Lehmaster, born May 19, 1821, died March 26, 1876.

In the *Churchill Cemetery* are the following:

Rev. John King, D. D., who for forty-two years was the faithful pastor of the West Conococheague Church. [See page 184, chapter on Revolutionary war.]

Thomas Bard, born April 2, 1769, died July 9, 1840; Jane, consort, born December 17, 1783, died August 31, 1857. Isaac Bard, died July 28, 1806, aged forty-five years. Richard Bard, died February 22, 1799, aged sixty-three; Catharine, consort, died August 31, 1811, aged seventy-four.

James Crawford, died 1798.

Judge Archibald Bard, died October 18, 1832, of cholera, aged sixty-seven; Elizabeth Beatty, wife, born January 17, 1774, died January 9, 1852.

Matthew Sims Van Lear, born July 8, 1795, died December 19, 1852.

Alex. McCutcheon, died August 3, 1844, aged eighty-eight.

Wm. Hayes, died August 26, 1804, aged sixty-two; Jean, wife, died August 26, 1804, aged fifty-three.

Samuel Findlay, died 1804, aged seventy-one; Jane, wife, died 1783, aged thirty-five.

Robert Smith, died April 21, 1849, aged eighty-three; Elizabeth, wife, died March 20, 1814, aged forty-seven.

Dr. P. W. Little, died July 21, 1848, aged sixty-five; Mary S. Parker, wife, died August 26, 1848, aged fifty-nine.

Alexander McCoy, died March 19, 1846, aged sixty.

John McFarland, died December 18, 1856, aged seventy-five; Elizabeth Parker, wife, died January 27, 1845, aged fifty-five.

Robt. C. McFarland, died June 15, 1850, aged seventy-three.

James Stuart, died April 27, 1813, aged seventy-seven.

Hugh Conway, died April 19, 1828, aged sixty-one.

Wm. Hamilton, died January 19, 1831, aged sixty-five.

John Dickey, Esq., died January 25, 1842, aged ninety; Elizabeth, wife, died May 28, 1842, aged eighty-seven.

#### BRIDGEPORT.

The land about this place was taken up by the McDowells, Dickeys and Beams at a very early day, the first having located between 1730 and 1734. Up to about 1825 the settlement was known as McDowell's Mill. At the date last mentioned a stone bridge was built across the west branch of the Conococheague, since when the place has been called Bridgeport.

The present mill, used for both lumbering and flouring purposes, was built in 1846, and is the third one erected on the site. It is owned by Mr.



Jacob Wister, who also possesses the site of the old McDowell fort, described in the chapter on the Indian war.

The business of the place consists of the flouring and lumber-mills, a dry goods store, a blacksmith and two carpenter shops, a shoemaker and a coach-maker. It had a postoffice from 1878 to 1882, when it was removed to Lehighmaster's Station.

It has a graded school building of two rooms, which is also used for church purposes. Present population, 140.

## COVE GAP.

Cove Gap is a small hamlet in Peters Township, situated on the public road from Warren Township; population, about fifty.

## GUILFORD—1751.

The time of the formation of this township is also arrived at by taking the oldest dates of its mention in the records of Cumberland County. With the early Scotch-Irish settlers there seems to have been a number of English families, and it is probable they gave it the English name it bears. The present spelling of the name is different from that of the English town after which it was named. The sound is preserved, and we must remember that our forefathers spelled proper names by sound, and not by first learning how to follow custom in putting the letters together.

## EARLY LAND ENTRIES.

Within the borders of this township the early land entries were made by Wm. Adams, October 12, 1749; neighbor, George Cook. David Adams, September 9, 1766; neighbors, John Shetz, Peter Fry, Patrick and John Vance, William Adams, John Lindsay, John Buck. Henry Black, September 9, 1766; neighbors, William Gass, Moses Lamb, Benjamin Chambers. Samuel Burg, December 9, 1762; neighbor, John Forsyth. Nicholas Beaver, December 18, 1792; neighbors, Fred. Shelley, Jac. and Simon Strong. Patrick and John Vance (right of Samuel Caven), May 31, 1743; neighbors, Benjamin and William Gass. Edward Crawford, August 4, 1751; neighbors, William Vanlear, James Crawford, George Crawford. John Cawden, June 10, 1762; neighbors, Michael Bard, Samuel Renwick, Geo. Crawford, Hugh Crawford, Harvey Smith. Robert Craig, June 4, 1762; neighbors, Jeremiah Worden, Samuel Morehead. [This land lies on Conococheague.] Samuel Howard, October 24, 1749; neighbors, Philip Stump, Peter Gazette, Fred. Croft. John Mushet, August 10, 1743. Jacob Snively, February 20, 1754; neighbors, Samuel McCrea, Thomas Clogston, Thomas Cole, William Davis, John Clogston, Peter Gozat. Alexander Stewart, June 29, 1750; neighbors, James and Edward Crawford, William Delap, James Lindsay.

## LIST OF TAXABLES—1786.

David Adams.	William Brotherton.	Jacob Cover.	Edward Crawford, Jr.
Capt. John Andrew.	John Black.	Jacob Cook.	Edward Crawford, Sr.
John Andrew, Sr.	Daniel Bonbrick.	John Clugston.	John Crawford.
William Adams.	Geo. Bittinger.	Andrew Cover.	Jno. Caldwell.
John Acheson.	Robert Bigham.	Ezekiel Chambers.	Alex. Culbertson.
Owen Aston.	Daniel Bonbrick, Jr.	Martin Cook.	Henry Coyle.
David Archibald.	Fred. Bonbrick.	Adam Cook.	George Cook, Sr.
Peter Bonbrick.	Nicholas Bittinger.	Joseph Coughener.	George Cook, Jr.
Henry Bonbrick.	Walter Beatty.	James Cowningham.	John Croft.
Mathias Brothers.	John Beard.	Jacob Cover.	Archibald Cashey.

Jacob Coffey.	Adam Harmony.	Mary McCormick.	Anthony Snyder.
Saml. Drummon.	William Johnston.	John Miller.	John Sheets.
Nicholas Earhart.	John Jack.	James McCoskey.	Frederick Smith.
Robert English.	Geo. Kerriher.	Wm. Nicholas.	William Snodgrass.
Peter Frey.	John Kerriher.	John Polk.	Conrad Snyder.
Robert Filson.	William Kirby.	James Patton.	Mathew Sharp.
John Fleck.	David Keller.	Daniel Poorman.	John Thorn.
Felty Goosehead.	Andrew Kiser.	Widow Packard.	Henry Thrallman.
Philip Goosehead.	Jacob Keller.	Henry Ralphsnyder.	John Thompson.
Mathias Gift.	Abram Kovel.	John Ranfew.	Jacob Tritle.
Adam Gift.	John Lindsay.	William Ross.	William Vinlear.
George Gift.	James Lindsay.	John Rannels.	Elizabeth Vance.
William Gass.	Fulton Lindsay.	John Ralphsnyder.	William Wallace.
Hugh Gibbs.	Geo. Lamb.	Michael Ralphsnyder.	Martin Wingert.
Bartholamy Haddon.	Wm. Long.	Thomas Sherlow.	Robert Willson.
John Harmony.	Wm. Long (spring).	Mich. Snyder.	John Wingart.
Ludwick Harmony.	Wm. Long (road).	Samuel Snodgrass.	Pierce Wallacher.
Solomon Horner.	Mary Lindsay.	Jacob Snyder.	Jeremiah Worder.
John Harron.	Alex. McKeever.	Gasper Slear.	Saml. W. Walles.
Jacob Hicks.	John McMullan.	Henry Shüetts.	Michael Whitmore.
George Helman.	Henry McClelon.	Peter Snyder.	William Walles.
Daniel Handman.	David Martin.	Philip Stumps.	Mathew Wilson.
Geo. Hartsough.	James McFarlan.	Adam Stumps.	Martin Wingart.
Mathew Hopkins.	James McWilliams.	Geo. Smith.	Conrad Wolfkill.
Albright Hickman.	J. McCanney.	Daniel Smith.	James Young.

## FREEMEN.

James Andrew.	Peter Harmony.	Samuel Ross.	Jacob Sheets.
John Andrew.	Alex. Jeffreys.	Peter Snyder.	James Snodgrass.
Allen Baxter.	John King.	Peter Smith.	John Smith.
Leonard Burkhamer.	Geo. Lamb.	Henry Snyder.	William Vinlear.
Joseph Crawford.	Geo. Martin.	John Stumps.	Jacob Wolfkill.
James Druman.	James McCimm.	Isaac Smith.	John Wingert.
Robert Duncan.	Alex. McKimey.	Peter Snyder.	
Jacob Hicks.	Adam Martin.	Henry Sheffer.	

## MANORS AND EARLY SETTLERS.

*Greene Manor*--*Guilford Manor*.—Of these two proprietary grants, the only ones mentioned in the records of Franklin County, Mathew Henderson in his re-survey says:

“General description of two tracts of land adjoining each other situate partly in Guilford and partly in Greene Townships, in the county of Franklin, formerly in the county of Cumberland, one whereof containing, according to the original survey, 1,275 acres and allowance, etc. Surveyed the 18th of April, 1766, in pursuance of a warrant of the 13th of October, 1760,\* and the other containing 3,220 acres and allowances, surveyed the 8th and 9th of March, 1765, in pursuance of a warrant of the 13th of October, 1760. Now re-surveyed according to the original lines, and such parts thereof as have been settled and are now occupied (together with Nos. 11 as yet unoccupied), laid off into such convenient tracts or plantations as may generally best suit the purchasers, or occupiers who all propose to become purchasers, in doing which, however, I was obliged, save in few instances, where the occupiers had crowded and intermixed their improvements with each other, to run the division line in such a manner as to lop off some skirts of these improvements where I thought it just and reasonable.”

He then describes the lands of the two manors as pinery land, but good timber, which he says, “of late years has been greatly pillaged of the best timber.” He adds, however, “by people more or less remote from the lands.”

\* This is the tract Gen. Armstrong informs us which he had at first surveyed and appropriated to himself, and afterward gave up to the proprietors.”

The soil there is gravelly and stony, abounding with deep ponds of water, the creek not affording much water—not much meadow land.

The tracts were divided into twenty-one subdivisions: No. 1, occupied by John Baker; 2, 3, and 4, John Landis; 5, Jarvis Moss; 6, Alexander McKeever; 7, Jacob Ramsey; 8, Thomas Thelman; 9, Michael Morehead; 10, Conrad Wolfkill; 11, Capt. Edward Crawford; 12 (unoccupied); 13, Henry Bonebrake; 14, Michael Summers; 15, Sol. Horner; 16, Peter Bonebrake; 17, Adam Ross; 18, Casper Cease; 19, Henry McPherren; 20, Lodowich Burkhammer; 21 (unoccupied). These surveys were made by Surveyor Mathew Henderson between 1790 and 1794.

The reader is referred to the history of Chambersburg for a full account of many of the early settlers in this township, as well as for sketches of many of its prominent men.

The Scotch-Irish, led by the Chamberses, were the first to come to this township—1730. The German settlers came between 1736 and 1745, then there was a falling off in their numbers, but in 1749 the rush of Germans was very great.

#### CHURCHES.

*Churches at Grindstone Hill.* — Two of the oldest churches in the country districts of Franklin County, the members of which were of German extraction, are the two worshipping at Grindstone Hill in this township, viz.: the Evangelical Lutheran and the Reformed. The history of each is here given.

*Evangelical Lutheran.* According to the Rev. D. H. Focht, whose admirable historic discourse, delivered December 25, 1854, is our principal source of information, "The German Settlement," in the midst of which this congregation is located, was made as early as 1736. For a time the settlement increased slowly, but the influx in 1760 was very great. The first Lutheran family in the neighborhood was that of Matthias George, who located in 1742. He was followed by the Smiths and Kellers in 1750; Jacob Heck and Daniel Purman (Poorman) about 1757; Matthias Gift, Daniel Lob, Herzog, Andrew Cover, Andrew Keyser and others about 1760. The Tritles, Benedicts, Oberkershes, Reichards, Giesemans, Essicks, Stengers, Fetterhaffers and Lochbaums came later, but before the close of the century.

The Lutherans and Reformed united to erect a house of worship. A site of fifty-one acres and 144 perches was reserved for the churches. Peter Beimbreck, whose warrant dated July 1, 1772, held the land for the congregations until October 27, 1798, when for the sum of £7 (his expenses) he made a deed to six trustees. In 1815, some thirty-three acres were sold, leaving about eighteen acres yet in the possession of the churches. The first edifice, known as the "old log church" was built in 1766, and served as a place of worship until 1833. Its history, fully written, would reveal a chapter of thrilling interest. The old name, which still clings, "Grindstone Hill Church," was given in consequence of the stone quarried in that region, and has outlived the consecrated title "Solomon's Evangelical Lutheran and German Reformed Church." The logs for this house were brought four miles, timber then being scarce in the vicinity. A contest arose as to who should bring the first one. John George Cook and Daniel Löb were the champions. Jacob Keller and Daniel Purman represented the Lutherans on the building committee. Its structure was of the ancient style, but it served a wise purpose to those early people. During preaching, guns were stored in a corner while shot-pouches were hung on pins along the wall. The people watched as well as prayed.

The second edifice, of brick, in the form of a parallelogram, 40x50 feet, was dedicated November 24, 1833. The attendance was so large that but half the

people could find room within. The dedicatory services were conducted by the two churches conjointly. Rev. John N. Hoffman was the pastor of the Lutherans at the time.

The earliest complete list of members accessible is that of 1801, as follows: Daniel Purman, George Fetterhaffer, John Gieseeman and wife, Peter Purman, Andrew Keyser and wife, George Gift and wife, Jacob Essick, Adam George and wife, Magdalene George, John Essick, Henry Linck, Barnhard Purman, Peter Purman, Jr., Jacob Purman, David Keller, Barnard Reichard, Matthias Gift, Baltzer Oberkersh and wife, Barbara Purman, Elizabeth George, Christina Stenger, Fronica Meily, Catherine Gift, Barbara Fetterhaffer, Isabella Smith, Eve Smith, Catherine Lochbaum, Elizabeth Griel, Peter Smith, Christopher George and wife.

Pastors of the church have been: Revs. John Bayer, 1765-70; John George Young, 1772-83; John Michael Steck, 1784-88; Anthony U. Lüdgen, 1789-94; John Ruthrauff, 1795-1815; John Fred. Moeller, 1816-29; Benj. Kurtz, D. D., 1831-33; John N. Hoffman, 1833-35; Jeremiah Harpel, 1835-37; Jacob Martin, 1839-40; Peter Sahn, 1840-45; Michael Eyster, 1846-47; Levi T. Williams, 1847-49; A. C. Wedekind, 1849-50; David H. Focht, 1850-54; Geo. Sill, 1855-59; S. McHenry, 1859-65; J. R. Miller, 1866-69; A. C. Felker, 1869-71; A. H. Sherts, 1872-86. A Sunday-school was organized May 5, 1833, with ten teachers and forty-six pupils. Its early superintendents were Jeremiah Herman, 1833; Daniel Hepper, 1842-43; Jacob C. Snyder, 1844-45; Adam Cook, 1845-46; William Essick, 1846-48; Jacob C. Snyder, 1848-50; John Reed, 1850-51; Jacob Snyder, 1852-54.

*Reformed Church.*—Its history is contemporaneous with that of its sister church just described. Its first name, Solomon's Church, gave way to its present one, Grindstone Hill Church, by which it is recognized on the records. Rev. Wm. M. Deatrick, clerk of the Mercersburg Classis of the Reformed Church, gives the following list of its pastors: Revs. Jacob Weymer, 1785-90; J. Philip Stock, 1791-1802 or 03; James Hoffman, 1807-23; Frederick A. Scholl, 1823-34; Benj. S. Schneck, 1836-41; John C. Guldin, 1841-42; Emanuel V. Gerhart, 1842-43; John R. Kookan, 1843-45; Franklin W. Kremer, 1845-51; John C. Bucher, 1851-52; John S. Ermentrout, 1852—; Samuel Miller, 1854-56; W. D. C. Rodrock, 1856-59; Aaron Wanner, 1859; David Hefelfinger, 1859-60; Wm. R. H. Deatrick, 1860-64; Elijah B. Wilson, 1865-66; Chas. G. Fisher, 1866-68; Moses Kieffer, D. D., 1870-71; Samuel L. Beam, 1871-72; Henry I. Comfort, 1872-80; Wm. H. Herbert, 1880-85; P. A. Long, 1885, and is present incumbent. This is one of the oldest Reformed congregations in Franklin County. At first it was a part of the Hagerstown charge, then of the Shippensburg, Chambersburg and Greencastle, respectively. Since 1836, it has belonged to the Grindstone Hill charge, the congregation giving name to the charge. About 1788, it was under the care of a preacher by the name of Cyriacus Spangenberg, who proved to be a bad man, guilty of a foul crime which resulted in his summary punishment.

#### VILLAGES.

*Jackson Hau* is about five miles southeast of Chambersburg and a mile from New Franklin. Jacob Snyder erected the first building in the place in 1812. The first store was conducted by John Kerr, 1827-28. It was named after "Old Hickory" and in the early days it was noted as the mustering-place of the militia.

*Marion.*—A beautiful station on the road from Chambersburg to Greencastle. The first building here was put up in 1810. For some years it was

called "Independence," but when a postoffice was established the name was changed, and called in honor of Gen. Marion. The first store was owned by Maj. Cook, in 1822. The United Brethren have a church in the place. Population 125. When the Cumberland Valley Railroad was completed, a station, called "Marion Station", was built about half a mile east of Marion. This is quite a flourishing place.

*New Franklin* is about four miles southeast of Chambersburg. There are 19 dwellings in it, and it has a population of 80. A postoffice was opened in 1883. The place was started by Balthazar Kountz, in 1795, who built the first house; the next house was erected by John Himes, Sr., in 1827.

*New Guilford*, better known as "Turkey Foot," is three miles east of New Franklin on the Walnut Bottom road. Population, 50.

*Stoufferstown* is one mile east of Chambersburg on the turnpike. The first house was built by Patrick Vance, in 1773. In 1792, Daniel Stouffer built here the widely known "Stouffer's Mill," and through his influence the place became a village. Population about 190.

## HAMILTON—1752.

This township was named in honor of James Hamilton, governor of the province at intervals, 1748-71. It originally embraced nearly all of that part of St. Thomas Township lying east of Campbell's Run. Its first settlers were largely Scotch-Irish.

## EARLIEST LAND ENTRIES.

The earliest land entries are as follows: Col. John Armstrong, January 17, 1737. Neighbors: Robert Patton, James Brotherton.

Joseph Eaton, March 30, 1750. Neighbors: Joseph Armstrong, James Warden, Mathew Patton.

David Guthrie (in right of Geo. Reynolds), March 25, 1748. Neighbors: David Brigham, Isaac Pattison, Thomas Barnett, Joseph Swan, John Irwin.

David Black, October 4, 1738. Neighbors: Adam Hoops, Benj. Gass, James Young, Thomas Morehead.

Samuel Morehead, August 25, 1738. Neighbor: Thomas Patterson.

William Plumstead, December 25, 1750. Neighbors: John Barnett, Geo. Shields, Widow McCaerney, Francis McGinniss.

Samuel Pollock, September 22, 1743. Neighbors: Cy. Eaton, William McCord, John Lowry. A further description says: "Bounded on two sides by mountain and Dutchman's land."

Mathew Patton, January 11, 1737. Neighbors: Samuel Jones, Nathaniel Newlins.

James Arthur (in right of Matthew Arthur), October 15, 1744. Neighbors; James Allen, Duncan Cameron.

Arthur Nasmuth and John and William Stephenson, September 26, 1749. Neighbor: Richard Benson.

## LIST OF TAXABLES—1786.

Josiah Allen.	Jas. Brotherton.	Wm. Barnet.	Benj. Chambers.
Thos. Anderson.	Oliver Brown.	David Barnet.	Wm. Chambers.
Wm. Archabald.	Orban Bates.	Joseph Barnet.	Jos. Chambers.
Thos. Armstrong.	Wm. Bolton.	James Brown.	Arch'd Carson.
Joseph Armstrong.	John Brown.	Thos. Barren.	John Chesnut.
Robert Anderson.	John Buzzard	John Breaker.	Benj. Corathers.
Lodwick Beats.	John Bratton.	Chas. Barr.	James Campble.
Wm. Brotherton.	Thos. Barnet (he'rs).	Richard Benson.	Patrick Campble.

Robert Cowan.	Felix Hart.	Sam'l McCutcheon.	William Rannels.
Thos. Copeland.	Nathan Hiland.	Chas. McCormick.	Benj. Ramsey.
John Crevin.	James Huston.	Alex. McCoy.	Thomas Ramsey.
George Carver.	John Hamilton.	David McClintock.	David Russel.
John Custard.	John Hackett.	Anthony McNutt.	James Russel.
Martin Criter.	John Hindman.	Christ Miller.	James Rea.
Robert Cook.	James Hindman.	Alex. Mairs.	Francis Robinson.
Joseph Caskey.	Alex. Hill.	William McBrayer.	Thomas Sherley.
John Campble.	James Henry.	David McBrayer.	William Stuart.
James Chambers.	Adam Hill.	James Moore.	David Sheilds.
Robert Dixon.	Jacob Holdman.	Samuel Moore.	Wm. Swan.
Wm. Dixon (heirs).	Ebenezer Henry.	Andrew Marshal.	Joseph Swan.
Thomas Dougherty.	Robert Hoops.	Alex. McConnal.	Robert Sloan.
John Dixon.	Andrew Holms.	Wm. McConnal.	Leonard Stands.
Wm. Dixon.	John Huchison.	John McLean.	Robert Sherley.
John Daniel.	Patrick Jack.	William McCune.	William Stewart.
John Deeds.	Samuel Jack.	Mathew McDowell.	Edward Shippey.
John Eaton Jr.	John Jack.	John W. Moore.	Robert Scott.
John Eaton (heirs).	John Jefery.	Wm. McClleon.	James Thorn.
Joseph Eaton Sr.	William Kelly.	Joseph McMurray.	William Templeton.
Joseph Eatton.	James Kerr.	Joseph McKeyney.	Joseph Thorn.
Dan'l Eckels.	Thomas Knox.	Geo. Mathews.	Wm. Thompson.
Adam Evert.	Joseph Kirkpatrick.	John Meek.	George Thompson.
Francis Ervin.	Wm. Kinnaird.	James Morton.	William Thompson.
Wm. Earry.	Thomas Kinkaid.	Wm. Marrow.	Samuel Thompson.
James Elliott (heirs).	John Kerr.	John Moore.	John Thompson.
William Fergeson.	John Kincaid.	Donald McLean.	John Tayler.
John Frush.	Adam Kasner.	Wm. McClure.	Robert Thompson.
Henry Foster.	William Kirby.	James Mitchell.	Thomas Tennent.
James Fergison.	Sam'l Liggett.	Joseph McClelon.	Jeremiah Talbott.
Sam'l Fergison.	Robt. Leper.	Geo. McElroy.	James Warder.
Mathew Fergison.	Hugh Leary, Sr.	Alex. McCutchan.	William Withey.
Jacob Frush.	Hugh Leary, Jr.	John McNutt.	John Willson.
Dan'l Fleming.	Charles Lucans.	Robert Peoples.	Elliott Williamson.
Abram Fastpointer.	John McGowan.	Robt. Patton.	Thomas Willson.
Robert Gray.	Arch'd McCocharan.	Samuel Patton.	John Wikison.
Gilbert Graham.	James McFarlin.	Henry Phillips.	William Withoraw.
Francis Gardner.	William Moorehead.	James Patterson.	Michael Willans.
Joseph Grahams.	Joseph Moorehead.	James Paxton.	Andrew Walker.
Mark Gregory.	Thomas Moorehead.	William Richardson.	Conrad Yearman.

## FREEMEN.

Philip Ashford.	James Glen.	David Moore.	Andrew Paxton.
David Barnet.	William Hustan.	Hugh Murriaritie.	John Querin.
Joseph Barnet.	Alex. Hill.	John Meek.	John Ramsey.
Conrad Beats.	Fergus Hill.	David McRoberts.	Benj. Ramsey.
Peter Brakes.	— Graman.	Francis McMinnon.	Joseph Russell.
Henry Buzzard.	Benj. Jeffries.	Rees McThompson.	Wm. Seekets.
Thomas Chestnut.	John Liget.	Henry Omble.	John Thompson.
William Coplan.	Wm. Morehead.	John Phillips.	Robert Vertue.
James Dougherty.	Daniel McClintock.	Henry Phillips.	John Walkison.
John Edwards.	James McKimm.	Hector Peoples.	

## VILLAGE.

*Cashtown* is on the State road leading from Chambersburg to Mercersburg. It is a small trading point for the immediately surrounding country.

## FANNETT—1761.

The greater part of this township lies in what is known as Path Valley, in olden times called "Tuscarora Path." Originally the township included what is now Metal Township. Here, as in other parts of the county, came settlers prior to the time of the extinguishment of the Indian title to the land. The three valleys—Path, Amberson's and Horse by their beauty and fertility attracted immigrants who, with the consent of the Indians, with

whom they maintained the most friendly relations for some time, located and commenced their great life work. But in a short time, so strong was the stream of immigration, the Indians became alarmed for their possessions, and in 1744 they notified the colonial authorities that they objected to have their lands taken by the whites, especially where they were acting in violation of express stipulations formerly entered into. The Government called upon the authorities—the magistrates of Cumberland County—to expel the intruders. In May, 1750, Richard Peters, secretary of the governor, attended by Benjamin Chambers, William Maxwell, William Allison, John Findlay, and other magistrates, went over to Path Valley, where they found the settlers, Abraham Slack, James Blair, Moses Moore, Arthur Dunlop, Alex. McCartie, David Lewis, Adam McCartie, Felix Doyle, Reynold Alexander, Samuel Patterson, John Armstrong, John Potts, Andrew Dunlop, Robert Wilson, Jacob Pyatt, Wm. Ramage and others, and brought them before the magistrate's court, tried and convicted each, and put them under bonds to remove at once with their families out of the valley, "taking servants and effects" and to appear in Carlisle and answer such charges as might be made against them. Their houses and other improvements were burned, by order of the court. When the land was purchased of the Indians, October 23, 1758, some of these settlers returned and became permanent residents of the valley.

The township was named after a place in County Donegal, Ireland, a promontory called "\*Fannett Point." This name was suggested by the shape of the new township, a long, narrow point.

Richard and John Coulter purchased a large body of land in the upper end of the township in 1756, and Francis Amberson made an improvement in Amberson's Valley in 1763. Then came Barnabas Clark, from whom "Clark's Knob" receives its name, and John Ward and Cromwell McVitty. These were the early and most prominent settlers of the valley.

#### EARLY LAND ENTRIES.

In the early land entries we find the following names and dates:

Samuel Bechtel, January 24, 1737. (No neighbors.)

John Blair, June 3, 1762. Neighbors: Thomas Steel and R. Alexander.

Charles Baxter, April 29, 1763. Neighbors: Phil Hutchison, Alexander McCormick, John Elder.

Alexander Blair, June 5, 1762. Neighbors: Wm. Elder, William Wallace, Robert Anderson.

Thomas Blair, June 3, 1762. Neighbors: Thomas Askey, John McMichaels, Randall Alexander, William Ramage, David Campbell.

John Coulter, December 30, 1762. Neighbors: Richard Coulter, James How, James Ross.

Thomas Doyle, November 29, 1737. (Vacant on all sides.)

Felix Doyle, June 14, 1762. Neighbors: John Elder, David Elder, Jr., John Parker, James Elder, Robert Little.

William Elliott, June 17, 1763. Neighbors: James Gibson, Samuel Coulter, John Elliott, Benjamin Elliott. (This land is between Round Top Mountain and Tuscarora Creek.)

David Elder, April 16, 1763. Neighbors: James Irvin, Robert Baker, Samuel Gamble, James Moore.

John Elder, March 13, 1767. Neighbors: Samuel Moore, James Urich, Felix Doyle.

James Elder, April 16, 1763. Neighbors: Felix Doyle, Samuel Baker, Hugh Harron, Robert Little.

\*The best authorities, however, give the spelling as "Fanod Head."

James Long and James Galbraith, June 8, 1762. Neighbors: William Campbell, David Elder, Samuel and Mathew Coulter, John Holliday.

William McClellan, June 3, 1762. Neighbors: Wm. Ramage, Randall Alexander, H. J. Moore, David Campbell.

## LIST OF TAXABLES—1786.

The taxables in Fannett Township (including what is now Metal Township), in 1786, were as follows:

Joshua Anderson.	David Elder, Sr.	Thos. Johnston.	Hugh McCurday.
Robert Anderson.	Robert Elder.	Sam'l Ireland.	Wm. McClellon, Sr.
Randle Alexander.	David Elder, Jr.	John Jones.	Wm. McClellon, Jr.
James Ardrey.	Wm. Elder.	John Kenedy.	John Mullan.
Daniel Armstrong.	James Elder.	Wm. Kelly.	John McClane.
Thomas Armstrong.	Sam'l Elder.	Edward Kelly.	John Noble, Sr.
Robert Alexander.	Wm. Elliott.	John Keasey.	John Noble, Jr.
Noah Abraham.	Robert Elliott.	Joseph Kilgore.	Joseph Noble.
Joseph Adams.	Frances Elliott.	Robt. Kerr.	Charles Newcom.
James Alexander.	Arch'd Elliott.	Wm. Lauther, Jr.	David Neal.
Robert Armstrong.	James Irvine.	James Lauther.	James Nealy.
Patrick Alexander.	George Ealey.	Robert Little.	John Nilson.
Thos. Blair.	James Fingerly.	David Long.	Richard Neagle.
Nath'l Bryans.	James Fairman.	Sam'l Lattimore.	Nathaniel Paul.
James Bryans.	Alex. Fulton.	Patrick McCormick.	John Pacho.
George Buckhannon.	James Fegan.	Joseph Moore.	Alex. Potts.
Allen Brown.	Sam'l French.	James Moore, Jr.	Adam Piper.
Widow Baxter.	Wm. Gwyn.	Robt. McGwire.	Charles Quarry.
John Bell.	Isaac Gifford.	Wm. McIntyre.	James Rea.
Thos. Barr.	James Gibson.	Rich'd Morrow.	Lodwick Ripple.
Samuel Baker.	John Gray.	Sam'l Mairs.	Dennis Reddin.
W. Chambers & Bros.	Samuel Gamble.	Wm. Moore.	Joseph Shearer.
Sam'l Coulter.	Wm. Gibbs.	Andrew Millar.	Barnet Shutler.
John Campbell.	John Holiday.	Robt. McCormick.	Elijah Sackett.
J. Campbell.	Matthew Henderson.	John McClure.	Thos. Shields.
Wm. Campbell.	Henry Humbrey.	Dan'l McMullan.	Robert Sample.
David Campble.	Henderson Hervey.	Wm. McCibbens.	Joseph Sackett.
John M. Campble.	Andrew Hemphill.	Enos McMullan.	John Steel.
Andrew Campble.	Thos. Hamilton.	James Moore, Sr.	Benj. Say.
George Climer.	Jas. Hervey.	Nathaniel McCall.	Wm. Taylor.
Wm. Carley.	James Howe.	Sam'l McCall.	John Simmons.
Jacob Chambers.	Hen'y Hawkenberry Jr.	Robt. McConnell.	Thos. Simmons.
Callender.	James Hawkenberry.	John Mackey.	Henry Varner.
Patrick Davison.	Philip Hutchison.	Widow Mackey.	David Wakefield.
Daniel Duncan.	Peter Hawkenberry.	John McClellan.	Benj. Walker.
Barnabas Doyle.	Wm. Hunter.	James McClatchey.	Wm. Witherow.
George Delong.	Alex. Hopper.	James McConnaughey.	Sam'l Walker.
Felix Doyle.	James Harvey.	David McConnaughey.	James Walker.
Andrew Douglas.	John Harmony.	Robert McClatchey.	John Ward.
George Dixon.	H. Hawkenberry, Sr.	John McCrea.	William Warnock.
Edw'd Dougherty.	Henry Hagan.	Cromwell McCavity.	James Widney.
John Elliott (heirs).	Gasper Hawkenberry.	Wm. McCain.	
John Elder, Jr.	James Hunter.	Patrick McGee.	
Robert Elder.	James Johnston.	Randle McDonnald.	

## FREEMEN.

James Alexander.	Gabriel Glenn.	John Mullan.	James Randles.
John Buckhannon.	Wm. Gallaher.	James Mairs.	Hugh Steel.
George Chambers.	Jas. Hervey, Jr.	Hugh McClure.	Adam Scott.
Sam'l Campble.	Wm. Hambleton.	James McCurday.	John Witherow.
John Douglas.	Wm. Ireland.	James Moore.	James Wallace.
John Davison.	Jeremiah Kilgore.	James O'Nail.	William Ward.
Wm. Darlington.	Robert Little.	Wm. Paul.	Joseph Weaver.
Adam Ernholz.	Alex. Long.	John Potts.	
John Elder.	John McConnaughey.	Alex. Potts.	



## VILLAGES.

*Concord*, situated in the upper end of Fannett Township, was laid out by James Widney, and lots offered for sale about 1791. It took its name from Concord, Mass., the scene of the first engagement in the Revolutionary war. The first settlers in the region were the Widneys, the Erwins, the Kyles, McMullins, Linns, McIlhenies, Doyles, Hockenberrys and others. The village has a public school, and three churches: Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Protestant and United Presbyterian, and the usual line of business. Population, 150.

Episcopal Methodism was introduced into Path Valley, in or about the year 1790, by James Widney, a native of the County Armagh, Ireland, who immigrated to the United States soon after the close of the Revolutionary war, and settled in the northern part of Path Valley, at what is now known as Concord. Mr. Widney's father was educated in the mother country for the ministry of the Established Church, but refused to take orders, and his son James espoused the cause of the Methodists in the mother country, and threw his lot in with and identified himself with the Wesleyan Methodists. On arriving at their new home in the Western wilds of the New World, they were very destitute of the Word of God. This state of affairs reached the ears of Bishop Asbury of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he started out to hunt up the few families of Methodists living in the upper end of Path Valley. This was the first Methodist preaching ever held in this part of the country. After this they were, at great intervals, visited by Revs. Jonathan Forest and Nelson Read. In the year 1800 Mr. Widney persuaded Rev. Alexander McCaine to make an appointment at Concord for preaching, and, this being done and filled, after the sermon McCaine read the general rules of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and at the same time gave a brief account of its ecclesiastical polity and its distinguishing features. At this meeting the formation of a society was proposed, and eleven persons present united together as a society, and Widney was appointed as their leader. This was, at that time, on Huntingdon Circuit, which embraced considerable portions of Huntingdon, Franklin, Fulton, Perry and Cumberland Counties.

The first Methodist Church was built on the land of Mr. Widney, in what is now the Methodist cemetery, lying south of Concord, on the road to Doyleburg. The present edifice in the town of Concord was erected on the land of Robert Maclay, and was built in the year 1845. The parsonage was built in 1850, Mr. Maclay giving the land and \$100 toward the erection of the church and parsonage. In the days of the Maclays, Concord Circuit took in its bounds what is now known as Newport, New Bloomfield, Blain, Thompsonstown, Port Royal, Mifflin, Lewistown, Shirleysburg, Orbisonia, Burnt Cabins and Fort Littleton Circuits. The salary at that time was only a few hundred dollars, and now the salaries of the ministers serving the various charges that are the outgrowth of the then Concord charge amount, in round figures, to \$8,000. The most prominent missionary in the Methodist Church to-day, Rev. Robert Samuel Maclay, D. D., for forty years missionary to China, Japan and Corea, was born in the town of Concord, opposite the parsonage, licensed to preach and sent out to preach by the Concord Quarterly Conference. There were two other Maclay brothers that were sent out, to preach, by the charge, viz.: William James Maclay, who went as missionary to California, and Charles Maclay, also of California, who perpetuated his name by the generous gift of \$150,000 and land for the erection and endowment of a college.

The following is a correct list of the ministers serving the charge from the year 1819, there being no trace of the appointment of ministers for the period

previous to the year 1819: Gideon Lansing and Jacob Larkin, Bazil Barry and Robert Cadden, Robert Cadden and William C. Pool, Thomas McGee and Nathan B. Mills and Jacob Sheperd, Thomas McGee and John Bowen, Robert Minshall and John A. Gere, Jacob Sheperd and William C. Pool, Jacob Sheperd and Jonathan Munroe, John Smith and Oliver Ege, John Smith and Jonathan Forest, Jonathan Munroe and Henry Tarring, Edward E. Allen and Alem Britton, Thomas Taneyhill and Zacharia Jordan, Jacob McEnally and J. Houswort, Wesley Howe and Henry Ferndon and John Hedges, Jesse Stansberry and Joseph S. Morris, George Berkstreser and Joseph McKeehan, Joseph S. Lee and Franklin Dyson, David Shoff and Joseph Parker, John M. Green, James Brads and John Morehead, Elisha Butler and John N. Ewing, A. D. Barlow, George Deems and David Wolf and D. W. F. Crawford, George Stevenson and Alexander Maclay, Joseph Spangler and John H. C. Dosh and David Shoaff, Robert Beers and Jacob Hartman and Joseph J. Largent, Cambridge Graham and John P. Sipes and Matthias Dean, Amos Smith and William H. Keith and Job A. Price, Nathan S. Buckingham and Abraham S. Creighton and Jeremiah C. Hagey, Frederick E. Crever and William G. Ferguson and James T. Wilson, Reuben E. Kelley and John W. Cleaver, James M. Clarke and William H. Maxwell and Alexander R. Miller, Joseph R. King and Walter R. Whitney, Andrew E. Taylor and William Schreiber and Levi G. Heck, Seth A. Creveling and William W. Dunmire, George A. Singer and William H. Bowden, Joseph A. Ross and Oliver H. Huston, Edmund White and John H. S. Clarke, Andrew W. Decker and James Eberhart and Samuel Ham, Charles T. Dunning and John W. Cline, Levi S. Crone and Samuel E. Meminger. The present pastors of the charge are John L. Leilich and Fletcher W. Biddle.

United Presbyterian Church.—Just when this congregation had its origin is not shown by the records accessible. In his history of Big Spring Presbytery, Rev J. B. Scouler speaks of Rev. Matthew Lind being installed pastor of the united congregations of Greencastle, Chambersburg, West Conococheague and the Great Cove in 1783. How much territory was embraced in West Conococheague is not revealed, but probably a large extent. Subsequent to that date traces of preaching occur. On the 26th of December, 1828, Rev. Alexander McCahan was installed pastor of Chambersburg and Concord, giving one-third of his time to the latter congregation. In this relation he continued till October 6, 1830, when he resigned and removed to another field. On the third of August, 1837, Rev. Robert Gracey was installed over the same two congregations, but on the 18th of October, 1843, he was released from the Concord church, and took charge of a congregation in Gettysburg for half of his time till October, 1849, when he relinquished Gettysburg and continued to give three-fourths of his time to Chambersburg and one-fourth to Concord till October, 1852. At this time he removed to Pittsburgh. Following this date Rev. Dargo B. Jones supplied the congregation for a time, his labors ceasing April 11, 1860. On the 10th of September, 1861, Rev. Joseph McKee began to give it one-fourth of his time, which oversight continued till the spring of 1864, when he ceased. On the 20th of April, 1865, Rev. John A. McGill was installed pastor, and his labors have been signally blessed.

*Spring Run*, six miles north of Fannettsburg, on the principal road along Path Valley, is a sprightly little village. It does a fair mercantile business, and has two churches—Presbyterian and United Brethren. The Presbyterian Church was organized in 1767.

*Dry Run*.—The earliest settlers in and about this place were James Stark, James Ferguson, Thomas Wilson, Daniel Johnson, Davison Filson.

The village was founded by Stephen Skinner in 1838. In 1833 James Holliday put up the first house, and in 1836 James Stark built the second. It was named at first "Morrowstown," but finally called by its present name. The United Presbyterian Church was organized in 1810, James Brown, pastor; charter members: James Wilson, David Ferguson, James Little, William Robertson; a stone building erected in 1822. Pastors: Macohon, Gracy, McKee, Jones, Magill, and Rev. Work, present incumbent. The present elders are W. H. Robinson, Wm. Harris, Samuel Johns; fifty-five members.

Upper Presbyterian Church.—For the early history of this organization, the reader is referred to the account given under Fannettsburg, of the lower congregation. In that connection the statement is made that a permanent separation of the two organizations was made in 1851. The following is a list of some of the elders who have served this congregation since 1808: James and William Alexander, John Elder, John Holliday, Andrew Morrow, David Riddle, Stephen Skinner, James McCurdy, Jr., James McDougal, John Alexander, James Stark, Jacob Shearer, Peter Shearer, John W. Still, William A. Mackey, William Herron, James McCurdy and others. The earliest elders whose names have been learned were John Holliday, James Ardery, David Elder, Samuel Mains and Richard Morrow. For a number of years, this congregation was ably served by Rev. Wm. A. West, now secretary of the presbytery at Harrisburg. He was succeeded by Rev. S. C. Alexander, an educator and preacher of great acceptance, who resigned his charge about the close of 1886 or early part of 1887 to accept a pastorate in an adjoining county.

Dry Run Academy.—The building, which was erected in 1874 at a cost of \$3,000, is frame, of ample size, and well arranged for school purposes. It is owned and controlled by men of different denominations, and is therefore nonsectarian. This enterprise is principally due to Rev. S. C. Alexander, Dr. J. H. Flickinger, Samuel Holliday, David J. Skinner, W. G. Kirkpatrick and John Alexander. The school was opened in April, 1875, by Rev. S. C. Alexander, who continued to teach until June, 1876, when he was succeeded by Prof. A. A. Richards, the present principal.

*Doylestown* was laid out by Philip T. Doyle in 1851. It is at the mouth of Burns' Valley on the road from Concord to Dry Run. A large tannery is successfully operated in the place. There are two churches, Catholic and Methodist Protestant.

#### LETTERKENNY—1762.

This township was carved out of the territory of Lurgan, and it is not certain whether it was in the year 1761 or 1762. The probabilities are, it was formed by the quarter sessions court in the latter part of 1761, as at the March term of the next year it is mentioned in the court proceedings.

It is nearly in the center of the county, its western boundary line following two ridges of Kittatinny Mountain, including Horse Valley; its northern boundary is the southern line of Lurgan Township, and a part of the southern line of Southampton; east is Greene, and south are Hamilton and St. Thomas Townships.

#### EARLY SETTLEMENTS.

The Indian titles here were not extinguished until 1736, and while it is said a few settlers had located within its bounds, yet we have no records of any of them, of course, that go beyond that time. County Surveyor John B. Kaufman, a resident of the township, says: "Several surveys were made and warrants issued in 1736, 1744 and 1746, but they were not very numerous

until 1750, though we find abundant evidences, prior to this latter date, that settlements had been made years before. When the French and Indian war became serious in 1755, and the settlers were burnt out, or massacred, and could not remain in safety, many of them abandoned their improvements and removed eastward into the older settlements. Immigration was checked, and almost totally ceased until about the year 1760 or 1762. Then there was a large influx of settlers, and by the time the Revolution broke out, the farming lands, both in this valley and in Horse Valley, were largely taken up. I cannot find either warrants or surveys in Letterkenny Township prior to 1762.

"From this date, the office rights multiply rapidly, especially after the cheaper rates of £5 sterling per hundred acres were inaugurated under the application system. This system went into effect in 1766. All that was necessary, as long as this law was in force, was for the settler to make application to the land office for so many acres, bounded by certain lands. An order of survey was then issued, and the applicant, for a small fee for his application and order of survey, could take up a tract not exceeding 400 acres, without paying for the land a farthing, except the fees above named, and the expenses of surveying. It was expected that the land would be paid for after the return of the survey, and a patent then be taken out. This, however, was frequently not done, and the purchase money of many tracts has not yet been paid to the commonwealth. The land then cost twenty-two and two-tenths cents per acre; hence it is not wonderful that as soon as the Indian troubles ceased, the lands in Letterkenny were rapidly occupied. As this township is mostly slate land, now considered by many as inferior to the limestone and freestone, or pine lands of Greene, Southampton, Guilford, Antrim, etc., it may seem strange that the first settlers selected the slate lands, which were often quite hilly, in preference to others.

"After the battle of Trenton, some of the Hessians captured there found their way to this vicinity, settled here, and became useful citizens, and their descendants are among some of the most respectable people."

Maj. James McCalmont, so famous in early times as an Indian fighter, was born near Strasburg, in this township. The massacre of some of his closest friends had made him swear eternal vengeance against the red-skins. He was so fleet of foot, so familiar with every foot of the county, so sure a shot, his name became a terror to the Indians.

#### EARLIEST LAND TITLES.

Of the earliest land titles we find the following:

Robert Allison (in right of Andrew Blackburn), February 13, 1753. Neighbors: James Allison, Robert Rogers, James Gordon, John Boyd, James Boyd.

Joseph Henderson (in right of Samuel Boyd), February 20, 1754. Neighbors: Christ Irwin, Robert Boyd, John Kirkpatrick, John Irwin.

John Boyd, May 24, 1753. Neighbors: D. Jordan, Jeremiah Galvin.

Thomas Barnet, February 18, 1744. Neighbors: Chas. Stewart, James Pancoast, Felt. Spangler, Charles McGennet, James McKeen.

Samuel Culbertson, October 10, 1753. Neighbors: Joseph Culbertson, Richard Peters, Robert Culbertson.

Robert Gabby, October 16, 1749. Neighbors: John Kirkpatrick, Widow Donaldson, John Sisney, John Barnhill.

James Mitchell, July 10, 1752. Neighbor: David Shields.

John Maughan, May 9, 1754. Neighbors: John Miller, Joseph Mitchell, John Rippit, Widow Caldwell, Wm. Mitchell, James McCammin.

Rev. Richard Peters, June 23, 1749.

## LIST OF TAXABLES—1786.

In the present limits of the township and of Greene Township, the taxables in 1786 were as follows:

Alex. Allison.	Sam'l Culbertson, Sr.	Wm. Kithpatrick.	Wm. Ray.
Andrew Allison.	Jas. Culbertson.	John Laffery.	Sam'l Ray, Sr.
Robert Allison.	S. Culbertson (creek).	John Lindsay.	Christley Raisor.
Hugh Allison.	Rev. John Craighead.	John Lunders.	Abm. Reasor.
Jas. Allison.	John Culbertson.	Sam'l Lindsay.	Sam'l Reed.
Jas. Anderson.	John Cessna.	Conrad Loward.	Jas. Stuart.
Adam Break.	Wm. Cessna.	Robert Long.	George Stinger.
Christley Brake.	Josias Crawford.	Jas. Lockard.	Fred'k Stump.
George Basor.	W. Crawford (heirs).	Jeremiah Loughery.	Wm. Sharp, Jr.
Adam Burkholder.	Christy Dice.	Widow Lutes.	Wm. Sharp (heirs).
Peter Basor.	John Dunlap.	Jas. McConnel.	Wintle Schirck.
Rob't Brotherton.	Wm. Davis.	Robert McConnel.	Henry Shearer.
Wm. Bell, Sr.	George Eaby.	Jas. Matthews.	Charles Stuart.
Wm. Bell, Jr.	Jas. Endslow.	James McCammont.	Fred'k Stake.
Peter Barnhart.	George Early.	Jas. Moor.	Moses Scott.
Adam Burkholder, Jr.	Jas. Elliott (heirs).	John Machan, Jr.	Francis Sanderson.
Matthias Booker.	James Findley, Esq.	John Machan, Sr.	Joseph Stevinson.
Jacob Barickstrasser.	John Findley.	Robt. Mitchel.	Adam Smith.
John Barr.	John Ferguson.	Jas. Michel (Less).	Wm. Sharp, Sr.
Matthias Brindley.	Jas. Gilleland.	Robert Machan.	Joseph Shirk.
John Beard, Sr.	Jas. Gibson.	John Myers.	Matthew Shields.
John Baker.	Jeremiah Galvin.	John McCammont.	Matthew Sharp.
James Boyd.	Henry Gruver.	Joseph Mitchel.	Robert Shields.
Andrew Beard.	John Gant.	Cutlip Maugh.	Hannah Sharp.
Wm. Beard, Jr.	Wm. Gibson.	Robert McCammy.	George Snearly.
John Beard, Jr.	Ruben Gilaspy.	John McCammy.	Valentine Spangler.
John Blair.	George Grove.	Alex. McKeen.	Jas. Tom.
John S. Beatty.	John Gray.	Nath. Mitchal.	Albert Torrance.
Thos. Boyd.	Abm. Grove.	Jesse Mitchel.	Henry Toops.
H. Caldwell.	Abm. Grove, Jr.	John Neaves.	Andrew Taylor.
Michael Crowberger.	Christly Grove.	Wm. Nicholson.	Wm. Torrance.
Robert Caldwell.	George Handspike.	Sam'l Nantier.	Hugh Torrance.
James Caldwell.	Philip Homel.	Jacob Neaves.	Alex. Thompson.
John Caldwell.	John Henderson.	John Nilson, Sr.	David Trooph.
Stephen Caldwell.	Jas. Henderson.	John Nilson, Jr.	John Ward.
John Colsmith.	Peter Hoover.	Leonard Powinger.	Mary Weary (widow).
John Cramer.	John Hoover.	Jas. Patterson.	Jas. Willson.
Alex. Culbertson.	Sam'l Henry.	Capt. N. Patterson.	Martin Winger.
Adam Castle.	Ludwick Houser.	Thos. Porter.	Wm. Wadill.
Sam'l Culbertson.	Mike Havlin.	— Postlethwaite.	Conrad Wolf.
Capt. Jos. Culbertson.	John Imble.	Alex. Robison.	Andrew Willson.
Robert Culbertson.	Paul Imble.	Wm. Robison.	H. Wiley.
John Craig.	Thos. Jackson.	John Richey.	Capt. Hugh Wiley.
Jas. Caldwell, Sr.	Robt. Jack (heirs).	Henry Rail.	Thomas Wallace.
Jas. Cunningham.	Sam'l Jordan.	Wm. Rail.	Joseph Whitmere.
Charles Cummins.	David Jordan.	Jas. Reed.	Jas. Walker.
Jas. Clark.	John Johnston.	Darby Runy.	William Weir.
Joseph Clark.	Philip Keeser.	Jacob Ryard.*	Oliver Wallace.
Robt. Cochran.	Michael Kunole.	George Radibuch.	Rev. Sam'l Wilson.
Sam'l Cochran.	John Kithcart.	John Robison.	Jacob Yos.
Widow Cochran.	James Kelly.		

## FREEMEN.

Charles Allison.	Thos. Clark.	Joseph Mitchel.	John Rea.
James Allison.	John Clark.	James McCammont.	Andrew Russell.
Robert Brotherton.	Hugh Ferguson.	John McCamey.	Sam'l Rea.
John Butcher.	John Findley.	Sam'l Nicholson.	M. Scott.
John Brown.	Gabriel Gordon.	Thos. Patterson.	Wm. Shiphan.
Adam Burkholder.	Sam'l Henny.	Isaac Parker.	Wm. Stinzer.
Sam'l Culbertson.	Daniel Lavery.	Thos. Porter.	Albert Torrance.
Christian Counts.	John Lindsey.	George Pacer.	Thos. Wear.
David Cowan.	Thos. Lindsay.	John Reed.	John Ward.
Joseph Caldwell.	Balsar Lower.	Wm. Reed.	

\*Jacob Richard, paternal great-grandfather of the compiler of this work.

## EARLY SCHOOL TEACHERS.

John B. Kaufman has kindly furnished the following list of early school teachers in the township: Eugene Owens, Benjamin Davis, Daniel Eckerman, Sr., Capt. Thomas Anderson, Rev. Daniel Eckerman, Jr., Wm. A. Hunter, Capt. Isaac Miller, Montgomery Martin, Henry A. Thomas, Prof. P. A. Shoemaker, Prof. Aaron Weidman, John B. Kaufman, John W. DeHaven, Hon. W. W. Britton, B. A. Cormany, Capt. E. K. Lehman, Saml. Gelwix, A. B. Wingert, Prof. A. G. Huber, Rev. Jno. A. West, Jr., Dr. R. W. Ramsay, Rev. D. W. Sollenberger, D. A. Flora, Prof. B. F. Newton, Prof. L. F. Creamer, Prof. F. H. Slyder, Emma Minehart, Naomi Minehart, D. D. Swanger and J. C. Burkholder.

## VILLAGE.

*Strasburg.*—The postoffice is called Upper Strasburg. The village is on the old State road, near the base of Kittatinny Mountain. It was founded by Dewalt Keefer in 1789. It was the first instance of the Germans being here in sufficient force to begin to lay out towns, and call them after names cherished in the fatherland. In the days of stage coaches it became quite a stirring little business point, where the old burghers were noted for selling supplies at the cheapest market rates, and their thrifty industry always had on hand a big supply.

## CHURCH.

*Rocky Spring Presbyterian Church.*—This was organized according to best accounts in the year 1738, by the presbytery of Donegal. The first house of worship was built about the same time. Its name, Rocky Spring, was chosen from its location at a large spring of water, which issues from a limestone rock. The first pastor is supposed to have been Rev. Thomas Craighead, whose charge also embraced Middle Spring and Big Spring congregations in the territory now forming Cumberland County. He died in his pulpit while engaged in the act of pronouncing the benediction, about the close of the year 1739. He was succeeded by Rev. John Blair, who was installed December 27, 1742, giving one-third of his time to the congregation. He was of Irish parentage, graduated at the Log College, a classical school established by Rev. Wm. Tennent, twenty miles north of Philadelphia, and was an earnest and laborious preacher. Owing to the incursions of the Indians, he was compelled to resign his pastoral charge on the 28th of December, 1748. From this date to 1768, the congregation was without a settled pastor. The same cause which banished the last shepherd prevented another from taking his place. This whole region was then wild and uncultivated. Some families were murdered, and others were compelled to flee for safety into the more thickly settled portions of the country. After the defeat of Gen. Braddock in 1755, high carnival was held by the savages in the Cumberland Valley.

Finally, in the spring of 1767, Rev. John Craighead was called and installed its pastor, April 13, 1768, at a salary of £100 per year. He was born in 1742; graduated at Princeton in 1763; was an eloquent preacher and a valiant patriot, spoken of in history as the "fighting chaplain," because he led his men as captain in battle and acted as chaplain in camp. His disposition was mild, affable and peculiarly winning, which, together with his agreeable social qualities, rare conversational powers and fine humor, made him the favorite of all who chanced to know him. His sermons were delivered with a power and eloquence peculiarly his own. He lived on a farm about half a mile from the church. His pastoral relation with Rocky Spring continued till April 9, 1799, when it was dissolved. He died on the 20th of the same month

and year, and his remains were deposited in the adjacent cemetery, the handsome monument which marks the place having been furnished by Mrs. Isabella Marshall, the last surviving member of his congregation.

After a vacancy of just a year, Rev. Francis Herron, born near Shippensburg June 28, 1774, was installed pastor, April 9, 1800. His preaching was marked with great power and success. During his pastorate the church attained the climax of its prosperity and usefulness. His connection with the congregation was dissolved on the 3d of April, 1811, to enable him to enter upon his charge as pastor of the First Church, of Pittsburgh, which position he filled for forty years.

After the departure of Dr. Herron, the congregation was supplied for a period of several years by Rev. John McKnight, who came from New York City, buying a farm, on which he lived. He was never regularly installed as pastor. In 1815 he was invited to the presidency of Dickinson College, which position he accepted. He resigned, returned to his farm and continued to preach as opportunity offered till the time of his death, October 21, 1823. The next pastor was Rev. John McKnight, son of the preceding, who came April 9, 1816. He entered upon his work September 24, 1816, and continued until January 20, 1836. During his service he lived on a farm half a mile east of Chambersburg. He died in Philadelphia July 29, 1857, in his sixty-eighth year.

For a period of four years this congregation, with that of St. Thomas, was supplied by Rev. Robert Kennedy, of Welsh Run, and others.

In May, 1840, Rev. A. K. Nelson was installed pastor. He discharged his duties faithfully till ill health compelled his resignation April 10, 1873, since which time Rev. S. C. George,\* its present pastor, has occupied the honored and responsible position.

The first church edifice stood between the present building and the graveyard, the front facing to the south. It was a rough log building, one story and a half high, and built about the time the congregation was organized, or before, in the rude style of architecture peculiar to those days. It had one row of windows in the lower story, the lights being small and few in number. It was entered by two doors which were placed in the eastern and western ends of the house. The doors were small and single. They were made of plain boards without any panel work. As the size of the congregation increased, an addition, formed of a small square building on the south side, was made. A few years later, for a similar reason, another addition was built by its side. About the time the original building was erected, a small, rough structure about fifteen feet square, with wide fireplace and large wooden chimney, was also built. It was known as the "Study House." It is said that it was built as a receptacle for the saddles which members used in those days when horseback riding to church was the main reliance of the people scattered over large regions of country. This house was replaced in 1794 by the present brick structure, 48x60, the contractor being Walter Beatty.

The following is a complete list of the members of Rocky Spring Church 100 years ago: John Stevenson, Robert Brotherton, John Stuart, John Mahan, Sr., John Mahan, Robert Wilson, Andrew Wilson, William Waddell, Andrew Wilson, Isaac Martin, Capt. Alexander Culbertson, John Board, James Endslow, Thomas Stockton, Robert Sharp, Robert Shields, Oliver Culbertson, Charles Cummins, Joseph Stevenson, Thomas Clark, Thomas McCurdy, Samuel McCord, John Gauth, Thomas Thorn, — Davis, Wm. Rosselas, John Bernd,

\*Since above was in type, we learn that Rev. S. C. George has resigned his pastoral charge with Big Spring and St. Thomas Presbyterian congregations.

John Thompson, Moses Barnet, Samuel Rea, Fulton Lindsay, Moses Blackburn, Samuel Coheen, Andrew Fealor, John Kerr, Samuel Henry, Alexander Culbertson, John Blackburn, William Wallis, Joseph Clark, Joseph Witherpoon, William Fullerton, Joseph Clark, John Rea, Alexander White, John McAnulty, William Young, Joseph Swan, Josiah Allen, John McClean, John Hackett, James Hendery, William Swan, Daniel Shield, Oliver Brown, Richard Benson, Benjamin Carothers, John Wilkeson, Thomas Thompson, Robert Hutchinson, Samuel Thompson, Wm. Archibald, Nathan Hilend, James Morton, John Moor, Mathew Gilleland, Robert Peoples, John Thompson, John Taylor, Saml. Liggitt, David Colwell, John Chestnut, Capt. Mathew Ferguson, Wm. Ferguson, Daniel Eckers, John Beard, Saml. Headery, Saml. Rea, Mary Kerr, Moses Barrett, John Thompson, Daniel McGregor, Samuel Thompson, Andrew Taylor, Moses Blackburn, Martha Allen, Robert Anderson, Margaret Denny, Robt. Dixon, Joseph Kerpatrick, John Mahon, Samuel Coheren, David English, Henry Duncan, Alexander Moses, Margaret Dixon, Wm. Trotter, Saml. Hase, James Ackles, Joseph Cowan, John Wilson, Andrew Beard, Mary Jordan, Daniel Jordan, Robert McCamey, Arthur Patterson, James Henderson, Robert Lamberton, Samuel Mitchell, Wm. Bell, Geo. Shields, Wm. Gibson, Geo. Davidson, Wm. Beard, Joseph Mitchell, Robt. Carrick, Archibald Grimes, Wm. Huston, William McCalland, Robert Allison, Saml. Jordan, John McCamey, James Wilson, John Henderson, James Stevenson, Martha Ward, Joseph Natchee, James Walker, Esther Rennex, Charles Harron, Cornelius Harper, Robert Shields, James Toon, Isaac Parker, Archibald McCloskey, Robert Beard, John Chamberlain.

#### WASHINGTON—1779.\*

At the January term, 1779, a petition of citizens of Antrim was presented, asking for a division of that township, and the court appointed James Johnston, Abraham Smith, Humphrey Fullerton, James McLanahan, Elias Davison and William Finley, commissioners to examine and report upon the propriety of granting the request of the petitioners. Their report was to be returned at the April term of the court, of that year. It was then Washington Township was erected out of the territory of Antrim, and named in honor of him who stood first in the hearts of his countrymen—Gen. Washington. Some of the first settlers to come to the county located in what is now Washington Township. Some of the early land purchasers were as follows:

#### EARLY LAND TITLES.

Gustavus Brown, August 22, 1751. (No neighbors.)

Jacob Beesecker, January 29, 1752. Neighbors: Fredrick Foreman, John McLanahan, Henry Thomas, Edward Nichols, Abel Johns, R. Hart, John Cochran.

Joseph Crunkleton and James Thompson (for the children of William Brown), October 10, 1750. Neighbors: Christ. Flaker, Samuel McCrea, Jacob Holsinger, John Crooks.

James Dawney, October 31, 1765. Neighbors: William Elms, Martin Jacobs.

John Ferree, June 10, 1762.

William Hall, May 12, 1763. Neighbors: Wm. Elms, John Hapner.

James Johnston, May 3, 1750. Neighbors: John Jackson, Stophel Cees, James Bones.

\*For Borough of Waynesboro, see page 530.



Moses Liddell, April 3, 1754. Neighbors: Peter Longenecker, Abraham Wassell, John Scott, Henry Hall.

Michael Legate, July 1, 1743. Neighbors: James Whitehead, Thomas McLanahan, Abel John, Roger Hart.

John Morehead, January 4, 1763. Neighbors: John Wallace, David Stoner, John Mack, John Makley.

John Mack, September 6, 1751. Neighbors: John Morehead, James Downey, William Elms.

John Markley, March 6, 1749. Neighbors: John Crooks, Samuel McCrea, Fred. Foreman.

John and James McLanahan, June 3, 1762. Neighbors: Abel John, John Cochran, William Blakeley, James Scott, Andrew Stouffer.

George Martin, September 6, 1762. Neighbors: Henry Asher, David Heffner.

Edward Nichols, February 7, 1749. Neighbors: Andrew Stoop, Michael Helm, Jacob Mack.

Henry Cooper, January 19, 1753. Neighbors: Edward Nichols, Henry Teech, Jacob Mack.

Mathias Ringer, February 14, 1749.

John Stoner, October 24, 1750. Neighbors: Jacob Holtzinger, James Jack, Fred. Foreman, William Irwin, John Price.

David Stoner, May 3, 1763.

John Snowberger, May 15, 1745.

James Whitehead, September 29, 1750. Neighbors: Jacob Beesecker, Richard O'Cain.

John Wallace, October 20, 1750. Neighbors: John Morehead, James Coyle, James Jack, John Cochran, Matthias Ringer.

John Steiner, May 23, 1744.

An account of many of the prominent first settlers in this part of the county may be found in Chapter XXI, this volume.

#### LIST OF TAXABLES—1786.

Washington Township, which then included what is now Quincy Township, in 1786 had the following taxables:

Stophel Adams.	Christian Cofman.	Adam Fredrick.	Cornelius Henlin.
Peter Baker.	George Cofman.	Fred'k Foreman, Jr.	Michael Helms.
David Burkit.	Henry Carroll.	Henry Flood.	Jacob Hess.
Dewalt Bonbrake.	Jacob Cook.	Jacob Fredrick.	John Horn.
William Blackley.	Gasper Ceese.	Christ. Foglar.	Elias Horn.
David Baker.	Isaac Clark.	And'w Fridley.	David Heffner.
James Blackley.	Robt. Cuningham.	And'w Fridley, Jr.	Daniel Helman.
Daniel Beashover.	Casper Cline.	John Funk.	Sam'l Harshbarger.
Elizabeth Bennidick.	James Downey.	Laurence Fotteral.	George Helman.
Nicholas Beaver.	Peter Dull.	John Gantz.	Jacob Hefner.
Jacob Baker.	Joseph Dull.	John Gaff.	Val. Hefner.
John Baker.	Stophel Dull.	And'w Gibbard.	John Haslet.
Philip Boarbaugh.	Henry Dutch.	Henry Gibhart.	Jacob Hollinger.
Peter Baker, Sr.	David Dutch.	Christian Grub.	Martin Jacob.
Nicholas Bittinger.	Henry Dewalt.	Albert Heffner.	John Johnston.
John Burns.	Elias Davidson.	Jacob Holsinger.	John Leap.
Christian Breakner.	Jacob Donneker.	George Holsinger.	David Lady.
Daniel Clapsaddle.	Wm. Erwin.	John Hambleton.	Peter Longenecker.
John Cochran, Sr.	John Erwin.	John Horner, Sr.	John Long.
John Cochran, Jr.	John Emmits.	Fred'k Howard.	Burnet Lickhart.
Thomas Chambers.	Adam Flohere.	Elizabeth Helms.	Conrad Loyd.
John Crooks.	Peter Fox.	John Horner, Jr.	John McCoy.
James Crooks.	Henry Fore.	Fred'k Horner.	John McColloch.
Michael Cook.	Fredrick Foreman, Sr.	Ab'm Horner.	James Moorhead.
George Cook.	Abm Flora.	Gasper Henline.	Jacob Mack.

Wm. McCrea.	Jacob Netor.	Samuel Royer.	John Still.
James McCrea.	Peter Nipper.	John Rock.	Wm. Stitt.
John McClanahan.	Ab'm Nipper.	Henry Rock.	John Seecrist.
Daniel McCoy.	Elizabeth Nipper.	Fred'k Rock.	Thos. Stoops.
Matthew McFarron.	Peter Newcomer.	Adam Richardson.	John Smith.
Henry Millar.	Joseph Nicholas.	Jacob Reed.	Adam Smith.
Conrad Man, Jr.	Wm. Nicholas.	Fred'k Sholly.	Sam'l Stitt.
Conrad Man, Sr.	Jacob Naugel.	Peter Stover.	John Sell.
Henry McFarron.	John Nicholas.	David Stoner.	Wm. Shaver.
George Minner.	Fred'k Nicodemus.	Abraham Stoner.	Henry Stoner.
Able Mensor.	Conrad Nicodemus.	Jacob Shockey.	John Taylor.
Joseph Mener.	Jacob Ortenbarger.	Valentine Shockey.	Thomas Wallas.
James Moore.	George Okkel.	Jacob Swisher.	John Wallas.
John Miller.	Jacob Pechtal.	Uly Snowbarger.	Jas. Wishard.
John McKissack.	Peter Penner.	Henry Shambennon.	John Wishard.
William Mack.	Jacob Pissaker.	Solomon Seecrist.	Edward Wishard.
James McAnulty.	Ab'm Pissaker.	Andrew Snowbarger.	Casper Wagoner.
John Murphy.	John Parks.	Henry Snell.	Jacob Winterbarger.
George Mitsor.	Jas. Parks.	Ludwick Stull.	Conrad Warts.
Patrick Money.	John Price.	John Scott.	Caspar Welch.
Christian Miller.	John Potter.	Herman Stultz.	John Wickel.
Alex. Mack.	Simon Potter.	Mary Stoops.	Jacob Welty.
George Mosabock.	Adam Prits.	Simon String.	James Watson.
David Mensor.	Daniel Price.	Michael Stover.	Philip Wagerman.
John Miller, Sr.	Robt. Price.	Samuel Sill.	Jacob Wagerman.
John Martspock.	JohnRIDLESBERGER.	Matthias Summers.	Sam'l Willson.
Martin Merkle.	George Rock.	Peter Swope.	James Willson.

## FREEMEN.

George Anderson.	John Fridley.	Isaac Millar.	Durst Snowberger.
George Beaker.	Daniel Heap.	John McClanahan.	Jacob Stump.
John Boggs.	Jacob Helms.	James McCray.	Jacob Summers.
David Beasor.	Daniel Horner.	Wm. McCoy.	David Scott.
David Burket.	Dennice Joans.	Peter Nipper.	Jas. Stoops.
Ab'm Burket.	Phillip Knop.	John Nicholson.	Wm. Scott.
Antony Beaver.	George Ludwick.	Wm. Nicholson.	James Stitt.
William Blackley.	Henry Lady.	David Nipper.	Abraham Shockey.
Sam'l Burket.	John Lanchaster.	Peter Nipper.	John Thomas.
Wm. Crooks.	James McCoy.	Jacob Price.	Sam'l Thomas.
Henry Coon.	James McColloch.	David Parks.	Andrew Will.
James Crooks.	John Menner.	Daniel Royer.	John Wallace
Peter Emmitt.			

## VILLAGES.

*Midvale* is a station on the Western Maryland Railroad, in the southeast part of the county. It was made a station and named in 1880 by president J. M. Hood. In 1881 J. Floyd erected his dwelling, and opened a general merchandise, grain and coal business.

*Rouzersville* was laid out in 1868 by Peter Rouzer; population a few hundred; has Methodist Episcopal Church, organized in 1873, and a Dunker Church, established in 1873. For list of preachers, see Mont Alto Circuit under Quincy Township.

The Salem (formerly Besore's) Reformed Church dates its establishment from 1773. The first services were held in a small log schoolhouse, by Rev. Mr. Weymer. The building stood between the present edifice and the graveyard, upon land afterward taken up by Henry Miller. In March, 1787, land was purchased of Henry Miller, and the building of a log church commenced and soon completed. It was in the primitive style of such buildings by the Germans, with high pulpit, sounding board, etc. The building committee was composed of Daniel Böshaar and Daniel Ledy. In 1786 Rev. Cyriacus Spangenberg became the pastor, filling the position nearly three years. The original call to him and a prayer-book prepared by him are now in the possession of the present pastor and are highly prized by him. After him came

Rev. Weymer again, remaining until the close of 1789. For the next succeeding years they had only occasional services. Rev. Jonathan Rahausser came in November, 1792. He continued in charge until his death, September 25, 1817. His successor was Rev. Frederick A. Scholl, who continued to serve the church until 1831. Rev. George W. Glessner was in charge until 1840; succeeded by Rev. J. H. A. Bomberger, who remained till 1845. Then for two years the pastor in charge was Rev. Theodore Appel, when Rev. Glessner was recalled, and remained until 1851; then Rev. H. W. Super until 1862; then Rev. Walter E. Krebs until 1868; Rev. H. H. W. Hibshman. 1869-77. The present pastor, Rev. F. F. Bahner, was installed December, 1877. The congregation is in a prosperous condition, and as this is the 100th year since the erection of the first church building, due prominence will be given to the event. Certain improvements to the present church property are contemplated, and will doubtless be made this year.

#### MONTGOMERY—1781.\*

At the October term, 1780, of the court of quarter sessions of Cumberland County, was presented a petition asking for the division of Peters Township, and the creation of a new township to be called Montgomery. Thereupon James Maxwell, John McClellan, John Work, James Campbell, Adam Holliday and Thomas Campbell were appointed to examine and report on the petition. They reported at the January term, 1781; report confirmed and the new township erected, with boundary lines as they are now. It was named in honor of Gen. Richard Montgomery, who was killed in the attack upon Quebec, December 31, 1775. The earliest settlers came between 1730 and 1735.

#### EARLY LAND ENTRIES.

Of the early land entries were the following:

John Craig, May 24, 1753. Neighbor: Daniel Davis.

Robert Culbertson, March 31, 1743. Neighbors: William Dinwiddy, Thomas Dinwiddy, James Gardner.

Philip Davis, June 21, 1737. Neighbors: James Harland, John Davyrich.

William Duffield, March 4, 1767. Neighbors: Samuel McCune, William Patton, James Davison, Isaac Darbre.

Thomas Evans, August 7, 1740. Neighbors: David Alexander, John Davis, Aaron Alexander.

Richard Gabriel, May 13, 1752. (No neighbors.)

Martha Henry, October 15, 1744. Neighbor: Alexander Brown.

Thomas Johnston, November 20, 1753. Neighbors: Jonathan Smith, John Black, John Huston, John McMath.

William Milliken, May 28, 1745. (No neighbors.)

William Maxwell, March 31, 1743. Neighbors: John McLelland, Robert McCoy.

James Wilkins (in right of James McMahan), February 18, 1744. Neighbors: Archibald Scott, James Wilkey.

Francis Johnston (in right of James Alexander), May 31, 1742.

Alexander Johnston, March 18, 1750.

Thomas Orbison, October 2, 1755. Neighbors: Thomas Dougherty, John Davie Richard, William Duffield, Thomas Davis.

Richard Peters sold to William Duffield. (No dates given.)

Alexander Brown, November 18, 1741. Neighbors: Thomas Sellers, John

\*For Borough of Mercersburg, see page 505.

McClellan, Walter Beatty, Alex White, Wilson Holliday, William Dunwoody, Martha Henry.

## LIST OF TAXABLES—1786.

The present boundary of Montgomery Township, in 1786, contained the following taxables:

Oliver Anderson.	John Guin.	James Miller.	James Rankin, Jr.
George Brown.	Jacob Gons.	Samuel McCune.	James Rankin, Sr.
Sarah Brown.	John Gillis.	Traxler Means.	Wm. Rankin.
David Brown, Jr.	Sam'l Gilaspy.	Wm. Morrison.	Jeremiah Rankin.
David Brown, Sr.	Jacob Good.	Rev. Thos. McPherrin.	John Rush.
Robert Baird.	Robert Gordon.	Fergus Moorhead.	James Robertson.
Jonathan Burgis.	Peter Good.	Andrew Mease.	Widow Reed.
Joseph Bogel.	Nath'l Green.	Wm. Meanoch.	James Roddy.
Abraham Bulman.	David Huston.	John McFaul.	Carns Starret.
Thomas Cellars.	David Humphrey.	James McFarlin.	John Shannon.
James Crawford, Sr.	John Hues.	Edward Mannon.	Samuel Scott.
Mathew Campble.	Adam Hardman.	John McCarrol.	Samuel Smith.
George Clark.	John Hair.	Wm. Marshal.	Paul Shearer.
Mathias Crow.	James Huston.	Alex Martin.	John Shinfield.
Henry Cow.	Peter Horkey.	Patrick McCollaugh.	John Shearer.
Jacob Cow.	Archibald Irwin.	Andrew Morrison.	Peter Shearer.
John Campbell.	Robt. Johnston.	Robt. Martin.	Robert Smith.
George Crawford.	John Kennedy.	Robt. McKey.	Wm. Scott.
David Collins.	David Kennedy.	David Meek.	John Scott.
John Cunningham.	Thos. Kenedy.	Patrick Maxwell.	Henry Stall.
Andrew Clinesmith.	Samuel Kyle.	James Moore.	Daniel Stutsman.
James Crawford, Jr.	Robert Kyle.	Robert McCavin.	John Smith.
George Crist.	James Kyle.	James Morrow.	John Starret.
William Dunwoody.	Elisha Lewis.	Rebecca McCammish.	Capt. Wm. Smith.
Capt. Philip Davis.	Adam Long.	John McDonald.	Joseph Shannon.
William Duffield.	Conrade Long.	George McCullough.	James Scott.
Philip Davis.	Andrew Long.	Samuel Martin.	Henry Snider.
Wm. Duffield, Sr.	Jacob Lear.	Wm. Martin.	John Stull.
William Davidson.	Robert Lee.	Patrick McNeal.	Widow Shannon.
Catharine Davis.	Catharine Long.	John Martin.	Rev. Robert Smith.
James Davis.	Wm. Lamond.	James McClain.	James Stewart.
Stephen Doyle.	James Lamond.	Wm. McCune.	Peter Trough.
Andrew Dixon.	Alex Lamond.	George McCallan.	Peter Trough, Jr.
John Davis.	John Lough.	Wm. Newell.	John Ulling.
James Davison.	Wm. Lowry.	John Orbison.	George Unger.
James Dougherty.	John Lamond.	John Parkhill.	Conrad Unger.
Samuel Davis.	Andrew Lewiston.	John Posterbaugh.	Joseph Vanleer.
William Duffield, Jr.	Thos. Lucus.	George Posterbaugh.	Jane White.
Davis Dea.	Hugh Long.	George Prits.	Matthew White.
Thomas Edmiston.	John Long.	Joseph Price.	James Wray.
George Elliott.	James Maxwell, Esq.	Henry Plyly.	Alex Wilson.
Benj. Elliott.	Wm. McCoy.	James Ramsey.	Peter Whitesides
Johnson Elliot.	James McCoy.	Joseph Rench.	Owens Williams.
Hugh Foster.	Francis Mears.	John Rench.	John Work.
Andrew Flanigan.	Capt. Jno. McClelland.	Frederick Reaver.	Daniel Wray.
Charles Foster.	Alex Miller.	James Ross.	John Wray.
Andrew Fryberger.	Joseph Miller.	Jacob Rush.	Alex. Wray.
Balsor Gull.			

## FREEMEN,

John Brown.	David Henderson.	James Mays.	James Reed.
Thos. Claney.	William Harway.	James Maxwell.	James Smyley.
John Collins.	James Innis.	Hugh McKillop.	Samuel Smith.
John Davis.	James Irwin.	Mathew Martin.	Joseph Shannon
John Darley.	James Kelly.	Walter Maxwell.	John Ulling.
James Davison.	Benj. Loughhead.	Peter Prough.	Joseph Vanleer.
Wm. Davis.	Wm. McDonald.	Henry Panther.	Robert Wray.
George Elliot.			

## VILLAGES.

*Welsh Run* is a beautiful little village on the road from Mercersburg to Hagerstown, six miles from the former place. David Davis purchased the

land in 1736. He was a Welshman, and, joined by some countrymen, gave it the name it bears. It is, among other things, noted as being where the Kennedy Academy is located.

Interments in Welsh Run Cemetery: Rev. Thomas McPherrin, died February 3, 1802, aged fifty-one years. (He was an early pastor at Welsh Run). John Work, Sr., son of Col. J. Work, born February 12, 1768, died April 14, 1842. George Eaker, died January 10, 1818, aged about seventy-five years. (He was a Revolutionary hero, and on his tombstone is the following appropriate inscription: "He fought for liberty, and lived to enjoy it"). Mary Eaker, his wife, died March 9, 1832, aged seventy-two years; she was a sister of David Kennedy and an aunt of Lazarus Kennedy.

The "Robert Kennedy Memorial Presbyterian Church," at Welsh Run, was dedicated September 30, 1871. The dedication sermon was preached by Reverend Thomas Creigh, D. D., of Mercersburg. A historical sketch of the church and of the Reverend Robert Kennedy, who for many years was pastor of this church, was then read. This was one of the first churches organized in the Cumberland Valley west of Harrisburg, and there is much of historic interest connected with it. The cost of the new building, erected on the site of the old one, was paid by E. D. Kennedy. The first building was of logs, and was erected probably in 1741, at the first organization of the church, near Mr. Elliott's. This continued to be their place of worship till the Indian war, when it was burned by the Indians about 1760. According to Rev. R. Kennedy's testimony, they continued without any house of worship some fourteen years, till the Rev. T. McPherrin was called at the close of the Indian war in 1774, when another house was erected upon the site of ground now owned by the church, and on the same spot where the present edifice stands. The ground now held and occupied by the church as graveyard and church lot, was originally given to the church by one Robert Smith in 1774, or about that time. Said Robert Smith, dying in 1787, willed to the church three acres of ground. In 1788 Samuel, Oliver and Isaac Smith, sons and heirs of Robert Smith, having obtained the patent or deed for the same, by virtue of said will, in 1795, deeded it in fee simple to the trustees of this church, viz.: John Rhea, Josiah Price and Robert Chambers. The building erected upon this ground in 1774, originally log, afterward weather-boarded, having undergone various repairs, served its day and three generations, or a century of years. It was of the ancient model, with high pulpit, elaborately ornamented sounding-board and seats having backs "as high as the shoulders." The early pastors were Revs. James Campbell, Dunlap, McPherrin, Robert Kennedy. This brought the work down to 1843, the time of his death.

*Clay Lick* was laid out in 1831, by Jacob Negley. It is situated at the base of Clay Lick Mountain, from which it receives its name. It has one store, the usual shops and a schoolhouse.

*Shimpstown* is three miles from Mercersburg on the road to Clay Lick; population, between thirty and forty.

*Camphill* is at the base of Casey's Knob, six miles south of Mercersburg. It was founded by William Auld in 1830, and was called Camphill from the fact that near it was a camp-meeting ground.

#### SOUTHAMPTON—1783.\*

This township was organized from Lurgan Township territory in the year above mentioned. The name indicates that there were Englishmen here among the early settlers.

\*Including Borough of Orrstown.

## EARLY LAND ENTRIES.

Of the early land entries are the following:

Rev. John Blair, October 5, 1743. Neighbor: John Finley.

Robert Chambers, August 2, 1766. Neighbors: Andrew Culbertson, Francis Campbell, John Cummins.

John Cummins, August 11, 1752. Neighbors: Robert Peebles, Arthur Clark, William Coxe, Robert Chambers.

Oliver Culbertson, January 20, 1767. Neighbors: Martin Smith, John Heron, John McCombe, Robert Mahon, Jr., Lawrence Stampbank.

John Cessna, December 16, 1755. Neighbors: Henry Mayhan, Theophilus Cessna, John Donaldson.

James Culbertson, August 4, 1751.

Robert Chambers, February 15, 1737. (No neighbors).

Thomas Edmundson, July 18, 1743.

Wm. Irwin (in right of Robert Beck), April 27, 1749.

William Herron, William Young, David Herron, John Watt, James Herron and Francis Herron, each made entries December 16, 1735. These lands lay on Conodoguinet creek. They are supposed to be the first lands in the Cumberland Valley taken up under the "Blunston License." The above lands were assigned to Benjamin Furley, and have since been occupied by Herrons, McCombs and Irwins.

Robert Long, October 22, 1746. Neighbor: William Jack.

Samuel Reynolds, June 13, 1749. Neighbors: James Reynolds, Samuel Rippey, John Reynolds, E. Shippen.

Capt. Robert Peebles (in right of Adam Hoops), August 25, 1753. Neighbors: Daniel Duncan, John Johnston, James Culbertson.

## LIST OF TAXABLES—1786.

Joseph Arbuckle.	George Foust.	William McCune.	William Rippey.
Samuel Blyth.	Conrad Fishburn.	John Means.	Wm. Randles (heirs).
John Blyth.	Isaac Grier.	Samuel McCune.	— McEntire (heirs).
Lawrence Brindle.	Thomas Grier.	Samuel Montgomery.	Mary Sterret.
John Breckinridge.	Isaac Grier, Sr.	Thomas Millar.	Robert Shannon.
James Breckinridge.	Thomas Gilkey.	Mark McCord.	Peter Shoaf.
Samuel Breckinridge.	John Harron.	William McCord.	James Shoaf.
Andrew Boyd.	James Harron.	David McCright.	Peter Shoaf, Jr.
Barnet Barklow.	William Harron.	Archibald Mahan.	John Stoll.
Leonard Bough.	Thomas Howard.	Martin Mindle.	Jacob Stumpbaugh.
Samuel Brindle.	Jacob Hoover.	Thomas Moor.	William Scott.
Samuel Crawford.	Phillip Hoover.	Nicholas Mink.	Robert Scott.
Conrad Coynard.	Burgit Hains.	Michael Mink.	William Strain.
Thomas Cummins.	John Hains.	Robert Mahon.	James Stephens.
Archibald Cambridge.	Jacob Hammond.	David Nevins.	James Smith.
Samuel Culbertson.	George Johnston.	Joseph Phillips.	Peter Stumpbaugh.
William Clark.	Benjamin Johnston.	James Pimbroy.	Abraham Shaw.
Theophilus Cessna.	Michael Kero.	Stephen Porter.	Lorraine Stumpbaugh.
Samuel Cox.	Charles Kelley.	James Pail.	Philip Stumpbaugh.
Andrew Craig.	Jacob Justice.	Robert Peoples.	Matthew Scott.
John Culbertson.	Christopher Lance.	Mary Porter (widow).	Elizabeth Tate.
Peter Dick.	John Lere.	Thomas Paxton.	George Unstedt.
James Diver.	Thomas Lindsay.	Thomas Paxton.	Thomas Welch.
James Dun.	Caspar Lee.	Samuel Rippey.	William Wallace.
Alex. Donald.	John McCombs.	William Rippey.	Jeremiah Ward.
Peter Dick.	Anthony Mowl.	John Rannels, Esq.	James Wright.
David Earl.	John Millar.	Widow Ross.	John Young.
William Erwin.	Robert McCanlass.	James Randles.	William Young.
Joseph Findley.			

## FREEMEN.

Samuel Blyth.	Hugh Fais.	Lewis Lee.	William Scott.
John Cambridge.	John Hoover.	George Lee.	Moses Scott.
Peter Coons.	William Herron.	William Means.	Samuel Salsgaver.
Ludwick Cook.	Samuel Howard.	William Martin.	James Smith.
William Dougherty.	Robert Justice.	David McCord.	Joseph Stall.
Samuel Duncan.	David Johnston.	Isaac Phillips.	John Stevens.
Frederick Fishburn.	Moses Kirkpatrick.	John Reynolds.	

## BOROUGH OF ORRSTOWN.

Orrstown lies five miles west of Shippensburg, on the old State road. Until the building of the railroad it was the scene of many of the merry old stirring times of coaching and teaming days. The town was founded by John and William Orr, in 1833, and named Southampton, but in 1835 application for a postoffice in the place was made and the department demurred to the name as there was already a postoffice in the State by that name. The Hon. George Chambers was then in Congress, and the matter being referred to him he gave it the name of Orrstown. It was incorporated as a borough in 1847; has a population of about 400.

*Presbyterian Church.*—The Orrstown Presbyterian Church is within the geographical limits of Middle Spring Church, of which it is a preaching point. During the incumbency of Rev. John Moody, D. D., as pastor at the latter place, the Presbyterian and Reformed people of Orrstown united in building a house of worship, Messrs. James B. Orr, Hugh Smith and Frederick Stumbaugh being the building committee. During the ministry of Rev. J. N. Hays, Mr. Moody's successor, the Reformed element of the vicinity, having been for a long time without a regular pastor, united almost unanimously with the Presbyterians. Mr. Hays was succeeded by Revs. Richardson and Wylie, the latter being the present pastor.

*Lutheran Church.*—This church has been organized since 1827, Rev. Nicholas Strohin charge until 1840, Rev. David Smith until 1843, Rev. I. Williams until 1848, Adam Height until 1850, Rev. C. F. Kunkel until 1854, Rev. I. Welfley until 1858, Rev. C. A. Gelwix until 1860, Rev. M. Snyder until 1866, Rev. E. Dutt until 1869, Rev. Shirtz until 1872, Rev. I. E. Honeycutt until 1876, Rev. D. M. Blackwelder until 1877, Rev. I. Kistler until 1884, when Rev. G. M. Rhodes, the present pastor, took charge.

*United Brethren.*—Orrstown United Brethren Church is the principal church in the charge of that name, which includes three other organizations at Strasburg, Center and Mongul, respectively. The church building was erected in 1856, during the pastorate of Rev. Thomas Hallowell, but a class had been formed some years previously by Rev. John Dixon. Jacob Mohler, William Orr, Sr., and — Bear constituted the first board of trustees. Revs. J. C. Smith, Samuel Enterline, Isaiah Baltzell (the well known music composer), James M. Bishop, Solomon Bigham, J. P. Anthony, J. T. Lower, William Dixon and H. A. Shearer were successively pastors for a period of twenty-five years. The present incumbent is Rev. N. A. Kerecuff; estimated value of church property, \$2,000; present membership, sixty-two.

*Church of God.*—Bethel Church, Church of God (Winebrennerian), is at present without a regular pastor, and we are unable to present any statistics.

## VILLAGES.

*Mongul* is a hamlet on the Conodoguinet, in the west part of the township.

*Southampton* is a new station on the Baltimore & Cumberland Valley Railroad. It is the second effort to name a town in this township by that name.

## FRANKLIN—1784.\*

This small township embraced only the town plat of Chambersburg and seven tracts of land adjacent thereto, containing about 1,150 acres. The borough was erected in 1803. The growth of the borough continued and eventually took in all of the territory of Franklin Township. Thus the township became extinct. This occurred about 1837—at least the name of the township appears upon the court records up to that date, when all further mention of it ceases. The account, therefore, of early settlers of the township appears in the history of Chambersburg, Chapter XIX.

## LIST OF TAXABLES—1786.

The list of taxables, 1786, in Franklin Township, which then embodied a portion of the town of Chambersburg and some other tracts of land adjoining, was:

Joseph Allison.	Ludwick Crauft.	John McConkey.	Matthias Sittler.
George Albert.	Dr. George Clingan.	Wm. Morrow.	Wm. Shannon.
John Alexander.	James Chambers.	Michael McNulty.	Thos. Shannon.
Owen Aston.	John Crouse.	Sam'l McCleland.	Wm. Smith.
Walter Beaty.	Wm. Davis.	Thos. Murry.	Nich. Snider.
Fred'k Bainor.	Alex. Duncan.	Daniel McGregor.	Benj. Swain.
Moses Barnet.	George Dewalt.	Thos. McClelon.	John Scott.
John Baxter.	John Dixon.	Thos. McKeen.	John Shütts.
John Brown.	Peter Eaby.	John Noel.	Zachariah Sugars.
John Boggs.	Rev. Christ'r Favour.	Christian Oyster.	Jacob Shotts.
Rob't Boyd.	Edward Fitzgarald.	S. Purvines.	Peter Shields.
John Burns Black.	Thomas Ferguson.	John Plumer.	George Siglar.
Moses Blackburn.	Hugh Gibbs.	Wm. Richison.	Dr. Abraham Senseny.
Hugh Bigham.	George Grisinger.	John Raynolds, Esq.	Alex. Stuart.
John Clark.	Samuel Galbreath.	John Reed.	James Stuart.
Philip Crist.	Henry Greenwalt.	Stephen Rigler.	Elizabeth Thompson.
John Colhoon.	John Jack.	Archibald Reed.	Michael Trout.
Patrick Campbell.	Christian Kingrey.	Hugh Reed.	Wm. Thorn.
Edw'd Crawford, Esq.	Philip Knopp.	Wm. Stinson.	Jer. Tolbert (Talbot).
Ruhamah Colhoon.	John Kirkpatrick.	Robert Shields.	Conrad Waggoner.
George Chambers.	John Kerr.	Michael Sissler.	Christian Wimer.
W. Chambers.	Henry Loutzahiser.	George Shellitoe.	Wm. Wallace.
Benj. Chambers.	Michael Lightner.	David Shots.	John Watts.
Joseph Chambers.	Henry Molwich.	Daniel Smith.	James Welch.
Wm. Camlon.	Archibald McAfee.	Sam'l Snodgress.,	George Wills.
Wm. Cowen.	Daniel McClintock.	Jacob Sigler.	Conrad Washinborger.
John Caldwell.	John Martin.	Moses Swan.	

## FREEMEN.

Fred'k Bettinger.	Wm. Hailey.	James Morrow.	Dr. Alex. Stuart.
Fred'k Benhart.	George Hood.	Matthew McCowan.	Dr. Sam'l Smith.
Patrick Campbell.	Henry Houfman.	Martin Moody.	Robert Snodgress.
Sam'l Colhoon.	Wm. Johnston.	Peter Miller.	Thomas Stevenson.
Thos. Clark.	John Johnston.	Fred'k Pleacher.	Jacob Santmire.
James Corrance.	Wm. Kenneday.	James Peoples.	Jacob Stillinger.
Michael Carver.	Benjamin Kurtz.	Wm. Richardson.	Filsom Sadler.
James Colgan.	James Lindsay.	Stephen Rigler.	John Steel.
Edward Cramer.	John McIntyre.	James Riddle, Esq.	Ross Thompson, Esq.
John Devabough.	Hugh McClelon.	Fred'k Reed.	Sam'l Thompson.
Andrew Dunlap, Esq.	James McClelon.	James Smith.	George Trout.
John Fletcher.	Joseph McClelon.	Daniel Smith.	Wm. Tennant.
Rich'd Henderson.	James McConkey.	Wm. Smith.	Philip Trout.
John Hamel.	Peter Millar.		

## GREENE—1788.

The records of the court creating this township are not accessible. But other records show that by that name it held an election in the year above indicated.

\*For Borough of Chambersburg, see page 451.



It was named in honor of Gen. Greene. The early settlers were the Armstrongs, Thomsons, Ramages, Stewarts, Culbertsons, Maclays, Hendersons, Cresswills, Bittingsers, Fergusons, Bairds, Johnsons.

## EARLY SETTLEMENT.

*Culbertson's Row* was a settlement, merely of farmers, that became as well-known as any place in the county. Joseph and Robert Culbertson, brothers, took up land here in 1744; Alex. Culbertson, in 1749; Alexander Culbertson, in 1753; Samuel Culbertson, in 1787. The latter became in early times one of the most prominent and influential citizens in the county. He had an important command in the Revolutionary war, being connected with the "Flying Camp." He died April 17, 1817.

Col. Samuel Culbertson built a large house on the top of the hill in 1780. It overlooked the valley below for miles; the house is still standing. He improved a farm of 460 acres on the "old Loudon road," which was built by Col. Burd in 1755, for the purpose of reinforcing Braddock. His neighbor, Capt. Robert C. Culbertson, lived just below at the big spring that sends its perennial stream down through the Row, which has turned many a wheel in its time. John Herron lived on "Herron's Branch." Here Francis Herron, now of Pittsburgh, was born. Over beyond the branch was Daniel Nevin, grandfather of the late Dr. John W. Nevin, who kept the Eagle Hotel and was "mine host" for George Washington on his trip here in 1794. Capt. Robert C. Culbertson reared a large and respectable family. Just below his mother's residence was the elegant stone mansion of Col. Joseph C. Culbertson, which was burned while the family were at church. It is said that Joseph and Samuel resembled each other so much that one had to wear his hat half and the other full cocked in order to be distinguished by their neighbors.

## EARLY LAND ENTRIES.

The other early land entries in the township were as follows:

William Breckenridge, September 3, 1765. Neighbors: Samuel Gabby, James Henderson's heirs, James Fulton, William Beard, John Wilson, Alex. Rennox, Ebenezer Wade.

James Stewart (in right of Robert Armstrong), November 1, 1748. Neighbors: D. McCreight, Alexander McConnell, J. Robinson, John Carn, Robert Culbertson, James Sharp.

John Ramage, September 14, 1751. Neighbors: Joseph Shirk, Adam Burkholder, James Stewart, Barnard Lutz.

John Gibson, June 29, 1750. Neighbors: James Elliott, Richard Venable, Richard Peters, Hugh McKean.

William Anderson, May 24, 1753. Neighbors: Joseph Lindsay, Mat. Sharp, Wm. Dunlop, Sam'l Rhea, S. Nicholson, John Caruthers, James Sharp, Reuben Gillespie.

Baltazer Loar (in right of Laird Burns). Neighbors: Richard Mitchell, Richard Venable, Robert Jacks, William Beard, George Crouse.

James Finley (in right of Alex. Mitchell), February 6, 1755. Neighbors: Adam Burkholder, James Finley, James Stewart.

Richard Venable, February 20, 1754. Neighbors: Josiah Crawford, Robert Ury, Robert Scott, Martin Winger, Laird Burns.

[The taxables in the township in 1786, are given in the list of Letterkenny Township.]

## EARLY REMINISCENCES.

The first bridge in the township was built over a creek, a short distance from this place, in 1793. The first constable was John Ritchie. Albert Torrence and Martin Wenzler were the first supervisors in 1778, and Adam Burkholder was overseer of the poor. John Jacobs was keeping a public house in Greenvillage in 1806. The oldest house standing in the township is the "old Smith house," now occupied by Samuel Gillet. It was built in 1755. It is a quaint, old, hewn log, one and a half story, with a porch in front. The first schoolhouse was on this farm and near the old Smith house. Here the Johnstons, Griers, Culbertsons, Crawfords and Smiths attended, during the Revolutionary times. It stood until 1840, when the school was moved to Greenvillage. Above the village and near the present schoolhouse was another old log school building; this was converted into a dwelling in 1840. Here the Immells, the Lutzes, Hetichs and Myerses attended.

John Johnston settled in 1794 on the old colonial road near Greenvillage. He was a man widely respected and prominent in the affairs of the county. Thomas Grier, another man of note, was his neighbor. John Ferguson lived above Scotland, on the creek; John Finley, on the Loudon road; Thomas Beard, near Cheesetown.

## GREENVILLAGES.

This place was founded in 1793, by Samuel Nicholson. The first settlement in the township was made by Robert Armstrong and others. Armstrong purchased of the proprietaries, November 2, 1748, the property now the Clark, Immell and Wallace farm. He sold to Isaiah Ramage in 1771; he to Joseph McCoy; he to James Stewart and he to Reuben Gillespie, and finally a portion of it was bought by Samuel Nicholson, who afterward laid out the town. The first house in the place was built by Jonathan Hirst. This house stood at the corner of Scott and Pine road until 1844. The old McNally tavern was built by Peter Kehl. Mat. Oyster put up the old house now owned by Robert Culbertson. John Canen, John McClintock and John Jacobs all purchased property in the village.

Mathew Duncan bought land of Jonathan Hirst and settled in the village in 1801. John Jacobs bought the tavern of George Yeats in 1802. John Carver built the old John Nave house, on the corner of the Diamond, in 1796. The old Hetich Mill was built by P. Immell. Archibald Thomson built the Scotland Mill.

*The Mennonites* in the colonial days attended church in the upper room of the old Shirk house, lately torn down; sometimes they had services at Rev. Daniel Lehman's, in the house now occupied by Mrs. David Hurst. Their preachers were Revs. Daniel Lehman, Jr., John Rohrer and Martin Auger. The old meeting-house was built near the site of their present one in 1804.

*The Methodist Episcopal Society* in Greenvillage built their first log church in 1827. The chief supporters were James Magaw, Wesley Howe and Thomas Cookson. Among the congregation is now remembered James Magaw and wife, Rev. Wesley Howe, Clurranna Clayton, Isaac Hull, Benjamin Farver, Susan Harris, Mary Early, William Baker, John Keneagy, Henry Kunis, Joseph Sells, Jeremiah Foltz, George Glass, Robert Mahan, Jacob Sells, Jr., Joseph Sells, Sara Ann Sells, Peter Sells, John Eagle, Jacob Eagle, Jacob Immell, Ann Immell. These were mostly attendants, with their wives and children. Of them are now living: Jane Mahan, Hannah Glass, John Ditzlear, Mrs. John Lindsay and J. E. Magaw. The latter was the first sexton, but was called "the boy who makes fires and snuffs the candles." In

a recent letter he says that he remembers ministers who had charge of this church as follows: Revs. Jacob R. Shepherd, Thomas McGee, John Bowen, John C. Lyon, John O. Poisal, Thomas Monroe, Jacob Doup, Joseph Spriggs.

The present brick church building was erected in 1873; is 35x55 feet. Rev. S. A. Creveling is the present pastor.

W. C. T. U. was organized September 24, 1879. The first officers were Mrs. Fanny B. Reilly, president; Mrs. Evaline Hawk, vice-president; Misses Lydia Maclay and Mary Kendall, recording secretaries; Miss Emma McClure, treasurer; Miss Edith Zimbardo, corresponding secretary. The only change in the officers is Miss M. E. Wallace, who is now corresponding secretary.

#### SCOTLAND.

Scotland is on the Conococheague Creek, five miles northeast of Chambersburg and a short distance south of Scotland Station on the railroad. It has two churches—United Brethren and Covenanters—a grist-mill, saw-mill and planing-mill and a population between 200 and 300.

The place was first settled by the Thomsons and Torrences. An old sickle factory was in operation there many years ago, which stood between grist and saw-mills. The Scotch Covenanters in early days built the old stone meeting-house.

Alexander Thomson came from Scotland in 1772 and purchased the place now the property of S. Garver. The Thomsons were a large family. Mr. Garver says, when he came to the place in 1832, there were but few families in the region. The grist-mill and saw-mill were then owned by David Snively, who afterward sold to Fredrick Roemer, who was miller and merchant there many years; he was followed by J. Sleighter and others. The blacksmith shop was run by Jacob Bittinger; then Mr. Snoke was the village blacksmith; he was followed by Robert Mahan. The other houses than those above, were a small log house where H. Bitner now lives, one on the opposite corner from P. Rows, a small house at the church, one where Mrs. McIlroy now lives and one occupied by Andrew Thomson. Robert Criswell owned the Oyler farm; it then embraced the Stewart farm. At that time the place was known as "Locust Grove Mills."

*The Covenanter or Reformed Presbyterian Church of Scotland* has existed as a regularly constituted organization since August 17, 1791, when "a number of persons wishing to adhere to Reformation attainments did constitute themselves into a social capacity and entered into the following resolutions. 1. It was resolved that two societies for prayer and Christian conference be erected, to meet at such convenient times and places as each society shall from time to time agree upon, and that a general meeting be held in this place on the third Wednesday in October next." It was decided that members should be received upon presentation of certificates from societies with which they had formerly been connected, or of a "character" from reputable neighbors. This was not, however, the beginning of history with the Covenanters. Although the great mass of the Irish who settled west of the Susquehanna between 1730 and 1750 had been reared in connection with the synod of Ulster, there were to be found, in numerous but isolated localities, families whose religious preferences by birth and education were with the Covenanters, and who could not, therefore, affiliate with the Presbyterianism around them. They met together upon the Sabbath in each other's houses for social worship, applying to their unfortunate circumstances the scriptural promise regarding "two or three." Their patience and constancy in thus maintaining a distinctive existence without an ordained minister were finally rewarded by the arrival of Rev. John Cuthbertson,

who landed at New Castle, Del., August 5, 1751. He immediately began the exploration of a missionary field to which there were no bounds, nor was there any opposition. For more than a score of years he traveled over a circuit embracing the whole of southeastern Pennsylvania and adjacent portions of neighboring States. The ecclesiastical union of 1782 obliterated the distinction between Presbyterian and Covenanters, where both were represented by strong and well organized bodies; but the isolated societies of the latter in the Cumberland Valley did not thus easily permit their denominational characteristics to be absorbed and modified by the fusion thus planned and executed. They regarded the covenant of their ancestors as still binding, and clung tenaciously to the faith and practice of the original followers of Cameron and Cargill. In that short period of comparative quiet which followed the close of the French and Indian war, the tide of immigration brought many of their faith to the region west of the Susquehanna, and among others one who was destined to wield a wide influence in their councils, and contribute more to their subsequent history than any other individual of his generation. This man was Alexander Thomson. Sailing with his family from Greenock, Scotland, in July, 1771, he arrived at Boston, September 10 following. A Scotch colony was being planned at this time for Caledonia County, Vt., while numerous others of that nationality were settling in the Carolinas. He considered the incipient settlements of the valley of Kittatinny the most inviting locality, and removed thither in 1773, purchasing 500 acres of land, embracing the site of the village of Scotland. He was an active and prominent supporter of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, and his house at once became the religious center of a wide area of country. Here, in September, 1795, a general meeting was held at which measures were taken to render the organization of four years previous more effective. The following persons, representing the different societies, were present and participated in the deliberations: William Galbraith, John White, John Renfrew, William Guthrie, John Walker, John Steel, James Shireman, Alexander Thomson, William Coder, Robert Davidson, Anthony Burns, Thomas Duncan, John Guthrie, Thomas Castor, William McCrea, William Speer, John B—— and David B——. The most important action taken was the recognition of eight individual societies, known, from their respective locations, as follows: Greene and Southampton, Guilford, Greencastle, Mercersburg, Strasburg, Waynesburg, Hamilton and Newton. West Pennsboro, Big Spring, Shippensburg and Roxboro were added to this number before the close of the century.

A person acquainted with the location of these places can readily conceive of the wide geographical limits of the present society. The sacrament was administered regularly three or four times a year, on which occasions those who wished to commune could do so only upon the presentation of a "token" to one of the ruling elders. Days of fasting and humiliation, as well as of thanksgiving, were regularly and rigorously observed. It is hardly necessary to state that the Covenanter Church of to-day has receded from this position in regard to fast days as held in 1792. And yet, at this time, there is frequent mention of the dissatisfaction among them with the constitution of the United States. Members of the church were not permitted to hold office, either civil or military, as this was regarded as sanctioning a government which sanctioned slavery, and did not require, as a qualification for office, religious convictions and professions. But they were staunch patriots, and furnished many brave soldiers to the various wars since the French and Indian troubles; many of them, however, were true to their church as well as their country, and shouldered the musket without taking the oath of allegiance. Their own society was democratic in

the extreme; when officers were elected or measures considered involving a division of sentiment, the votes of the younger members were taken first, that they might not be influenced by the example of older and influential persons. To such an extent was this carried that the youth were sometimes blind-folded in order to be sure they were not unduly influenced. Their deliberations were characterized by a dignity and decorum indicative of a high order of intelligence. Their discipline was rigorous and exclusive. Robert Lusk was ordained and installed as pastor of the "Conococheague congregation" in 1816, preaching "one-fourth of his time in Newville and Walnut Bottom; one-fourth in Shippensburg; one-fourth in Greene Township, and the remaining fourth in the Lurgan and Waynesburg society; and days for other places to be taken out of the whole as occasion may serve." Rev. Samuel W. Crawford succeeded him in 1824, Thomas Hammy in 1842, and Joshua Kennedy in 1845; since the resignation of the latter, in 1860, there has been no regular pastor, and the membership may be numbered among two or three families in the vicinity of Scotland and Fayetteville. The church buildings at these places were erected in 1825 and 1840, respectively. There was also a place of worship at Greenwood, erected in 1829. The meetings at Scotland were held in a tent for many years. Prior to Mr. Lusk's pastorate, there were a number of supplies—Revs. James Reid (1788-89), David Scott, James R. Wilson, William L. Roberts, J. McLeod Wilson and Moses Roney.

*The Scotland United Brethren Church* was first organized about the year 1870, when the Rev. Wm. Lackey, who had served as pastor on the Rocky Spring charge, began a protracted meeting in the Scotland schoolhouse. At this meeting quite a large number made a profession of faith, many of whom connected themselves with this branch of the Christian Church at that time. Rev. Geo. Beatty followed Rev. Lackey as pastor in 1873, and served this congregation for two years, during which time the congregation was enlarging, and it was found necessary to construct a church, which was built and dedicated in November, 1874, Bishop David Edwards officiating. The church building is of brick, 33x55 feet, with a seating capacity of 350, costing \$3,500.

The following ministers served this congregation at the different periods: Revs. Geo. Beatty, 1873-75; Jacob S. Wertz, 1875-76; Wm. A. Dixon, 1876-78; D. R. Burkholder, 1878-82; D. W. Sollenberger, 1882-83; B. G. Huber, 1883-84; H. A. Schlichter, 1884-85; Wm. A. Wagner, 1885-87. The following named persons and their families were among the principal members at its organization: A. P. Oyler, Jos. Keller, J. Wesley Dunmire, Daniel Shoemaker, George Smee, Isaac Worthington and Barbara Schlichter. The membership (1887) numbers about ninety-nine communicants.

#### FAYETTEVILLE.

In early times Edward Crawford owned a large tract of land just south of where the village of Fayetteville stands. In 1768 the people petitioned the court for a road from James Campbell's, near Loudon, through Chambersburg to Black's Gap. Edward Crawford, Josiah Cook, George Brown, William McBrier, Wm. Holliday and Nathaniel McDowell were appointed viewers, who reported at the January term, 1772, in favor of the road. Its general route was nearly the same as the present turnpike. Samuel Beightal bought of the Penns the property now the "Renfrew Mill" estate. In 1810 David Eby built several dwellings, the Merchand Mill and the saw-mill, and the place was then called "Milton's Mills." In 1824 a schoolhouse was built. In 1826, John and Benjamin Darby bought the entire property from the Chambersburg Bank. Shortly after, the Darbys laid off the town into lots—all lots fronting

on the turnpike, and they put up some additional houses. The "arcade" was built by John Darby, Jacob Koontz and Miss Whitmore.

About this time application was made for a postoffice in the place. Objection was made to the name in the postoffice department and it was changed to Fayetteville, in honor of Gen. LaFayette.

(Findlayville, situated originally about half a mile from Fayetteville, but now incorporated into it, was laid out by Col. John Findlay, in 1830. It is all now Fayetteville). The town has a population of about 700, five churches—Presbyterian (the old brick church), Methodist, Reformed, Baptist, United Brethren, Covenanter and Lutheran—five general stores, three grocery stores, two grist-mills and a large saw-mill.

*Fayetteville Academy.*—Rev. Joshua Kennedy, pastor of the Reformed Presbyterian Church opened a select school for both sexes, in a log school-house, in the spring of 1852, assisted by Prof. W. Witherow, a teacher of known merit. The school met with such success that, on the 1st of September the same year, he opened a fall term in a new building which had been erected for that purpose. It was then named the "Fayetteville Academy and Seminary." At the close of the first year the female department was suspended for a time, until a large and commodious building was built on the same ground by a company of stockholders. This school was conducted successfully until 1860, when Mr. Kennedy left and the school was discontinued. The building was sold and is now a private residence.

*Churches.*—About the center of Fayetteville stands a brick building, apparently thirty-five or forty feet square, fronting toward the turnpike, and enclosed within an area of sod of spontaneous and uncultivated growth. The style of architecture is severely plain, and plainly indicates the subordination of the beautiful to the useful. Two doors in front indicate that the usage of the worshiper is not favorable to promiscuous seating. There are in reality four doors, two at each entrance, with quaint, old-fashioned, transverse paneling. The dignified appearance of the front is increased by the height of the brick wall, which reaches to the apex of the roof with step-like graduation on either side. Three locust trees on the area between the church and public road, reveal as yet but little evidence of the ravages of time, and bid fair to outlast the simple structure beneath the shade of their spreading branches. The religious associations of a large proportion of the church-going element of the surrounding community are intimately connected with this humble edifice. Sometime in the decade preceding the middle of this century, before Fayetteville had been ushered into existence, and when the population at the foot of South Mountain, on the main road from Chambersburg to Gettysburg, enjoyed neither church nor school privileges, a public-spirited citizen of honored memory set apart a tract of land embracing about one acre, and placed it at the disposal of the community for religious and educational purposes. His views were liberal and even cosmopolitan; it was provided that no individual denomination should ever own it exclusively, and that no evangelical minister should be debarred from the use of any building erected thereon, the preference in every case, however, being with those denominational organizations which should assist in its erection. These were the Presbyterian, Reformed and Methodist Episcopal. The first church building was a schoolhouse, which assertion may appear paradoxical, but is nevertheless true, and *vice versa*. It was situated in the lower end of the lot, near the old saw-mill. Here, among others whose names are lost to history, the Rev. E. V. Gearhart, D. D. (now president of Franklin and Marshall College), began his honorable career as a preacher. He collected the scattered membership of the Reformed Church,

formed an organization, and exerted a wide influence, not circumscribed by denominational prejudices or affiliations. He was succeeded, though not immediately perhaps, by Rev. Franklin Kramer, under whose administration the Reformed Church reached the zenith of its prosperity. His successors, among others, include the following named clergymen: — Miller, William J. C. Rodrock, W. R. H. Deatrich, — Wilson, Dr. D. Y. Heisler, H. I. Comfort, Cyrus Cort, W. H. Hubbard, — Ermentrout, Charles G. Fisher, — Keifer and P. Allison Long, the present incumbent of the pastoral functions.

*The Methodist Episcopal Church* antedates the erection of the present union house of worship. It forms part of Greenvillage Circuit, of which Rev. S. A. Creveling is preacher in charge. The present membership is about 100. Of the Presbyterian pastors none are more widely and favorably known than Rev. James F. Kennedy, D. D. Mr. Kennedy preached here in 1847-48, being then a licentiate of the presbytery of Carlisle. He resigned in 1848 to accept a call to Berwick, Penn. He returned to Chambersburg in 1851, and supplied this church in connection with his duties as principal of Chambersburg Academy, and continued to preach at intervals during his subsequent connection with that institution. Although deprived of his sight for many years, he has not relinquished the labors thus begun. Robert Black, Benjamin Black and Perry Boggs constitute the present session.

*St. Paul's Evangelical English Lutheran Church* was organized in the primitive schoolhouse above alluded to. The erection of a church building was at once agitated, and although the pastor resigned before it was finished, Messrs. Peter Baker, Jacob Reichard, Joseph Stall, George Colby and others pushed the work to completion, and called Rev. — Kunkel to be their pastor. He accepted. Revs. Williams, Focht, Wittichen, Sill, McHenry, Miller, Shertz and Lentz have successively been pastors, the last named clergyman having entered upon his duties March 1, 1887. A second church building was erected in 1882, at a cost of \$3,500. It is a brick structure, of ample dimensions, with tower and bell. The membership is 100.

*The United Brethren Church* building is situated upon the principal street of the village. It is a substantial frame structure, erected within comparatively recent years. The present pastor is Rev. — Quigley, who resides in Funkstown. Yankey's camp-meeting, famous in its day for miles around, was conducted under the auspices of this denomination.

There is also a *Baptist Church* building, but only a few remains of a once large membership.

*The Covenanter Church* at this place forms part of an organization which centered at Scotland, and of which an extended account appears in connection with that place.

*Societies.* — Flourishing societies are seldom found in other than concentrated communities, but Fayetteville is a remarkable exception to this general rule. The fraternities represented here are the K. of P. and G. A. R. The meetings of both are held in a building erected about twenty years since for use as a public hall. The revenue from this source proving inadequate, it was leased for a term of years by the K. of P. local organization, and sublet to the G. A. R. The lodge room is commodious and handsomely furnished.

*Caledonia Lodge, No. 235, K. of P.*, was instituted February 11, 1870, with fourteen members, of whom but two, John M. Baxter and Andrew Heintzelman, are yet connected with it. The present membership is 106, and the treasurer has in his hands at this time a reserve fund of \$3,000. This is the most prosperous K. of P. organization in this section of the State.

*Stevens Post, No. 317, G. A. R.*, was organized April 3, 1883, with the

following members: Milton Crawford, D. B. Greenewalt, John H. Crawford, J. B. White, Samuel Mowers, John Lego, Allison F. Kohler, D. E. Stoner, W. N. Horner, Joseph Corel, D. B. Dunkinson, John H. Kohler, Robert McLaughlin, Adam Newman, George W. Harmon, Abram Ritter, George W. Henderson, Joseph Saylor, John D. Boggs, J. D. Vanlear, Robert L. Myers, H. L. Hepfer, John Stoner and H. S. Myers. The present membership is sixty. The post has been especially active in providing for the wants of indigent comrades and their families. At the present time (March, 1887) a fair is in progress with good prospects of a large contingent fund being realized.

#### BLACK'S GAP.

Black's Gap is the proper name of what was sometimes called "Greenwood." It is on the old Chambersburg and Gettysburg turnpike. Its name properly tells what it is—a gap or crossing in the mountain range. It is at the entrance of the South Mountain Crossing. Black's Gap road was laid out in 1750. Black's Gap tavern was a noted place in the last century. Robert Black settled there at an early day. The first improvement in the village was made in 1844, by Conrad Brown.

#### SMOKETOWN.

This is a small hamlet two and a half miles south of Scotland, containing only a few houses.

#### METAL—1795.

The east boundary line of this township is Kittatinny Mountain and the west boundary Tuscarora Mountain. Its territory was taken from the south end of Fannett township. Its general topography is mountainous, but the narrow valley running its entire length has some excellent soil. Its great wealth lies in the minerals it contains. It was to express this in a manner that the name "Metal" was given it. The early settlers were Scotch-Irish, and were strong in the Calvinistic faith.

#### EARLY LAND ENTRIES.

Among the earliest land purchasers are the following:

George Brown, June 7, 1763.

Allen Brown, August 12, 1765. Neighbors: Rowland Harris, Benjamin Chambers, Noah Abraham. [*Surveyor's note*, "Barren Mountains."]

John Blair, August 20, 1765. Owned adjoining: John Clark, Robert Wilson, Alex. Lowry, John Elliott, William Allison, Col. Benj. Chambers.

James Brotherton, August 26, 1766.

John Clark, April 29, 1767. Adjoining: Francis Elliott.

David Brown, March 19, 1767. Neighbors: Allen Brown, John Potts, John Lukens.

Alexander Lowry, February 3, 1755. Neighbors: John Blair's heirs, John Sands, John Elliott.

Rowland Harris, June 5, 1762. Neighbors: Andrew Thompson, Benjamin Chambers.

James Harvey, February 3, 1768. Neighbors: Philip Maguire, Joseph Speer.

Francis McConnell, September 15, 1766. Neighbors: James Elliott, Alexander McConnell.

John McConnell, September 15, 1766. Neighbors: Francis Elliott, Francis McConnell, Alexander McConnell.



Alexander McConnell, September 15, 1766.

Edward Ripple, September, 1767. Neighbor: Noah Abraham.

William Wilson, March 7, 1763. Neighbors: John Potts, Jas. Moore.

William Maclay, May 6, 1763.

John McDowell, May 12, 1763.

Samuel, James and Robert Walker, sons of Alexander Walker, April 29, 1763. Neighbors: William McIntyre, Alex. McConnell, Noah Abraham, John Clark.

Robert Watson, June 15, 1767.

John Watson, June 15, 1767.

#### PROMINENT FIRST SETTLERS.

The prominent first settlers were Capt. Noah Abraham, Alexander Walker, William McIntire, Archibald Elliott, Francis McConnell, Joseph Noble, Thos. Clark, Patrick Davidson, James and William Harvey, Hugh McCurdy, James McCurdy, Allen Brown, James Mackey, John Witherow, Robert McGuire, John Clark, Richard Childerstone. It is known that the above settled here prior to 1777, and between that time and the end of the century came John Patterson, who built a mill; John McAllen, who built a flouring-mill in Fannettsburg; Robert McMullin, John Flickinger, John Barclay, James Reynolds, Edward Dunn, James Carmer, Samuel Laird, Dr. McKeen and others.

[The taxables in the township in 1786 are given in the list of Fannett Township.]

#### FIRST JUSTICES OF PEACE.

The first now known to have been justice of the peace was William Mac-lay. He was acting in 1804; elected to the State Legislature in 1807, and afterward a member of Congress; was at one time associate judge of the county. Archibald McCune was justice of the peace for many years. His old records indicate that he was a good officer. James McCurdy and Richard Childerstone also served as justices.

#### VILLAGES.

*Richmond (Richmond Furnace Postoffice)* is at the termination of the Southern Pennsylvania Railroad and Iron Company's Railway, four miles north of Loudon. It was formerly called "Mount Pleasant Furnace," but is now called "Richmond," after Richmond L. Jones, who was president of Iron Works Company when the railroad was built. In addition to the iron works there is a large warehouse and store. The place has a population of about fifty.

*Fannettsburg* was laid out in 1792 by Wm. McIntire, a land owner of the district. He advertised in a Chambersburg paper, dated September 28, 1792, as follows:

A NEW TOWN.—Notice is hereby given that the subscriber, living in the Path Valley, Franklin County, proposes about one hundred lots of ground for sale, to be laid out in one street, along the State road from Conococheague Creek to within a few perches of the cross-road in said valley. The first day of November next, at the house of Wm. Brewster, storekeeper, is the time and place appointed for the sale of lots aforesaid.

The lots had a frontage of six perches each and were to extend ten perches back. The front lots brought £6, the back ones £3. The town soon grew up, and a store, kept by William Brewster, and a distillery where the genuine "old rye" was made, were soon built. The distillery soon became an important feature, and the famous "Whisky Insurrection" found many supporters here.

The first settler was the "storekeeper," William Brewster; then William

Maclay, Patrick Collins, John Kyle, John McAllen, John Witherow, Sr., A. S. McCune, Geo. McCulloch, George McKee, James Sweeney.

At a later date came John Witherow, carpenter, and for some time a justice of the peace, and then a member of the State General Assembly; David Kyle, innkeeper and mail contractor; James Walker, tanner; John Campbell, cabinet-maker and wheelwright, which business his son James carried on many years; William Boggs, hatter; Edward Connell, blacksmith; Samuel Land, tailor; John Noble, pump-maker; Edward Thompson, weaver; Robert Ramsey, saddler; William Maclay, innkeeper; William Anderson, tanner; Thomas Campbell, hatter; James and William Brewster, merchants; David Fletcher and William Dunkle, wagon-makers.

The old time merchants were William Brewster, Patrick Collins, Chambers Anderson, Joseph and John Flickinger, and Pyne & Smiley, Kyle, Brewster & Co., Harris & Ramsey and J. R. Brewster.

The early physicians were Alexander McKeehan, John Grier, John Widney, Dr. Ely, James Montgomery. More recent ones were Drs. Campbell, Alexander and Zook.

Of the early innkeepers are now remembered John Kegerries, John Kyle, John Potts, Chambers McKibben, John McAllen, William Anderson, William Geddes, and, for a long time, the widow of Jacob Kegerries.

Before the town was laid out, a school was kept a mile and a half north. The first teacher, supposed, was James Peoples, always known as "Master Peoples," then "Master" Sturgis; afterward, Thomas Snodgrass, Leander Karr, Robert Karr, John Lusk, John Brewster, William A. Mackay. These all kept the old style subscription schools. Select schools were taught by Miss Rosanna Widney, Mrs. Eliza Dunn, Miss McKeehan, Rev. L. C. Williams and Rev. D. C. Rodneck.

The town has not grown much in the past few years. The present population is about 300. It has three churches, Reformed, Presbyterian and Methodist. The Presbyterians have a new building which they completed in 1885. Prior to this they had always attended their church which was built about one mile north of the village. There are two dry goods stores, a steam tannery, and other shops and establishments suitable to the trade of the surrounding country.

#### CHURCHES.

*The Reformed Church* was organized in 1844 by Rev. Jacob B. Shade; Henry Winenan, Sr., and Geo. Umbrell, Sr., were elected elders; George Farling, deacon. Among the first members were John and Mary A. Kegerries, Barbara Flickinger, Rehanna Philips, Martha Philips, Jacob Kegerries, Mathew Umbrell, Elizabeth Wood, Melchor Conrad, Catharine Welker, Henry Walker, Abram Rosenberry, T. Barkley, John Steward, Eve Miller. Rev. Aaron Warner was the pastor, succeeded by Rev. D. T. Heisler, then Rev. Jacob Keller; then the present pastor, Rev. Jacob Hassler, came in charge.

*Lower Path Valley Presbyterian Church.*—On the 23d of April, 1766, a deputation from Path Valley met the presbytery of Donegal in its session at Middle Spring, Cumberland County, to secure a preaching supply. In response Rev. Robert Cooper, of Middle Spring, was appointed to preach at Path Valley at will. This he did during the summer and reported results to presbytery at its October session. In August, 1766, Rev. George Duffield also visited the region, and preached to large congregations. This period, August, 1766, dates the beginning of this congregation. After periodical supplies for nine years, a regular pastor, Rev. Samuel Dougall, was chosen in October, 1775, for Upper Tuscorora and Path Valley. A site for church and burial ground, two acres

in all, was donated by Alexander Walker in 1769. (On Christmas day of that year the first burial on these grounds occurred, that of Mr. Francis McConnell.) After some difficulty in locating the house of worship, the presbytery, through one of its committeemen, Alexander Craighead, notified the contesting parties of the purpose to arbitrate; but each faction continued to build its house.

The Lower Path Valley congregation in the spring of 1770 erected a log structure twenty-four feet square and covered with clapboards. This building, after an elapse of about twenty-four years, was replaced by a larger one. In April, 1774, the presbytery decided that all the Presbyterians of the valley should constitute one congregation with two places of worship under the same pastoral care, to be equally divided. This union continued until 1851, when a permanent division into Upper and Lower Path Valley was authorized.

Rev. Samuel Dougall, the first pastor, continued at his post with an annual salary of "One hundred pounds and the quantity of one hundred bushels of wheat," from the 11th of October, 1775, to the time of his death, October 4, 1790.

On the 9th of April, 1794, Rev. David Denny was installed, and continued six years, when he was called to take charge of the Falling Spring congregation, Chambersburg.

After a vacancy of nearly three years, in October, 1802, a call was extended to Rev. Amos A. McGinley, of Adams County. He was installed on the third Sunday of June, 1803; during his long and successful pastorate, which terminated in April, 1851, he solemnized 697 marriages, netting \$3,303.25. During this period the ruling elders were David Walker, Wm. Maclay, Paul Geddes, John Campbell, James Walker, Joseph Brown, Alex. Walker, George Elliott, Wm. Elliott, James Campbell, James Cree, Sr., James Cree, Jr., Wm. Campbell and Daniel Brown.

After McGinley's removal, the two departments of the congregation became separate congregations, and Lower Path, in connection with Burnt Cabins, employed Rev. L. W. Williams, in October, 1851, and continued him until April, 1855. Rev. Watson Russell was a supply from July, 1855, till March, 1857. From November, 1857, Rev. J. Smith Gordon has occupied the position of supply and pastor, and is still engaged in efficient service.

The present members of the sessions are Barnabas Wilhelm, Jacob Wilhelm, John Parks, James M. Hill, Wm. R. Noble, Wm. S. Harris, John H. Walker, Amos Devor and James B. Seibert. The present membership is about 160. The third edifice, a frame 48x52, was built in 1832.

*Methodist Church.*—The Methodist Church in Fannettsburg was built, in 1840, on a lot donated for that purpose by John Noble, Sr., to whom the enterprise was largely indebted for its success. It is a plain weatherboard building, and cost originally about \$600. Three years ago it was repaired and improved and is now quite a neat and comfortable place of worship. The church was organized several years before the erection of their church building, and the congregation worshiped in the schoolhouse until then. Among their early ministers were Revs. Parker, Butler, Dyson, Deems, Creveling, King, Stevens and others. The membership of the church has never been large, and now numbers forty to fifty. Its present pastor is Rev. Wilhelm.

#### WARREN—1798.

Warren is in the southwest corner of the county, and the smallest in size and population. Before the Mason & Dixon line was established, the southern part of it was supposed to belong to Lord Baltimore—or to be in Maryland.

The Marylanders could more readily follow up Cove Creek, and possess themselves of the lands adapted to agriculture, than could the people from Antrim cross Little Cove Mountain and reach the same place.

This township, at one time, was in the county of Bedford. March 29, 1798, an act of the Assembly of Pennsylvania annexed it to Franklin County, and made it a part of Montgomery Township. The total destruction of the court-house and records make it uncertain when it was made a separate municipality and called Warren. It is found on some old record papers that describes it by that name as early as January 3, 1799, and, therefore, it is put down as certainly having undergone both the change from Bedford to this county, and also from Montgomery to a separate township, as now known. It was named in honor of Gen. Warren, who was killed at the battle of Bunker Hill, in June, 1776. For years it was known as the "Little Cove district" from the mountain that is its east boundary. There is no town in it.

#### EARLIEST LAND ENTRIES.

The earliest land entries to be found in it were in 1755. This may be accounted for by the fact of the heated contention that was about that time progressing between the proprietaries as to the division line. There is no doubt but there were settlers—most probably "squatters"—who sought the disputed boundaries in order to escape paying tribute to either province, sometime before the records show land entries being made.

A list of the earliest land entries is as follows :

Enoch Williams, March 18, 1755. Neighbors: William Harrod and James Balla.

David Brown, September 28, 1767. Neighbors: Widow Evans, Joseph Moore, Leonard Bevans, Daniel Anderson. (This land was on the State line.)

Lewis Davis, December 4, 1766. Neighbors: William Smith, Malcolm McFall, Evan Shilley.

David Huston, April 4, 1763. Neighbors: John Andrew, Thomas Huston.

John Martin, February 10, 1768.

Hugh Martin, June 15, 1767.

James McClellan, February 7, 1767. Neighbor: Jacob Alexander.

Samuel Owen, March 23, 1767. Neighbor: Enoch Williams.

Evan Phillips, October 15, 1767. Neighbors: Enoch Williams, Beneiah Dunn.

William Smith, April 4, 1763 ("barrens and hills on all sides").

Rees Shelby, June 2, 1759. Neighbors: Thomas Johns, Philip Davis.

#### EARLY SETTLERS.

It is supposed the first settlers, Evan Phillips and Beneiah Dunn, came about 1761. The following is full of interest, as about the oldest document extant that refers to the early settlers of what is now Warren Township. The amount of tax opposite each name is omitted, otherwise it is verbatim:

"A Roade tax Lade on By Benj. Williams and William Alexander for the year 1791:\*

John Anderson.	Leonard Bevans.	Wm. Huston.	Peter Humbert.
Arthur Margrats,	Frederick Coon.	Henry Davis.	Thomas Lucas.*
Daniel Anderson.	Henry Chapman.	John Evans.	George McCollough,*
James Balla.	John Chapman.	Barnett Ford.	Joshua Philips.*
Adam Beam.,	Christopher Coffman,	Leonard Graham.	Michael Smyers.

\*August 29.

Christopher Study.	Michael Steele.	George Donally.	John Forney.
Christopher Swank.	Enoch Williams.*	John Mearyard.	William Russell.
George Steele.	John Irvin,	Abraham Martin.	George Free.

## BEDFORD COUNTY, ss.

We the subscribers, two of the justices for the county aforesaid, hath examined and approved the within dublicat given under our hands this 30 day of August, 1791.

WILLIAM PATTERSON.

## CHURCHES.

*Methodist Episcopal Church in Little Cove.*—The first traveling minister of the Methodist-Episcopal Church in "Little Cove" was Rev. George Askins. He preached his first sermon in Ford's barn (now on the farm on which the Warren Iron Works stand, and owned by Mrs. Eliz. Ferry,) in 1814. His class was organized in July, 1816, by Rev. Lawrence, missionary. Preaching occurred at the house of Joshua Philips, and at schoolhouses, till 1859, when the present brick structure was erected at a cost of \$1,400; list of ministers: George Askins, N. B. Mills, Robert Wilson, Thos. Larkins, George Brown, Lawrence Everhart, Hamilton Jefferson, Frederick Stick, Caleb Reynolds, James Painter, Wm. Monroe, James H. Hansen, John S. Gibbons, Robert Wilson, John O. Poysal, Robert Minshall, James Sanks, Wm. Butter, David Sharer, Christopher Parkison, Basil Barry, Jesse Stansberry, Nathaniel Cunningham, Wm. B. Edwards, Daniel Hartman, John Stine, Jonathan Clary, Wm. Hage. John M. Jones, P. D. Lipscomb, Samuel Rozel, Wm. Harding, Wm. T. D. Clemm, Maryberry Sohm, John Lanahan, Peter McAnally, Andrew Jamison, Wesley Howe, Teal Chanselor, W. T. Mercer, John M. Green, B. F. Brooks, John Thrush, James Watts, Wm. A. McKee, Thomas H. Busey, Abraham Sahn, Elisha Butter, Noah Schlosser, Alex. Shaw, Geo. Stevenson, Wm. C. Steele, Amos Smith, Joseph J. Largent, David Castleman, John S. Winsor, Christopher Parkerson, Wm. T. Williams, Wm. Earnshaw (who built the church), John Shoff, J. H. McCord, Leonard M. Gardner, R. C. Haslep, John E. Amos, L. D. Herron, J. W. Smith, J. Montgomery, J. F. Ockerman, R. Mallelien, James B. Cuddy, C. O. Cook, C. H. Savage, J. W. Howard, M. F. B. Rice, Durbin G. Miller, Geo. W. Heyde, A. J. Gill, I. St. Clair Neale, T. M. West, D. B. Winstead, E. E. Anderson, E. C. Young, J. L. Welsh, John Edwards, H. C. Smith, W. W. Van Arsdale, J. H. Logie, Watson Case, W. R. Gwinn, Edward Watson, C. L. Kennard, E. Buhrman, H. W. Jones.

## ST. THOMAS—1818.

This is a rich and important township in the very heart of the county, and one of the latest formed, yet this very fact causes the exact date of its formation to be in the greatest doubt. The county records giving an account of its organization having all been destroyed in the burning of Chambersburg in 1864, we fix upon the date above from the best recollection of old citizens. The territory was taken from Peters and Hamilton Townships. The township received its name in honor of Thomas Campbell, the founder of Campbells-town (St. Thomas). Emigrants had arrived within its borders before the land titles of the Indians were extinguished.

## EARLY LAND ENTRIES.

The early land entries were as follows:

Joseph Armstrong, August 26, 1751. Neighbors: Patrick Knox, Robert Elliott, Johnston Elliott, Mathew Patton, Isaac Patterson.

Thomas Armstrong, August 4, 1738. (No one adjoining).

Robert Clugadge, May 24, 1743. (No neighbors).

Michael Campbell, February 15, 1749. Neighbors: John Holliday, William Campbell, James Campbell, James McFarland, John Crane.

Archibald Campbell, October 8, 1768.

William Campbell, February 15, 1749. Neighbor: James Campbell.

James Campbell, April 15, 1743. Neighbors: George Galloway, Michael Campbell, William Campbell.

George Cumming, March 3, 1744. Neighbor: John McConnell.

Thomas Espy, February 26, 1750. Neighbors: James McBride, Robert Clagdale.

John Holliday, December 14, 1742. Neighbors: Sam. Holliday, Samuel Jack, James Holliday, William Campbell, Michael Campbell, Samuel McClintock, Robert Richey.

William Holliday, September 7, 1753. Neighbors: John McClellan, William Beatty, Thomas Dunwoody, John McCulloh.

James Hamilton, October 27, 1748. Neighbors: Richard Peters, James McElhany, Archibald Campbell, Peter Kingrey, John Irvin.

Robert Hamilton, March 20, 1750. Neighbors: James Morton, Daniel Eckels, Hugh Bones, James Henry, James Ferguson, John McLean.

John Potter, 1751, and Harry Johnston, 1750. Neighbors: William McClellan, Samuel Templeton, John Fenton, James Scott, John McCoy, William Holliday, James Antrican.

William Rankin, May 8, 1751.

Richard Sewell, March 10, 1749.

James Barton, January 22, 1753.

Alexander Walker, January 20, 1753. Neighbors: Richard Benson, Andrew Bratton, William Bard, John McLean.

(The list of taxables for St. Thomas Township, in 1786, is embodied in those of Hamilton and Peters Townships.)

#### VILLAGES.

*St. Thomas*, the principal village, is located about eight miles west of Chambersburg. The first settlers in this neighborhood came as early as 1737. The village was laid out by Thomas Campbell in 1790, and for many years it was known as "Campbellstown." This name was attached to it almost exclusively for about sixty years. Even when the official name was given it, it still followed after the idea of being in honor of Thomas Campbell, and so they merely added the expressive "St." to his given name, and thus it became St. Thomas.

Col. John Armstrong, John Campbell and John Dixon were the first settlers in this neighborhood. Col. Armstrong settled on the farm now occupied by Samuel Walker and owned by Mrs. Samuel Rhea, about three miles north of the village of St. Thomas.

John Campbell made his improvement on what is now the farm of Fredricks Gelwicks' heirs, near the head of Campbell's Run, one mile west of the village. John Dixon settled where William D. Dixon now lives, at the head of Dixon Run, one mile north of the village. Mr. William D. Dixon informs us he thinks that John Campbell was the first to settle in the township and make a permanent improvement; that he was followed next by John Dixon. There was the strong bond between these families—they were of the "Argyles" of Scotland, and it seems wherever the Campbells went, there you would also find the Dixons. Mr. Dixon also informs us the name "St. Thomas" was the suggestion of William Archibald, whose descendants now live on the old farm one mile east of the village. The only controlling forces were the Argyle clan.

St. Thomas or "Campbellstown" Presbyterian Church was organized in 1813, to accommodate members and others who had been accustomed to attend either at Mercersburg or Rocky Spring. The first pastor, Rev. Dr. Elliott, then minister of the congregation at Mercersburg, preached but six Sundays in the year. Rev. Dr. McKnight, of Rocky Spring, preached here one half his time. He became pastor on the 9th of April, 1816, at \$450 salary for the two congregations. He was installed September 25, 1816. From that date to the present, this congregation has been under the charge of the preacher serving Rocky Spring. Dr. McKnight continued his labors faithfully until he resigned, January 20, 1836, having served nearly twenty years. For a time after this resignation, Rev. Robert Kennedy, of Welsh Run, supplied the people. In May, 1840, Rev. A. K. Nelson took charge of the congregation. After an efficient pastorate of thirty-three years, he resigned April 10, 1873, when the present pastor, Rev. S. C. George, began his labors.

Their church building was erected about the time of the organization of the church; repaired several times, and walls rebuilt. These repairs were at the expense solely of David Wilson. The ruling elders have been David Wilson and William Gillan, who were connected with Rocky Spring, John Wise, Thomas Gillan, Capt. W. E. McDowell, John M. Shields, Michael Keyser, Samuel H. Gillan.

Evangelical Lutheran Church.—The date of the organization of this body can not now be ascertained. The first pastor was Rev. John Frederick Møller, who served for twenty years; his connection ceasing in 1829. During his pastorate the first church was erected. It was built in jointure with the German Reformed congregation and the Lutherans and Presbyterians. The building was completed in 1829. The three congregations worshiped there until 1853, when the Lutherans bought out the Reformed. The Lutherans and Presbyterians built a new church in 1854. The pastor was Rev. David H. Focht. This is still standing and is owned by the two congregations.

The pastors of the Lutheran congregation were Rev. J. F. Møller, to 1830; Rev. John Ruthrauff, to 1833; Rev. Reuben Weiser, to 1835; Rev. Samuel Ruthrauff, to 1836; Rev. Peter Sahn, to 1840; Rev. John N. Hoffman, six months; Rev. David Smith, to 1845; Rev. William Kopp, to 1847; Rev. Adam Height, to 1850; Rev. Peter Paul Lane, to 1853; Rev. David H. Focht, to 1855; Rev. George Sill, to 1859; Rev. Solomon McHenry, to 1866; Rev. J. Keller Miller, to 1869; Rev. A. C. Felker, to 1871; Rev. A. H. Sherts, to 1884. Rev. Jas. A. Hartman is the present pastor.

*Williamson* was laid out in 1870 by Samuel Z. Hawbecker. He built the principal buildings in the place. It is on the Southern Pennsylvania Railroad, five miles from Marion; has about sixty inhabitants.

*Edenville* is at the foot of Parnell's Knob, northwest of St. Thomas.

### QUINCY—1838.

Possibly this township was created in the latter part of 1837, but as there are no records left to verify this, we adopt the safer plan and conclude it was ordered by the court in the early part of 1838. The territory was taken from Washington Township and the reader will find there a tolerably full account of many of the early settlers. The population from the earliest was a mixed one. In this respect it had some advantages over any other new settlement in the county, embracing both Germans and Scotch-Irish, producing a race of good and brave men and fair women—blessed mothers in Israel whose descendants to-day by their useful lives are paying just tribute to infinite goodness.

The township is noted for its wealth in ores and rich agricultural lands. In this respect it is not excelled in the Cumberland Valley. It was named in honor of President John Quincy Adams.

Frederick Fisher settled in the township in 1737; George Wertz in 1745; Adam Small the same year; John Snowberger came 1750; John McCleary in 1768. It is said his descendants occupied the place, where he settled, 102 years. Among others of the first settlers were Christopher Dull, Abraham Knepper, Adam Small, George Royer, John and George Cook, Samuel Toms, John Heefner.

#### EARLY LAND ENTRIES.

Of the early land entries we note the following:

George Adam Cook, September 7, 1753. Neighbors: John Smith, Wm. Anderson.

George Cook, March 28, 1743. Neighbors: Jacob Frosh, John Smith, F. Oury.

William Patrick, August 24, 1743. Neighbors: John Smith, James Johnston.

James Jack, September 28, 1750. Neighbors: F. Foreman, James Johnston, David McCoy.

Jacob Wertz, October 1, 1754. Neighbors: Ludwig Stull, Robert Irwin, Jacob Hess, Matthew Hopkins, John Stoops, Wm. Erwin, Andrew Garry, John Armstrong, Andrew Friedly, James Jack.

Thomas Stoops, October 5, 1762. Neighbors: James McLean, William Fenly, James Johnston, Daniel McCoy.

Ulrich Snowberger, May 18, 1763. Neighbors: John Horne, Henry Rhodes.

Lewis Stull, June 5, 1755. Neighbors: Jacob Wertz, Stophel Doll, John Armstrong (warrant of this date was issued to George Stover).

Ludwig Stull, October 9, 1766. Neighbors: Adam Beetinger, Conrad Rhenar.

Adam Small, October 15, 1762. Neighbors: Daniel Cook, David Hineman, Samuel Cunningham (this tract was surveyed to Philip Stump).

#### TRANSCRIPTIONS FROM OLD TOMBSTONES.

In the old *Quincy graveyard* are the following: Barbara, wife of Simon Lidy, died January 6, 1845, aged ninety-one years.

John Funk, born March 6, 1792, died December 13, 1858.

Samuel Lowe, born June 25, 1772, died January 24, 1853.

Barbara Lane, died January 11, 1831, aged 73 years.

Christian Piper, born May 11, 1764, died February 2, 1842; Magdalena, his wife, born March 4, 1774, died October 28, 1856.

Peter Beaver, died February 10, 1829, aged sixty years; Susanah, consort, born June 29, 1777, died March 2, 1856.

Mary Stull, born October 10, 1795, died May 28, 1868.

Jacob Stull, died September, 1854, aged eighty-two years.

George Wertz died November 27, 1798, aged fifty-three years. He came with his father and three brothers—John, George and Conrad—in 1747; he was then two years old when his father settled on the place, now the property and residence of his grandson, H. E. Wertz. The Wertzes occupied the present site of Quincy; the Stulls lived north a short distance, and the Fishers south. A block-house was erected on the Fisher farm.

Frederick Fisher (son of the original Fisher), born December 27, 1747, died July 27, 1810; Susanah Fisher, born December 15, 1747, died November 9, 1817. Henry Cordil, born February 24, 1767, died July 24, 1842; Mary



Cordil (daughter of George Wertz) born March 17, 1779, died May 26, 1832. Samuel Sheiry, born February 6, 1782, died March 14, 1848; Catharine Barbara (his wife), born August 6, 1775, died August 12, 1843. Henry Rock, born March 28, 1793, died October 26, 1859. John Beaver, died June 17, 1855, aged seventy-one years. Peter Harbaugh, born June 20, 1781, died February 26, 1854; Alexander Harbaugh, born June 13, 1793, died February 16, 1864. Jacob Smith, Sr., born March 18, 1768, died May 5, 1845. Susanah (wife of Lewis Emerick), born January 3, 1757, died May 18, 1848. David Wertz, Sr., born November 12, 1789, died September 17, 1866; Elizabeth (wife of David Wertz), born September 15, 1793, died July 19, 1848. Jacob Medour, died May 20, 1863, aged eighty-one years; Barbara (wife of Jacob Medour), died October 20, 1864, aged fifty-three years. John Smith, born October 25, 1782, died September 23, 1851; Anna Mary (wife of John Smith), born February 13, 1781, died February 20, 1860. Adam Besore, died April 25, 1838, aged sixty-eight years; Mary Besore, born March 10, 1775, died December 21, 1820. Jonathan Walter, died November 9, 1814, aged thirty-eight years.

(The list of taxables, for 1786, in Quincy Township is embodied in that of Washington Township.)

## VILLAGES.

*Altodale (Mont Alto P. O.).*—The first settler in this vicinity was John Funk, in 1817; he built the first house in the village, which is situated on the east bank of the west branch of Little Antietam Creek, about five miles south of Fayetteville; has a thriving population. There are two general stores, three churches, a school building of two rooms, etc. The place was originally known as "Funkstown."

Mont Alto Circuit, Methodist Episcopal Church embraces the following congregations: Altodale, with a brick structure, 33x61, built in 1874; Mont Alto, a frame structure, 25x50, built in 1869; Blue Rock Chapel, brick, 35x45, built in 1870; Rowzersville (Pikesville), frame, 25x45, built in 1871. The membership of the charge, not including probationers, who have been numerous during the close of the year 1886, is 168. Of the foregoing, Altodale is the strongest congregation. The following is the list of pastors who have had the charge: Rev. J. W. Feight, Rev. Jonathan Guldin, Rev. J. R. Shipe, Rev. Corbin Wilson, Rev. A. R. Bender, Rev. G. M. Hoke, Rev. J. R. Dunkerly, Rev. J. M. Runyan and Rev. J. W. Forrest, present incumbent.

*Quincy* is about four miles north of Waynesboro, on the Fayetteville road. The Quincy (formerly Fisher's) Reformed congregation, was one of the early church organizations formed here. The exact date of its original organization is not known, but it was before the close of the last century. In 1808 a joint meeting of the Reformed and Lutherans was held for the purpose of their usual annual settlement. The representative of the Reformed side was John Heffner. The minutes of that meeting form one of the oldest records now obtainable. In 1810 John Walter was elder, and George Lydinger was deacon. During the intervening years, 1818 to 1831, Rev. F. A. Scholl preached frequently at this church. Rev. Jonathan Rahauer officiated at intervals as early as 1792; from 1830 to 1840, Rev. George W. Glessner served it, and after him for several years Rev. J. Rebough was in charge. In 1845 it was part of the Grindstone Hill charge under Rev. F. W. Kremer. In 1847 it was transferred to the present Waynesboro charge, and has since been served by Revs. Glessner, Krebs, Hibshman, and the present pastor, Rev. F. F. Bahner. January 24, 1861, the Lutheran and Reformed people disposed of the Union Church, retaining only the graveyard as the common property of

the two congregations. The present building was dedicated October 12, 1861. The church is once more in a prosperous and promising condition.

More than fifty years ago John Zimmerman was the school teacher in Quincy. He taught in both English and German. Another teacher was Leander Brown. Mathew Dobbin taught school in various parts of the county. He was justice of the peace, and one of the original abolitionists. He was the original proprietor of the Gettysburg Cemetery, and the writer presumes was a close relative of the famous Rev. Alexander Dobbin, whose ancient stone residence and classical school building is still standing in Gettysburg, one of the oldest buildings in the place. Mathew died in 1856, at the house of David Wertz, in Quincy, at an advanced age.

The United Brethren Church of Quincy was organized in 1850. The chief promoters were Philip Spidle, Isaac Eiker and Polly Martin. Their church house was built in 1861, at a cost of \$1,200; present membership numbers thirty-five. The preachers in their order were Revs. H. A. Sleichter, J. C. Wentz, J. Wicky, Rev. Altman, Anthony Grim, Rev. Wallace, J. H. Young, A. H. Shanks, J. Burkholder.

*Snow Hill* is simply a thickly settled neighborhood. This name was attached to the locality by the land office. The land, 130 $\frac{3}{4}$  acres, was purchased by Catharine Snowberger, April 20, 1763. The patent to the same was secured by Andrew Snowberger, nephew of Catharine. He was the proprietor until a short time before his death in 1825, when he sold it to five trustees, the founders of Snow Hill Society. In 1795 Peter Lehman came to the place. In 1800 arrangements were made to found an institution modeled after Ephratah, in Lancaster County. This action was had by Peter Lehman and others. About the year 1800 four women, all Snowbergers, agreed to do the work of the house as long as they lived. People ignorant of the facts in the case called it the "Nunnery," and from this fact some supposed and said it was a Catholic institution. This was very distasteful to Peter Lehman, who wished it to be known simply as an "Institution." The false name, however, stuck the closest, and to this day it is more generally known by its nickname. The real idea, probably, of the institution would have been conveyed to the mind by the rather long name of "The Seventh Day Baptist Society, of Snow Hill."

The successive preachers in the place were Rev. Peter Lehman from 1795 to 1823, followed in their order by Rev. Andrew Fahnestock, Jacob M. McPherrin, John Riddesbarger, John Walsh.

The church edifice was erected in 1829; cost \$1,500; a stone building. The Institution buildings were put up at different times from 1814 to 1843. The mill was built in 1807, and has been in use ever since. Shops and other buildings were put up as called for by the demand upon the Institution.

*Tomstown* was settled and founded by John Toms, about 1820. It is situated about a mile southeast of Quincy at the foot of South Mountain. It has a population of 200. Quite a Mormon settlement existed, at one time, in its neighborhood, but most of the "saints" moved to Utah.

*Five Forks* (formerly Mount Hope) is a small postoffice village on the Chambersburg and Waynesboro road, four miles northwest of Waynesboro; has a grist-mill, store, blacksmith shop and a population of about eighty.

PART III.

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.



# BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES.

## BOROUGH OF CHAMBERSBURG.

**JAMES ADAMS**, engineer, Chambersburg, was born in Adams County, Penn., October 10, 1810; a son of Ignatius and Mary (Hoffman) Adams. He was reared on a farm until eighteen years of age, and received such an education as was generally given to farmers' sons. He then commenced an apprenticeship at the cooper's trade, which he completed at Chambersburg, to which place he came in the spring of 1829, and remained with his employer, Robert Stewart, as journeyman for some years; then, in 1835, he engaged in the same business for himself, and in this he was occupied until 1841 or 1842, when he entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, first as striker in the blacksmith department, and was soon advanced to the position of fireman on a locomotive. He served as fireman two years, when he was promoted to the responsible position of engineer, (this was the day of strap-rail track, and open cab on the engine), and in such capacity served until February, 1882. In April, that year, he commenced working in the Cumberland Valley Railroad shops, where he is still employed. Our subject married April 23, 1835, Martha Stewart, daughter of Robert Stewart, a former resident of Chambersburg, where she was born in March, 1817. To this marriage were born six children, three of whom are living: James R., a resident of Chambersburg; Martha J., wife of Dr. John E. Kline, a physician, of Chambersburg, and Mary E., who resides with her father. The family belong to the Catholic Church. Mr. Adams is said to be the oldest engineer on the Cumberland Valley Railroad now living. In politics he is a Democrat.

**JAMES R. ADAMS**, baggage-master, Chambersburg, was born in Chambersburg, this county, February 15, 1845, son of James and Martha (Stewart) Adams, and was educated in the schools of his native town. In July, 1864, he entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company and acted as brakesman and baggage-master until 1873; then was conductor of a mixed train two or three years, and after that till 1882 was conductor of passenger trains. In December, 1882, he was appointed baggage-master at Chambersburg. He also fills the position of special conductor. The subject of this sketch was united in marriage, in 1879, with Sophia M., daughter of Adam Christ, a well-known citizen of Chambersburg. Mr. and Mrs. Adams are members of the Roman Catholic Church. Mr. Adams has never desired a political position. He is a Democrat.

**PROF. M. R. ALEXANDER**, Chambersburg, was born in Lewistown, Mifflin County, Penn., January 14, 1846, eldest son of James H. and Elizabeth (Rothrock) Alexander. He was reared on a farm and received the rudiments of an education in the neighboring schools, and in a preparatory school. In 1872 he entered Lafayette College, and was graduated from that institution four years later, being a member of the class of 1876. While in college he

fitted himself for the profession of teaching. For seven years from 1876, he was assistant principal of the "Hill" school at Pottstown, Penn. In August, 1883, he came to Chambersburg and took charge of the Chambersburg Academy, and has since conducted the same with ability. In 1880 Prof. Alexander was married to Margaret Hutchison, and they are the parents of two sons. Prof. and Mrs. Alexander are identified with Falling Spring Presbyterian Church.

J. C. ANDERSON, builder and contractor, Chambersburg, was born in Waynesboro, Penn., September 28, 1838, eldest son of Joseph and Amelia (Taylor) Anderson, the former of whom was a tailor by trade. The father of our subject was born in Franklin County, Penn., in 1811, was a son of John Anderson, a weaver by trade, who came from Ireland in the early days and settled in this county. Joseph Anderson reared to maturity a family of nine children, of whom eight are living—three daughters and five sons—and died in 1883. Our subject was educated in the public schools of his native borough and when sixteen commenced an apprenticeship (of four years) at the cabinet-maker's trade with Jacob Henning, of Chambersburg, Penn. He then worked as journeyman for some years. About 1862 he took charge of the sash and blind factory of William A. Hazlit there, and this he conducted for some seven years, thence went to Greencastle, Penn., and took charge of J. B. Crowell & Co's sash and blind factory there for eight years. He returned to Chambersburg about 1877, but one year later again became a resident of Waynesboro, Penn., where he remained for three years. He returned to Chambersburg, Penn., about 1881, and began building and contracting, which business he has since followed. He is a successful builder, employing at times as many as twenty-five hands. Mr. Anderson was married, in 1858, to Sarah R., daughter of David Lippy, a former resident of Chambersburg. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson have one daughter, Mollie J., now the wife of John J. Corbett, of Waynesboro, Penn. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Anderson is a member of the I. O. O. F.

ROBERT McFARLAND BARD was born near Mercersburg, Franklin Co., Penn., December 12, 1809, the son of Capt. Thomas Bard, who commanded a volunteer company enlisted in that vicinity, and marched them to the defense of Baltimore against the threatened attack of the British, in 1814. During his early life his parents removed to Washington County, Md. He attended the academy at Hagerstown as late as 1829, and in 1830 began the study of law in Chambersburg, Franklin County, in the office of Hon. George Chambers, and was admitted to practice January 14, 1834. He rose rapidly as a lawyer and as a public man, acquiring, by his ability and integrity, the confidence and admiration of the people. In 1842 he was associated in the law with James X. McLanahan, which partnership was dissolved in 1844. In 1850 he was nominated for Congress on the Whig ticket, but at that time his health had failed, and he was no longer able to attend to the duties of his profession. He had attained a commanding position at the bar of his native county, and reputation throughout the State as a lawyer of great ability. Had he lived, he might have reached the highest honors of the State and Nation. His death occurred on the 28th of January, 1851, at the early age of forty-one. His frank and generous nature, his open, kind, unassuming and affable manners, had drawn around him a large circle of warm hearted and admiring friends, and his death was the cause of grief and sadness in many a heart besides those of his immediate family. Mr. Bard possessed fine literary tastes, and in his leisure moments produced a number of poems that were received by the public as rare gems. He anticipated the day when he could feel justified

in devoting his whole time to literary pursuits. An article in the *Philadelphia Press*, entitled, "The Chambersburg Bar of Thirty Years Ago," says of him: "Robert M. Bard was a peculiarly gifted man intellectually. He had a profound knowledge of the law, was ardently devoted to his profession, managed every case entrusted to him with masterly skill and force, and would, had not death removed him in the meridian of his years, have been one of the country's grandest jurists." Mr. Bard in early youth was studiously inclined, and devoted much of his leisure time to the acquisition of useful knowledge, and formed then the habits of study and reflection that were the foundation of his subsequent usefulness and eminence. His views of the profession of the law were exalted; he pursued it with unvarying devotion. He regarded the law as a science in the truest and highest sense of the term, demanding, for the attainment of distinction in its practice, a more varied and comprehensive equipment than is required for the successful prosecution of any other profession. He sought, by careful analysis and study of the leading cases in the various departments of the law, to comprehend fully, and to make his own, the underlying principles and reasons on which the decision of them was founded. The knowledge of these principles furnished the weapons on which he relied, and to which, vigorously and skillfully used, he was indebted for many a victory in subsequent legal combats in which he was a contestant in the arena of the bar. His mind was active, vigorous and logical; his addresses to the court and jury were cogent, eloquent and free from all redundancy; he saw clearly the strong points of his case, and pressed those points lucidly and earnestly upon his auditors, and judiciously refrained from dwelling at length upon points of minor importance. Although ever studious to be correct in his opinions, he was a man of strong convictions; and when he gave a legal opinion to a client on a difficult point of law, he gave it with confidence, and it was received by his client with confidence, assured that it was the result of a careful consideration of the matter by one fully competent to determine it. As early as 1843 he had, by his natural and acquired endowments, achieved an enviable eminence in his profession. Mr. Bard was conspicuous as an influential and consistent advocate of the cause of temperance, at a time when that cause had comparatively few friends, and when its advocacy was regarded so differently from now, and rather as an evidence of fanaticism than as a wise, philanthropic, statesmanlike concern for the happiness and prosperity of the community.

JOHN A. BENEDICT, clerk of the courts of Franklin County, was born in Peters Township, Franklin County, Penn., January 18, 1855, the youngest son of Jacob and Mary M. (Kiefer) Benedict. He was educated in the public schools of Peters Township, and was a pupil in the normal school at Shippensburg for two terms. He then taught school for nine winter terms, during which time he also engaged in farming on the home place in the summers. In the fall of 1884 Mr. Benedict was elected clerk of the courts of Franklin County for a term of three years. He married, in March, 1876, Sarah E., daughter of M. H. Keyser, a former resident of St. Thomas Township, this county. The parents are members of the Church. In politics Mr. Benedict is a member of the Republican party.

GEORGE BIETSCH, manufacturer of cigars and dealer in cigars, tobaccos, etc., Chambersburg, was born at Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, August 30, 1843, the youngest child of Frederick and Elizabeth (Eckstein) Bietsch. He received a plain education in the schools of his native town. In 1861 he, in company with his parents, came to America and direct to Chambersburg. In the same year George commenced an apprenticeship with

George Bruner at the trade of cigar making, and was next in the employ, as clerk and journeyman, of Moses Greenawald, and continued with these gentlemen, respectively, until 1863. In that year he taught a German public school at Chambersburg one session. Following the destruction of Chambersburg, he filled a similar position at Pittsburgh for some four years. In the fall of 1868 he returned to Chambersburg, and commenced the manufacture of cigars and the tobacco trade, in his present location at No. 79 South Main Street, where he is doing a fair business, usually employing from six to eight hands. In 1865 Mr. Bietsch married Elizabeth Pressler, and to them have been born eleven children, nine of whom are living, five daughters—Eva, Katie, Lottie, Gertie and Alice—and four sons—Emil, George, Charles and Thomas. Mr. Bietsch is organist of the Episcopal Church, a position he has held for the past ten years. His family attend the same church. Mr. Bietsch has been a member of the Masonic fraternity since 1870, and master of George Washington Lodge, No. 143, for the past two years.

JAMES L. BLACK, merchant and borough treasurer, Chambersburg, was born in Adams County, Penn., December 8, 1808, eldest son of James and Jane (Lindsay) Black. He grew up on a farm and in about 1820 went to live with his uncle in Guilford Township, this county. At the age of sixteen he began serving an apprenticeship of five years at the trade of tanner and currier. After finishing his apprenticeship he worked as a journeyman in Manchester, Va., one year; then returned to Chambersburg and began clerking in the store of George S. Eyster. About the year 1836, he, in company with his cousin, John V. Lindsay, purchased the business from Mr. Eyster, and carried it on for some years, when Mr. Black purchased the interest of his partner, and has since conducted the concern. During the fire in 1864, he suffered greatly, losing his building and much of his stock. His books were saved, he having buried them in the garden. He rebuilt on the same site in 1865-66. In 1836 Mr. Black was married to Mary B., daughter of George K. Harper, one of the early editors and newspaper men of Chambersburg. To this marriage were born eight children, six of whom are living—three daughters and three sons—and are residents of Chambersburg, except one, Rev. J. Harper Black, now pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Clearfield, Penn. Mrs. Black died April 6, 1885. Our subject served as an associate judge of this county for a period of five years, having been elected at the same time as Judge Kimmell. He has been a member of the town council one term, and for six years has served as borough treasurer. Mr. Black has been identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church for nearly half a century. As a citizen he is highly esteemed and respected, and is one of the pioneer business men of the county.

EMANUEL JAMES BONBRAKE, attorney at law, Chambersburg.—The generic name is an old one in Franklin County. Its origin is uncertain and its original form is not positively ascertained. Whether German, Dutch, Swiss or French is not known, even by those who bear it. The name is dissyllabic, and each syllable has taken a most unwarrantable license in a wild canter over the gamut of change both in sound and in letter. The first syllable is found in documents and papers as Bon, Bone, Bohn, Boin, Bine and Bound, while the second, not to be outdone, has disported in various shapes as Bright, Brecht, Brake, Break, Breck and Brick, one paper of the year 1789 having the name as Boundbrick. It is a good example of the eccentricity and variation of a name in America. The most prevalent belief holds that the name is Swiss-German or Franco-German, but there is a singular plausibility and force in a less prevalent opinion that the name is Dutch; that it originated in Hol-



land or the Low Countries as Brecht, with the common prefix Van or Von, making Vonbrecht, from which the transition to Bonbrecht would be easy and natural. But if the origin is uncertain, its long existence in this county is certain. The first ancestor came between 1745 and 1765. Lands were taken up at the Grindstone Hill nearly midway between Chambersburg and Waynesboro, some of which were laid out on warrant to Daniel Binebreck in 1762, and remained in the family until 1868, a period of more than a century. There is a dim tradition that his ancestor left his native land under a cloud, because of resetting, or giving food and shelter to some one under ban of the law. He is reputed to have tarried a while in Philadelphia County, but soon located in this county, then a part of Cumberland. From the Grindstone Hill the descendants spread to Scotland, Waynesboro and other parts of the county; to Somerset, Westmoreland and other counties in the State; and later to the States of Ohio; Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Colorado and California. The race was prolific in number and tall in stature. Many of the families had each a dozen or more members; one is said to have furnished seven sons to the American Army in the war of 1812, and now, in one family in Ohio, all the sons average over six feet in height. Some of the earlier ones were stone-cutters, of which there remains evidence in the tombstones of the well filled old graveyard at Grindstone Hill Church. But farming has been the general occupation of the race, though some have reached the highest rank as merchants, a few became lawyers, a dozen or more are now ministers of the Gospel or professors in colleges, a larger number are physicians and surgeons, one family having four or five in the latter profession. Very few have seen fit to tread the path of politics, and, although active and decided in political opinion and feeling, it is claimed for them that in this, their native county, for almost a century and a half, not one of the name has announced himself as a candidate for office, or become a tax upon the public.

The special subject of this sketch was born in 1832 on the banks of Antietam Creek, two miles east of Waynesboro, and he never had legal residence out of the county. His father was John, a teacher, surveyor and farmer, born in 1796 and died in 1866. His grandfather, Conrad (born in 1768, died in 1844), about the beginning of this century bought lands along the Antietam Creek, which still belong to his descendants. His mother was Susanna Weyant (born in 1796, died in 1836) a daughter of John Weyant.

Conrad, the grandfather, left seven children, viz.: Jacob, John, Henry, Daniel, Nancy, Susan and Catharine. John left five children, viz.: Nicholas, John W., Emanuel J., Juliann, wife of James H. Gordon, and Maria, wife of David B. Russell, all residents of the county, except John W., who has lived near Cedar Rapids, Iowa, since 1865.

The early education of our subject was gained in the free or public schools, the system of which was inaugurated in Pennsylvania in his boyhood. In 1849 he was examined by the school board of his native township (Washington) and assigned as teacher of the Mt. Vernon School. In the spring of 1850, with the funds obtained from the winter's teaching, he began the higher course of study and entered the preparatory department of Marshall College at Mercersburg, then under the presidency of the celebrated Rev. Dr. John W. Nevin. For several years thereafter he oscillated between teaching in winter and attending college in summer, always keeping in the same class notwithstanding those absences. He went with the college to Lancaster, Penn., in 1853, when it was consolidated there with Franklin College, and in 1855 he graduated with honor, taking the valedictory oration, which in this college, unlike most other institutions, is awarded not to the student who has scored the high-

est average in recitation but to the best writer and speaker, if of respectable grade in recitations. In all public performances at college he had been signally successful and popular, some of his orations being remembered and spoken of to this day after a lapse of over thirty years; but in his valedictory he re-proached, perhaps improperly, the trustees and authorities of the college for certain matters, and in doing so furnished an unfortunate example, which afterward was still more unfortunately and improperly followed. There was no doubt of his honesty and courage in making this arraignment, and just as little as to there being cause for it, but its propriety under the circumstances was quite another thing. The like had never been known in the history of the college, and its suddenness, point and novelty gave great offense. Taken in connection with some later episode in his career, this shows such an indifference to public opinion and careless disregard of consequences that can not be reconciled with his usual prudence and judgment, and may have interfered with usefulness and promotion, and impaired the estimate of a character so earnest and otherwise estimable. He received no further or higher degrees or honors from the college. After graduating he taught an academy for boys and young men in Camden, in the State of Delaware, until 1856, when he was called to take charge of the academy in Mercersburg, the same that once had been the preparatory department of Marshall College. Relinquishing finally the role of teacher in 1857, he finished the reading of law in the offices of Cessna & Shannon, in Bedford, Penn., where, in May, 1858, he was admitted as an attorney at law. A trip of nearly a year through the Western country followed, then he located in Chambersburg in 1859, and soon after formed a partnership with Capt. George Eyster, who afterward, for seventeen years, held the office of United States treasurer in Philadelphia. From the beginning he was more than ordinarily successful, but a rigid application to business and study and close confinement to office for the purpose, as he states it, of laying a broad and sure foundation for the future, brought on in about two years such a serious breaking down of health that left him little hope of recovery. Consequently ambition was laid aside and thenceforth his business as a lawyer was mainly confined to the less public, yet more weighty and important line of a practitioner in the orphans' court, and as a general office counselor. In these departments his success and standing are deservedly high. Advice, professional or otherwise, from him has led to few mistakes and disappointments, and his sagacity and practical wisdom, in ordinary business or in new enterprises, are so generally acknowledged that the community looks with much confidence upon any project that enlists his support. Able and candid in negotiation, yet there is always left an impression of force in reserve. In devotion to friends and in public spirit he has few equals. To him, perhaps, more than to any other one man is Chambersburg indebted for the last and only successful agricultural fair company, for the Wolf & Hamaker Mill Works and for the Taylor Manufacturing Company. All projects favoring the improvement of town or county, whether in building, agriculture, horticulture, new or superior stock, have received his hearty good wishes and active aid. At this time he is likely the only man in the county who has thoroughbred Guernsey cattle, and perhaps the only one who owns a specimen of imported neat cattle.

In politics having come from old Whig stock he is a steadfast Republican, but without noise or demonstration, rather avoiding office than seeking it. He has never held elective office, except such as burgess or school director, in which he considered it his duty as a citizen to serve. Having struggled for his own education, he, of course, is a decided advocate of it, and seems more especially interested in the higher education as found in some of the less pre-

tentious colleges, the ruling idea of which is to thoroughly develop, strengthen and train the intellectual faculties rather than to load the memory; to be well on in building the vessel before putting in the cargo. For years he has been the treasurer and one of the most active and earnest members of the board of regents of Mercersburg College. His denominational connections are those of his forefathers, he is a member of the Reformed Church. In 1861 he was married to Eliza Belle Oakes, of his native town, and they have three children living: Jessie, Lillian and Norman Leroy.

O. C. BOWERS, attorney at law, Chambersburg, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Penn., October 11, 1843, a son of Samuel and Catherine (Wolfe) Bowers, and was educated in the public schools of St. Thomas Township, whither his parents had removed in 1848. Here our subject also worked at farming and attended school until he was eighteen years of age when he commenced teaching. In the summer of 1865 he attended the State Normal School at Millersville, and still continued teaching. For some three years he attended Mercersburg College until the close of the school year in June, 1869. In September of that year he commenced teaching and studied under Dr. Shumaker, in Chambersburg Academy, which he continued for four years. During those years he pursued the study of the classics and also read law until June, 1873. In November of that year he was admitted to the bar and immediately commenced the practice of his profession. In August, 1874, he was nominated by the Democratic party for district attorney and was elected the following fall; served the term of three years, and in the fall of 1877 was re-elected to the same position, which he filled with ability during his term. Several important criminal cases were tried during his terms, including two capital cases, followed by convictions and executions. Mr. Bowers married December 21, 1875, Ellen G., daughter of Jacob Heyser, and by her has a family of three sons: Robert Hood, Wayne Heyser and William G. Mrs. Bowers is a member of the Reformed Church, Mr. Bowers of the Lutheran. The honorary degree of Master of Arts was conferred on him by Mercersburg College June 25, 1878.

E. BRALLIER, M. D., Chambersburg, was born at Belsano, near Ebensburg, Cambria Co., Penn., March 20, 1841, his father of French descent, a farmer, and his mother of German. With them he spent the early part of his life, attending school and working on the farm. After receiving a liberal education he began teaching school in 1858, which occupation he followed until 1862, the last being the Cherry Tree Academy, of which he was principal. Closing his school he enlisted in the army September 7, 1862. Shortly after going out he was promoted corporal, and held that position until May 2, 1863, when, while on the battle-field of Chancellorsville, he was promoted to second sergeant, which rank he held for some time, being then promoted to first sergeant, serving as such until near the close of the war, when he received the commission of captain. At the organization of the company, he was chosen company clerk, and occupied that position until the dissolution of the company at Harrisburg, June 1, 1865. During the war he was engaged in seventeen battles and several skirmishes, being the first man to mount the enemy's works at Hatcher's Run, February 5, 1865; was also present at the surrender of Gen. Lee to Gen. Grant, at Appomattox, April 9, 1865. A few weeks after returning from the army, in 1865, he was nominated for and duly elected to the office of county auditor in Cambria County for a term of three years, from October of that year. Finding that the duties of the office interfered with the prosecution of his studies, after serving for one year, he resigned. He first commenced the study of medicine in 1860, but never regularly entered

the office of any physician until his return from the army, in June, 1865, when he registered and studied with the late R. S. Bunn, M. D., of Ebensburg, Penn. In October, 1866, he matriculated in both Jefferson Medical College and the Lying-In Charity, of Philadelphia, receiving his diploma from each of the above institutions in March, 1868; that of the Lying-In Charity March 5, 1868, and March 7, 1868, the degree of Doctor of Medicine from Jefferson Medical College. He is also a life member of the Jefferson Medical College Alumni Association. In about two weeks after graduation he located to practice his profession in Cherry Tree, Indiana Co., Penn., where he remained engaged in general practice, but giving particular attention to gynecology and pædiatric medicine with success, until April, 1880, when he removed to Chambersburg, his present home. July 7, 1868, Dr. Brallier married Lucy M., daughter of the late John and Mary Kinports, of Cherry Tree Borough. In 1870 he became a member of the Indiana County Medical Society, and in 1876 was made a permanent member of the State Medical Society of Pennsylvania, and of the American Medical Association representing Indiana County, in the former once and in the latter twice. He has filled several offices in the Indiana County Medical Society, being its president for 1879. In 1881 he associated himself with the Franklin County Medical Society, of which organization he is now a member. He has always taken a very active part in education, contributing to schools and forming plans to facilitate teaching in the local schools, serving as director of the Cherry Tree Male and Female College, and one of its faculty during its existence, and for six years one of the directors of the public schools of Cherry Tree, being secretary of the board for four years. He was one of the organizers of the Cherry Tree Scientific Lecture Club, lecturing on anatomy and physiology. In February, 1882, he was elected a director of the Chambersburg public schools, of which board he is still a member. In January, 1882, he received from the commissioners of Franklin County, Penn., appointment of physician to the county jail, and served in that capacity for a term of three years. Dr. and Mrs. Brallier are the parents of eight children (five of whom are living—two daughters and three sons): Stanley A. E., Anna May, Lulu Veronica, John Kinports, Emma Jane, Amanda Maggie, son, James Porter. In politics the Doctor is a Democrat. He and his family attend the Central Presbyterian Church of Chambersburg, Penn.

WILLIAM H. BRICKER, furniture dealer, Chambersburg, was born in Shippensburg, Cumberland Co., Penn., September 1, 1850, eldest son of James and Elizabeth (Sierer) Bricker. In 1851 he was brought by his parents to Huntingdon County, where he attended the public schools until the age of fourteen years. He then commenced clerking in a general store, in which he remained two years, then attended the normal school at Millersville, Penn., for some two years, graduating from that institution in 1869. He then became assistant principal of an academy in Trenton, N. J., for two years; then read law and also taught school again in Huntingdon County for part of one year. During that year, 1872, his father died suddenly, which changed his plans; so, abandoning the study of law May 18, 1873, he came to Chambersburg and entered into partnership with H. Sierer in the furniture manufacturing business, under the firm name of H. Sierer & Co., which has since continued. Mr. Bricker married, December 11, 1873, Laura V., daughter of Rev. Franklin Dyson, and by her had seven children, five of whom are living. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Bricker never aspired to public position; politically he is a Republican.

WILLIAM BYERS, mail carrier, Chambersburg, was born in Antrim

Township, this county, September 4, 1846, a son of John and Rachel (Miller) Byers, former of whom was born in Fayetteville, this county, December 11, 1811, son of Castle Byers, a farmer, who kept tavern at Fayetteville for many years. John Byers, a farmer by occupation, lived near Funkstown until 1854, when he removed to Adams County, Penn., and there died March 9, 1861. He reared to maturity a family of seven children, of whom six are living, five sons and one daughter. His widow, who was born September 24, 1821, in York County, Penn., resides in Chambersburg, vigorous in mind and body. Our subject was educated in the public schools and brought up on a farm at home until he enlisted in Company K, Eighty-seventh Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was with the regiment at Petersburg, Sailor's Creek, and at the surrender of Gen. Lee, serving until the close of the war. He was mustered out at Harrisburg in July, 1865. Returning to civil life he carried the mail and ran a stage from Chambersburg to Gettysburg for twelve years. He is now engaged in carrying the mail from the depot to the postoffice in Chambersburg, in addition to doing an omnibus business. Mr. Byers married, in 1874, Kate Newman, and by her has one son and four daughters: Rosa V., born in South Mountain, Adams Co., Penn., March 14, 1876; Mary E., born in Chambersburg, this county, August 27, 1878; Nellie K., born in Fort Loudoun, this county, February 24, 1880; Howard N., born in Chambersburg, this county, January 17, 1883, and Beulah, also born in Chambersburg, February 13, 1885. Mr. Byers is a member of the G. A. R.

GEORGE CHAMBERS.\* Benjamin Chambers, the father of the subject of this sketch, was the son of Col. Benjamin Chambers by his second wife (*nee* Jane Williams, daughter of a Presbyterian clergyman) whom he married in 1748. He was born in 1755. When a youth of but twenty years, he enlisted in the company of his brother, Capt. James Chambers, and marched with it to Boston. Soon after he joined the army he was commissioned a captain, and in that rank fought at the battles of Long Island, Brandywine and Germantown, with credit and gallantry. During the retreat of the army from Long Island, the Pennsylvania troops were assigned to the distinguished but hazardous honor of covering the movement. While assisting in this delicate and perilous maneuver, Capt. Chambers had the great good fortune to arrest the attention of Gen. Washington, win his commendation, and receive from him, as a signal token of his approbation, a handsome pair of silver-mounted pistols, which have always been treasured as a precious heirloom in the family, having recently been bequeathed to Benjamin Chambers Bryan, a great-grandson of the original donee. But the diseases of camp and the rigors of military life compelled Capt. Chambers to retire from the army, just at what period of the struggle is not definitely known. Although no longer engaged in regular military service, his skill and experience and great personal courage made him the captain and leader in many expeditions against the Indians, whose savage and bloody forays upon the settlements of Bedford and Huntingdon Counties were constantly creating great consternation and alarm. At the conclusion of the treaty of peace with England he became extensively engaged in the manufacture of iron, and was the first to make iron castings in the county. Influenced by the same enlightened liberality which characterized his father, he donated, in the year 1796, two lots of ground in Chambersburg as a site for an academy. A charter was procured in 1797, and shortly afterward a suitable building was erected, and a select school organized and opened under the tuition of James Ross, whose Latin grammar for many

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years maintained its distinguished position, without a rival, in the colleges and seminaries of our land. Capt. Chambers left upon record, among the last business acts of his life, his solemn testimony to the importance and value of education, by earnestly enjoining upon his executors, in his will, that they should have all his minor children liberally educated. This betokened a zeal for learning that was certainly very rare in that day. He died in 1813, crowned with the esteem, respect, and love of the community, for whose welfare and prosperity he had taxed his best energies, and to whose development he had devoted the labor of a life-time.

George Chambers, his oldest son, was born in Chambersburg, February 24, A. D. 1786. It was not unlikely that such a father would put George to his books while very young. This seems to have been so. He must have been taught to read and write, and have acquired the other rudiments of a common English education, at a very early age; for when he was but ten he began the study of Latin and Greek in the classical school of James Ross. He subsequently entered the Chambersburg Academy and became a pupil of Rev. David Denny, an eloquent, learned and much revered Presbyterian clergyman. He was ambitious and studious, and had made such progress in the ancient languages and mathematics that in October, 1802, he was able to pass from the academy into the junior class at Princeton College. He graduated from that institution in 1804, with high honor, in a class of forty-five, among whom were Thomas Hartley Crawford, Theodore Frelinghuysen, Joseph R. Ingersoll, Samuel L. Southard and others, who rose to distinguished eminence at the bar, in the pulpit, and in the councils of the Nation. He chose the law as his profession, and entered upon its study with William M. Brown, Esq., in Chambersburg. Having spent a year with him, he became a student in the office of Judge Duncan, in Carlisle, then in the zenith of his great fame. Having passed through the customary curriculum, he was admitted to the bar and sworn as a counselor in the courts of Cumberland County, in the year 1807. Shortly afterward he returned to Chambersburg and commenced the practice of his profession. When he entered the arena, he found the bar crowded with eminent and learned lawyers. Duncan, Tod, Riddle and the elder Watts practiced there and monopolized the business. With such professional athletes, already crowned with the laurels of the profession, and clad in armor that had been tempered and polished by the lucubrations of more than twenty years, it seemed a hard, indeed an almost impossible task for a young and inexperienced man to compete. Mr. Chambers, however, courted notoriety by no adventitious aids. Indeed, he thought so little of all the usual methods of inviting public attention, that it is related of him that he dispensed with "the shingle," that ornament of the office-shutter which the newly-fledged lawyer is so apt to regard as an indispensable beacon to guide the footsteps of his anxious clients. Nor did he advertise his professional pretensions in either card or newspaper. He was quite content to recognize in the law a jealous mistress, who would be satisfied with nothing less than the undivided homage of heart and mind. His professional career was not distinguished by rapid success at first. Like almost all who have attained the highest honors at the bar, his novitiate was severe. He found the first steps of his journey toward eminence beset with difficulties and full of discouragements.

After weary years of waiting, success came at last—as it must always come to true merit. When it did come—and, perhaps, it came as soon as it was deserved—he was prepared to meet its imperious demands. Mr. Chambers had a mind most admirably adapted to the law. It was acute, logical and comprehensive, of quick perception, with strong powers of discrim-

ination, and possessed a rare ability to grasp and hold the true points of a case. Added to these natural abilities was the discipline of a thorough education, supplemented by a varied fund of knowledge acquired by extensive reading, which ranged far beyond the confines of the literature of his profession. Besides all this, he possessed, in a most eminent degree, that crowning ornament of all mental stature, good common sense—without which the most shining talents avail but little. It is not surprising therefore, that when the opportune time came that was to give him the ear of the court, that he should attract attention. From this time his success was assured, and his progress to the head of the bar steady and unvarying. This ascendancy he easily maintained during his entire subsequent professional life. Not only was he the acknowledged chief of his own bar, but also the recognized peer of the first lawyers of the State. From 1816 to 1851, when he retired from active practice, his business was immense and very lucrative. He was retained in every case of importance in his own county, and tried many cases in adjoining counties. He was well read in all the branches of the law, but he especially excelled in the land law of Pennsylvania. He had completely mastered it, and could walk with sure and unfaltering step through all its intricate paths. His preparation was laborious and thorough. He trusted nothing to chance, and had no faith in lucky accidents, which constitute the sheet-anchor of hope to the sluggard. He identified himself with his client, and made his cause his own, when it was just. He sought for truth by the application of the severest tests of logic, and spared no pains in the vindication of the rights of his clients. He was always listened to with attention and respect by the court, and whenever he was overruled it was with a respectful dissent. The writer of this tribute came to the bar after Mr. Chambers had retired from it, and can not, therefore, speak of him, as an advocate, from personal knowledge. But tradition, to whose generous care the reputation of even the greatest lawyers has too uniformly been committed, has fixed his standard high. His diction was pure and elegant; his statement of facts lucid; his reasoning, stripped of all false and vulgar ornament, was severe and logical; his manner earnest and impressive, and, when inspired by some great occasion, his speech could rise upon steady pinions into the higher realms of oratory. His influence with juries is said to have been immense. This arose in part, doubtless, from their unbounded confidence in his sincerity and integrity; for he was one of those old-fashioned professional gentlemen who stubbornly refuse to acknowledge the obligation of the professional ethics which teach that a lawyer must gain his client's cause at all hazards and by any means. While he was distinguished for unfaltering devotion to his client, and an ardent zeal in the protection of his interest, he was not less loyal to truth and justice. When he had given all his learning and his best efforts to the preparation and presentation of his client's case, he felt that he had done his whole duty. He would as soon have thought of violating the Decalogue as of achieving victory by artifice and sinister means. His professional word was as sacred as his oath, and he would have esteemed its intentional breach as a personal dishonor. He despised professional charlatanism in all its forms, and had he come in contact with its modern representative, it would have been his abhorrence.

Washington College, Pennsylvania, manifested its appreciation of his legal learning and personal worth by conferring upon him the degree of LL. D. in the year 1861. This honor, entirely unsolicited and unexpected by him, was a spontaneous mark of distinction, as creditable to the distinguished literary institution that bestowed it as it was well earned by him who received it. Mr. Chambers having determined, in early manhood to devote himself with an un-

divided fidelity to the study and practice of the law, and to rely upon that profession as the chief architect of his fortune and his fame, very seldom could be enticed to embark upon the turbulent sea of politics. His tastes and habits of thought ran in a different channel. Office-seeking and office-holding were uncongenial pursuits. The coarse vulgarity and bitter wranglings of the "hustings" shocked his sensitive nature. Indeed, no one could be less of a politician, in the popular acceptation of the term. He was as much superior to the tricks of the political intriguer as truth is superior to falsehood. His native dignity of character, robust integrity, and self-respect, united to an unbounded contempt for meanness, lifted him so high above the atmosphere of the demagogue, that he knew absolutely nothing of its undercurrents of knavery and corruption.

But in 1832, at the earnest solicitation of his party, he became a candidate for Congress in the district composed of the counties of Adams and Franklin, and was elected by a majority of about 800. He served through the Twenty-third Congress, the first session of which, commonly called the "Panic Session," commenced on the 2d of December, 1833. The most conspicuous and distinguished men of the Nation were members, and the Congress itself the most eventful and exciting that had convened since the adoption of the Constitution. Mr. Chambers was again a candidate and elected to the Twenty-fourth Congress by a greatly increased majority, and at its termination peremptorily declined a re-election. During his congressional career he maintained a high and respectable position among his compeers. He was not a frequent speaker, but his speeches, carefully prepared, closely confined to the question under discussion, and full of information, always commanded the attention of the House. He served on the committee on the expenditures in the department of war, on the committee on naval affairs, on the committee on private land claims, and on the committee on rules and orders in the House. To the discharge of these public duties he gave the same industry, care and ability which always characterized the management of his affairs in private life. He was a conscientious public servant, zealous for the interests of his immediate constituents, and careful about the welfare and honor of the Nation.

In 1836 Mr. Chambers was elected a delegate from Franklin County to the convention to revise and amend the constitution of Pennsylvania. This body convened in Harrisburg on the 2d day of May, 1837, and its membership was largely composed of the foremost lawyers and best intellects of the State. Mr. Chambers was appointed a member of the committee, to which was referred the fifth article of the constitution, relative to the judiciary—by all odds the most important question before the convention. The controversy over this article was bitter and protracted between the advocates of a tenure during good behavior and the advocates of a short tenure for the judges. Mr. Chambers opposed any change in this respect of the old constitution, and throughout the various phases of the angry discussion stood firmly by his convictions.

On the 12th of April, 1851, Gov. Johnston commissioned Mr. Chambers as a justice of the supreme court, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Burnside. He sat upon the bench from this time until the first Monday of the following December, when, under the amended constitution, the new judges received their commissions. He was nominated by the Whig State convention in 1851 for this office, but was defeated along with his colleagues on the same ticket, having received, however, from the voters of his native county, and of the adjoining counties, a very complimentary endorsement. During the time Mr. Chambers was a member of the supreme court, he prepared and delivered quite a number of opinions, written in a perspicuous and



agreeable style, and exhibiting his usual exhaustive research and extensive legal knowledge. Some of these opinions are interesting to the professional reader, and can be found in the fourth volume of Harris' State reports. The most notable among them are the cases of *Baxby vs. Linah*, in which the effect of a judgment of a court of a sister State in the tribunals of this State is elaborately discussed; *Louden vs. Blythe*, involving the question of the conclusiveness of a magistrate's certificate of the acknowledgment by *femes covert* of deeds and mortgages, and *Wilt against Snyder*, in which the doctrine of negotiable paper is learnedly examined. Mr. Chambers never occupied any other public official stations; but in private life he held many places of trust and responsibility, giving to the faithful discharge of the duties they imposed upon him his best services, and to all enterprises for the advancement of the public good, and the promotion of education and morality, liberally of his substance.

In 1814 he was elected a manager of the Chambersburg Turnpike Road Company, and afterward its president, which positions he filled for half a century. In the same year he was actively employed in organizing and establishing the Franklin County Bible Society, was elected one of its officers, and served as such for many years. He was always a steadfast and consistent friend of the cause of temperance. By precept, by example, and by strong and eloquent advocacy of its principles, he strove to correct public sentiment on this subject, and to arouse it to a proper appreciation of the horrors of intemperance. He assisted in the organization of a number of societies throughout the county, to which he gave freely such pecuniary aid as they required, and before which he was a frequent speaker. The seed which he thus so diligently planted, ripened into a rich harvest of blessed results, the influence of which remains until this day.

In 1815 Mr. Chambers was elected a trustee of the Chambersburg Academy, and afterward president of the board, resigning the trust after a tenure of forty-five years, because of the increasing infirmities of age. In the same year he was chosen one of the trustees of the Presbyterian Church of Chambersburg, and in due time became president of the board, from which he retired in July, 1864. He was also for many years a director of the Bank of Chambersburg, in 1836 was chosen its president, and annually re-elected until pressing business engagements compelled him to decline re-election. The mention of these unostentatious but useful and responsible employments is not improper here, for it serves to illustrate how Mr. Chambers was esteemed in the community where he passed his entire life.

At the time of his death he was the largest land owner in Franklin County. He had a passion for agriculture, studied it as a science, and gave much of his leisure to the direction of its practical operations. His knowledge of soils, and of the fertilizers best adapted to them, was extensive and accurate. His familiarity with the boundaries of his farms, and the varieties of timber trees growing upon them, and exactly upon what part of the land they could be found, was so remarkable as to astonish his tenants frequently, and to put them at fault. He was not churlish in imparting all his knowledge about agricultural affairs to his neighbors, and he was ever ready at his own expense to lead the van in every experiment or enterprise which gave a reasonable promise of increasing the knowledge or lightening the labors of the farmer. For the purpose of exciting a generous emulation among the farmers, and facilitating their opportunities for gaining increased knowledge of their business—although at quite an advanced age—he expended much time and labor in organizing and putting into successful operation the first agricultural society of Franklin County, which he served as president for one year.

Mr. Chambers was proud of his native State, and a devout worshiper of the race whose blood flowed in his veins. These sentiments were deepened and strengthened by a diligent study of provincial history and an extensive personal acquaintance with the illustrious men whose lives adorned the first years of the commonwealth. The knowledge which he thus acquired brought to him the sting of disappointment, for his sense of justice was wounded by the almost contemptuous historical treatment of the claims and deeds of that race which, more than all others, had helped to lay the broad foundations of State prosperity, to build churches and school houses, and to advance everywhere the sacred standard of religious liberty, which had loved freedom and hated the king, and had carried with it into every quarter the blessings of civilization, and the hallowed influences of the gospel. The spirit of his ancestry called him to the vindication of their race, and he determined—although the sand of his time-glass was running low—to round off and crown the industry of a long life by a labor of love.

During the brief periods of leisure, which the almost constant demands of his business only occasionally afforded him, he prepared and had published, in 1856, a volume, which with characteristic modesty, he entitled, "A Tribute to the Principles, Virtues, Habits and Public Usefulness of the Irish and Scotch Early Settlers of Pennsylvania," by a Descendant. This production discloses such a thorough knowledge of the subject, and withal breathes so great a filial reverence for those whose merits it commemorates, that it will doubtless long be read with increasing interest by their descendants.

Mr. Chambers was an ardent friend of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, and impressed with the importance of the noble work, for the sake of truth, which it is now performing. The value of his efforts for the elucidation of the early history of the province and State, and his moral worth, were generously recognized by the society in his selection to be one of its vice-presidents, which honorable office he held at the time of his decease. By the request of the society, Mr. Chambers undertook the preparation of an extended history of a considerable portion of the State of Pennsylvania, including the Cumberland Valley. It was also intended to embrace a compilation and analysis of the various laws and usages governing the acquisition of titles to land in the State, to be supplemented by an annotation of the changes caused therein by statutory law, and the decisions of the courts from time to time. The manuscript of this work, which had cost much research and labor, was finished and ready for the press on the 30th of July, 1864, when the rebels, under Gen. McCausland, made their cruel foray into Chambersburg, to give the doomed town over to its baptism of fire. It perished in the conflagration of that fearful day—which still haunts, and ever will, the memory of those who witnessed it, like the hideous spectre of a dream. Along with that manuscript perished also a biographical sketch, which was almost ready for publication, of Dr. John McDowell, a native of Franklin County, distinguished for his learning, usefulness, and devoted piety.

Mr. Chambers lost heavily in property by the burning of Chambersburg. The large stone dwelling-house built by his father in 1787, the house which he had himself erected in 1812, and in which he had lived with his family since 1813, together with four other houses, were totally destroyed. But this pecuniary loss caused him, comparatively, but little regret. His private papers, an extensive correspondence, valuable manuscripts, hallowed relics of the loved and lost ones, many cherished mementoes of friendship, his books so familiar and so prized from constant study and use, the old-fashioned stately furniture, and the precious heirlooms that had come down to him from his an-

cestry, all shared the same common ruin. Such things are incapable of monetary valuation, and their loss was irreparable. In one half hour the red hand of fire had ruthlessly severed all the links that bound him to his former life, and thenceforth he walked to the verge of his time isolated and disassociated from the past. This calamity he keenly felt, although he nerved himself against its depressing influences with his characteristic cheerfulness and fortitude.

To this cause, also, must be attributed the great lack of present materials for a proper biographical sketch of Mr. Chambers and the difficulties and discouragements which the writer of this tribute has encountered in its preparation. Mr. Chambers was deeply moved by the news of the bombardment of Fort Sumter. When he heard the startling intelligence, although in infirm health, it seemed to stir a fever in his blood. He urged the calling of the citizens of Chambersburg together immediately, to take proper measures for assisting in the defense of the Government. He presided at the meeting, and made a touching and eloquent speech, which was responded to on the spot by the enlistment of a full company for the three months' service. A few years before, he had presented a flag to a military company called in his honor the Chambers Infantry. This organization formed the nucleus of the company now enlisted for the stern duties of war, and was among the first in the State to report for service at the headquarters at Harrisburg. From that hour until the last Confederate soldier laid down his arms, Mr. Chambers stood steadfastly by the Union. The darkest hours of the war found him always the same unflinching supporter of the Government, the same staunch patriot, the same irreconcilable opponent of all compromise with treason, and the same defiant and implacable foe of traitors.

On March 6, 1810, Mr. Chambers married Alice A. Lyon, of Carlisle, daughter of William Lyon, Esq., prothonotary and clerk of the courts of Cumberland County—a lady whose rare virtues and accomplishments cheered and solaced thirty-eight years of his life. Two sons and two daughters, the fruits of this marriage, still survive, and are residents of Chambersburg.\* Mr. Chambers was of medium stature, of slender frame and delicate constitution. He was indebted for the physical strength which enabled him to sustain for so many years the burden of excessive professional labor, solely to his abstemious life, regular habits, and almost daily exercise upon horseback. His classical training was excellent, and his knowledge of the Roman authors quite extensive. He was a well-read man, and familiar with the best literature of his own and past times—an acquaintance which he sedulously cultivated until a late period of his life. His library was large and well selected, and open at all times to the deserving, however humble might be their station. Mr. Chambers cared for none of the arts of popularity. He was not one "to split the ears of the groundlings." He had no ambition at all for this. His bearing was dignified and his manners reserved. With the world he doubtless was accredited a cold and proud man; but to those who were admitted to the privileges of an intimate acquaintance, he was a sociable, kind, courteous, and affable gentleman, and a genial and captivating companion. Having acquired a varied fund of knowledge from books, as well as from a close and intelligent observation of men, his conversation was exceedingly entertaining and instructive. His memory, going back into the last century, had garnered up many interesting reminiscences of the events of that age, and personal recollections of its illustrious men; and when in the unrestrained freedom of social intercourse

\* The two sons, Benjamin and William are yet living, the first a retired attorney, the second president of the National Bank of Chambersburg. The daughters are both dead.—[Editorial note, 1887.]

he opened its treasures, they furnished, indeed, a rare intellectual entertainment to his charmed auditors. But so great was the elevation of his character and the purity of his nature, so intense his self-respect, that I venture to assert that never at any time, under the temptations of the most unreserved conversation, did he utter a word or sentiment that might not with perfect propriety have been repeated in the most refined society. He was a sincere and steadfast friend, a kind neighbor and a good and useful citizen. His advice to all who sought it—and they were many, in every walk of life—proved him to be a willing, judicious and sympathizing counselor. In the management of his private affairs he was scrupulously honest and punctual. He required all that was his own, and paid to the uttermost farthing that which was another's. He scorned alike the pusillanimity which would defraud one's self, and the meanness which would rob another. But withal he was a generous man. His house was the abode of a most liberal hospitality. His benevolence was large and catholic, manifesting itself in frequent and liberal contributions for the advancement of education and religion. He was kind to the poor and deserving and more than one child of poverty received a good education at his expense. But he did not publish his charities on the streets, nor give his alms before men. He reverently obeyed in this respect the Scriptural injunction, "Let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth."

It would be improper for us, by dwelling longer on his domestic virtues, to invade the sanctity of his home, where they grew into such eminent development. We know that he was a good husband, a devoted father, and an exemplar to his household worthy of the closest imitation. Mr. Chambers was a devout man from his youth, and a sincere and unfaltering believer in the cardinal doctrines of the Christian religion. From childhood he was carefully trained in the tenets of the "Westminster Confession and the Shorter Catechism." He drank in a reverence for the Sabbath-day with his mother's milk, which so engrafted itself into his being that no earthly inducement could tempt him to profane it. In 1842 he made a public profession of his faith, and was received into the communion of the Presbyterian Church at Chambersburg. Thenceforth religion grew from a mere sentiment, or a cold intellectual belief, into the guiding principle of his life. It influenced his conduct toward others and governed his own heart. It kept him untainted from the world in prosperity, and solaced him in adversity. And when the twilight of his last days began to descend upon him, his pathway was illuminated by the light of the gospel, and he walked down to the dark river with a firm step, unclouded by doubts or fears, and with the eye of faith steadily fixed upon the Star of Bethlehem. He died March 25, 1866, in his eighty-first year, bequeathing to his children the heritage of an unspotted name, to posterity an enduring reputation, earned by a life full of good and virtuous deeds, and to the aspiring and ambitious youth an example worthy of the highest emulation.

DANIEL COLESTOCK, contractor and builder, was born in Littlestown, Adams Co., Penn., September 30, 1834, a son of John and Harriet (Little) Colestock. He received an ordinary common school education in his native town and was in attendance one term at Littlestown Academy. He early learned the trade of his father, that of carpenter and cabinet-maker, and for a period of two years worked as journeyman in various places, among which was Washington, D. C., where he, for some months in 1862, was engaged in the treasury department. In 1867 or 1868 he commenced as a contractor, and soon after went to Pittsburgh, where he erected some important buildings; then returned to Littlestown, where he resumed his business as a builder and contractor, being associated for a time with his brother, John H., and afterward

with George Smith until 1874, when, just after the fire which occurred at Chambersburg, he worked as a journeyman for three years at that place, whither he located in the spring of 1876 as a contractor and builder, and where he has since remained. He has here carried on an extensive business, erecting many fine structures—among them the insane asylum. In 1883 Mr. Colestock was married to a daughter of Barnett Bickly, a former resident of Chambersburg, and to this union have been born two daughters and two sons. The parents are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In politics Mr. Colestock is Republican.

REV. W. C. CREMER, pastor of Zion's Reformed Church, was born in Lancaster County, Penn., January 1, 1836, youngest son of Charles and Elizabeth (Albert) Cremer. His early life until he was eighteen years of age was passed on a farm, where he received, in the neighboring schools, the rudiments of an education. He then returned to the preparatory department of Franklin and Marshall College, at Lancaster (previous to this he had received literary instruction from his pastor, Rev. D. Y. Hysler). He completed the course at Franklin and Marshall College, and was graduated from the institution in 1861. Immediately after his graduation he went to the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, where he completed a course of study in theology in 1863. He was then called to take charge of the Reformed Church at Sunbury Penn., where he was licensed and ordained May, 1863, and remained as pastor of the church five years. His next appointment was at Westminster, Carroll Co., Md., where he remained until coming to Chambersburg in 1876. In August, 1863, Mr. Cremer was married to Miss C. M., daughter of Jacob Gruel, of Lancaster City, Penn., and to them were born six children, five of whom—one daughter and four sons—are living.

EDMUND CULBERTSON, M. D., (deceased) was born in Chambersburg, Franklin Co., Penn., January 12, 1812; the eldest son of Dr. Samuel D. Culbertson, who was born in Culbertson's Row, this county, but in early life removed to Chambersburg, where, in 1808, he commenced the practice of medicine. The father of Edmund desired that the latter should enter the profession in which he had been so successful and, in accordance with this wish our subject attended Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and was graduated therefrom in the spring of 1836. He never considered himself adapted to the profession, and had no special enthusiasm for its theories or practice, although he was a careful and close student during his school term. He however determined to make his best efforts to succeed and, shortly after he obtained his degree, located at Jackson, Miss. There he did not remain more than a year until he concluded to return to a more northerly State, and located at Springfield, Ill., where he spent two years. At the close of that period he returned to Chambersburg. The elder Dr. Culbertson, although eminently successful in his profession, had partially abandoned it in later years to engage in another occupation, and in 1836 he wholly gave up his practice for the purpose of embarking in the manufacture of straw paper and boards, an industry he carried on for many years, Mr. G. A. Shryock, who first introduced this material as a staple article and manufactured it by machinery, being his partner in the outset. In 1843 Edmund entered into partnership with his father, continuing in this business until 1856. For a time, after retiring from the manufacture of paper, Dr. Culbertson was associated with Col. D. O. Gehr and Mr. William L. Chambers in the grain and commission business, and when this partnership ended he did not again enter into business. In January, 1873, he was chosen president of the national bank of Chambersburg, a position he filled to the satisfaction of its stockholders for a period of

ten years. At the time of his death he was a trustee of Falling Spring Church, of which he was a consistent member and a constant attendant; a trustee of Chambersburg Academy, being active in its rebuilding; president of the Franklin County Agricultural Association, and one of the most active directors of the Taylor Manufacturing Company, as well as one of its largest stockholders. He was also closely identified with the success of other local enterprises and improvements. In 1844 he married Ellen H., daughter of the late Hon. James J. Kennedy. The surviving fruits of this union are two sons and two daughters: Emma C., now Mrs. Chauncey Ives; Samuel D., Nancy P., now Mrs. D. H. Wingerd, and James K. Dr. Culbertson, in 1845, connected himself with Columbus Lodge, No. 75, I. O. O. F., of Chambersburg, and continued one of its most active members until his death, which occurred March 4, 1883.

GEORGE DENTON, undertaker, Chambersburg, was born in Flushing, Long Island, N. Y., November 21, 1854, the youngest son of John L. and A. V. (Spader) Denton. Until ten years of age he was in attendance at the common schools of his neighborhood, when he took a four years' course at Union Hall Academy, Jamaica, Long Island, and subsequently a four years' course at Freehold Institute, Freehold, Monmouth Co., N. Y. He was reared on a farm, and during vacations he assisted in the pursuits incident to farm life. When young he was engaged for a year and a half as clerk in his native town. In 1874 he identified himself with the firm of Hallett & Co. of Flushing, in the furniture and undertaking business, and in 1876 became a partner in the same firm, which partnership continued until June 21, 1884, when he disposed of his interest in the business. In October, 1885, he came to Chambersburg, and purchased the undertaking business of J. Coover, which was established by the latter gentleman in 1865. The establishment is the most extensive of its kind in Chambersburg, and perhaps in the Cumberland Valley, and is fully equipped throughout. In 1877 Mr. Denton was married to Frances A. Hallett, and to them have been born two sons, and one daughter: Wm. V., born August 16, 1878; Clarence H., born August 30, 1880, and Mabel H., born November 13, 1882. Our subject is a member of the Episcopal Church, also of the Masonic fraternity, which he joined in February, 1880.

JOHN DOEBLER, saloon-keeper, Chambersburg, was born in Chambersburg, this county, January 25, 1825; eldest son of Louis and Agnes (Nitterhouse) Doebler. Louis Doebler was a native of Lebanon County, Penn., born about 1794. He was a soldier in the war of 1812 from that county, and came to Franklin County, Penn., about 1815. He engaged in the manufacture of sickles for a number of years but afterward became an employe in a paper-mill, where he continued until his death, February 14, 1846. He raised to maturity a family of five children, of whom one daughter and two sons survive. John Doebler was educated in the public schools of Chambersburg. In 1842 he commenced an apprenticeship to the coach-maker's trade, which lasted four years, then worked as journeyman for various firms until 1858, when he engaged in saloon-keeping till the breaking out of the Rebellion. He responded to the first call in 1861 (was first lieutenant of a militia company at the time) and was appointed captain of Company B, Second Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served three months. He then raised Company A, One Hundred and Twenty-Sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry and with it took part in all the engagements up to the battle of Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862, when he was disabled and was an inmate of Seminary Hospital, at Georgetown, for some months. He returned home, after regaining his strength, in 1863. He was elected director of the poor for

a term of three years, and while filling that office (in 1865) was elected sheriff of the county for a term of three years. In 1871 Mr. Doebler became a partner of P. H. Peiffer in the coach-making business, and continued a member of the firm of Doebler & Peiffer a little over three years; then embarked in the restaurant business in his present location on North Second Street, and here has a successful trade. Our subject was married in 1851, to Adeline Susan, daughter of Daniel Hull, a former well known resident of Chambersburg, Penn. They are the parents of one son, Daniel L., a machinist by trade, employed by the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company. Mrs. Doebler is a member of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Doebler is a Mason and a member of the I. O. O. F. and of the G. A. R. He served as a member of the town council from the North Ward in 1864 and 1865, and was burgess of the borough for three continuous years, commencing in 1868. In politics he is a Republican.

BENJAMIN F. DUKE, blacksmith, Chambersburg, was born in Greene Township, Franklin County, Penn., August 12, 1835, eldest son of Jacob and Mary (Kunkel) Duke. Jacob Duke, who was born in Cumberland County, Penn., in 1801, came to Franklin County about 1830; he was a miller by trade and carried on a mill in Culbertson's Row for many years; he removed to Chambersburg in 1852 and here died in 1879. He reared to maturity a family of seven children, of whom four are living, one daughter and three sons. Benjamin F. Duke was educated in the public schools of Greenvillage. He was reared on a farm, working for others till seventeen years old. In the fall of 1852 he commenced an apprenticeship of three years with Abraham Metz, at the trade of a blacksmith, and with him subsequently worked as journeyman till April, 1864, when he commenced business on his own account on the corner of Water and Washington Streets, just opposite his present location. He met with a loss in July of the same year in the burning of his shop and tools, but he immediately resumed business, and in 1880 removed to his present location on the southwest corner of Water and Washington Streets, where he has continued a successful and prosperous blacksmith. Mr. Duke was married in 1857, to Margaret, daughter of Adam Bolles, a former resident of Chambersburg, this county. To him and his wife have been born thirteen children, of whom ten survive, three daughters and seven sons. Mrs. Duke is a member of Zion's Reformed Church. Mr. Duke has been a member of the I. O. O. F. since 1866.

AUGUSTUS DUNCAN, Chambersburg, was born in Franklin Township, Adams County, Penn., March 8, 1829, son of A. S. E. and Mary (Mark) Duncan. He was educated in the public schools and the preparatory department of Franklin and Marshall College, then at Mercersburg, Penn. Prior to completing his education he had learned the carpenter's trade. Our subject was married in 1853 to Florence Rowan. The same year he moved to Guilford Township, this county, where he took charge of the Duncan Mills, at Falling Springs, which he conducted until 1860, doing an extensive merchant-milling business. In 1860 he came to Chambersburg, and in 1867 he published the *Valley Spirit*, in connection with J. M. Cooper and W. S. Stenger, later under the firm name of Duncan & Stenger, and remained in this enterprise until 1876, since when he has led rather a retired life, caring for his farms in Guilford Township, and in attending to his duties as one of the commissioners of the fisheries of Pennsylvania, to which position he was appointed by Gov. Pattison in 1884. Mr. Duncan served as a member of the town council, from the Second Ward, in 1882-83. He is a director of the Chambersburg National Bank, and also of the Chambersburg Gas Company. To Mr. and Mrs. Duncan were born three

children, two of whom died in infancy, and one, a daughter, at the age of fifteen. Mrs. Duncan departed this life in 1860. Our subject is a disciple of the noted Izaak Walton, and a substantial and esteemed citizen. In politics he is a Democrat.

DANIEL EBERSOLE, coal and lumber dealer, Chambersburg, was born in Guilford Township, Franklin County, Penn., April 11, 1841, son of Christian and Mary (Brubacker) Ebersole. His early life was passed on a farm where he received an ordinary common-school education. On the death of his father in 1865, he took charge of the home, and in 1867 was married to Carrie E., daughter of Jacob Bixler, formerly a resident of Greene Township. He engaged in lime-burning on the home place for the Adams County trade, delivering the product by teams; and doing an extensive business until 1878. From the fall of the latter year until the fall of 1881 he acted as agent for C. Altman & Co., of Canton, Ohio, dealing in agricultural implements. In the fall of 1881 he became a member of the firm of Finney & Ebersole, dealers in coal, lumber and agricultural implements, which partnership continued until January, 1885, when it was dissolved, Mr. Ebersole remaining in his present location on West Market Street, where he has since dealt in coal, lumber and farming implements, retaining the agency for Altman & Co. He carries a large stock in his line and is doing an extensive business. To Mr. and Mrs. Ebersole have been born three sons and four daughters, all living: Harry B., Emma K., Nannie V., Daniel C., Mary A., Edgar S. and Carrie M. Mr. Ebersole still resides on the home farm in Guilford Township, located two miles and a half from Chambersburg. The farm comprises 104 acres, and is the place on which his father located in about 1840. In politics he is a Republican.

ERNST ECKHARDT, boot and shoe dealer, Chambersburg, was born in Kamenz, Saxony, Germany, January 21, 1833, third born of Johannes and Catharine (Snyder) Eckhardt. Our subject was educated in the schools of Kamenz, and when but fourteen years of age commenced an apprenticeship of three and three-quarters years at shoe-making. He then worked as journeyman in various cities of his native land until immigrating to America in 1857. He came direct to Chambersburg, this county, and worked as journeyman here for three years. During this time he was married, July 18, 1858, to Justina Sophia Bauer, who was born in Germany April 9, 1834. In 1861 he purchased the site of his home, corner of Market and Federal Streets, and erected a portion of his present residence. He commenced the shoemaking business on his own account, which he continued until enlisting in Company D, Two Hundred and Tenth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He participated with that regiment in the battles of Hatcher's Run and Gravelly Run, and was present at the surrender of Gen. Lee. He served until the close of the war and was mustered out at Harrisburg, Penn., in June, 1865. He then returned to civil life and resumed his business which he has since conducted successfully. In 1866 our subject visited his mother (since deceased) in Germany. He completed his present residence and shop in 1868. Mr. and Mrs. Eckhardt have had eight children, of whom six are living: Katie C., Sophia C. and Mary E., all residents of Philadelphia, Penn.; and Charles H., Martha H. and Eliza A., at home. The family are members of the German Lutheran Church.

REV. JOHN EDGAR, PH. D., now (1887) and for the last four years president of Wilson Female College at Chambersburg, is the son of James Edgar, a Scotchman, who, with his wife, followed the profession of teaching before removing to this country in 1849. The subject of this sketch passed his youth in the city of Philadelphia; went through its system of public schools, and graduated with credit in June, 1860, from its public high school, an in-



stitution having collegiate standing, and presided over during most of Mr. Edgar's course by Dr. John S. Hart, a graduate of Princeton, and afterward professor of rhetoric in Princeton. Mr. Edgar, after graduating, taught for five years; first for two years near Dover, Del., and then gave up that position for one in Delaware County of his own State, and nearer his parents' home. While in this position, and holding it only for a few months, he was, though not yet of age, elected principal of the Twenty-fourth School in Philadelphia, and held it for nearly three years, until he determined to go to the Theological Seminary at Andover, Mass., in the fall of 1865, to prepare for entrance into the Presbyterian ministry. After graduating from Andover in the fall of 1868, he was licensed by the former Philadelphia Fourth Presbytery then sitting in old Pine Street Church of that city, the church in which Mr. Edgar had been brought up, mainly under the long pastorate of Rev. Thomas H. Brainerd, D. D., and where Mr. Edgar's parents belonged as members. His ordination the following spring was the act of the old Donegal Presbytery, now the Westminster, Mr. Edgar having accepted the charges of the Mount Joy and old Donegal Churches in Lancaster County, Penn. Shortly after leaving his first charge he was married, in 1870, to Elizabeth, daughter of Rev. Thomas M. Boggs, a former pastor of the old Donegal Church, and founder of the Mount Joy and Marietta Churches, a tablet in the vestibule of the latter church bearing testimony to the worth and labor of the founder, whose brother was also a pastor in the adjoining Paxton and Derry Churches, both brothers being thus prominent in the religious history of the central portion of the State, and holding in their lifetime these two old and historic churches of Donegal and Derry. After marriage Mr. Edgar accepted the charge of the Presbyterian church at New Bloomfield, Penn., about twenty-five miles west of Harrisburg, and was pastor there for thirteen years, and until he resigned to take the presidency of Wilson College. This course had been suggested to him some years before, and was then pressed upon him by many of his fellow presbyters who knew his early training in educational work, and also that he had not lost his love for such work nor his connection with it, for while pastor at New Bloomfield he had been induced to reorganize its declining academy, and had for many years, with the assistance of good helpers, made it a successful work. His feelings at the time that Wilson was first suggested to him, that he might seem as one who had put his hands to the plow and turned back, have been overruled by a gracious Providence, for, in the few years of Mr. Edgar's work at Wilson, many of his pupils have each year sought church connection, and indeed, the proviso of Wilson's charter, that its president shall always be a minister, was inserted by those who recognized, as does Mr. Edgar now, that a college is a parish in itself, and such has been the aim of Wilson's management, and the success has been not simply in mental and material progress, but in spiritual also.

COL. JAMES G. ELDER (deceased) was born in Bridgeport, Franklin Co., Penn., February 22, 1822. He was brought up on a farm and received only an ordinary common-school education. Early in life he learned the trade of whip-maker, and conducted that business in St. Thomas, this county, for many years, then, in company with Col. Dunlop Dixon (Sixth Pennsylvania Reserves), embarked in mercantile business in the same village, which they carried on for a period of years. As soon as the Rebellion broke out, Mr. Elder, with the military company of which he was captain, offered his services for three months, and was captain of Company B, Second Pennsylvania Regiment. At the expiration of the three months he re-enlisted as colonel of the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, and was wounded

in the hip at the battle of Fredericksburg, in the spring of 1862, and was present during the burning of the town that year by the rebels. Col. Elder served the people of Franklin County one term as treasurer, after the expiration of which he became a partner in the Franklin County Bank, with which he was connected several years. He then occupied himself attending to a farm, just outside the borough limits, which he managed until his death, which occurred October 16, 1882. February 17, 1845, Col. Elder was married to Mary E., daughter of John and Catherine Brindle, and born in Erie County, Penn., February 4, 1827. To this union nine children have been born, of whom six—four sons and two daughters—are living. Col. Elder was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and an influential and highly esteemed citizen. In politics he was a Republican. His widow is a resident of Chambersburg.

CHARLES EVANS, contractor and builder, Chambersburg, was born in Hamilton Township, Franklin County, Penn., October 29, 1813, son of Edward and Mary (Nitterhouse) Evans. Edward Evans was also a native of Hamilton Township and his ancestors were among the pioneers of the county. He reared to maturity a family of nine children, of whom but three (sons) survive. He died about nine years ago at the ripe age of ninety years. Charles Evans improved such educational advantages as the schools of the district afforded, and acquired a fair English training. Until fifteen years of age he resided on a farm, when he commenced an apprenticeship of six years at the trade of carpenter and joiner with his uncle, Philip Nitterhouse, of Chambersburg, and in 1837 went into partnership with him. The firm of Nitterhouse & Evans built the court-house at Chambersburg, which was destroyed in 1864 by the rebels. The partnership continued until the death of Mr. Nitterhouse in about 1847, when the business was continued for a number of years by Mr. Evans, who then engaged in farming in Greene and Hamilton Townships, at which he was occupied until the spring of 1864, when he returned to Chambersburg, where he has since resided. He then at once resumed the business of contracting and building, and has planned and erected a number of the substantial structures in Chambersburg and surrounding country. His son, C. E. Evans, has been a partner with him for the past five years, the firm being C. & C. E. Evans, carrying on an extensive business, employing from six to ten hands, and in connection with the business they conduct a planing-mill. About 1838 Mr. Evans was married to Margaret, daughter of Michael Minnich, an early settler of Chambersburg, and to this union were born sixteen children, of whom seven are living—three daughters and four sons. The mother died in May, 1878, a life-long member of the German Reformed Church. Our subject is one of the old and highly esteemed residents of Chambersburg.

GEORGE EYSTER, son of George S. Eyster, a merchant of Chambersburg, was born in that town in February, 1832, and died suddenly in Philadelphia, December 29, 1886. After having obtained a common-school education he entered Pennsylvania College at Gettysburg, graduating from there about the year 1850. On the 12th of April, 1854, he was admitted to the Franklin County bar, and in October, 1860, was elected district attorney of Franklin County. In October, 1854, he became partner and editor of the *Transcript*, the Know-nothing organ, which in December, 1855, was consolidated with the *Repository*. He continued a member of the new firm for several years. Early in the beginning of the war Mr. Eyster was appointed provost-marshal for the Southern Pennsylvania District, comprising Fulton, Franklin, Bedford and Somerset Counties. This position he occupied until the office was abolished, and at its discontinuance he took up his practice of law in Chambersburg. In 1868 he was appointed by Gen. Grant to the office of

assistant treasurer of the United States at Philadelphia and remained in that capacity until last June, when he was succeeded by S. Davis Page, the present incumbent. Mr. Eyster again took up the practice of his profession in Philadelphia, but on account of ill-health could do very little in that line. As a lawyer he displayed many strong qualities. While assistant treasurer he was very popular among the business community and performed his duties with much satisfaction to the department at Washington.

WILLIAM C. FINNEY, dealer in coal and lumber, Chambersburg, was born in St. Thomas Township, Franklin Co., Penn., July 14, 1835, eldest son of William C. and Margaret (Spahr) Finney. When our subject was an infant his father died and he became an inmate of the family of William Bratten of St. Thomas Township. He was reared a farmer, and his opportunities for obtaining an education were confined to the common schools of his neighborhood. At the age of eighteen years he commenced learning the carpenter and joiner trade, and after finishing his apprenticeship worked for others until 1866, when he commenced business in connection with a Mr. McCoy, under the firm title of McCoy & Finney, contractors and builders. Subsequently he carried on the business himself, and in the spring of 1877 the firm of Lortz & Finney, dealers in lumber and coal, was formed. Since then the firm changed several times and our subject is now alone conducting the business, which is in a flourishing condition. In 1857 Mr. Finney was married to Louisa Hoover, and to them have been born three children, two now living: William Edgar, a citizen of Chambersburg, and David Howard, now assisting his father in the business. The family attend Zion's Reformed Church. In politics our subject is a Democrat.

REV. JOHN FOHL, United Brethren minister, Chambersburg, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn., June 7, 1815, a son of John and Susannah (Gilbert) Fohl, who came to Antrim Township from Adams County, Penn., in 1809. Our subject grew up amid agricultural pursuits, attending, during the winter seasons, the country schools, until 1832. May 10 he was converted to God, and joined the United Brethren Church, and later in the same year attended the Gettysburg school. December 2, 1835, he entered the itinerancy of the United Brethren Church as a minister, and March 1, 1836, was assigned to Clearfield Circuit, which embraced the territory of five counties, a circumference of 250 miles through the forests and over the mountains, his salary being \$80. He next traveled Washington Circuit, which embraced a portion of five counties, and on which he remained one year. He received, for the labors of his second year, \$34. Frequently he had neither road nor path, but was governed by blazed trees through the dense forest, wherein were bears, panthers and wild cats, also deer in abundance. He traveled many miles in that dreary country, weeping and praying as he went for supporting grace. He was appointed to the Chambersburg Circuit in the year 1838-39. In the church of the United Brethren in Chambersburg, November 8, 1838, a great revival occurred, which was continued day and night for five weeks, during which about eighty-five souls were converted and added to the church. March 7, 1839, Mr. Fohl was married to Mary Radebaugh, one of the converts of said revival. After marriage he became a settled pastor of the church at Chambersburg, which was then constituted a station, and served the charge one year. In 1840 he was elected presiding elder and traveled the district for three years following, after which he was appointed to Shiremanstown station, and served the people there three years. His next appointment was to the Littlestown Circuit, Adams County, Penn., which he traveled two years, then was sent to York Spring Mission, thence to Lancaster Circuit, which he trav-

eled for two years. In the spring of 1853 he moved to Indiana, and was a resident of that State fifteen years, during which period he was city missionary in Cincinnati for one year; while in Indiana was engaged as agent for the American Bible Society and American Sunday School Union. In the fall of 1867 he returned to Penn., and after laboring in various places, again traveled the York Spring Circuit one year, thence to Mont Alto one year; thence one year to Mercersburg Circuit; in 1871 he was stationed at Mount Joy, in Lancaster County, and since that time has been without a charge, but has labored as a home missionary in different counties and without compensation. To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Fohl, eleven children were born (nine still living)—five daughters and six sons.

M. A. FOLTZ, Chambersburg, is the seventh son of Christian and Hannah Foltz, and was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., July 2, 1837. He had no educational advantages other than those afforded by the common schools until sent to Wilkes Barre, Penn., where he obtained a brief academic course. He returned home in 1854 and after working for one year on the farm entered the office of the *Transcript*, Chambersburg, in April, 1855. That paper merged into the *Repository* in December of the same year, in which office Mr. Foltz completed his trade in 1858. He was appointed foreman of that office three months before he was free, and continued as such until April, 1859, when he purchased a half interest in the *Times* with P. D. Frey. In the presidential campaign of 1860 the establishment was sold to Messrs. Sellers & Kennedy, his services being retained in the capacity of foreman. In 1861 he was tendered the foremanship and superintendency of the *Messenger* office, a position he accepted and held until the burning of Chambersburg. While in this establishment he was pressed into the service of the Confederacy for the printing at Lee's headquarters during the invasion antedating the battle of Gettysburg in 1863. A year later he was one of the citizens arrested as hostages for the money demand made upon Chambersburg prior to its burning. In the fall and winter of 1864-65 he was pressman in the *Repository* office. In the spring of 1865 he formed a second partnership with P. D. Frey, this time engaging in the hat and shoe business. He retired from that occupation a year later, however, and returning to his old employment, embarking in the job printing business in May, 1866, in connection with which he published a monthly advertising sheet, entitled *The Country Merchant*. In July, 1869, he started the *Public Opinion*, of which he is still editor and proprietor. From this it will be seen that he has been identified for over a quarter of a century with the newspaper business of Chambersburg. His success has been carved with his own hands, for when he entered Chambersburg in 1855, he had nothing to depend on but what he might earn. The enterprise which he established for himself eleven years later has grown into a flourishing one, and was a success from the start. Its views are widely copied and it is influential wherever it circulates. The business and material interests of Franklin County have always found a warm and zealous advocate in M. A. Foltz, through the medium of his paper. It was for the *Opinion* to take the initiative in all the recent local railroad enterprises, the erection of the water works in Chambersburg, the reorganization of the Franklin County Agricultural Society, and many other important matters. Of more recent date was its advocacy of the transfer of the Taylor works and Wolf & Hamaker's establishment to Chambersburg. Mr. Foltz has sought to make his journal a distinctively county paper, and, whilst Republican in politics, he has never hesitated to assert his independence when the public welfare seemed to demand it. He has never held office, though he frequently has represented his party in

the county, district, and State conventions, and his paper has done good service for the county organization. He married, November 6, 1860, Charlotte S., second daughter of Samuel and Susan Etter, and granddaughter of Godfrey Greenawalt, a union that was blessed with five children: Helen M. (who died in infancy), William E., Emma M., Herbert C. and Edward G.

WILLIAM FORBES, blacksmith, Chambersburg, was born in St. Thomas Township, Franklin Co., Penn., May 13, 1814, son of Joseph and Anna (Perry) Forbes. Joseph Forbes, a native of Ireland, immigrated to America about the commencement of the present century, and built a house in St. Thomas Township, this county; in which he kept hotel for many years. (He was a weaver by trade, which he carried on, as well as that of butcher, and during the war of 1812-14 he butchered for the army.) He reared to maturity seven children, of whom three survive—one daughter and two sons—and died October 19, 1824; his widow died October 17, 1832. Our subject was educated in the public schools. He was thrown on his own resources at the age of twelve, and worked for others till his twentieth year, when, in December, 1834, he commenced an apprenticeship of three years at blacksmithing. He then worked as journeyman in various places until his marriage, November 11, 1841, with Margaret Sanderson, a native of Shippensburg, Cumberland Co., Penn., born December 18, 1823. Of the seven children born to this union five are now living—three daughters and two sons. After marriage Mr. Forbes resided in Cumberland County, Penn., some eighteen years, and engaged in blacksmithing. In 1859 he came to Funkstown, Franklin County, remaining there till the fall of 1862, when he came to Chambersburg and opened the blacksmith shop he still owns, and which he conducted until 1885. He is a successful business man. Mrs. Forbes died December 19, 1884. Mr. Forbes (as was also his wife) is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

JOSEPH N. FORBES, dealer in marble and granite, Chambersburg, was born in Mifflin Township, Cumberland Co., Penn., December 29, 1845, son of William and Margaret (Sanderson) Forbes. He attended the schools of his neighborhood, and in the fall of 1861 his parents removed to Chambersburg, where for several years he received the benefits of the public schools. In May, 1864, he commenced serving an apprenticeship of three years as marble-cutter with John A. Grove. Subsequently he acquired a further knowledge of the trade in Pittsburgh, where he worked four years. In 1872 Mr. Forbes commenced for himself at Blairsville, Indiana Co., Penn., and there carried on the business four years, and then for eighteen months at Shippensburg. June 14, 1877, he was married to Lydia Altman, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. A recently published article thus alludes to our subject, and the establishment of which he is at the head: "Eight years ago the yard we refer to was founded by Forbes & Earhart, who continued in partnership for four years, when Mr. Earhart was succeeded by John Manning. One year afterward Mr. Manning retired, since which time Mr. Forbes has conducted the business alone, at the corner of North Main and King Streets, where a building 32x32 feet is occupied, the ground used being 33x70 feet. Six hands are employed in the busy season, and work is shipped to all parts of the valley and surrounding counties, a \$1,000 Scotch granite monument being now finished for the Greencastle Cemetery. The stock of finished work kept on hand by Mr. Forbes is unequaled, and all work is finished in the highest style of the sculptor's art, as this gentleman is a workman of twenty years' experience, and personally superintends all work. His prices for monuments, enclosure, statuary tablets, etc., are the very lowest consistent with first-class work. He is an honorable business man and upright citizen, and we know that in the

future, as in the past, he will continue to produce the best work in this section."

GEORGE FOREMAN, merchant, Chambersburg, was born in Waynesboro, Franklin County, February 14, 1819, son of Frederick and Sarah (Burger) Foreman. He grew up amid agricultural pursuits, and received instruction in the common schools of Quincy Township, and in 1847 attended school in Waynesboro, Geo. S. Foulk, teacher, where he completed his education. He then taught school for some time, and during the summers was engaged in farming, teaming, etc. In 1852 he removed to Harrisonburg, Va., and there went into the notion business for one year, when he returned to Quincy, Franklin County, and entered mercantile business, which he pursued for several years. In the fall of 1859 he became a resident of Chambersburg, having been appointed clerk of the board of county commissioners, a position he filled continuously until April, 1870. In June, 1872, he was appointed United States storekeeper in the internal revenue service, the duties of which office he performed until July, 1885. In March, 1885, he purchased the grocery on the corner of Queen and Third Streets, which now claims his attention. Mr. Foreman was married, in 1853, to Elizabeth, daughter of Andrew Davis, a laborer and well-known resident of Quincy Township, and to the marriage have been born ten children: Edward W., Gerrett D. (deceased), George W., Anderson, Charles (deceased), Rachel (deceased), Florence May, Susan E., Henrietta J., Edith (deceased). Mr. and Mrs. Foreman and part of the family are members of the German Reformed Church. In politics he is a Republican. The father of our subject, Frederick Foreman, was born in 1787, in Washington Township, Franklin County, where about that year his father, also named Frederick, was a pioneer. Frederick Foreman, the second, had a family of seven children, one daughter and three sons of whom survive. The father died in 1823. The mother of this subject was born in Virginia in 1792, her parents being natives and pioneers of this county.

ALEXANDER FRITZ (deceased) was born in Warren Township, Franklin Co., Penn., February 20, 1819, eldest child of Frederick and Margaret (Bevens) Fritz. He grew to manhood on his father's farm and received such education as the schools of the neighborhood afforded. At the age of twenty-two years he left the farm and went to Ohio, remained there about a year and a half, returned to Mercersburg, and for the next two-and-a-half years was here employed in stage-driving from Mercersburg to Greencastle. He located in Chambersburg in 1849, where he continued in the same occupation, driving a stage from Chambersburg to Gettysburg, and subsequently drove to and from other points in this vicinity. In 1852 he was appointed agent at Chambersburg of the various stage routes, which position he held for four years, and during that time, in 1853, married in Chambersburg, Barbara, daughter of David Bachtel, a former well-known resident of Hamilton Township, this county. About 1855 or 1856, he was appointed baggage master from Harrisburg to Hagerstown, and later from Harrisburg to Martinsburg, W. Va., and served in that capacity until February, 1882, when declining health compelled him to relinquish the position, and from that year Mr. Fritz led a retired life. He died September 16, 1886, a member of the Central Presbyterian Church. Mr. Fritz was a self-made man, and a good citizen. He built a handsome residence on the site of his home that was destroyed by fire in 1864, the fruits of industry and economy. Mrs. Fritz is a member of the Central Presbyterian Church.

W. RUSH GILLAN, attorney at law, Chambersburg, was born in Hamilton Township, Franklin Co., Penn., April 3, 1850, the youngest son of John and Margaret (Walter) Gillan. He removed with his parents to St. Thomas Township,

this county, where he attended school, alternately with farming pursuits, until the age of seventeen. He then taught school for one season, and in 1868 the family removed to Letterkenney Township, this county, where our subject attended an advanced school for three months. He then taught in various places, including the graded school in St. Thomas, for two winters, and conducted a private school in the same place during the summer. In the fall of 1871 he entered Mercersburg College, which he attended one session, and then engaged in clerking for some months. In August, 1872, he came to Chambersburg and engaged in the grocery trade until 1875. That year he was elected clerk of the courts for three years, during which period he was also engaged in reading law in the office of Hon. W. S. Stenger and James A. McKnight; admitted to the bar September 1, 1879, and immediately commenced practice, which he has since continued with success. In 1874, Mr. Gillan was school director, and in 1879-80, was clerk of the town council. From 1882 to 1885 he was attorney to the board of county commissioners, and is at present school director from the Third Ward. Mr. Gillan married in February, 1874, Lucy M., daughter of Joseph Winger, of Clay Lick, this county, and by her has one son and three daughters: Arthur, Mabel, Ruth and Abigail. The parents are members of the Reformed Church. Mr. Gillan is a member of the board of regents of Mercersburg College. In politics he is a Democrat.

THOMAS R. GILLAND, attorney at law, Chambersburg, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn., December 25, 1840, eldest son of Thomas and Susan (Conrod) Gilland. He was reared on his father's farm in Antrim Township, in the schools of which he received a fair English education, which enabled him to teach school successfully for fifteen winter sessions. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, which was placed in the Eighteenth Army Corps, and during his term of service he participated in the various skirmishes and engagements of the command. He was discharged, and mustered out of the service at Chambersburg, in the fall of 1863. The following year he passed in the State of Indiana, returning to the home place in the fall of 1865, and for the next fourteen years was engaged in farming, teaching, and reading law in the office of Stenger & McKnight. In September, 1879, he was admitted to the bar, and commenced the practice of his profession at Chambersburg, in connection with which he served as clerk of the county commissioners, during the years 1882-83-84, since which time he has devoted his attention wholly to law, and is at present attorney for the town council. In 1868 Mr. Gilland was married to Miss A. R., daughter of William Vanderau, of Chambersburg, and to this union one son, Edgar R., was born, April 3, 1870. Mr. Gilland has been a member of the I. O. O. F. for many years, and a member of the G. A. R. since the organization of P. B. Housum Post, No. 309, of which he is at present commander, also aid-de-camp to the commander-in-chief of the National department of the G. A. R. In politics he is a Democrat. He and family are members of the German Reformed Church.

B. FRANK GILMORE, youngest son of William Gilmore (deceased), was born in Chambersburg, September 13, 1843, and attended the public schools until 1860. He was married in 1869 to Miss Laura E. Black, of Newville, Penn., and they have one child, Harry M. Gilmore, living. Our subject learned telegraphing in 1861, and in May of that year took a position in the Atlantic & Ohio office at Chambersburg, in which position he remained until August, 1864. During this period, as is well known, Chambersburg was an important military station, and the duties of the office were not only arduous, but at times of vast importance to the authorities at Harrisburg and Washington. Mr. Gil-

more has in his possession the key to the cipher used in transmitting dispatches between these points, and as there were but four in the department, it is likely that this is the only one in existence. During Lee's invasion in 1863, in company with T. C. Wilson, a *New York Herald* reporter, and three linemen, Mr. Gilmore traveled down the Cumberland Valley on a hand-car in front of Jenkins' cavalry, the advance of Lee's army. The authorities at Harrisburg were thus kept advised every little while of the situation, which was telegraphed them from fence corners, way stations, etc. Col. A. K. McClure, now the editor of the *Philadelphia Times*, but during the war a resident of Chambersburg, and an important member of Gov. Curtin's military staff, and who was also a close friend of President Lincoln, has this to say in regard to Mr. Gilmore's services during these trying and exciting times: "I had almost constant opportunity to know the fidelity and efficiency of Mr. B. F. Gilmore in and about Chambersburg during the war, and it is only due to him to say that his services were of inestimable value to the community and to the State and National Governments. He was constant, night and day, when his labors were needed, and always most efficient and trustworthy. He is one of the few whose services were not rewarded justly, and they should not be forgotten." (Signed, A. K. McClure.) This paper is endorsed as follows: "It affords me great pleasure to fully verify and endorse all Col. McClure says in this letter of B. F. Gilmore." Signed, A. G. Curtin. In August, 1864, Mr. Gilmore joined the United States Military Telegraph Corps, and was stationed at Morehead City, N. C. Owing to the prevalence of the yellow fever in this department—three operators out of six having died within ten days—the offices were closed, and he returned to his old position at Chambersburg. After the war he was employed by the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, and remained in their employ until 1881, with the exception of three years, in which he was employed at telegraphing, working at Kane, Oil City, Titusville and Pittsburgh, Penn., and Wheeling, W. Va. Since 1881 Mr. Gilmore has been manager of the Western Union Telegraph office, and ticket agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad at their city office in Chambersburg.

PAUL GOERNER, teacher of music, Chambersburg, was born in Weimar, Saxony, August 6, 1856, the second son of Charles and Ida Goerner. He was educated in the schools of Weimar until ten years of age, and in his fifteenth year entered the gymnasium in Zurich, Switzerland. Returning to Weimar he decided upon adopting the profession of music. He had received instruction in that art from an early age, and, in 1871, attended the Orchestral School of Music at Weimar, under Prof. Sassen, who for three years was a friend and colleague of Abbé Liszt. Our subject then studied in the Conservatory of Music at Leipsic one year, under Prof. Mueller. Mr. Goerner emigrated to America and located in Columbus, Ohio, where he was engaged in teaching music until 1880. He then returned to Europe on a visit in the latter part of 1883, and, once more coming to America, located in Chambersburg, in March, 1884, and here he has since devoted his attention to teaching pianoforte and vocal music. He is pronounced a successful and proficient teacher. He makes the systematic fingering, touch and expression a special feature.

N. PEARSE GROVE, painter, Chambersburg, was born at this place, July 21, 1840, eldest son of Alexander and Mary (Pearse) Grove, the former of whom was born in Chambersburg in 1809, his father, William Grove, a prominent man in his day, and a wagon-maker by trade, having located in this place in an early day. Alexander Grove conducted the same business successfully during his active life. He reared to maturity a family of seven



children—three daughters and four sons. He was a member of the town council at various times; died in 1857. His widow still survives him. Our subject was educated in the public schools, and learned the trade of house painter when eighteen years of age, then embarked in business on his own account in 1861, in which he has since continued, employing usually about eight hands. Mr. Grove was married in 1868, to Margaret, daughter of Samuel Seibert, a former prominent citizen of Chambersburg. Six children were born to this union, four living—two sons and two daughters. Mr. Grove served as a member of the council for two terms, first in 1880 and again in 1885-86. The family are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Grove is a member of the Masonic fraternity and of the I. O. O. F.

MISS MARY ANN GROVE, Chambersburg, was born in Franklin County, Penn., youngest daughter of John and Elizabeth (Palmer) Grove. John Grove, also a native of Pennsylvania, born January 9, 1776, came to this county early in life and here learned his trade (wagon-making), which he followed in Letterkenny Township some years, where he also engaged in farming for many years. He subsequently purchased a farm in Hamilton Township, this county, where he spent the balance of his days. He reared to maturity a family of six children of whom but two now survive: George W., a resident of Illinois, and Mary Ann. John Grove never aspired to public position. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, an esteemed, substantial citizen and successful business man. He died February 28, 1863, his wife having preceded him June 10, 1858. Our subject was educated in the schools of Chambersburg, and is a lady of intelligence and of much historical information, occupying a central and commodious residence on South Main Street, Chambersburg, Penn. She has been a member of the Lutheran Church for many years.

JOHN HARMONY (deceased) was born in Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn., in 1801 (his father, Peter, having been an early settler of that county) and spent the most of his days as a farmer on the home place in Guilford Township. He reared to manhood and womanhood eleven children, six of whom are living—four sons and two daughters. His death occurred at Chambersburg, in February, 1880.

DANIEL HARMONY, foreman of the furniture factory of H. Sierer & Co., Chambersburg, was born in Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn., September 12, 1831, eldest son of John and Martha (Palmer) Harmony. Until sixteen years of age he resided on his father's farm and received a fair common-school education. He then went to Chambersburg, and learned cabinet-making under the instruction of George Florey & Son, which trade he followed for several years, when he returned to Guilford Township, and engaged in farming on the home place for eight years. In May, 1861, he returned to Chambersburg, where he has since resided and been engaged in cabinet-making, having been in the employ of Henry Sierer for the past twenty years, during nearly all of which period he has been foreman of the furniture factory of H. Sierer & Co. Mr. Harmony was married to Mary, daughter of William Miles, a former resident of Chambersburg, and to them were born eight children, of whom four sons and three daughters are living. The family is identified with the Lutheran Church. Mr. Harmony has been a member of the I. O. O. F. for many years, also of the American Mechanics. He represented the Fourth Ward in the town council two continuous terms of two years each.

REV. A. STEWART HARTMAN, pastor of the first Lutheran Church, Chambersburg. About midway between the villages of Cashtown and Mum-

masburg, in Franklin Township, Adams Co., Penn., where the road crosses Marsh Creek, stands a mill which, for nearly two generations, has been known as "Hartman's Mill." Opposite it is a dwelling-house, and here on the 19th of December, 1845, Rev. A. Stewart Hartman was born. Shortly afterward, in the spring of 1847, his parents removed to "Auch-la-clay," a farm in Mountjoy Township, about seven miles southeast of Gettysburg and four miles west of Littlestown. Here on the farm, and in the midst of a plain rural community, and possessed of very meager educational and church privileges, Mr. Hartman passed the years of his early life. The nearest church was three and one-half miles distant, and services were observed in English only once in four weeks. The district school which he attended was open only from three to four months each year. While Prof. A. Sheely, the present superintendent of schools of Adams County, was the teacher of the school, during the winter of 1858-59, an impulse was given him in the pursuit of an education. A year later, at the earnest solicitation of Prof. F. B. Wolf, his parents were induced to gratify his desire for an education, and send him to the academy conducted by that gentleman in Littlestown. In April, 1860, he entered the academy, but regular attendance was prevented by the claims upon his time on the farm during the busy seasons of the year. While attending the academy he boarded at home and generally walked to and from school, a distance of eight miles daily. In this academy at Littlestown Mr. Hartman continued until the spring of 1863, when, the principal having entered the army, the school was closed. Amid the thrilling scenes of that summer and autumn, the rebel invasion and the battle of Gettysburg, the matter of an education was lost sight of in the all-absorbing one of the war. But no sooner had the excitement subsided than his cherished project, that of obtaining an education and of entering the ministry, was again uppermost in his thoughts, and in November of the same year he entered Pennsylvania College at Gettysburg, and was graduated therefrom in August, 1868. The following September he entered the theological seminary of the evangelical synod of the Lutheran Church, where he prosecuted his studies one year. During the vacation following he supplied, with much acceptance, the pulpit of the Lutheran Church at Greencastle, Franklin County. At the expiration of his vacation he entered Union Seminary in New York City, where he was graduated May 5, 1871. Before his graduation, in October, 1870, the synod of New York licensed Mr. Hartman to preach the gospel, and one month later he was unanimously elected to the pastorate of the church at Ghent, N. Y. The first six months he was with his congregation only on the Sabbath, going from New York on Saturday evening and returning on Monday morning. At Ghent Rev. Hartman's ministry was an exceedingly pleasant and successful one. His first congregation, his whole energy was bent on the serving of it in a manner satisfactory to himself and beneficial to his members. But his pastorate here was of short length, for dissensions having arisen in St. Matthew's Church of Brooklyn, and the president of the synod, the venerable Dr. Pohlman believing that these could best be healed by Mr. Hartman, he was prevailed upon to sacrifice his own comforts and inclination and go in the path which duty opened for him. Accepting the call from this charge he exerted himself in the pacification of the disagreeing parties. In this he was highly successful, reconciling the distractive elements and promoting the welfare of the church. At the end of two years he accepted the call to Chambersburg, impelled thereto by the prospect of a larger field of usefulness. His ministry here extends over a period of almost twelve years, and has been abundant in good works. His earnest endeavors, in the prosecution of his clerical labors, have won for his church a pleasing addition of members and the

confidence of all his people. Fearless in the denunciation of what appears to him wrong, he has unfalteringly waged a bitter warfare against such. A clear thinker, a forcible writer and an impressive speaker, his productions are always of acknowledged merit and stamped with the impress of a master mind. A man of energy, no obstacles have been sufficient to balk him in the pursuance of his ends. The expenses of his college and theological courses were defrayed largely by his own labor. While a junior in college he devoted more than half of the year to teaching in Taneytown, Md., and in the Gettysburg Normal School, of which he was for a time assistant principal. During his course in the Union Seminary he occupied chairs in the faculties of different schools. In the young ladies' school at West New Brighton, presided over by Mrs. A. H. Leenowen, the distinguished authoress, and at one time the English governess at the Siamese court, he had charge of the mathematical and classical department. He also held the same position, at the same time, in the academy for young ladies near Fort Hamilton, Long Island, of which Miss Ritchie was principal. Afterward, while pastor of St. Matthew's Church, he resumed the latter position. One source of Rev. Hartman's success and popularity in the ministry is the interest he takes in the children of a church and the excellent results which meet his labors with them. When sixteen years old he became a teacher in the Sunday-school, and at nineteen was elected superintendent. During a period of twenty years the Sunday-school room has been one of his battle grounds for Christianity. In this time he has served continuously as a teacher and officer. While attending Union Seminary he was Sunday-school missionary of St. James' Lutheran Church, and as such gathered together and organized a mission Sunday-school on Chrystie Street, in the midst of a degraded and crowded tenement district. The salutary influence for a long time exerted by this school more than met the fondest hopes of its founder. Rev. Hartman is an earnest advocate of the time honored custom in the Lutheran Church of catechisation, and diligently employs it in his church work. During five or six months of the year his classes aggregate nearly a hundred young men and women who are thus indoctrinated in the teachings of the church. He is loyal to the spirit and practice of historical Lutheranism, and adheres closely to what he considers the best features of his church in the past. Faithfully carrying out the doctrines of the general synod, Rev. Hartman has, by most energetic work, given to his church here (always occupying a prominent place in the community and in the counsels of the church at large), the distinction of being the largest single congregation in the Cumberland Valley. The present membership numbers more than 500, its numerical strength at present being greater than ever before in its history. But while thus busily engaged with the spiritual affairs of his immediate charge, and adding continually to his list of communicants, Rev. Hartman has also found time to devote to the work of the church at large, and has also held many positions in the various synods and boards connected with the educational and missionary work of the church. For three years he occupied the position of president of the West Pennsylvania Synod. Thrice he was selected as one of the representatives of his synod to the conventions of the general synod—at the one held at Wooster, Ohio, in 1879, and again in the convention which met at Springfield, Ohio, in 1883, and to the next convention at Omaha, Neb. At Springfield he was elected a member of the board of home missions, although residing nearly a hundred miles from the seat of the board in Baltimore. For several years he has been a trustee of the Orphans' Home at Loysville, Perry County, and is the secretary of the board. Rev. Hartman also served as a director in the Theological Seminary of the Lutheran Church, located at Gettysburg.

VAN T. HAULMAN was born in the village of St. Thomas, Franklin Co., Penn., January 22, 1850, the only son of David B. and Mary (Reed) Haulman. He was educated in the public schools and at Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, Penn., which institution he attended two years. He then taught school for one year. In 1870 he came to Chambersburg, where for some years he engaged in clerking. For one year (1872) he was a member of the firm of James B. Gillan & Co., from which he retired and again engaged in clerking for Kindline & Gillan, continuing with them until May, 1878. He then became the nominee of the Republican party for clerk of the courts of Franklin County, and was elected in the fall of the same year for a term of three years; was again elected in 1881 and served three years more. He then led a retired life one year. In February, 1886, he was elected justice of the peace for a term of five years. Mr. Haulman married, January 12, 1874, Louisa V., daughter of John Miller, a former resident of Chambersburg, and by her has one daughter, Gertrude M., born April 15, 1875. Mr. and Mrs. Haulman are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is a member of Chambersburg Lodge, No. 175, I. O. O. F., and K. of P. He has been a member of the Republican State Committee, also secretary and treasurer of the Franklin Electric Company.

PETER HEEFNER, passenger agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, Chambersburg, was born in Quincy Township, Franklin County, Penn., March 16, 1823, son of John W. and E. (Mann) Heefner. John Heefner, his grandfather, was a pioneer of Quincy Township, the original settler, where Funkstown now stands; he was a large landholder, and built a mill and distillery in an early day. He came to America with his parents when nine years of age, and his death occurred in 1826 or 1827. John W. resided on a portion of the home place the greater part of his life. He reared to maturity four children, two of whom are living—Peter and Levi, the latter a resident of Guilford Township. John W. Heefner died about 1854 or 1855. Peter Heefner was brought up on a farm until he was twenty years old, receiving a fair education in the neighboring schools. About 1843 he went into the butchering business in Funkstown, and about two years later purchased the mercantile business in the same place, from George Lowry, which he conducted for three or four years, and then kept hotel there one year. In 1850, or thereabouts, he came to Chambersburg and conducted the "Golden Lamb" Hotel for one year, when he returned to Funkstown, took up the butchering business again, which he carried on for some years, and then he engaged in manufacturing lucifer matches, removing the establishment to Chambersburg, in 1859, where he continued the business in a successful manner until the fall of 1862, when he was drafted into the army. He served out his term in the One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. On his return to civil life, ill health compelled him to retire for some time, when he engaged in clerking. Subsequently he embarked in the grocery trade, in which he did a successful business for ten years. About 1876 he opened a railroad agency, with which he has since been identified, representing western railroads, among which is the Union Pacific. He is agent at this place for the Pennsylvania Company. Mr. Heefner was first married December 18, 1844, to Margaret Donnelly, to which marriage were born six children, two of whom are living; his wife died in 1856, and in 1859 he married Lydia Ann Hollenberger, by whom he has one son—Harry Edgar, born March 17, 1863, now residing with his parents. Our subject, for a period under the Polk administration, served as postmaster of Funkstown; was reappointed to the office but declined further service.

F. A. HENNINGER, manufacturer of cigars, Chambersburg, was born in

that place January 18, 1846, eldest son of Frederick and Ethelinda (Eyster) Henninger. He obtained an ordinary common-school education in the public schools of his native town, and during vacation gained a knowledge of the trade of cigar-making, at which, for a period, he worked for others. In 1868 he commenced for himself the manufacturing of cigars, continuing the same for a time; then disposed of his establishment, selling to Robert Smiley. For nine months Mr. Henninger was a resident of Connecticut; then returned to Chambersburg, and entered the employ of George Bietsch, with whom he remained for a short period, when he was again absent from Chambersburg, a resident of Camden, N. J., and of Philadelphia, Penn. In 1884 he returned to Chambersburg, where he established his present business, in the carrying on of which he employs four hands, and is conducting a satisfactory trade. January 24, 1869, Mr. Henninger was married to Virginia Palmer, and to them have been born three children, two of whom are living: Frederick Keefer and Blanche. Our subject was elected to the town council in 1880 for a term of two years, and was again elected to the same position in 1886.

DANIEL HERMAN, dealer in coal and lumber, Chambersburg, was born in Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn., November 29, 1835, son of Jeremiah and Elizabeth (Yankey) Herman. He received a fair education in the common schools of his vicinity, attending at Fayetteville; also at the academies in Mount Pleasant and at Chambersburg. He grew up on a farm, and was occupied in agricultural pursuits and teaching school during winters and occasional summer sessions. In 1859 he was married to Charlotte S., daughter of William M. Reed, a well known resident of Chambersburg. He conducted and lived on a farm in Guilford Township for twelve years, and in the spring of 1873 located in Chambersburg and became a partner in the firm of Gilbert, Eckel & Herman, in the carrying on of a machine shop and foundry. With them he remained three years, when he became the sole proprietor, and added to the same a lumber yard, continuing the business one year, from which he retired in the spring of 1877. In the following fall he located in Kansas, where for nearly four years he was engaged in the hardware business, and dealt in agricultural implements. He returned to Chambersburg in 1881, and for more than two years was in the employ of Finney & Ebersole, as book-keeper and manager of one of their yards. In the fall of 1885, Mr. Herman commenced the coal and lumber business on the corner of Washington and Third Streets, the same being a fine location, and the business is flourishing. Mr. and Mrs. Herman are the parents of one daughter, Clara A. All are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Our subject is an enterprising and public-spirited citizen.

W. H. HOLBY, merchant, Chambersburg, is a native of Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn., born March 15, 1843; a son of Henry and Catherine (Faust) Holby, the former of whom was born in the same county, August 30, 1813, and was a gunsmith and farmer by trade and occupation. Henry Holby reared a family of six children—three sons and three daughters. His death occurred August 30, 1883. Our subject was educated in the public schools of Hamilton Township, and there worked on a farm until nineteen years of age, when, in 1863, he came to Chambersburg, and served an apprenticeship of two years and nine months with David Croft, at the trade of coach-smith. After completing his apprenticeship he worked as a journeyman in various places for some eight years, and in the spring of 1867, commenced for himself the business of coachsmithing in Newville, Cumberland County, where he carried on the business for two years, and in the spring of 1869 returned to Chambersburg. Here, in 1870, he engaged as clerk in the grocery

house of Feterhoof & Garber, with which firm he remained until March, 1876, when he became proprietor of one of the stores carried on by the firm, and since that time has continued in the same trade, removing to his present location, in February, 1886. He is now doing an extensive business in groceries and crockery ware. November 11, 1866, Mr. Holby married Catherine, daughter of Philip Lemaster, a former resident of Guilford Township, this county. They are the parents of five children, two living—Annie May and Harvey P. Mr. and Mrs. Holby are members of the United Brethren Church. In politics he is a Democrat.

JACOB HOKE, merchant and author, Chambersburg, was born in McConnellsburg, Penn., March 17, 1825, a son of Henry and Sarah (Eyster) Hoke. He was educated in the village schools until twelve years of age, and then clerked in a country store until May, 1841. In that year he came to Chambersburg and engaged as a clerk in various mercantile establishments until August, 1848, when he commenced business on the northeast corner of the "Diamond" under firm name of Oaks & Hoke. This partnership continued until 1850, when the firm became Hoke & Kirkpatrick, continuing in business for about two years; then through the death of Mr. Kirkpatrick the firm became J. & J. W. Hoke for two years; then J. Hoke & Co. until 1880. The firm is now Hoke & Appenzeller. Mr. Hoke's cash capital when he came to Chambersburg was five cents, but by strict economy and close attention to business he accumulated a few hundred dollars to commence business in a small way. He is now at the head of the most extensive dry goods business in Chambersburg, although nominally leading a retired life. After coming to Chambersburg he commenced buying books and pursuing a course of study in the intervals of business and at night, and his knowledge of the English language was thus enlarged. His school advantages were limited, but he has acquired a general knowledge of literature, theology, etc. In 1841, the year he came to Chambersburg, he united with the United Brethren Church in which he has since continued. Although actively engaged in business during these years he has written three religious works of a standard character, published by the United Brethren Publishing Company of Dayton, Ohio, which have had a very large circulation. Being a resident of Chambersburg during the rebellion, he kept a memorandum of dates and events, and being a close observer he wrote a series of forty-two articles, averaging three-and-a-half columns each for a local paper, in which the history of the war in and about Chambersburg and the southern border of the State appeared. These articles were subsequently republished in book form which have met with a favorable reception, and are considered the most reliable matter published as regards history, dates, etc. He has now in press a work entitled "The Great Invasion, or Gen. Lee in Pennsylvania." During the war he was active in aiding the wounded and unfortunate, both in the Union and Southern Armies. Mr. Hoke for a time delivered lectures for the benefit of schools, colleges and benevolent institutions upon the invasion and battle of Gettysburg, but ill health compelled him to abandon that work, and led to the writing of the work now in press. Mr. Hoke never aspired to public position. He has been president and treasurer of the Franklin County Bible Society, and filled numerous positions in church and benevolent association. He married, in 1850, Margaretta McClellan, who died in 1875, and he then married, in 1880, Mrs. Annie M. Hutton. He is, politically, a Republican.

W. R. HOUSER, grocer, Chambersburg, was born in that place May 9, 1857, a son of Michael W. and Sarah (Fisher) Houser. He received instruction in the common branches in the public schools, and in the academy of

Chambersburg, and when but fifteen years of age became employed as a clerk. Four years later he began an apprenticeship at the trade of coach-maker, and after completing his apprenticeship worked as a journeyman until commencing the coal and lumber business with W. C. Finney in 1880, and continued in it until 1882. In the latter year he established the house of Houser & Burkhart, dealers in groceries, but disposed of his interest in 1883, when he formed the firm of W. R. Houser & Co., dealers in staple and fancy groceries, which is doing a large business. Mr. Houser, in 1878, was married to Miss Mary, daughter of Christian Burkhart, a well-known business man of Chambersburg. Mr. and Mrs. Houser are the parents of one daughter and one son. They are members of the Zion's Reformed Church. Mr. Houser is identified with the I. O. O. F., the K. of P. and the S. of V.

REV. B. G. HUBER, clergyman and editor, Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., December 8, 1846, second son of Christian and Catherine (Grove) Huber. His early life was passed on a farm in his native township, where he remained until the death of his mother in 1861, and worked at farming until February, 1865, when he enlisted in the One Hundred and Third Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served until the war was over, being discharged in July, 1865, at Harrisburg. He returned to civil life and for three terms taught school, during which time he attended the normal school at Millersville for one summer term. In 1868 he attended a conference of the United Brethren Church at York, and was there assigned as junior preacher to Greencastle charge, where he remained one year. He then served a charge in Perry County, two years. He was then sent to Shoop's Station, in Cumberland County, where he preached two years, and then came to Chambersburg, and was pastor of the United Brethren Church in 1873-74. He subsequently served one year as pastor of a church in Baltimore, Md., during which time he became publishing agent for the monthly periodical, "*Highway of Holiness*," of which periodical he afterward became editor, published in various places where he had charges until 1880, when it was permanently established at Chambersburg, and which in the spring of 1886 was changed to newspaper form, Mr. Huber becoming sole proprietor. This paper is extensively circulated among the United Brethren in Christ. Our subject, at present, in addition to his publishing and editorial work, has charge of three appointments in the vicinity of Chambersburg. In the spring of 1870 he was married to Naomi J. Cormany, and to them have been born seven children (of whom six are living—four sons and two daughters): Seba Cormany, Harry Iverson, Rilla Bell, Amos Castle (deceased), Ora Edwards, Lester Hoke and Bertha Grace. Mr. Huber comes from a family noted for producing ministers. His grandfather was a preacher, and so were fourteen of his nearest relatives and uncles and cousins. In politics he was a Republican, but now a Prohibitionist.

JOHN HUBER of B., treasurer of Chambersburg Woolen Mills, Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., August 23, 1809, second son of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Risser) Huber. He was reared on the farm originally settled by Abraham Risser, and received such meager school privileges as the townships of that time afforded. In 1833 he married Mary Heilman, and after that event they resided in Lebanon County, Penn. Returning to Letterkenny Township he purchased the home place from his father, and continued to reside on and conduct the same until coming to Chambersburg in 1868, where he has since resided. The home place he has disposed of to his son, Heilman S. Huber. Mr. Huber was appointed treasurer of Chambersburg Woolen Mills in 1883, a position he still holds; is also a di-

rector in the Taylor Manufacturing Company. He is one of the solid men of the city. To Mr. and Mrs. Huber six children have been born, three of whom are living: Eliza, now the wife of William Keefer, of Letterkenny Township, this county; Heilman S., also of Letterkenny Township; Mary Emma, wife of John McFerren, of Chambersburg. The parents are members of the United Brethren Church.

JOHN HUBER, retired, Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, this county, March 5, 1811; eldest child of Abraham and Hannah (Besor) Huber; was educated in such schools as then existed in Letterkenny Township, and reared to farming pursuits on the home place. In 1840 he married Mary Rhodes, and the same year removed to Chambersburg, where, in company with his brother, he engaged in the hardware business. Thus he continued successfully for many years, and for a time the firm was known as Huber & Tolbert, and later, Mr. Huber conducted the business alone, until retiring from the same in 1881 or 1882. In 1871 he was elected president of the Chambersburg Woolen Company, a position he still fills. He was elected assessor of Letterkenny Township in early life and in about 1853 was elected county commissioner. In 1857 he was elected associate judge of Franklin County for a term of five years. The Judge has been twice married, and to his first marriage were born six children (four now living—two daughters and two sons): A. A., B. F., S. A., Clara, Mary E. and Ida. The first Mrs. Huber died in 1871, and Mr. Huber married, in 1875, Elizabeth Spreacher, who died in August, 1882.

ABRAM S. HULL, master mechanic of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, Chambersburg, was born in Strasburg, Lancaster Co., Penn., March 26, 1826, son of Daniel and Susan (Markley) Hull. His father, one of the oldest locomotive engineers in the country, was born in Strasburg, Lancaster County, October 16, 1798. In early life he, Daniel Hull, learned the carpenter's trade. In 1834 he commenced work on a railroad by accepting the position of fireman on one of the first locomotives of the old State road from Philadelphia to Columbia, and in the following year was given charge of an engine. In 1838 he left the State road and went to the Cumberland Valley Railroad, where he remained twelve years, for seven of those years having charge of the shops at Chambersburg. After a short service on the Erie Road, he went to the Pennsylvania Railroad, and in 1854 accepted a position with Norris & Bros., locomotive builders, serving there and with the Lancaster Locomotive Works for several years. He finally returned to the Cumberland Valley Road where he was again given charge of an engine, and continued to run it until 1867, when he met with his first accident, receiving serious injuries. After this time he was employed in the company's shops. During his long experience in running and setting up locomotives, Mr. Hull suggested many improvements, most of which have been adopted. He died at his residence in Chambersburg, Penn., March 3, 1886, at the age of eighty-eight years. Our subject, at the age of eighteen years, began the trade of machinist in the shops of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, at Chambersburg, to which place he had come in 1838. He worked at his trade in different places until 1852, when he returned to Chambersburg and entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, and in 1857 was appointed master mechanic for that company, a position which he has since held. December 25, 1850, he was married to Eveline S. Gibbs, and to them have been born two sons (both citizens of Chambersburg): Charles S., assistant master mechanic and draftsman in his father's office, and George S., a physician, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this volume.

CHARLES E. S. HULL, Chambersburg, was born in Parkesburg, Penn.,



April 12, 1852, the eldest son of Abram S. and Eveline (Gibbs) Hull. With his parents he came to Chambersburg in the fall of 1852. He was educated in the public schools and in the Chambersburg Academy, in the class of 1869. That year he commenced, with his father, an apprenticeship at the trade of machinist and mechanical draftsman. He has continued in the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, as assistant to his father, who is master mechanic of that road. He is also draftsman, manager of the motive power department of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company. Mr. Hull married, in 1876, Lillie Budd, daughter of Dr. T. L. Budd, and they are the parents of two sons and two daughters: Thomas Lane, Paul Sanford, Evalyn Sabina and Lora Budd. Mr. and Mrs. Hull are members of the Lutheran Church. He is a P. G. of Columbus Lodge, No. 75, I. O. O. F. April, 1880, he was elected secretary of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Mutual Aid Association, and retains this position up to date. February 19, 1884, he was elected a member of the town council and during his term of two years filled the position of water commissioner. In June, 1886, he was elected to fill a vacancy on the school board for one year. In politics Mr. Hull is a Republican.

GEORGE S. HULL, M. D., Chambersburg, was born in the city of which he is now a resident, December 26, 1853, youngest son of Abram S. and Eveline S. (Gibbs) Hull. He attended the public schools of his native town, and subsequently graduated from Chambersburg Academy. In 1870 he began the study of pharmacy under C. H. Cressler, and two years later he entered the College of Pharmacy at Philadelphia, from which he was graduated in 1874, having spent, in the meantime, a period in the drug store of John Wyeth & Bro. Returning to Chambersburg he entered the office of Dr. S. G. Lane, and while with him attended a course of lectures at the University of Pennsylvania, from which institution he graduated in 1876. In that year he was elected resident physician and surgeon in the hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, and at the same time was chosen for a similar position in the Philadelphia hospital. He passed the year 1876 in the former hospital and the following year served in the latter. In 1878 he returned to Chambersburg, and there commenced the practice of his profession, which he has since pursued with much success. The Doctor was elected coroner of Franklin County in 1882, and re-elected in 1885. He became a member of the faculty of Chambersburg Academy in 1884, lecturing upon physics and chemistry; also was added to the faculty of Wilson College as lecturer upon physics, chemistry and physiology, in 1885. In 1880 Dr. Hull was married to Margaret Barnett, of Philadelphia, and to this union one son, Howard Lane, and one daughter, Ida Barnett, have been born. In politics the Doctor is a Republican. He is a member of the Lutheran Church.

E. N. HUTTON, dealer in boots and shoes, Chambersburg, was born in that city November 2, 1847, a son of Jacob and Catherine (Heckerman) Hutton, the former of whom commenced the boot and shoe trade in Chambersburg in 1833, the house being one of the oldest in the city. Our subject was educated in the public schools and academy at Chambersburg, and in 1866 commenced clerking in his father's store, in which capacity he served until the death of his father in 1876, when he became proprietor of the establishment, and has since conducted the business, carrying a good assortment of boots and shoes, probably the largest stock of any retail house in the valley, south of Harrisburg. In 1872 Mr. Hutton was married to Miss Alim V., daughter of A. J. White, a well known citizen of Chambersburg. Our subject and wife are the parents of one daughter and one son—A. White and Elva White. Mrs. Hutton

is a member of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Hutton is a member of the Masonic order.

CHAUNCEY IVES, chief engineer of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, Chambersburg, was born in Lansingburg, N. Y., September 10, 1841, the eldest son of Chauncey P. and Charlotte B. (Stewart) Ives. He attended an academy at Lansingburg, one at Bridgeport (Penn.), and also at a similar institution in Ballston Spa, N. Y. Later he entered Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y., remaining until the outbreak of the rebellion. In 1861 he volunteered in the Third Michigan Cavalry; was at the siege of Corinth, Grant's movements in the rear of Vicksburg, but ill health compelled him to resign. He entered the employment of the Mahanoy & Broad Mountain Railroad Company in March, 1863, as rodman, during which service he was sent to make surveys on the defense of Philadelphia. He was connected with the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad company, as assistant engineer, on its various branches for six years. In 1869 he was made chief engineer of the Southern Pennsylvania Railroad. In 1872 he went to Michigan, where he was engaged in the lumber business until 1877. He then returned to Chambersburg and engaged in making surveys of the Mont Alto Railroad extension to Waynesboro; was chief engineer of the Shenandoah Valley Railroad during 1878-79. He then went to Jefferson City, Mo., connected with the Missouri Central Railroad, and returned to Chambersburg in 1880. In 1881 he became permanently connected with the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, as chief engineer. Mr. Ives married in 1872, Emma, daughter of Dr. Edmund Culbertson, and to them were born two daughters and one son: Ellen C., Charlotte B. and Chauncey P. Mr. Ives is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers; he is a F. & A. M. Politically, a Republican.

B. F. JOHNS, plasterer, Chambersburg, was born in Cumberland County, Penn., June 1, 1839, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Carson) Johns. He was educated in the public schools of Cumberland County and Southampton Township, this county, whither the family had removed in 1849, and was brought up on a farm until he was twenty years old. He then commenced an apprenticeship at the plastering trade, and while learning it, the war of the rebellion having broken out, he enlisted in September, 1861, in Company I, Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was engaged in seventeen battles from the siege of Yorktown to the battle of Sailor's Creek, three days before the surrender of Gen. Lee. He served until the close of the war, and was discharged at Harrisburg in 1865. Mr. Johns served four years, having re-enlisted as a veteran in 1864. Returning to civil life he became a resident of Chambersburg, where he worked as journeyman for a year and a half; then was a resident of Pittsburgh and Somerset County until 1877, when he returned to Chambersburg. Here he has since remained, engaged in the plastering business. He employs several hands, and besides his work in Chambersburg, carries on a trade in Waynesboro and other parts of the county. Mr. Johns married, August 15, 1868, Mary, daughter of John Glessner. Mr. Johns was elected from the Third Ward to the town council, in February, 1886, for a term of two years. In politics he is a Republican. The family attend services in the United Brethren Church. When in the army Mr. Johns united with the Union Church, and after the war, with the Methodist Episcopal Church, with which body he remained until he moved to Pittsburgh; there he united with the Presbyterians, but afterward formed fellowship with the Methodist Protestant Church, with which he remained until he removed to Somerset County; then united with the Evangelical Church until his return to Chambersburg, when he enrolled himself as a member of the United Brethren Church. Mr. Johns occupies a handsome residence on Second Street, which he built in 1883.

REV. JOSEPH KAELIN, Chambersburg, was born in Einsiedeln, Switzerland, June 14, 1836, and was educated at the public schools, and in a monastery for two years. About 1856 he came to America, and located for about one year in Indiana. Subsequently he attended St. Vincent's College in Westmoreland County, Penn., where he completed his classical course. He then went to Philadelphia, where he studied philosophy and theology at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, and was ordained priest February 27, 1863. He served as assistant priest at Allentown, Penn., for three years. He then spent some years in Renovo, Penn., and in 1876 came to Chambersburg, where he has since remained as assistant priest.

JOHN B. KAUFMAN, county surveyor, Upper Strasburg, eldest son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Baechtel) Kaufman, was born January 1, 1827, in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn. He was reared a farmer on his father's farm, receiving the benefits of the common schools of his neighborhood, and being a close student and close observer, he acquired a fair English education and became a practical surveyor. He remained at home until his marriage, in 1849, with Susannah Ebersole. From that time he was occupied in teaching and surveying till 1856, since which time he has made surveying and engineering his business. In 1856 he was elected county surveyor, and held the office two terms, or six years, being succeeded by Emanuel Kuhn, upon whose resignation, in April, 1871, Mr. Kaufman was appointed to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term. He was elected for the succeeding full term in the fall of 1871, serving three years. In the fall of 1877 he was again elected to the office, and has held the position to the present time (December, 1886), discharging the duties with credit to himself and with satisfaction to the people, he having been elected for the seventh term, November 2, 1886, receiving the largest majority he ever obtained. The *Chambersburg Repository*, of April 27, 1886, says: "Hon. J. Simpson Africa, secretary of internal affairs, says our county surveyor, Mr. John B. Kaufman, stands at the head of his profession in this State." As Mr. Africa is himself one of the best surveyors and engineers in Pennsylvania, and a Democrat, while Mr. Kaufman is a Republican, the compliment is much appreciated by the latter. In politics, as has been said, Mr. Kaufman is a Republican, having started out and remained a Whig till that party disbanded. Hence he has always been an earnest protectionist. Mr. and Mrs. Kaufman are both members of the Mennonite Church, as were their ancestors, the Kaufmans and Ebersoles, who came to Pennsylvania at an early day to enjoy in the then wilds of Lancaster and (now) Lebanon Counties the right to worship in their simple way, a right which was denied to them in the land of William Tell (for the ancestors of Mr. Kaufman, viz.: the Kaufmans, Bechtels and Schnebeles, were natives of Switzerland). To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Kaufman were born seven children, six of whom are living—five daughters and one son.

FRANKLIN KEAGY, architect and builder, Chambersburg, was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., September 30, 1837, a son of Rudolph and Sarah (Swetizer) Keagy. John Keagy, the great-great-grandfather of Franklin, came to this country in 1715, from Switzerland, and settled in Pequea Valley, Lancaster County, Penn.; his descendants are found in nearly every State in the Union and in Canada. The education of our subject was such as the common schools of the neighborhood afforded, save one term at the Chambersburg Academy, which he attended while learning his trade. His youth was passed in assisting in his father's mill until he was about sixteen years of age, when he began serving an apprenticeship as millwright, an occupation he followed for two years after completing his apprenticeship. From that time

until 1865 he was employed at the sash and blind factory of Sheler & Clark, located at Chambersburg. In the latter year he was appointed superintendent of their works, which position he held until 1875, when he commenced business for himself as architect and builder, in which he has since continued. He has erected a number of handsome and substantial public buildings in Chambersburg and vicinity. In 1860 Mr. Keagy married Anna Eliza, daughter of Samuel Funk, a former citizen of Chambersburg, and to this union were born six children: Sarah, Mollie, Samuel S., Athelia, Katie and Bertha. Sarah died August 9, 1862; Bertha died October 10, 1884, at eight years of age. Those now living are at home, with the exception of Mollie, who is the wife of C. C. Patterson, of Hamilton Township. Mrs. Keagy and daughters are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In politics he is a Republican, and from boyhood a staunch Abolitionist.

THOMAS B. KENNEDY, president of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, Chambersburg, was born August 1, 1827, in Warren County, N. J., son of Judge James Kennedy. In 1839 he removed to Chambersburg, and received his education at Lafayette College; studied law, and was admitted to the bar in 1848. In the following year he took the overland route to California, and there remained until 1851, when he returned to Chambersburg, where he has since continued to reside, engaged in the practice of his chosen profession. Since 1873 Mr. Kennedy has been president of the Cumberland Valley Railroad. In 1856 he was married to Arianna S., daughter of John Stuart Riddle, of Meadville, Penn.

HIRAM C. KEYSER, agent for the Adams Express Company, Chambersburg, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn., August 9, 1823, youngest son of Benjamin and Anna Maria (Hoffman) Keyser. Benjamin was a native of Berks County, Penn., and about the year 1810 came with his father, John Keyser, to Franklin County, the family settling in Antrim Township, on the farm now owned by Dr. George R. Kauffman, where Benjamin resided until 1834; then came to Chambersburg, where his death occurred in 1856. As early as 1824 he was elected county commissioner and as such served three years. He had also been justice of the peace by appointment in Antrim Township for many years, and, after coming to Chambersburg, was elected to the same office. He reared to maturity a family of eight children, seven of whom are living—three sons and four daughters. Hiram C. obtained a limited education in the common schools and at the Chambersburg Academy, but, by study and application, in later years he became a fair scholar. Early in life he clerked in several stores in Chambersburg; then was similarly engaged in the postoffice as clerk under Col. John Findlay, with whom he remained for one year and a half. Following his service in the postoffice he clerked in different stores for a number of years; then engaged for a time in a drug store in Bedford, Penn.; then he went to Dr. Peter Schoenberger's furnace, in Blair County, where he clerked for three years; then returned to Franklin County, and was engaged in school teaching for a period of five years. In 1854 he was admitted to the bar, and in 1857 was elected prothonotary of Franklin County, which position he held for a term of three years. From 1862 until 1867 he was associated with B. Y. Hampsher in the publication of the *Valley Spirit*, and lost all during the destruction of the town in 1864. In January, 1858, Mr. Keyser was married to Elizabeth, daughter of William McGrath subsequently sheriff of the county. Of the children born to this marriage two daughters and two sons are living. Mr. Keyser served as transcribing clerk in the State Legislature for one session, and in the same position in the Senate one session and a half; was several years clerk to the county commissioners of

Franklin County. In September, 1878, he was appointed, at Chambersburg, agent for the Adams Express Company, a position he now holds. Mr. Keyser and family are members of the Central Presbyterian Church. In politics he is a Democrat.

F. M. KIMMELL, attorney at law, Chambersburg, was born in Berlin, Somerset Co., Penn., September 4, 1816, second son of Jacob and Margaret (Schools) Kimmell. February 4, 1836, he commenced the study of law in the office of Jeremiah S. Black, in Somerset, Penn., during which time he acted as clerk for his father, who was register and recorder of the county up to March, 1839, when he was admitted to the bar. He continued to practice law successfully until the fall of 1850, when he was elected president judge of the Sixteenth Judicial District, composed of Somerset, Bedford, Fulton and Franklin. At the end of the ten years' term, he removed to Chambersburg, where he resumed practice, and has continued to the present.

JOHN KING. The annals of Franklin County's prominent men would be conspicuously incomplete, were the deeds and sterling worth of the subject of our sketch omitted. John King, an epitome of whose eventful life follows, was born in the neighborhood of Morgantown, Va., in 1776. His parents were members of the Episcopal Church, and he, too, was confirmed in that communion before leaving home to enter upon the severe conflicts of life. This occurred at a comparatively early age. His first employment away from the paternal roof was that of a clerk for an iron firm at Antietam, Md. Thence he went to Mount Pleasant, Penn., where he was associated with a firm in the same business, first as a manager and afterward as a regular partner. In this business, his industry, economy and integrity enabled him to acquire a large estate. He was also a merchant, but for so short a time and that only for the purpose of enabling a friend to become thoroughly started in the business, that there exists little necessity for even referring to it. Mr. King was married to Mary S. Maclay, daughter of Hon. William Maclay of New Fannettsburg, this county. From this union, which was consummated about the year 1816, sprang four children. His eldest daughter, Sarah, now deceased, was the wife of J. Ellis Bonham, a talented member of the Carlisle bar, whose untimely death was deeply mourned. His fourth, Emma, still resides in Chambersburg, the honored relict of the lamented and talented J. McDowell Sharpe, whose tribute is found in another part of this volume. The second, unmarried, resides with Mrs. Sharpe. The third, Louisa, died at the age of sixteen. His death occurred July 8, 1835, at the age of fifty-nine. His estimable widow survived him a number of years. After Mr. King came to Chambersburg, he was a business man of sterling merit. For many years he was president of the Chambersburg bank, whose interests he guarded zealously. Self-made, he discharged efficiently and conscientiously every duty assigned to him in life. Identified with the various business, literary, religious and charitable enterprises of Chambersburg, his adopted town, he bestowed his energies and sympathies freely upon every good word and work. A devoted member of Falling Spring Presbyterian Church, of which he was a ruling elder, he gave liberally his means, efforts, prayers and sympathies for its advancement. He had the confidence of the business community, the respect of his neighbors, and the esteem of all.

LEMUEL KING, coach manufacturer, Chambersburg, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn., November 11, 1836, son of John and Jane (Holbert) King. John King was a native of Maryland, but early in this century came to Antrim Township and followed school teaching as a profession. He reared nine children to manhood and womanhood, seven of whom are liv-

ing—four sons and three daughters. He took an active part in the militia in early times. His death occurred in 1853. Our subject remained on the farm until seventeen years of age, where he received such schooling as was generally given to farmers' sons in that day. At seventeen he commenced an apprenticeship at the trade of coach-making, and after finishing it he worked in various places for others until 1865, when he commenced business for himself in Fulton County, Penn. In August, 1866, he removed to Chambersburg, engaged in business, and has since continued the same at this point, the firm at first being styled "Newman, Fry & Co." Subsequently Mr. Fry died and the title of the firm became "Newman & King." Later this firm sold to Rice & De Haven, and still later Mr. King purchased the interest of De Haven, and continued with Mr. Rice till purchasing the interest of the latter in 1880, since which time he has conducted the business alone, and has been engaged in the manufacture of pleasure and light carriages. The establishment is located on North Second Street, west side of Falling Spring, where an extensive business is carried on, and where are at work about ten hands. In 1860 Mr. King was married at Fulton, to Susan J. Seabrooks, whose death occurred in 1863. In 1867 he was married to Mrs. Rosana Forney, daughter of F. A. Sarman. To this last marriage have been born two children, one of whom, David A., born March 11, 1869, survives. Mr. King and family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he is identified with Columbus Lodge, No. 75, I. O. O. F.

THE LANES.—Among the early settlers of Franklin County was Samuel Lane. His ancestors, John, Abraham, Nicholas and Richard Lehn (as the patronymic was originally), all unmarried, came to America from Holland in 1680. Abraham, Nicholas and Richard settled in Lancaster County. John, the direct ancestor of Samuel, made his home near Berlin, Adams Co., Penn. He had two sons, John and Peter. He died in 1754, at the ripe age of ninety-nine years, and in the full possession of his mental faculties. His son, John, took up his abode near Pipe Creek, Md. Peter remained on the paternal acres, and married a Miss Irwin, an Irish maiden, in Philadelphia, and begat three daughters and five sons (one of whom was Samuel), and died at Berlin in 1787. John removed to Berlin, Somerset Co., Penn., and was the patriarch of a numerous family, who were held in much esteem for their integrity and ability. Samuel Lane came into Franklin County in the last decade of the eighteenth century. He was a millwright by occupation, and erected mills in Quincy Township. Messrs. Daniel and Samuel Hughes, of Hagerstown, Md., owned a large tract of land on South Mountain, which was rich in iron ore. Upon this land they determined to erect a furnace, and chose Mr. Lane as their agent to carry their design into execution. Under his superintendence the Mont Alto Iron Works and the Mansion House adjoining were built, in the year 1808. For many years he lived in the house, and superintended the large operations of the furnace. After retiring from the charge of the iron works he settled on his farm in the close vicinity, and spent the residue of his life in conducting his mills, and in agricultural pursuits. He died in January, 1853, in the eighty-second year of his age. Mr. Lane was a man of much intellectual force, one who kept up with the times, as the times went in his circumscribed sphere, taking a lively interest in politics, as a Federalist, and, subsequently, as a fervent Whig, whose ideal of a man and statesman was Henry Clay. His religious creed was Lutheran. He married Anna Barbara, a daughter of Nicholas Bittinger, a wealthy land owner, who was signalized in the Revolution as an ardent Whig, and who was captured by the British at Fort Washington in November, 1776. Samuel and Anna Barbara

Lane had five children—three daughters: Mary, Juliana and Elizabeth—and one son—Nicholas Bittinger. Mary married James Gettys, a native of Adams County, Penn., who was engaged in business in Waynesboro, but subsequently moved to Georgetown, D. C., became a magistrate of that place, and devoted much time to advancing the interests of Masonry and Odd Fellowship, of which latter order he was one of the pioneers in this country; he died childless. Juliana became the wife of William Hayman, a native of Chester County, Penn., who was largely engaged in business in Georgetown, D. C., and was held in high esteem by his fellow citizens for his uprightness and generosity, and for his amiable and affectionate nature; they left behind them seven children: Mary Elizabeth, Anna B., Julia, Adelaide G. and Kate Wayne, and two sons: William and Samuel Lane. Mr. Hayman was a patron of learning, and his children received thorough educations. William Hayman, Jr., is living on his grandfather's farm, near Mont Alto, and enjoys the good will and respect of all who know him, as a man of spotless character and large attainments. Samuel L. Hayman, a bright, enthusiastic youth, fell in the Wilderness in the ranks of the Confederacy. Elizabeth, the youngest daughter of Samuel Lane, lived and died on the paternal estate, in January, 1880, aged eighty years.

NICHOLAS BITTINGER LANE was born August 15, 1802, in a log house near Funkstown, the temporary residence of his parents while his father was superintending the erection of the Mansion House at the iron works, into which the family subsequently moved. He was educated with as much care, and as thoroughly as was possible, in the schools of the neighborhood and in the village of Waynesboro. An apt and diligent scholar, he imbibed a taste for learning which marked him through his life. John Flanigan, Esq., a noted man in the county, and one of the most popular and influential members of the Democratic party, taught him the science and art of surveying. In the spring of 1818 the young surveyor went to Chambersburg, and entered the office of Dr. Samuel D. Culbertson, as a medical student. Dr. Culbertson stood deservedly in the front rank of the practitioners of medicine in the State, and was a man of commanding influence, both socially and professionally, in this section of the Cumberland Valley. Mr. Lane engaged most assiduously in the study of his chosen profession, and remained under the tuition of his eminent master until his graduation at the University of Pennsylvania in the spring of 1822, before he had completed his twentieth year. The faculty of the University complimented his thesis, the title of which was "An Account of an Epidemic which prevailed in Franklin County, Penn., in 1821," by causing its publication in the *American Medical Recorder*, of Philadelphia, a periodical of the highest character, edited by an association of the most distinguished medical gentlemen of the day. After receiving instructions in dentistry, from a prominent dentist in Philadelphia, the young physician began the practice of medicine in Chambersburg. In 1824 he formed a partnership with Dr. Alexander T. Dean, one of the most accomplished physicians of the State, and one of the most acceptable contributors to the medical journals of Philadelphia, then the center of medical education and culture in the country. Dr. Dean removing to Harrisburg, Dr. Lane became a member of the firm of Lane, Bain & Culbertson. This triple association was, however, of short duration, being dissolved by the return of Dr. Bain to Baltimore and the final abandonment by Dr. Culbertson of the profession, which he had so conspicuously adorned. With the exception of a residence of a very few months in Pittsburgh, whence he removed in 1841, Dr. Lane continued the practice of medicine in Chambersburg until he was stricken, in 1852, with the fatal malady of which he died

on the 15th of April, 1853. Throughout his life he was a sedulous student, and was fully abreast the foremost in the files of his profession in acquirement. In general literature he was more than ordinarily accomplished. A fluent and easy conversationalist, he wrote with force, ease and elegance. As a practitioner he was careful, but resolute. He knew what to do, and did it accurately and with skill. He loved his profession and did it honor, and, in return, was himself honored and beloved by his large and respectable clientage. In person he was strikingly handsome; in his manners, he was dignified and modest, and his nature was mild, trusting and affectionate. He took a lively interest in the affairs of his community, and in National and State politics. His religious convictions were embodied in the Augsburg Confession, and his political faith, like that of his father, was represented by Henry Clay. In 1824 he married Eliza Hetich, daughter of Thomas Hetich, a prominent citizen of Chambersburg, and his wife, formerly Catharine Rudisill, a member of a large and influential family of York, Penn. The Hetich family was a noted one in Franklin County, several of its members having filled important local offices in the county, and was distinguished for its intense patriotism. Mrs. Lane was a woman "nobly planned." Intellectually and spiritually, she was cultured and refined, and combined the rare association of firmness and affection. She died at Pittsburgh, Penn., on the 23d of April, 1873.

Dr. N. B. Lane left behind him three daughters and four sons, namely: Catharine A., the wife of Dr. James Hamilton, a physician of remarkable ability; Sarah Hetich and Maria Elizabeth, of whom the last named died at Pittsburgh, mourned by a large and loving acquaintance, July 7, 1880; William C.; Samuel G.; Thomas H.; and Augustus H. In his early boyhood Thomas H. went to the city of Pittsburgh, and remained there permanently. He entered the hardware store of Whitmore & Wolf as a clerk, and has remained with the firm in its various changes, and is now business manager of the large establishment of Wolff, Lane & Co., the leading hardware house in the Smoky City. Thomas H. Lane is a man, in very truth, *sans peur et sans reproche*, and has, in the fullest measure, the esteem and unbounded confidence of all who know him. He is active in all good works, is generous almost to a fault, and is an honored and influential member of the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. Augustus H. Lane was taken in his youth by his brother Thomas to Pittsburgh, and has been engaged for many years in the hardware business in that city. He is a man of extensive reading, and a writer singularly felicitous, but never publishes.

WILLIAM CULBERTSON LANE, M. D., is the eldest son of Dr. N. B. Lane (see Dr. Wm. C. Lane). He has won especial distinction as local historian of his native county. His historic work has the rare merit of absolute verity. A singularly modest gentleman, Dr. Lane possesses a fund of knowledge rarely attained. He is a writer of wonderful facility, rapidity and accuracy, and is a conversationalist of exquisite ease, fluency and magnetism. Thoroughly educated in his profession, well read in the classics, and in modern history and literature, absolutely honest and painfully scrupulous, loving and trusting, as if guile and villainy were phantasies of the "Inferno," he only knows not his own worth.

DR. SAMUEL G. LANE, second son of Dr. N. B. Lane, was born on the "Diamond," in Chambersburg, August 26, 1826. Like his brother William, he received his education at the public schools of his native place, and at the Chambersburg Academy, under the tuition of William Van Lear Davis, Esq., at that time, perhaps, the most accomplished private teacher in Pennsylvania. At the end of his pupilage, he began the study of medicine with his



father, and remained under his training until his graduation at the University of Pennsylvania, in the spring of 1849, at which time he submitted, as his inaugural thesis, an "Essay on the Causes which Influence the Period of Human Life." After a brief association with his uncle, Dr. Andrew Hetich (a brother of his mother), in Bucyrus, Ohio, he opened an office in Pittsburgh, Penn. He did not long remain in that city, being summoned to the bedside of his dying father. After the death of his father, in April, 1853, he was persuaded by the friends of his father to remain in Chambersburg. In 1854 he associated himself in the practice of medicine with his brother-in-law, Dr. James Hamilton, who was then located at Chambersburg, and who is remembered to this day with admiration for his remarkable professional skill and fine social qualities. Dr. Lane is still in the active practice of his profession, in association with a former pupil and friend, Dr. Charles F. Palmer. A few weeks after the battle of Bull Run he was appointed, by Gov. Curtin, surgeon, with the rank of major, and assigned to the celebrated Fifth Regiment of Pennsylvania Reserves. He served in the field with the Reserve Corps until near the close of their term of enlistment, when he accepted the once rejected promotion of Surgeon of the board of enrollment of the Sixteenth District of Pennsylvania. After a few months' service in this position he resigned, and was appointed by Gov. Curtin Assistant Surgeon-general of Pennsylvania, in which position he remained until after the war. In the burning of Chambersburg by the rebels, in July, 1864, all his property was swept away. He is at present a member of the board of Pension Examiners. In 1860 he married Miss Emily B. McLenegan, daughter of Elijah and Mary McLenegan, of Lancaster, Penn., who fell asleep November 14, 1885. Dr. S. G. Lane was an hereditary Whig, and is a Republican by selection, and, "as all his fathers were," is a positive and uncompromising Lutheran. So far as we can learn, none of the Lanes was ever goaded by the *auri sacra fames*, and they have lived with content in moderate circumstances. Dr. James Hamilton and Catharine A. (Lane) have two sons: James A., at present on the editorial staff of the *Franklin Repository*, a youth of good education, and a bright and forcible writer, and Samuel Lane, an employe of the firm of Wolff, Lane & Co., Pittsburgh, Penn.

ROBERT C. LEHMANN, Chambersburg, eldest child of Henry and Augusta (Schebler) Lehmann, was born in Peitz, Prussia, July 2, 1855, and received an ordinary education in the public schools of Peitz. In 1869 he immigrated to America in care of an aunt, and came direct to Chambersburg, where he entered the employ of the Chambersburg Woolen Company to learn the trade of a weaver, and was in course of time promoted to the position of foreman of the mill. Mr. Lehmann married, February 19, 1880, Sophia, daughter of John Klippert, Jr., of Chambersburg. Mr. and Mrs. Lehmann are the parents of three sons; Charles H., Robert J. and William F. The parents are members of the Lutheran Church. In politics Mr. Lehman is a Republican, but has never aspired to public office. He resides in the comfortable home on West Market Street, which he bought in 1883.

DAVID M. LEISHER, blacksmith, Chambersburg, was born in Hopewell Township, Cumberland Co., Penn., August 12, 1808, eldest son of John and Barbara (Minnich) Leisher; the former of whom was a weaver by trade, and also owned a small farm. Our subject worked at both branches of business until his nineteenth year, having but limited educational advantages, but improved such as were offered. At that age he commenced an apprenticeship of three years at the blacksmith trade in Carlisle, Penn. After acquiring a knowledge of that trade he worked as journeyman in Shippensburg for a few months, and, in the fall of 1830, came to Chambersburg, and here followed his

trade, working for John Burkholder for four years. In 1834 he went into partnership with Mr. Burkholder, which partnership was continued three years and a half. For eleven years following he was in partnership with Thomas J. Early in the same business, until about 1863, and since then has carried on blacksmithing himself, the location being formerly on Water Street, but since 1861 on Franklin Street. In 1834 our subject was married to Anna Mary, daughter of John Burkholder, and born in Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn., in 1812. To Mr. and Mrs. Leisher ten children were born, seven of whom are living—two daughters and five sons. Two died in infancy. The fifth son, William B., was a member of Company D, Two Hundred and Tenth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, was wounded at the battle of Gravelly Run, March 31, 1865, and died five days later at City Point, Va. Those living are Rev. George W., a minister of the Lutheran Church in Juniata County; David F., a messenger for the Chambersburg National Bank, and who was a soldier in the late war, wounded at Fredericksburg; John H., who at an early age learned the trade of his father, at which he worked until September 14, 1862, when he enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers; he was discharged for disability and, in 1864, re-enlisted, this time in the Two Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and participated in numerous engagements, including Five Forks and Gravelly Run, serving until the close of the war, when he was discharged at Arlington Heights, Va., May 30, 1865; Annie M., unmarried, who still resides with her parents; Rebecca B., married to Wm. A. Allen, a farmer; Barton A., who is a gang boss in a railroad shop; Daniel McC., who learned blacksmithing in his father's shop, but now follows slating. David M., the subject proper of this sketch, was elected county commissioner in 1856, and held the office for three years; he also represented the North Ward in the town council before the war. He has been a member of the I. O. O. F., since 1842. The family is identified with the First Lutheran Church of Chambersburg.

WILLIAM H. LIPPY, builder and contractor, Chambersburg, was born in Chambersburg, this county, October 23, 1838, son of David and Lydia (Cummins) Lippy. His early education was acquired in the public schools, and at twelve years of age he commenced working with his father at the mason's trade, and subsequently learning it continued working for his father till 1862, when he embarked in business on his own account, and has since been engaged in building and contracting for stone and brick work, and he has erected many fine edifices, including the Presbyterian Church, all the masonry (including the engine and boiler) of the Taylor works, Dr. Merklein's residence, Wolf & Hamaker's foundry, etc. He has done a successful and extensive business. Mr. Lippy was married, in 1862, to Caroline Smith. To this union have been born five children, of whom four are living—one daughter and three sons. The family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Lippy is a member of the I. O. O. F. In politics he is a Republican. He occupies a handsome residence on Broad Street, built by himself in 1872. He is a self-made man, and a substantial, esteemed citizen. He has ever been interested in the development of Chambersburg, and has aided much in inducing manufacturers to locate here. Mr. Lippy is also an active worker in the temperance cause, but has never aspired to public office.

GEORGE LUDWIG, retired weaver, Chambersburg, was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Lichtenberg, Germany, January 10, 1811, son of George Henry and Margaret (Eisenbach) Ludwig. At the age of fifteen years he began learning the trade of cooper and brewer, on the completion of which he was occupied till 1832 in the wine vaults as cooper and distiller. In 1832 he immi-

grated to America, and in the fall of the same year went to Trenton, N. J., where he worked as brewer until the following spring. He then went to Carlisle, Penn., where he worked in a distillery for five months. In August, 1833, he came to Chambersburg and entered the employ of David Washbaugh, as brewer, with whom he remained some six or seven years. In April, 1840, he rented a brewery on South Main Street, which he carried on for six years. He then purchased a property opposite the same, converting it into a brewery, which he successfully operated until 1846. Subsequently, in 1855, he purchased the property where his brewery is now located. Here he carried on the brewery business until burned out in 1864. He immediately rebuilt and resumed brewing, at which he was engaged with great success until retiring from business in the fall of 1881. In 1834 Mr. Ludwig was married to Mary Shane, and to them were born fourteen children, of whom but six survive—one daughter and five sons. Mrs. Ludwig died December 5, 1882; she was a member of the Reformed Church for many years. Mr. Ludwig is identified with the Lutheran Church, and is a member of the Masonic order. He is a self-made man, and one of the substantial citizens of Franklin County.

GEORGE W. LUDWIG, jeweler, Chambersburg, was born in that place April 29, 1856, eldest son of John S. and Sophia Ludwig. He received instruction in the public schools of his native place, until he was fifteen years old, when he learned the jeweler's trade, which was completed in Cumberland, Md., Wheeling, W. Va. and Philadelphia. He then returned to Chambersburg, and in April, 1879, opened the business which he is still conducting. He began in a small way under the firm name of G. W. Ludwig & Co., under which title it continued until November 29, 1881, since which period Mr. Ludwig has carried an extensive line of watches, clocks, jewelry and silverware, and now has the leading house of the kind in Chambersburg. On March 15, 1882, our subject was married to Miss Emma J. Brengle, and they are the parents of one son, Carleton, born November 6, 1885. In politics our subject is a Republican.

ORMOND N. LULL, retired engineer and superintendent of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, Chambersburg, was born in Sharon, Windsor Co., Vt., July 25, 1816, youngest son of Samuel and Clarissa (Slate) Lull. He was reared on a farm, working a part of his time in a grist and saw-mill until seventeen years of age. He attended the common schools of the neighborhood, and for a time went to a select school, in Tolland County, Conn., and in that county, when seventeen, began learning the trade of a carpenter and joiner. After completing his apprenticeship he carried on the business in the same county, and was there married to Abigail P. Sumner. To Mr. and Mrs. Lull were born three children, two of whom died in infancy, the one living being the widow of W. B. Gilmore and the mother of one son and one daughter, all residing with our subject. In 1844 Mr. Lull removed to Norwich, Conn., and there remained until 1849, when he came to Chambersburg. Here he entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, taking charge of the mechanical department. Later he became a locomotive engineer, and as such served two or three years. In 1856 he was appointed superintendent of the road, a position he filled for eighteen years. The company under his administration, from being a worthless broken-down corporation, became a first-class paying concern. From 1873 until 1882 he occupied the position of chief engineer and superintendent of motive power. Since 1882 he has led a retired life and now occupies an elegant place with commodious grounds situated on North Main Street. He is a member of the Baptist Church, with which he has been identified for many years. Mr. Lull is a genial, pleasant gentleman and an esteemed citizen.

LEVI J. McCORMICK, retired railroad conductor, was born at Oxford, Chester Co., Penn., May 18, 1812, a son of Jesse and Elizabeth Taylor McCormick. He received a limited education, and early began the trade of his father, that of hatter. When seventeen he commenced driving a stage, which he continued one year, and then returned to his father and completed his trade, alternating with occasional stage driving between West Chester and Philadelphia; subsequently he drove from Oxford to Doe Run, and was also engaged in driving horse-cars from Lancaster to Gap. December 31, 1839, he came to Chambersburg, and engaged in driving a stage between Chambersburg and McConnellsburg for D. O. Gehr, and later drove horse-cars for the same party from Chambersburg to Hagerstown; then entered the Chambersburg office as agent, and as such remained about two years. In October, 1851, he was appointed baggageman on the Cumberland Valley Railroad, which position he filled for four years, and about 1855 was appointed conductor on the same road, continuing as such until retiring in 1883, the oldest conductor of that railroad in the Cumberland Valley. For the first ten years he ran between Harrisburg and Chambersburg, and during the last twelve years between Harrisburg and Hagerstown, returning daily. January 12, 1835, Mr. McCormick was married to Louisa Shetley, born in York County, Penn., May 25, 1816, and they are the parents of six children, four of whom are living—one daughter and three sons: Alexander, a resident of Harrisburg; William D., at home; Levi J., Jr., a printer by trade, residing at Harrisburg; and Mary J., at home. Mr. McCormick and family are members of the Lutheran Church. Our subject never desired public office. He is an esteemed citizen, occupying a handsome house, which he built in 1883.

HON. THOMAS GRUBB McCULLOH.—No name is remembered with warmer admiration by the people of Franklin County, than that of our subject, whose fame as the great lawyer was the pride of his community. He was born in Greencastle, on the 20th day of April, 1785. His grandfather, George McCulloh, born about 1710, at Killibegs, in the County Donegal, Ireland, came to the American colonies in 1728, settled in Lancaster County, and died in Little Britain, in that county, in 1806 or 1807. His father, Robert, was the eldest son of George, and was born in 1750. On the maternal side, he was a descendant of Thomas Grubb, whose father was one of the earliest emigrants from England to this country, coming over with William Penn. Thomas Grubb settled in Lancaster County, and his oldest daughter, Prudence, was united in marriage with Robert McCulloh, the father of the subject of this sketch, in 1778. About this time Robert McCulloh removed to Franklin County, where all his children were born. Thomas G. McCulloh was educated in Greencastle, under the tuition of Mr. Borland, who afterward became a very prominent professor in a literary institution in the State of New York. He studied law in Chambersburg, under Andrew Dunlop, one of the most distinguished lawyers of Pennsylvania, and was admitted to the bar in 1804 or 1805, and was married on the 1st of September, 1808, to Margaret Purviance. He practiced law in Chambersburg about forty-three years, during part of which period he attended the courts of Bedford County, and was frequently called upon to try causes in other parts of the State, going as far as Pittsburgh even, being retained as counsel in important land suits, in which class of cases he had great celebrity. The reports of the supreme court of Pennsylvania furnish ample evidence of his immense practice, and bear convincing proof of his renown as a lawyer. In 1821 he was elected to Congress, and during his service there his wife died suddenly, February 26, 1821. For five or six terms, he represented his county in the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania,

and was mainly instrumental, with his colleague, James Dunlop, Esq., son of his preceptor, Andrew Dunlop, in having the Cumberland Valley Railroad extended to Chambersburg. He was the first president of this road, but resigned a few years before his death. At the time of his decease, he was president of the Bank of Chambersburg. Thomas G. McCulloh was not only prominent as a lawyer, but was a man of varied information, capable of discussing almost any subject brought before him. He was well versed in agricultural pursuits, and very attentive to the improvement of his farms, of which he had; at times, two or three. A man of public spirit and enterprise, he was always willing to lend a helping hand to all public improvements in his county or town. To the day of his death, he was a close student, reading works upon all subjects, particularly those of a legal character. He had a large, well-selected library, miscellaneous and professional, and was constantly adding to its volume. When the first drum beat for volunteers to repel the British invasion of Baltimore, he stepped from his office into the ranks of the recruiting party, and marched with the company to the threatened city. When the regiment was formed he was appointed its quartermaster. He took charge of the *Franklin Repository* and edited it while its celebrated editor, Geo. K. Harper, was absent with the army on the northern frontiers. He died at Chambersburg, September 10, 1848. Mr. McCulloh was always popular with the members of the bar, not only on account of his unusual legal attainments, but for his professional courtesy, which was especially extended to its junior members. As a public speaker he was not fluent, but was clear and logical, and his manner of speaking was of a conversational character, carrying great weight with juries. He wrote with skill and force. It is traditional that he was singularly independent of the stereotyped formulas of legal documents, and that his brief papers were remarkably pointed and unassailable. Judge Jerry Black said of him: "He could say more and say it better in ten minutes than any man I ever saw." He has left behind him the reputation of being one of the ablest jurists of his day. His manners were exceedingly plain and popular, and he was always a favorite of his fellow citizens.

A. H. McCULLOH, general ticket agent Cumberland Valley Railroad, Chambersburg, was born in the city of which he is still a resident, April 23, 1816, son of Thomas G., and Margaret (Purviance) McCulloh. He received a rudimentary education in the schools of his time in Chambersburg, attended a military academy at Germantown, Penn., and afterward passed a year and a half at Yale College where he completed his studies. In 1834-35-36 he studied medicine, and attended one course of lectures. He then went West, but returned in a short time, and in 1840 studied law, and was admitted to the bar the year following. After his admission to the bar he spent some time in Indiana, and then returned to Chambersburg, where he practised law three or four years. In 1851 he entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad as conductor; then served as clerk in the superintendent's office, as assistant auditor, and as general ticket agent, respectively, which latter position he held till August 4, 1886, when he resigned on account of ill health. In 1837 Mr. McCulloh was married to Elizabeth Brown, and to them have been born six children, of whom three daughters are living. Mrs. McCulloh died August 10, 1884. Mr. McCulloh was clerk for four years for the county commissioners, and served as Burgess of Chambersburg for one year. He has been a Mason for many years, and is identified with other societies. In politics he is a Republican. He organized the first Know-nothing society in Franklin County, May 11, 1854, and was the first district deputy of the organization. He and his family are members of the Central Presbyterian Church.

EDMUND G. McGOVRAN, M. D., (deceased) was born in Martinsburg, Va., May 1, 1797, only son of Philip and Nancy (Farrelly) McGovran. He read medicine with Dr. Boseley, of Frederick, Md., and obtained a diploma from a Philadelphia school of medicine. At the age of twenty-one he commenced to practice his profession in Loudon, Franklin Co., Penn., where he remained some time. but afterward removed to Mercersburg, Penn., where he had a successful and extensive practice. There, in 1825, he married Matilda Martin. Their children are Dr. William M. and Annie E., who reside in Chambersburg. The Doctor practiced in Mercersburg until removing to Mechanicsburg, Cumberland Co., Penn., where failing health compelled him to abandon laborious practice. Subsequently he removed to Fairmont, Va., and there, and in other points in that State, practiced his profession. About 1865 he came to Chambersburg, Penn., and died here September 16, 1869. His widow survived him till October 3, 1879. The Doctor was a member of the Masonic order for many years. He was a zealous physician, an industrious worker and charitable in his disposition. In politics he was a Democrat.

A. C. McGRATH, superintendent of the gas and water works, Chambersburg, was born in Philadelphia, January 10, 1835, a son of John and Annie (Allan) McGrath. When a boy he attended the public schools of his native city, and in 1849 commenced an apprenticeship at the trade of plumber and gas-fitter. About 1853, he entered the employ of Abraham Myers, and assisted in the erection of the gas works at Norristown, Penn., and in building similar works in other parts of the State. In 1856 he came to Chambersburg with Abraham Myers for the purpose of erecting gas works in this city. After their completion in 1857, he was elected superintendent of the Chambersburg Gas works, and held the office until August, 1862, when he enlisted in the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and with the regiment participated in all the battles down to that of Fredericksburg, when he was discharged on account of disability. He then returned to civil life and resumed his former position, superintendent of the gas works of Chambersburg. During the march of Lee's army through Franklin County, Mr. McGrath was taken prisoner, with eight others, as a citizen prisoner on July 7, 1863, and was held until the latter part of March, 1865, confined in Libby prison, Castle Thunder and at Salisbury, N. C. On being released he again resumed his former position in the gas works, which he still fills. In 1882 he was elected superintendent of the Chambersburg Water-works, a position he still retains. Mr. McGrath once represented his ward in the city council. He has been a member of the Masonic order many years and secretary of his lodge for twenty years past. In politics he is a Republican. In 1857 he was married to Susan R., daughter of John Hutchison, a former resident of Chambersburg, which union has been blessed with two children: Frank R. and Susan M. The family attend the services of the Episcopal Church.

JAMES A. McKNIGHT, attorney at law, Chambersburg, was born in Washington Township, Indiana Co., Penn., June 3, 1849, the eldest son of William C. and Louisa H. (Davison) McKnight. In 1852 he removed with his parents to Antrim Township, this county, where he was a pupil at the public schools until 1866. He then entered Elder's Ridge Academy, Indiana County, and there remained until June, 1867. In September of the same year he entered La Fayette College, from which institution he graduated in June, 1871. He had commenced reading law with his present partner, Hon. W. S. Stenger, one year prior to his graduation and was admitted to the bar in June, 1872. He practiced alone in Chambersburg until October, 1874, when he formed a partnership with Hon. W. S. Stenger, which still continues.

Mr. McKnight was married in November, 1875, to Louisa B. Lindsay, a daughter of Hugh D. Lindsay, and by her has two daughters living: Mary L. and Elizabeth B. The parents are members of the Central Presbyterian Church, of the Sabbath-school of which Mr. McKnight has been superintendent since 1871. Mr. McKnight was elected trustee of La Fayette College in 1876, a position he yet fills. He is now attorney for the county commissioners, also for the Western Maryland Railroad and South Pennsylvania Railroad. Politically he is a Republican.

GEORGE H. MERKLEIN, late of Chambersburg, was born June 27, 1816. He was the son of George Henry Merklein, an early and prominent citizen of Franklin County. His father, like himself, was a printer by trade and, like himself, his father possessed literary abilities of no mean order, being engaged for some time in translating from the German for the *Franklin Republican*, then owned and published by John Hershberger. This engagement was from 1810 until 1812 or thereabouts. George Henry Merklein, Jr., the hero of this sketch, received a fair education in the schools of his native town. He was afterward received as an apprentice in the office of the *Whig* then published by Joseph Pritts. Here it was that he learned his trade, subsequently becoming foreman of the office. In 1840, in connection with S. D. Brown, he published a small campaign paper which bore the title of *The Tilt-Hammer* and which supported the fortunes of Harrison and Tyler in the exciting presidential contest which waged that year. With P. D. Frey he afterward started the *Semi-Weekly Dispatch* which, under the firm name of G. H. Merklein & Co., was continued until June, 1863, when it was merged with the *Repository*. Prior to this, namely, in 1857, he had become one of the proprietors of the *Repository*, remaining as such until the establishment of the *Dispatch* in 1861. In 1854 he was elected register and recorder by the Know-Nothing or American party, his term lasting until December 1, 1857. He was married in January, 1843, to Miss Margaret A. Nave, daughter of a well-known citizen of the county. Five children blessed this union, two of them still surviving, viz.: Dr. Chas. H. Merklein, now practicing medicine in Philadelphia, and Mrs. Mary C. Wood, wife of Geo. H. Wood, of Chambersburg. His son, Dr. Merklein, graduated in pharmacy in 1868, and in medicine at Pennsylvania University, Philadelphia, in 1869. Mr. Merklein, the subject of this sketch, was a consistent member of the Methodist Church, a Republican of the sternest type, a charter member of No. 75, I. O. O. F., Penna., and a man of many sterling qualities. He was a writer of marked ability and a citizen who had the respect of everybody. He died October 14, 1863, widely mourned. His widow, Mrs. M. A. Merklein, still survives him.

F. C. MERKLEIN, late of Chambersburg, was born in 1806 in Chambersburg, Penn., and was educated at Chambersburg Academy. He was a man of more than ordinary ability. He was a brother of G. H. Merklein, who served as register and recorder of Franklin County in the years 1854, 1856 and 1857. He was at one time editor of *Franklin Repository*, also published a monthly called *Gazetteer*, in 1883, and afterward a weekly paper called *The Village Mercury*. In 1847 he established at Mifflintown, Juniata County, the *Sentinel*, which still exists. He was a popular writer, critical, erudite and polished. He left the impress of his genius on the journalistic and literary circles of the State of almost half a century ago. His knowledge in literature, morals, science and the arts was large and extended. No man in southern Pennsylvania, in his day, had a stronger hold on the people. He died in September, 1885, at the advanced age of eighty-one years.

WILLIAM H. MICHAELS, night watchman for the Cumberland Valley

Railroad Company, Chambersburg, was born in Chambersburg, this county, March 7, 1841, second son of Christian and Harriett (Reed) Michaels. He was educated in the public schools, and when seventeen commenced an apprenticeship at the trade of stone cutter, and then worked as journeyman for one year. In 1861, owing to failing eye-sight, he gave up his trade and entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, filling the position of night watchman until September, 1864, when he enlisted in Company D, Two Hundred and Tenth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, serving under Capt. McKnight. He participated in the engagements on the Weldon Railroad and Hatcher's Run, and was present at the surrender of Gen. Lee. He served till the close of the war and was mustered out at Washington, D. C., in June, 1865. Returning to civil life he resumed his former position of night watchman for the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company which he still fills, having charge of the numerous shops, buildings etc, of the company. Our subject was married, in 1861, to Catharine, daughter of Isaac Thompson, of Williamsport, Md., and to this union were born six children: John W. (the eldest) died at the age of twenty-one in 1882; Charles W.; Harry T.; Eddie, died in infancy; Della G.; Minnie F. Mr. Michaels and family are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1877 Mr. Michaels was elected a member of the school board, and filled this position for three years; he also represented the First Ward in the town council during 1882-83. He owns and occupies a handsome residence on North Main Street, Chambersburg, which he built in 1883. Mr. Michaels' sons, Charles W., and Harry T., are also employes of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company.

GEORGE L. MILES, cigar box manufacturer, was born in Chambersburg, July 9, 1834, a son of William and Mary (Duscher) Miles. The father having died when the son was about twelve years old, the latter received but little schooling, and that in the schools of Chambersburg, and was thus early in life thrown upon his own resources. He was employed some two years assisting Dr. Kennedy in farm work, when he entered the employ of John Riesner, a baker and confectioner, with whom he remained some seven years. In March, 1852, he was married to Mary E. Crider, who was born in Carlisle, Penn., September 21, 1833. After marriage in 1852, Mr. Miles entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, as fireman on a locomotive, but which pursuit, on account of failing health, he was obliged to abandon after a service of two years. He then went into business for himself, and successfully carried on a bakery and restaurant until the first call for volunteers in April, 1861, when he disposed of his business, and with the militia company, of which he had been first lieutenant (then Company B, Second Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry), went to the war for three months, and after serving out the time of enlistment, re-enlisted, as captain of Company G, One Hundred and Twenty-Sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, for nine months. He was at Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, and at the expiration of his term of service he raised company C for the Twenty-first Cavalry, a six months regiment. In 1863 Captain Miles returned to civil life, and embarked in the grocery trade, which he conducted some two or three years, and again entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, with which he remained one year, and since that time, until some four years ago, has been in the employ of the various hotels of Chambersburg. He then led a retired life until January, 1885, when he commenced the manufacture of cigar boxes. Mrs. Miles died August 19, 1883, the mother of one daughter, Mary E., born April 13, 1853, who became the wife of Edward Kauffman, and died May 10, 1882. Captain Miles is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, also of



the K. of P. and American Mechanics. He represented the First Ward in the council for four years in succession, commencing in 1877. He has always interested himself in militia matters, and up to one year ago he commanded a company of National Guards of Pennsylvania.

J. B. MILLER, tin and copper smith, Chambersburg, was born in that city May 23, 1819, youngest son of Frederick and Eve (Schriver) Miller. Frederick Miller, born in Lancaster County, Penn., about 1776, came to Franklin County about the commencement of the present century. A tin and copper smith by trade, he commenced business in Chambersburg in 1806, which he carried on until his retirement in 1850. He reared to maturity a family of seven children, two of whom survive, J. B., and Mrs. Julia Ann Strickler, of Dayton, Ohio. Frederick Miller once served as county commissioner. His death occurred in 1858. Our subject was educated at the public schools of Chambersburg, and early in life learned the trade of tin and copper smith, under the instruction of his father, and followed the trade, working as journeyman until 1850, when he became his father's successor. In 1880 he removed his business to his present location on the Diamond, where he has an extensive trade in the house furnishing line. This is the oldest business house in continuous trade in Chambersburg. In 1855 Mr. Miller married Mary C., daughter of Matthew Simpson, a former citizen of Chambersburg, and they became the parents of six children, now living, all sons. Mrs. Miller is a member of Zion's Reformed Church, and Mr. Miller is a supporter of all Christian objects. He represented the First Ward in the town council in 1875.

ANDREW J. MILLER (deceased) was born in Chambersburg, this county, June 12, 1823, a son of Andrew and Margaret (Denning) Miller. He was educated in the public schools and the academy of Chambersburg, entered the drug store of his uncle, Lewis Denning, early in life, and there remained until the death of his uncle in 1849. He then undertook the charge of the store, and conducted the same as proprietor successfully until his death, which occurred August 29, 1885. Mr. Miller first married, in 1869, Ellen Senseny, and to this union were born two children, one of whom is now living, Katie S., Mrs. Miller died June 10, 1874, and our subject then married, August 24, 1875, Mattie, daughter of George Barnitz, of Chambersburg, and by her had one daughter, Mabel Denig, born August 11, 1879. Mr. Miller was a member of the Reformed Church; politically he was a Republican.

HENRY MINNICH (deceased) was a native of Fulton County, Penn. He grew up on a farm, and received such educational advantages as the neighborhood schools afforded. After leaving home he engaged in stage driving for Daniel Gehr, of Chambersburg, from Chambersburg to McConnellsburg; then was employed with the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, in which he continued until his sudden death by accident, December 16, 1860. May 15, 1848, he was married to Mary A. Mullennix, a native of Cumberland County, Md., born April 30, 1829, a daughter of Bartholemew and Lucretia (Lynch) Mullennix, and to them five children were born (three now living): William Francis, Sarah E., Bartholemew, Samuel and Basil H. William Francis was employed at the Clark & Shepler saw-mill until the time of his death, December 6, 1865; Bartholemew, the third child, an engineer of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, was killed in a collision at Mont Alto Junction, August 29, 1882; Samuel, the fourth child, a machinist by trade, in the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, married and is away from home; Sarah E. and Basil H. are residing with their mother. Mrs. Minnich and daughter are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SAMUEL MONATH, contractor and builder, Chambersburg, was born at

that place September 1, 1848, son of John and Anna Catherine Monath. He obtained a fair education in the public schools of Chambersburg, and in the spring of 1864 he enlisted in the Twenty-first Regiment, Pennsylvania Cavalry, and participated in the battle of Five Forks, at front of Petersburg, and at the retreat of Gen. Lee, and was present at the latter's surrender at Appomattox Court House, Va., April 9, 1865. He served until the close of the war, and was discharged at Harrisburg, Penn., in the fall of 1865. Returning to civil life, he came to Chambersburg and served an apprenticeship at the trade of carpenter and builder with Shepler & Myers, with whom he continued to work until commencing business for himself in about 1874. Since then he has been extensively engaged in contracting and building, and is now doing the most extensive business, probably, in that line in the county. He has erected several of the finest buildings in the borough. He employs, during the season, from ten to fifteen carpenters. October 4, 1868, Mr. Monath was married to Eliza Smith, and they are the parents of two sons: John W. and Walter S. The parents are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Monath has been a member of the I. O. O. F. for eighteen years; also of the encampment. About six years ago he was elected to the office of councilman, serving a term of two years, and at the present time is one of the school directors of the borough. In politics he is a Democrat.

JOHN MONTGOMERY, M. D., Chambersburg, grandson of James Montgomery, who emigrated from the North of Ireland in 1798, and son of James Montgomery, of Chambersburg, was born in West Chester, Chester Co., Penn., December 29, 1835. He was academically educated at Lititz Academy, and after studying medicine at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, graduated from that institution in March, 1858. He located himself in Chambersburg, where he pursued a general practice, and where he subsequently, after 1864, entered into partnership with Dr. John Curtis Richards, in whose office he had been a student, and with whom he continued in practice eight years. The Doctor is a member of the Pennsylvania State Medical Society, and was its vice-president in 1874; he was also president of the Medical Society of Franklin County, and its recording secretary in 1877. In 1862 he married C. A., daughter of Peter Brough, Esq., of Chambersburg. Dr. and Mrs. Montgomery are members of the church.

PETER NICKLAS, dealer in furniture and carpets, Chambersburg, was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, April 19, 1839, eldest son of Peter and Margaret Nicklas. His father died in Germany in 1848, and the same year he, with his mother, immigrated to America, coming direct to Chambersburg. Here Peter acquired a knowledge of English in the public schools, and early in life learned, under the instruction of his uncle, George Nicklas, carpet and coverlet weaving, remaining with him until of age. His uncle died in February, 1860, and in April of the same year Peter succeeded to the business, which he conducted until the fall of 1865, when he, with his brother Adam, formed the firm of P. Nicklas & Bro., who, in connection with carpet weaving, carried on a general stock of carpets. In 1880 the present firm of P. Nicklas, Bro. & Co. was formed. About the year 1882 the firm again enlarged their business by adding thereto a general and extensive stock of furniture and paper hangings. The establishment is a substantial one, and is doing a large and safe business. Mr. Nicklas was married, February 15, 1861, to a daughter of Christian Henneberger, a former resident of Chambersburg, and to this union were born ten children, eight of whom are living—three daughters and five sons. The family is identified with the United Brethren in Christ Church. In politics Mr. Nicklas is a Prohibitionist.

WILLIAM ORR. Among those driven from their homes in Scotland by religious intolerance, in the seventeenth century, were the grandparents of a Presbyterian gentleman named John Orr. Like so many of their co-religionists, they sought and found a refuge in the hospitable province of Ulster, in the North of Ireland. With the person named, we are only now concerned because of his son Thomas. Quite early in life Thomas was wafted by the tide of emigration to the shores of America, and settled near Bucklestown, now Darkesville, in the State of Virginia. Not satisfied with the prospects of enlarging his small competency in that locality, and full of the energy and buoyancy of youth, he determined to remove to Pennsylvania, toward which State many thousands of his countrymen were flocking. The modes of traveling in those days, through a comparative wilderness, were very primitive. The traveler either walked or rode on horseback. Thomas chose the latter mode. His arrangements were soon made, and his small stock of goods was packed in his ample saddlebags, and his long journey toward his new home then began. His progress was necessarily slow and wearisome, but he at length arrived in Lancaster County, Penn., where he determined to remain. But this intention was soon changed, and he retraced his steps and journeyed westward until he reached Franklin County. Here he ultimately chose as his home a tract of land in that locality known as "Culbertson's Row," in Southampton Township, Franklin Co., Penn. Settled in his new home, he married Martha, a daughter of Samuel Breckenridge, an old and prominent citizen of the neighborhood. He remained in this vicinity until his death, in 1814, having previously purchased the farm upon which his son William's earlier years were spent. Capt. Thomas Orr, by which title he was usually distinguished, was the father of five children—three sons, John, William and James B., and two daughters, Margaret and Martha. His son William, who was born on April 20, 1802, was twelve years old at the period of his father's death. At this immature age he was sent to Virginia, near Darkesville, to live with a grand-uncle. His residence here was, however, short, as he remained only two years with this relative, and then returned to his maternal home. During a portion of the next six years he attended the neighboring school, and diligently applied himself to his books. A boy of his active intelligence could not help soon acquiring all the rudiments of an education that the district pedagogue was capable of imparting. When he attained his eighteenth year, in 1820, he began an apprenticeship in the tannery of the late James Finley, of Chambersburg. His apprenticeship finished and his trade fully mastered, he started for New Market, Va., at which town he had the promise of work. With his meager effects in a bundle, carried on his shoulder, he traversed, on foot, the long distance intervening between his home and his destination. He did not stay long in New Market. Presuming that Washington presented a more inviting field for a journeyman tanner, he started for the Nation's capital. He walked from New Market to Fredericksburg, and traveled thence by stage to the mouth of Cedar Creek. One of his fellow passengers was no less a personage than Gen. Andrew Jackson, who had not yet acquired the extensive fame and popularity which he afterward secured. His wonderful decision of character and impressive conversation made a deep and permanent impression upon the mind of the young itinerant tanner.

At the mouth of Cedar Creek, William saw a steamboat for the first time, which greatly excited his curiosity, and upon which he took passage for Washington. Disappointed in his expectations of finding lucrative employment in Washington, he then started for home, which, after a wearisome journey, he finally reached. If this episode in his life failed to add anything to his

material wealth, the experience which he so dearly bought, and his knowledge of the world, and especially the development of his own resources, amply repaid him for all he had suffered and lost. In 1830 his actual business life may be said to have begun. In that year, associated with his brother John, he rented the tannery in Orrstown, and moved there, forming a partnership under the firm name of J. & W. Orr. In the following year the firm bought the tannery and the farm connected with it, containing over 100 acres of land, which then embraced the ground upon which Orrstown was subsequently built. But their business operations were by no means confined to the manufacture and sale of leather, but included transactions of various kinds, which the necessities of those who were building a new town demanded; and thus they ranked, in a few years, among the most extensive dealers and merchants in Southern Pennsylvania. In 1836 the firm was enlarged by the admission of James B. Orr, their youngest brother. The name of the firm was then changed to J. Orr & Bros., and the new partnership continued for sixteen years. This business association was a remarkable one. The ties of brotherhood bound the three brothers together like chains of triple steel. The utmost harmony always prevailed among them. No dissensions ever arose; but they were always kind, generous and forbearing, it being the chief desire of each to promote the comfort and contentment of the others. For many years they were thus delightfully associated; and, although James had withdrawn from the partnership some time previously, the business association between the two older brothers was continued until 1870, a period of forty years, when it was only dissolved by the death of John Orr.

The town which bears their name was laid out by John and William Orr, in the year 1833, and grew with remarkable rapidity into one of the prettiest and busiest towns in Franklin County. This success of the new town was almost solely attributable to the liberality with which its projectors dealt with those who purchased lots and erected buildings. A handsome town now fitly commemorates that liberality. It was the wish of the founders that their village should be called "Southampton;" and, in their application for a post-office, that name was given to the locality. For some reason the postoffice department disapproved the name, and then Hon. George Chambers, then in Congress, suggested the name of "Orrstown," which was at once adopted by the Postmaster-general. Orrstown was incorporated as a borough in 1847, and William Orr was chosen its first burgess. About this date the "Orrstown Savings Fund" was established, of which William Orr was one of the founders. This institution continued in successful operation for a period of eleven years. Later he was largely instrumental in organizing a Masonic lodge in the town, known as "Orrstown Lodge," which was the second of its kind organized in the county, and of which institution he was long a trusted officer. He was also one of the originators of the project for the erection of the "Town Hall," which was built in 1869, and of which he was one of the largest stockholders.

In 1839 William Orr was married to Mary A. Gish, daughter of David Gish, who was a prominent farmer and miller of Southampton Township. This event was the beginning of a happy domestic life which embraced almost half a century.

Mr. Orr was always a close student of public affairs, and was thoroughly informed as to the politics of the country, as he had lived contemporaneously with the great political parties of the time, both in their origin and subsequent existence. He was a warm personal friend of James Buchanan, and supported him for the presidency with zealous efficiency. This regard was gratefully

acknowledged and reciprocated by Mr. Buchanan, and during the public life of that eminent statesman the three Orr brothers received many evidences of his confidence and esteem. Mr. Orr, it may be inferred, was always a most pronounced and unwavering advocate and supporter of the Democratic party, and contributed most liberally of his time and means to its success. A native and sturdy independence rendered him naturally averse to holding office of profit. He was unwilling that any one should deem him his debtor for political support. In his own township, it is true, he accepted offices of trust, and most faithfully and acceptably filled them. But then the township, not Mr. Orr, was the recipient of a political favor. As long as his health permitted he attended and worked at the polls assiduously and ardently, his sole object being the success of the representatives of the principles he deemed most worthy of triumph.

Physically, Mr. Orr was tall, well-formed, with an elastic step and graceful presence. His manner was cordial and winning, and those who met him, even casually, did not fail to esteem him ever afterward. In his later years his quiet dignity, and gentle deportment and kindly interest excited in all who knew him a strong sentiment of affectionate regard. He was a wise counselor and considerate friend, and those who desired his aid in the multifarious troubles of life were never disappointed in consulting him. He was among the most generous of men, and consequently his impulsive benevolence was often bestowed upon unworthy recipients. This never disturbed his equanimity, because he always preferred to help an intriguing knave rather than to run the risk of repelling a proper and worthy applicant for his sympathy and aid. He was a close observer of men and an acute judge of human nature; although he was quick to detect its weaknesses, foibles and deceptions, he was singularly free from censoriousness, and never commented unjustly or even harshly upon the misbehavior of those whose conduct he could only disapprove. This wonderful liberality was almost unexampled. His disposition was calm and most equable. He fully understood the true philosophy of life, and put the best construction on the motives of his fellows that the circumstances would admit, and never grieved over events which he could not remedy or avert. His presence seemed to infuse good feeling and comfort to all around him, and warmed into sympathetic fellowship all who came within its gentle and calming influence. He was subject to no variable moods, and his friends knew to-day exactly how they would find him to-morrow. He was a most interesting conversationalist, and his large stock of ideas, derived from reading and a wide experience in the affairs of the world, made him a most delightful companion. He had a fine sense of humor, and his wit was most keen, but gentle. He always looked at the best side of human nature, and when he commented at all upon the conduct of rascals, it was always done without bitterness, and with good-natured and pleasant sarcasm. He preferred to laugh at the trickery and peccadilloes of his fellows rather than punish them. Yet the bold and reckless violator of the law found in him a stern and determined foe. Heaven most highly favors any community in which it places for half a century such a man as William Orr. His influence and example are beyond all human estimation.

It is needless to say that Mr. Orr was a most affectionate husband and father. His greatest and most constant desire seemed always to be to promote the comfort and welfare of his devoted family. He was fond of books and an admirer of the earlier classic poetry. Of poetic writers Burns was his favorite, and he had committed to memory the greater part of the poems of that erratic genius, with apt quotations from which he was accustomed to point his con-

versation. Only a fortnight before his death, while one of his daughters was reading one of these poems to him, a slight error which she chanced to make was quickly detected and corrected. Through his long life Mr. Orr adhered to Presbyterianism, the faith of his fathers, and was a constant worshiper in the church of his denomination until the infirmities of advancing years deprived him of that privilege. His life was singularly pure and blameless, and in it were fully exemplified all the Christian virtues and graces. As old age stole over him with all its physical weaknesses, his mental and moral nature seemed correspondingly to expand and soften, until he seemed almost the venerable impersonation of charity and love. For several years before his death Mr. Orr had withdrawn from business and spent his whole time with his family and friends. He felt that the end of his long life was approaching, and he calmly awaited its end. On Monday morning, January 31, 1881, he passed away quietly and peacefully, leaving his family and friends, in his spotless character, a legacy beyond all price.

JOHN G. ORR was born at Willow Grove Mills, Southampton Township, near Orrstown, in 1839, and during that year his parents made their homes in Orrstown, where he resided until 1865. He received his education in the public schools of that place, and his business habits and training from his father on the farm, where his earlier years were passed. In 1857 he obtained a position as general clerk in one of the stores of the village, and in that occupation he continued until 1865, when he removed to Carlisle, Cumberland County, to accept the position of teller in the First National Bank of Carlisle, which he filled until 1873; during a portion of that time he was one of its board of directors; in 1874 he returned to his early home, and in April of the following year engaged in merchandising at that place until 1879, when, under the firm name of John G. & D. A. Orr, he became one of the editors and proprietors of *Valley Spirit* and removed to Chambersburg. For several years Mr. Orr was a ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church at Middle Spring, and has twice represented the presbytery of Carlisle in the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. In September, 1885, he was chosen as ruling elder in Fall Spring Presbyterian Church of Chambersburg. He is one of the founders of the children's aid society of Franklin County, of which association he is a director and its recording secretary, and by his active and earnest support has added greatly to its success. On the one side his ancestry are the Scotch-Irish emigrants who first settled Culbertson's Row, and on the other the Germans who early immigrated to Lancaster County. Whatever success he has had in life, Mr. Orr attributes it to the example and training of his parents.

D. A. ORR, one of the editors and owners of the daily and weekly *Valley Spirit*, published at Chambersburg, Penn., was born at Orrstown, this county, a town founded by his father and brothers, whose name it bears, and was educated at the schools of that borough. He attended a high school at upper Strasburg for one term and later underwent private instruction. Having an early taste for newspaper writing, before he was eighteen years of age he became the associate editor of the *Sentinel*, a Democratic newspaper then published at Shippensburg, and subsequently removed to Carlisle. From Shippensburg he went, after a somewhat protracted trip through the Western States and Territories, to Pittsburgh, where he resided and was engaged in active business until January, 1879; in that month he purchased the *Democratic Chronicle* at Shippensburg, which paper he sold six months later, and, in October of the same year, together with his brother, purchased and took charge of *Valley Spirit*. Although he has always taken an active interest in politics, Mr.

Orr has never been a candidate for any public office of profit, and says he "never will be." He is engaged in a number of private enterprises. In 1884 he was appointed by Gov. Pattison one of the trustees of the Pennsylvania State Lunatic Asylum at Harrisburg. He was a delegate from the Eighteenth Congressional District to the National Convention in 1884, which nominated Grover Cleveland for the presidency. He is a member of the executive committee and treasurer of the Revenue Reform Press Association of Pennsylvania.

GEORGE PALMER, grocer, Chambersburg, was born in Antrim Township, this county, January 21, 1832; the eldest child of Samuel and Jane (Small) Palmer, the former of whom was also a native of Franklin County, Penn., born in 1805. George Palmer, our subject's grandfather, came to Franklin County from Berks County, Penn., before the commencement of the century; he was a successful farmer, and died in about 1862. His eldest son, Samuel, also a farmer in early life, settled in Hamilton Township, this county, where he spent his days. He reared to maturity a family of four daughters and two sons, all of whom are now living; he died April 1, 1849. George Palmer, our subject, was educated in the public schools, but in later years improved himself by study and application to his books. He was reared on the home farm in Hamilton Township, where he remained until 1854, when, with his mother, he came to Chambersburg, this county. Here he engaged as clerk in a hardware store kept by Samuel Myers, and continued with that house (under various firm names) for a period of thirteen years. In 1868 he returned to Hamilton Township, this county, where he purchased one or more small farms, engaged also in brick making, and lived there for ten years. In 1878 he returned to Chambersburg and clerked for a time. In January, 1880, Mr. Palmer commenced the grocery trade in his present location, corner Second and Washington Streets, which he has since continued with much success and promise. Our subject was married in 1857 to Mary Gordon, who bore him ten children, four of whom are now living, one son and three daughters. Mrs. Mary Palmer died January 1, 1880. Mr. Palmer was again married in November, 1880, this time to Martha Wingert. To this union were born two children, one daughter and one son. Mr. Palmer is a member of the Methodist Episcopal, and Mrs. Palmer of the River Brethren Church. Our subject is an active and influential member of the I. O. O. F., which he joined in 1855. He was elected a member of the town council from the South Ward in [1865, his term expiring in 1868. While a resident of Hamilton Township, this county, he was much interested in public education, and was secretary of the school board a part of the time while residing there.

P. H. PEIFFER, coachmaker, Chambersburg, was born at that place, December 5, 1836, son of Philip and Madeline (Kobler) Peiffer. His educational advantages were meager, having followed butchering from the age of thirteen years, and when sixteen years old commenced his trade, that of coachsmith, with his father and Speakman Hicks, in the year 1852. Young Peiffer worked as a journeyman one year in York, Penn., and upon the death of his father, Philip, in 1860, the son, in connection with his mother and Mr. Hicks, continued the business of the old firm for two years, when Mr. Hicks retired and the firm became Peiffer & Foltz. This partnership lasted until the establishment was burned by the rebels in 1864. Mr. Peiffer rebuilt on the same site (corner of South Market and Second Streets), the site of the old jail, and now the home of Judge D. Watson Rowe and Chauncey Ives. Our subject disposed of that property and located just north of the same, on North Second Street, where he is conducting a flourishing business. For the past six years he has carried on the business himself, employing twelve or fifteen hands.

May 1, 1865, he was married to Katie Savage, and they were the parents of one daughter, Elizabeth, born in 1866 and died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Peiffer are members of the First Lutheran Church. Our subject is a member of the Masonic order, I. O. O. F. and K. of P.; in politics he is a Democrat. In the spring of 1886 he was elected a member of the town council from the Second Ward of Chambersburg.

JOHN F. PEIFFER, Chambersburg, son of Philip and Magdalena (Kobler) Peiffer, was born in Chambersburg, this county, December 21, 1840. He was educated in the public schools of his native place, and when sixteen years old commenced clerking in the store of C. Peiffer, where he remained about one year; also worked upon his father's farm until the spring of 1861, when he enlisted in Company D, Second Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry; served three months and then re-enlisted, this time in the Eleventh Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry, and with that regiment was taken prisoner in the vicinity of Blackwater River. He was an inmate of Castle Thunder and Libby Prison for some two weeks, and was then paroled; served out that term of enlistment, and in 1864 re-enlisted as a veteran. He was present at the surrender of Gen. Lee, serving all through the war, and with his regiment was mustered out at Philadelphia, in August, 1865. Returning to civil life he worked in the coach factory of his brother, P. H. Peiffer, some two years. While a resident of Philadelphia, he was employed as a street car conductor for about four years, but failing health and gradual loss of eyesight compelled him to abandon active business. He then resided in West Virginia for a period of seven or eight years, returning to Chambersburg in 1878. In 1873 he totally lost his sight, since which time he has engaged in no active business. He married, March 12, 1867, Annie M. Etchberger, daughter of George P. Etchberger, a former well known resident of Chambersburg. Mr. and Mrs. Peiffer are the parents of two children: an infant (deceased), and Lizzie, born June 24, 1871. Mr. Peiffer is a member of the Lutheran Church. In 1879 he entered the institution for the blind in Philadelphia, where he learned the trade of broom-making during his one year there. He then worked one year for William McKnight, and afterward opened a little broom manufacturing establishment of his own, from which he retired after six months.

GEORGE F. PLATT, dental surgeon, Chambersburg, was born in Milford, Conn., April 10, 1835, a son of Newton and Anna (Clark) Platt, both descendants of the original settlers of the town in 1639. He was educated in the public schools, including the high school at Milford, and was reared to farming. He also taught school at home until the age of nineteen, and then engaged in clerking in Salisbury and New Haven, Conn., some four years. In 1858 he commenced the study of dentistry in New Haven, Conn., and in the fall of 1858 attended the medical department of Yale College. In 1859 he attended the Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery, graduating from that institution in the spring of 1860. That same spring he came to Chambersburg and commenced the practice of his profession, interrupted, however, by his enlistment in 1862, in the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. After six months our subject was promoted to first lieutenant and for the last month of his service was acting adjutant. He participated in all the battles of the regiment from Fredericksburg to Chancellorsville; served his term of enlistment, and with his regiment was mustered out at Harrisburg, May 20, 1863. He returned to the practice of his profession in Chambersburg, which he has since continued with marked success. Dr. Platt married, in 1863, Miss Mary Montague, of South Hadley, Mass., daughter of Obed and Mary (Newell) Montague, and by her has three sons and one daughter: Edwin



Montague, George Fisk, Clarence Newton and Mary Newell. The family are members of Falling Spring Presbyterian Church, in which he has been an elder since December, 1861, and superintendent of the Sunday-school since 1868. The Doctor was school director from the Fourth Ward from 1877 to 1881. He was vice-president of the Odontographic Society of Pennsylvania for one year, from May 6, 1867; president of the Franklin Library Association from March, 1879, until now (1887); a director of the Citizens' Building Association from September, 1874, to August, 1880; a trustee of Chambersburg Academy from 1880 until now; senior vice-commander of Housum Post, G. A. R., for 1886, and elected commander for 1887. Politically he is a Republican.

HIRAM J. PLOUGH, attorney at law, Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., September 11, 1855, only son of Peter and Mary (Johns) Plough. He with his parents removed to Orrstown, Franklin County, in 1860, where he received instruction in the public schools until about 1870; then for two terms attended a select school at Upper Strasburg; then, in the fall of 1872, he entered the State normal school at Millersville, where he remained for a period; then pursued a course of study at the then new State normal school, Shippensburg, from which institution he was graduated in 1874. The following winter he taught and took charge of the graded school in Orrstown. He entered the university located at Syracuse, N. Y., but his father's failing health called him home in 1876; he also entered LaFayette College, but by reason of the illness of his father he was compelled to abandon a collegiate education. In the spring of 1877 he began the study of law in the office of Kennedy & Stewart, with whom he read two years, and was admitted to the bar in 1879. He at once commenced the practice of his profession, which he has since continued with success. In 1882 Mr. Plough was married to Mary B., daughter of Judge F. M. Kimmell, and to them were born the following named children: Francis K., born November 19, 1882, and Pauline Thankful, born November 25, 1886. Mrs. Plough is a member of the Episcopal Church, and Mr. Plough is an attendant and vestryman of the same church. He was elected to the office of district attorney, at the election November 2, 1886.

ALBERT NEVIN POMEROY, editor of the daily and weekly *Franklin Repository*, Chambersburg, Penn., was born in the city of Philadelphia, May 27, 1859. At an early age he removed with his parents to Pomeroy, Chester Co., Penn., a station on the line of the Pennsylvania Railroad, forty-two miles west of Philadelphia. Here he received an education in the common schools and at the Parkesburg (Penn.) Academy. In 1874, his father, Maj. John M. Pomeroy, removed to Chambersburg, Penn., where he had purchased the *Franklin Repository*. The subject of this sketch pursued his studies at Chambersburg Academy until the spring of 1876, when, at the age of seventeen, he abandoned his studies at the academy to take charge of the Adams Express office in Chambersburg, his father having been appointed agent. This position he filled until 1878, when he entered the *Repository* office as reporter. In 1878 he was made local editor. In May, 1883, he and his brother, John H. Pomeroy, were taken into partnership with their father, and the firm was known as John M. Pomeroy & Sons. In December, 1884, John H. Pomeroy and A. Nevin Pomeroy purchased the interest of their father, and have since conducted the business under firm name Pomeroy Bros. Under their direction the daily *Repository* was permanently established in January, 1884, and it, with the weekly (nearly a hundred years old) is enjoying a large patronage. Our subject married, May 26, 1885, Miss E. Belle McLellan, youngest daughter of the late William McLellan, Esq., of Chambersburg. Mr.

and Mrs. Pomeroy attend the services of Falling Spring Presbyterian Church. In politics he is a Republican.

SAMUEL A. RADEBAUGH was one of the earliest settlers of Franklin County, a merchant by occupation. He married Catharine Croft, and raised to maturity three children: John, Mary and Samuel. He died April 22, 1817, in his fiftieth year; his widow, Catharine, died December 10, 1845, in her ninety-second year. John Radebaugh, his son, succeeded his father in the mercantile business; was also a farmer, kept and owned the "Indian Queen" Hotel for a number of years, afterward moved to his Washington Street residence and continued farming until his death. He was for many years a member of the Lutheran Church; in politics he was a Democrat. He was married to Margaret Bonebrake, by whom was born one son, Samuel, the young mother dying soon after. In due time Mr. Radebaugh (in 1819) married Catharine Myers, by whom were born nine children, five of whom were raised to maturity, viz.: Mary, John, Catharine, Anna and Bernard. He was born in 1790, and died in 1848, in his fifty-eighth year; his widow died in 1875. Mary Radebaugh (daughter of Samuel R., Sr.) was married to Charles Hutz, of Chambersburg, who was a prominent member of the Lutheran Church for many years; by occupation a merchant. Samuel Radebaugh was married to Caroline Tritle, but had no issue. By proper financiering he accumulated considerable wealth, which afforded ample means, yet he was never engaged in any active business. Politically he was a Whig. He was born October 13, 1794, died February 17, 1862. The Radebaughs emigrated from Germany to Pennsylvania, and located in Lancaster County; of this family Samuel A. and Jacob came to Chambersburg. Jacob soon after moved to Bedford, Penn., Samuel remaining in Chambersburg, and all the Radebaughs who were citizens of Franklin County were descendants of his.

WILLIAM M. REED, retired farmer, Chambersburg, was born in Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn., May 10, 1812, son of Michael and Catherine (Keyser) Reed. Michael Reed was a native of Berks County, Penn., born 1780, and about 1804 he came to Franklin County, locating first on a farm in Antrim Township, and, about 1806, settling on land in Guilford Township, on which he passed his life. He reared to maturity a family of eleven children, six of whom are living—five sons and one daughter—and died in 1852. William M. Reed was brought up on a farm, receiving an ordinary common-school education, remaining at home until twenty-six years of age. In 1837 he was married to Mary, daughter of Solomon Miller, an early settler and resident of Guilford Township, and soon after that event he located on the home place of his father-in-law and conducted the farm for six years. About 1845 he purchased what was then known as the "Adam Gift farm," in Guilford Township, a place of 100 acres with fine improvements, which he still owns and upon which he resided until about 1867, when he removed to Fayetteville. Here he lived some ten years, engaged in conducting another small farm which he then owned. In the spring of 1877 Mr. Reed became a resident of Chambersburg, where he has since lived a retired life, occupying a handsome and commodious residence on Queen Street. To Mr. and Mrs. Reed were born three children, two of whom are living: Charlotte S., now the wife of Daniel Herman, of Chambersburg, and A. E., wife of George Feterhoff, of Chambersburg. Our subject is a member of the United Brethren Church. He never aspired to public office, yet has served the people of Guilford Township in the capacity of treasurer and as school director. He is one of the substantial citizens of Franklin County.

ELIHU D. REID (deceased) was born in Adams County, Penn., January

9, 1807. His education was acquired in the common schools, and when quite young he entered a store as clerk, but embarked in the dry goods business for himself at Shippensburg, Penn., early in life. About 1830 he came to Chambersburg, this county, and formed the dry goods firm of McCly & Reid, which partnership existed two years; then Mr. Reid conducted the business alone until about 1868, and had a successful and extensive trade. He then went to California and resided in Sacramento for three years. During the late war of the Rebellion our subject enlisted, in 1861, and was elected captain of the commissary department of the Twelfth Regiment Pennsylvania Reserves. He served three years and participated in the battles in which his regiment took part. Returning to civil life he engaged in the grocery trade, in which he continued up to within a few years of his death, which took place January 9, 1880. Mr. Reid married, in 1834, Elizabeth A., daughter of Dr. S. D. Culbertson, and of six children born to this union two are living: Helen M., wife of Hon. W. S. Stenger, and Annie, wife of Dr. B. Bowman. In politics our subject was a Republican.

GEORGE W. RICE, finisher, Chambersburg, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn., April 10, 1821, and is a son of John and Rebecca (Crow) Rice. He received his education at such schools as the neighborhood afforded, and in 1832, his father having purchased a farm, our subject worked on it for three years. In 1835 he commenced a three years' apprenticeship at the trade of manufacturing woolens at Bridgeport, this county, and in May, 1838, returned to Chambersburg, where he worked at his trade in a woolen-mill in the vicinity. During 1841-42 he was a resident of Virginia, where he also worked at his trade; returned again to Chambersburg, where he worked at his former place until the spring of 1845. In 1846 he commenced railroading, running individual freight cars to Philadelphia and Baltimore, until 1861; then entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company as freight conductor, which he continued until 1866; then engaged in the saloon business, carrying on the same successfully until 1875. In 1876 he entered the employ of the Chambersburg Woolen Company as a finisher, his present occupation. Mr. Rice married in February, 1844, Eliza McKee, who has borne him one son and one daughter, viz.: Samuel J., born May 19, 1850, a weaver by trade and now employed by the Chambersburg Woolen Company, and Mary J., residing with her parents.

SAMUEL ROSENBERGER, tanner, Chambersburg, was born in Shenandoah County, Virginia, February 4, 1839, a son of Henry and Lydia (Funkhouser) Rosenberger. He was brought up on a farm and received the schooling generally given to farmers' boys. He remained at home until the retreat of Gen. Banks down the Shenandoah Valley, when on account of his union sentiments he was obliged to flee North, having previously been drafted into the rebel army from which he deserted, and after traveling through the mountains a day, that night the house where he stayed was surrounded by twelve rebel cavalymen, and he came very near being captured by them. Through a friend of his, however, he made his escape from there, and traveling the next day and night through the mountains he reached home, where he found his parents, and "on the 13th day of April, 1862, he voluntarily subscribed to and took the oath of allegiance to the Government of the United States, and as a legal citizen is entitled to the protection of his person and property. By order of Charles Caudy, Col. 66th Reg. O. V. I., Provost Marshal, Provost Office, Strasburg, Va." In May, 1862, he came to Franklin County, Penn., where he was occupied in farming. February 5, 1863, he was married to Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob Myers, and the same year he moved to Carroll

County, Ind., where he engaged in farming. He remained in Indiana five years, and there owned a farm, but failing health compelled him to leave that State. He for a time resided in Mechanicsburg, Cumberland Co., Penn., where he was in partnership with D. F. Stager, conducting a tannery. Subsequently he purchased his partner's interest in the tannery, which he carried on by himself until coming to Chambersburg in April, 1884. He then purchased the Jacob Shafer property on North Second Street, and converted it into a tannery, which he has since conducted. He deals in hides, leather and shoe findings, and is doing a successful business. Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberger were the parents of two daughters: Margaret Anna, who died in February, 1882, in her eighteenth year, and Lydia C., born April 18, 1868, now residing with her parents. All are members of the Brethren in Christ, commonly called the River Brethren. In politics Mr. Rosenberger is a Republican.

PETER ROSMAN, Chambersburg, was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, January 20, 1841, and is the eldest child of Henry and Elizabeth (Myer) Rosman. He attended the schools of his native country but a short time, when he emigrated, in 1851, with his parents to America, coming direct to Franklin County, and locating in Greene Township, where he worked on a farm for some five years, in the meantime attending school for two winters. He then began an apprenticeship at the trade of wagon-making, in Chambersburg, at which he continued until he enlisted in the Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry. He served out his term and in 1865 re-enlisted, this time in the Eighth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and participated with that regiment in all its battles. His horse was shot from under him twice; he was slightly wounded near Petersburg, and was taken prisoner two days before the surrender of Gen. Lee, after which event he was released; returned to his regiment and served until the close of the war, receiving his discharge at Lynchburg, Va. On his return to Chambersburg he resumed his former occupation of wagon-making with John Brahn, with whom he continued until 1869, when he entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, with whom he has since continued (employed in the car shops). Mr. Rosman married, April 23, 1868, Barbara Hehl, born December 3, 1841, daughter of Emanuel Hehl, a former resident of Chambersburg, and to this union three children have been born: William, born February 23, 1871; George W., born February 27, 1875, and Daniel, born September 26, 1885. Mrs. Rosman is a member of the United Brethren Church. Mr. Rosman is a prosperous citizen and occupies the handsome residence which he built in 1876.

DAVID WATSON ROWE, lawyer and soldier, was born November 12, 1836, in Greencastle, Franklin Co., Penn. His father, John Rowe, was surveyor-general of the State, and his mother, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Prather, was a granddaughter of James Watson, a soldier of the Revolutionary war, colonel of the second battalion of Lancaster County, by commission, dated July 1, 1777. On both sides his people were early settlers in the vicinity of Greencastle. Three brothers, Prather, from England, Episcopalians, and one at least a clergyman, settled at Rockville, Md. The name spread into Virginia and Pennsylvania. Henry Prather came and took up his abode two miles south of Greencastle, long before the foundation of the town. The Watson family came to Greencastle about the close of the Revolutionary war, and Col. Watson was the first postmaster there; they were Presbyterians, as were the Wises, who go back to that McKinnie who was killed by the Indians at Hollywell paper-mill, in 1756. Mary Wise married John Rowe, an Irish Orangeman of County Westmeath, who came here in 1804. The subject of this sketch, prepared in the public and classical schools of his native town, was

sent, when still under fifteen years of age to Marshall College, Mercersburg, a quiet, beautifully situated mountain town, with Mount Parnell, a lofty leader of the Kittanning Hills on the one hand, and on the other Casey's Knob, "whose sunbright summit mingles with the sky," between them the Tuscarora range, an ideal place for study and the cultivation of the humanities. Leaving college he entered upon the study of law with William McLellan, Esq., of Chambersburg, and on the 15th of August, 1857, was admitted to the bar; on coming of age he began the practice of his profession. He had been thus peacefully, and with a fair clientage, engaged for three years, when the war of the Rebellion broke out. As he stood one Sunday in a group on the public square of Chambersburg, he heard the news and seemed to hear the guns of Sumter. He responded to the first call for troops, hurried to Greencastle and encouraged enlistment; joined Company C, Second Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, as a private, and on the 18th of April, 1861, left for the front. A week later he was made sergeant-major of the regiment, and a few weeks afterward was commissioned first lieutenant of Company C. His regiment formed part of Gen. Patterson's column operating against Johnston in the valley of Virginia. In July, 1861, at the expiration of his term of service, he returned to Greencastle and remained there, rather awaiting events, than practicing law. When the disasters on the peninsula rendered necessary, in July, 1862, an urgent call for volunteers, he began to recruit a company at Greencastle; the full quota of 101 men was filled by the 5th of August; on the evening of that day he was married to Miss Annie Fletcher, and next morning started to Harrisburg with his company, composed for the most part of the young men of Antrim Township, the very flower and pride of the community. His company was attached, as Company K, to the One Hundred and Twenty-Sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, of which he was commissioned lieutenant-colonel, being twenty-five years old. This regiment was part of Tyler's brigade of Humphrey's division, Fifth Army Corps; he was never absent from his regiment a day, but was with it in all its marches, reconnoissances and battles. While the second battle of Bull Run was in progress, his regiment was lying at Cloud's Mill, near Alexandria, and Lieut.-Col. Rowe was ordered to proceed with six companies and a section of artillery to Bull Run Ridge and hold it, but it was destroyed before his command was able to start. At Antietam, Humphrey's division was in service with the rest of Porter's corps. At Fredericksburg, in the series of charges on Marye's Heights, Humphrey's division, which made the last charge, covered itself with honor. Gen. Hooker declares that "no campaign in the world ever saw a more gallant advance than Humphrey's men made there." Col. Elder of the One Hundred and Twenty-Sixth, received a serious wound (fracture of the thigh), was carried from the field, and Lieut.-Col. Rowe assumed command of the regiment, which he retained thenceforth, until the regiment was mustered out of service. Gen. Tyler, in his report, speaks in praise of his efforts and officer-like conduct on this bloody field. He led his regiment into action at Chancellorsville on Sunday, May 3, 1863; of his conduct here, Gen. Tyler says: "Col. Rowe exhibited the true characteristics of a soldier, brave, cool and determined, and his spirit was infused into every officer and soldier of his command." His regiment was mustered out at Harrisburg on the 20th of May, 1863; he resumed the practice of law, and on March 18, 1868, at the age of thirty-one, was appointed by Gov. Geary, additional law judge of the Sixteenth Judicial District, composed of the counties of Franklin, Fulton, Bedford and Somerset, of which Hon. A. King was president judge, and at the ensuing general election was chosen to fill the office for the term of ten

years. In 1874, upon the division of the district, pursuant to the provisions of the new constitution, he became president judge of the Thirty-Ninth Judicial District, composed of the county of Franklin, to which the county of Fulton was attached. In 1878 he was re-elected for another term of ten years, but in 1883 Fulton County was detached from this district, leaving Judge Rowe with Franklin only. Politically he is a Republican, having cast his first presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln; he has not sought political preferment. To aid the erection of a soldiers' monument he wrote and published a sketch of the One Hundred and Twenty-Sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers. He also laid before the constitutional convention a draft of a constitution. In 1876, at the Centennial celebration at Chambersburg, Judge Rowe delivered the oration.

JUDGE HENRY RUBY, retired editor and merchant, of Chambersburg, was born in Stoystown, Somerset Co., Penn., April 8, 1804, eldest son of Casper and Sarah (Peisel) Ruby. He attended the schools of that day and was thrown upon his own resources at an early age. He came to Chambersburg in 1814, and at once commenced an apprenticeship with F. W. Schophffin, his uncle, who then published a German paper. His printing office, the Judge thinks, was the best school for acquiring knowledge he ever attended. He worked as journeyman for about one year, and in 1824 or 1825 took charge of the office. Upon the death of his uncle, soon after the latter part of 1825, he became proprietor of and conducted the office and paper for about four years. In 1831 he started the *Franklin Telegraph*, out of which grew the *Valley Spirit*, of to-day. Mr. Ruby continued as editor and publisher of the *Telegraph* some four years, when he became superintendent of the *German Reformed Messenger* printing establishment, and as such remained until the fall of 1839 (some two years). He was then appointed by Gov. Porter register and recorder of Franklin County, and was elected to the same office at the first election held after the ratification of the new constitution. In 1847 he received the appointment as associate judge, which office he held for a time, and then resigned. In 1851 he removed to Orrstown, where he engaged in mercantile pursuits, and in 1853 was appointed postmaster of the place. In 1856 he removed to Shippensburg, where for twenty-one years he was engaged in the grain and forwarding business, which was extensively and profitably carried on. In 1874 he returned to Chambersburg, where he has since led a retired life. Judge Ruby was married in 1826 to Rebecca, daughter of Dr. Abraham Senseney, one of the pioneer physicians of Chambersburg. To our subject and wife were born two daughters and two sons, the second of whom, C. B. Ruby, a graduate of Jefferson Medical College, died in 1881. The eldest child, Anna Mary, is the wife of J. M. Wolfkill, of Chambersburg; the third child, Elouisa (widow of R. J. Lawton), resides in Shippensburg. The youngest, Henry R., is an employe in the Cumberland Valley Railroad shops. Mrs. Ruby died October 7, 1885. Judge Ruby has been a member of the German Reformed Church since about 1840, and of the Masonic order since 1825. He is an esteemed citizen; in politics a Democrat.

REV. J. G. SCHAFF'S SONS, publishers of the *People's Register* (daily and weekly), Chambersburg, is a firm composed of Motte L. and B. Harris Schaff. Motte L. was born in Adams County, Penn., April 28, 1865, and removed to Greencastle with his parents in 1868 and to Chambersburg in 1869. He was educated in the public schools and afterward entered the office of his father in 1878, where he learned the trade of printer. He was foreman of the office until the death of his father, which occurred September 21, 1881. Since then, in connection with his brother, B. Harris, and sister, Thesta B., he has con-

ducted the papers with much success. April 1, 1885, Miss Schaff retired from the duties of the office. The career of B. Harris is similar to that of his brother. He was educated like him and also entered his father's office at an early age and learned the trade of printer. Neither of the brothers are married and both reside with their mother. The family are not members of any church but hold the Life views, as taught in the Old and New Testaments, believing there is Life only in Christ. Persons holding these views are commonly called "Life Believers."

J. G. SCHEIBLE, ice dealer, Chambersburg, was born in Philadelphia, Penn., April 14, 1813, eldest child of John Martin and Catharine (Geyer) Scheible. John M. Scheible, born about 1776, was a native of Germany, and emigrating to America soon after the commencement of the century, came with his wife and two children to Chambersburg in 1816, where he engaged in butchering till stricken down with paralysis in 1821, which terminated his life in 1847. He reared to maturity a family of three children, of whom J. G. is the sole survivor. Our subject received a fair education in the public schools, and, when fourteen years of age, commenced an apprenticeship which lasted seven years, at the trade of tailor in Philadelphia. He then returned to Chambersburg, and in 1834 embarked in mercantile business, which he conducted for some five years. In 1840 he took up tailoring and conducted a clothing establishment until 1862, when he carried on farming in St. Thomas Township, this county, for two years. In 1865 he went to Indiana, where he purchased a farm and lived seven years. He returned to Chambersburg, Penn., in 1872, purchased a brickyard and conducted the same successfully, doing an extensive business, for seven years. In 1879 he commenced the ice industry which he still continues; has been very successful and puts up about 1,500 tons of ice a year. Mr. Scheible was married, May 1, 1833, to Eliza C. Goodwin, born in Trenton, N. J., May 20, 1817. To this union were born thirteen children, eight of whom are living—four sons and four daughters. They are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Scheible has been a member of the Masonic order for thirty years, and of the I. O. O. F. for thirty-five years. In politics he is a Democrat. He was appointed justice of the peace by Gov. Porter some forty years ago, and served then four years. While a resident of Indiana he filled the same position for four years. Early in life he was captain of a militia company.

JACOB T. SCHLICHTER, retired farmer, Chambersburg, was born in Franklin County, Penn., April 20, 1813, only son of Thomas and Susan (Thrush) Schlichter. Thomas Schlichter was also a native of Franklin County, his father, Duval Schlichter, being a pioneer of same. Thomas Schlichter reared a family of two children: Jacob T. and Rebecca; the latter, the wife of Peter C. Holler, died in Kansas in 1885. Thomas Schlichter was a tailor by trade and carried on that business in Upper Strasburg for many years. His death occurred many years ago. Jacob T. was educated in the public schools, and learned the tailor's trade under his father and worked at it until eighteen years of age, when he commenced an apprenticeship to the trade of miller. About 1835 he rented the Felty Mill at Upper Strasburg, and conducted it for three years; then conducted the Bigler Mill, located in the same town, one year. After carrying on the miller's business for four years he purchased a farm in Lurgan Township, upon which he lived for eleven years; then went to St. Thomas Township, where he worked in a tannery one year, and for one year farmed in the same township. From this locality he removed to Letterkenny Township, where he engaged in farming, renting a farm on which he lived two years; later he purchased the same farm (which he now owns) com-

prising 150 acres of good land. Here he resided until coming to Chambersburg in the spring of 1885. April 9, 1834, he was married to Mary Mowers, and to this union were born five children, three of whom survive: Rev. Hiram A., a minister of the United Brethren Church, residing in Chambersburg; Simon T. residing in Kansas, and George W. a resident of St. Thomas Township. Mrs. Schlichter died March 8, 1882, and May 3, 1883, Mr. Schlichter married Mary, daughter of John Byers, a former resident of Fayetteville. Our subject is a member of the Lutheran Church; his wife of the United Brethren Church. He has held various township offices and discharged their duties to the satisfaction of all concerned. In addition to his farm, which is well improved, Mr. Schlichter owns valuable property on West King Street, in Chambersburg, on which he resides.

REV. HIRAM A. SCHLICHTER, a United Brethren minister, was born in Letterkenny Township, near Upper Strasburg, Franklin Co., Penn., December 18, 1838. He is the eldest son of Jacob T. and Mary (Mower) Schlichter. In early life his opportunities for obtaining a thorough education were somewhat limited, being required to work a good part of the time on the farm. He attended the common schools of Letterkenny; then took a course at the academy at Spring Run, Path Valley. In the fall of 1857 he was licensed to exhort at a quarterly conference held at Crider's Church, Franklin County, Rev. J. Erb presiding elder. In the fall of 1859 he was licensed to preach, at a quarterly conference held at Young's Church, Cumberland County, Penn. In January, 1861, he was received into the annual conference, at a session held in Chambersburg. He entered the active ministry in 1859, and served various charges in Franklin, Cumberland, Perry, Adams and York Counties, Penn. and in Baltimore City, Md. At an annual conference held in the city of Harrisburg in February, 1886, he was chosen one of the presiding elders, and appointed to the Chambers District. His ministry has been quite successful. In August, 1862, he volunteered as a member of Company H, One Hundred and Thirty-third Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry (nine months) and was at once chosen second lieutenant. He participated in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville, served out his term of enlistment, and was mustered out of service at Harrisburg. November 14, 1862, he was married to Miss Barbara E. Strock, and to them were born six children: Wm. Otterbein, Jacob A., Edith Romaine, Sedonia Estelle, Vara Zenobia and Norman C. In politics Mr. Schlichter has always been a Republican.

DR. ABRAHAM H. SENSENY comes from a stock of noted physicians. His grandfather, Abraham Senseny, came to Chambersburg from New Holland, Lancaster County, in 1781, and practiced in the former place until his death, February, 1844, at the age of eighty-three years. For a period of two years he was the only physician in the place. He was highly esteemed in the community for his ability and exemplary character. He was a member of the sect of Baptists called Mennonites, who are descended from the pure Waldenses, and, according to the learned writer, Rev. J. J. Dermont, chaplain to the King of the Netherlands, "may be considered the only Christian society which has stood since the Apostles, and as a society which has preserved pure the doctrines of the Gospel through all the ages." They maintain that practical piety is the essence of pure religion. Dr. Abraham Senseny's wife was a daughter of Frederick Huber, of Paltz, Germany, who volunteered his services to his adopted country in the war of the Revolution, and died in a hospital at Philadelphia. His wife, who visited him on his death bed, took the same fever which carried off her husband, and died also. Dr. Abraham Senseny's educa-



tion was principally in German and Latin, having studied medicine with his uncle in Philadelphia, who was graduated in the old country, which was the mode of admission to the fraternity of physicians at that early day, about 125 years ago. Jeremiah Senseny, son of Abraham, commenced practice in 1809, and continued until his death in 1863, in the seventy-fifth year of his age. He enjoyed a fine reputation and did a larger business than any of his contemporaries. He married Catherine, daughter of Abraham Huber, of Bridgeport, this county, proprietor of all the land in the vicinity of the place. Dr. J. Senseny was a volunteer in the war of 1812, and was made surgeon-in-chief at Meadville, Penn., but was obliged to resign on account of ill health. He returned home, and in 1814 re-enlisted and went to Baltimore in the company of Capt. Finley. Dr. Abraham H. Senseny (son of Dr. Jeremiah), of whom we now write, was graduated in medicine at Jefferson College in 1835, and began the active practice of his profession in the same year. He inherited an extensive business, which his splendid abilities increased and retained until his death, July 17, 1879, at the age of sixty-seven years. We have no doubt that he had a larger and more varied experience than any physician who ever practiced in his neighborhood. For forty-eight years he labored, almost without relaxation, practicing all the branches of his profession, adding luster to the family name, which for more than 100 years was renowned in Franklin County. Every community has its "men of mark." For causes connected with their character, conduct and circumstances, they fill a place in public view and stand high in public estimation. Dr. Senseny was such a one. From the public prints at the time of his death we gather testimonials as to his worth as a citizen, a man of integrity, and to his unquestioned moral qualities, and by his strict observance of professional ethics he won the respect of all his professional brethren. He earned his rank as a surgeon and an unrivaled general practitioner by his severe habits of study and great fondness for general reading. His inherited judgment in the diagnosis of disease was very remarkable. The peculiar characteristics of Dr. Senseny were quickness of perception, promptness of action and unwearied energy. With intuition he perceived the nature of a case and with great rapidity brought his resources to bear upon it. "Dr. Senseny had much in his character which was strong and positive. He was a man of deep convictions. He abhorred pretense, if any man did. He did nothing by halves or in any way of indirection. He had a large, warm heart. He was forceful and brave and earnest." During the season of epidemic cholera in Chambersburg, in 1852, Dr. Senseny had the most trying experiences. His endurance and persevering attention to patients was most wonderful, many of whom could never pay him a dollar, and others, who probably paid him such a pittance as no man of intelligent medical attainments could tolerate, without the sense of the supreme need of his services and without a portion of the grand instinct which prompted the utterance, "Love thy neighbor as thyself." He was known often during these trying months, August and September, 1852, to return home after working with prostrate and worthy working-men till a late hour of the night, exhausted and spiritless, with hardly more strength than to call out as he threw himself on his bed, "give me some laudanum and lavender, this is killing me." Emphatically he lived for the good of others, and "it is not in great deeds of philanthropy that the only blessing is found;" in his little deeds of kindness repeated every day he found his true happiness. Other reward he hoped for elsewhere. His last thoughts are found in a scrap of poetry, which he had kept for some time and was with him in his last moments:

Lord, who art merciful as well as just,  
 Incline thine ear to me a child of dust!  
 Not what I would, O Lord, I offer Thee,  
 Alas! but what I can,

Father Almighty, who hast made me man,  
 And bade me to look to heaven, for Thou art there,  
 Accept my sacrifice and humble prayer.

Four things which are not in Thy treasury  
 I lay before Thee, Lord, with this petition:

My nothingness, my wants,  
 My sins and my contrition.

—*Persian.*

Dr. A. H. Senseny was married January 16, 1838, to Miss Jane K. Davis, daughter of William S. Davis, Esq., whose parents and grandparents were settled in Franklin County in the vicinity of Rocky Spring, and belonged to the sturdy stock of Scotch-Irish Presbyterians, who were the pioneers in the last century. Of this union eight children were born—five sons and three daughters. The eldest, William D. Senseny, M. D., a youth of great promise, after completing his course was seized with a fatal illness from too severe application to his studies and died May 17, 1861, aged twenty-two years. A commission was given him just before his sickness to enter the Union Army as surgeon. Dr. Benjamin Rush Senseny, after receiving a classical education, read medicine with his father. He could not regard with apathy and indifference the gigantic rebellion that was threatening the life of the Republic, and, although not quite twenty years old, he presented himself before a board of army surgeons in Philadelphia in 1863, and having passed a satisfactory examination, was accepted and ordered to Cherry Hill Hospital, Philadelphia, where he remained a short time, when he was transferred to Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. In the spring of 1863 he was assigned to a hospital in the city of St. Louis. During his residence there he attended lectures at Pope's Medical College, and received his diploma from that institution in 1864. After his graduation he was transferred to a hospital in Chambersburg, at which post he remained until the end of the war. In 1865 he married Miss Rosalie J. Murdoch, of St. Louis, by whom he had one child, Jeannette. Dr. Rush Senseny was endowed with a brilliant mind, which was polished by extensive reading, by travel and by close and intelligent observation of men and affairs. This made him a forcible and perspicuous writer, not only in his profession, but also on subjects of public interest and concern. He died, after a long illness, March 28, 1880, aged thirty-seven years. His widow and daughter survive him. Dr. Edgar Senseny, "the last of his line," was a man of rare ability in his profession, "courtly and talented, the very ideal of manly strength and beauty," was graduated with high honor from Jefferson College, Philadelphia, in 1870. Returning at once and sharing his father's large practice, his strength was taxed too much, and the seeds of the disease which cost him his life were sown. He died October 2, 1884, beloved and lamented. Alexander H. Senseny, second son of Dr. A. H. and Jane K. Senseny, was a young man of rare virtues, of good mathematical attainments, fond of his pen, and, as a writer, known in his church papers and in the Democratic columns of his own town journals. An organic affection of the heart made him a life-long sufferer, and after twenty-six years of patient endurance and resignation he died July 17, 1866. Of the remaining children two died in childhood. Kate S., the eldest daughter, married William M. McKnight, of Pittsburgh, and with their family reside in Chambersburg. Alice S. married John D. Grier, living also in Chambersburg. They are, with their mother, the only survivors.

JACOB SHAFFER, car builder, Chambersburg, was born in Hessen-

Darmstadt, Germany, November 22, 1819, eldest son of Jacob and Catharine (Groesskup) Shaffer. He received a portion of his education in his native land, where he remained till 1831, when he came with his parents to America and direct to Chambersburg, Penn. His father, Jacob Shaffer, Sr., a carpenter by trade and a successful business man, worked as journeyman for some years, then engaged in contracting, and built a portion of the Cumberland Valley Railroad. He reared to maturity two sons (of whom Jacob survives) and died in 1858, an active member of the Lutheran Church. Our subject completed his education in the public schools of Chambersburg, and in 1835 commenced an apprenticeship with Samuel Seebert, at the trade of carpenter. In the spring of 1838 he entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, working in the car shops. In 1850 he was appointed foreman of the car shop, and held that position until the fall of 1866, when he again entered the employ of Samuel Seebert, and assisted in building the court-house and the residence of Thomas B. Kennedy, as well as other edifices, continuing thus employed for two years. In 1868 he re-entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, with whom he has since remained. Mr. Schaffer was married in 1840 to Catharine Gimmell, who was born in Neuenburg, Bavaria, November 26, 1817, and to this union were born ten children, seven of whom are living—two sons and five daughters: Jacob W., Catharine, Matilda, Julia Ann, Annia, Lizzie and Fredrich G. Mrs. Shaffer died February 21, 1885. The family are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Shaffer has been a member of the I. O. O. F. since 1852. In politics he is a full Republican. He was a member of the town council in 1862-63.

EPHRAIM S. SHANK, hotel proprietor, Chambersburg, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn., January 30, 1830, son of John and Catherine (Royer) Shank. His boyhood was spent in the home of his parents, where he had the usual advantages offered by the common schools of the township in which he resided, and assisted his father in the duties pertaining to farm life until his marriage, November 27, 1851, with Miss Sabina A. Kreps, who was born in Greencastle, Penn., April 30, 1832. After marriage Mr. Shank made a business of butchering until the breaking out of the civil war, when he enlisted as a private in Capt. Kurtz's company, in the Seventeenth Pennsylvania Cavalry. He was afterward appointed quartermaster-sergeant, a position he held until the close of the war. After his return Mr. Shank opened a hotel at Funkstown, Penn., where he remained four years. He then sold out and removed to Chambersburg, where he rented for eighteen months the "Montgomery House," and purchased the "Washington House," a well known hotel, conducting a very successful business until his death, November 6, 1883. Mr. and Mrs. Shank were the parents of eight children, three dying in infancy: Katie B., married to Ezekiel Foreman; W. H.; Araminta, married; Theodore, deceased; George W. and Lillie B., minors; Bessie and Bertie, deceased. W. H., the eldest son of Mr. Shank, has succeeded his father in the hotel, and is a well known and popular landlord. His mother and youngest brother and sister reside with him; the two elder daughters are married and reside in Chambersburg.

JOHN McDOWELL SHARPE, son of Andrew and Rosanna (McDowell) Sharpe, was born in Newton Township, Cumberland County, on October 7, 1830. His paternal ancestors were among the first settlers in the upper end of that county. His maternal ancestors were of the early settlers in the Kishacoquillas Valley, Mifflin County. His great-grandparents on his father's side, Thomas and Margaret (Elder) Sharpe, were Covenanters who, because of their religious faith, were driven from Scotland to the province of Ulster, in the

North of Ireland, about the middle of the seventeenth century, and settled at Belfast, in the county of Antrim, until they emigrated and settled in the Cumberland Valley, near Newville, about the year 1747. They had five sons and four daughters. His grandfather, Alexander Sharpe, of Green Spring, one of the foremost men of his day in the county, was the youngest of the five sons. He began his academic studies at Marshall College, then under the presidency of Rev. Dr. John W. Nevin, and completed his collegiate course under Rev. Dr. Robert J. Breckenridge, at Jefferson College, in September, 1848, graduating with the highest honors of his class a few days before he attained the age of eighteen years. Shortly afterward he began the study of the law with Hon. Frederick Watts, of Carlisle, and was admitted to practice at the November term, 1850. He selected Chambersburg as the place of his future residence, was admitted to the bar of Franklin County on March 11, 1851, and continued to reside and practice his profession there as long as he lived. On March 7, 1857, he was married to Emma L. King, a daughter of John King, and Mary S. (Maclay) King. She and their only child, Walter King Sharpe, survive him.

Mr. Sharpe was one of the most distinguished men that ever lived in Franklin County. He was gifted by nature, and, besides, a diligent student from boyhood until death. He was an eminent lawyer, but had attainments beyond the reach of his profession, which made him an agreeable companion and a useful citizen; and he possessed a nature so gentle and kind, patient and forgiving, that he was, what few ever are, as lovable as he was eminent. Like most men engaged almost constantly in the turmoil of professional life, he left little to testify to his literary culture. Were it not for his memoir before the Pennsylvania Historical Society of Hon. George Chambers, one of its vice-presidents, on February 17, 1873; his portrayal of the character of Hon. W. M. Meredith before the constitutional convention on September 16, 1873; his centennial ovation at the Middle Spring Presbyterian Church on June 18, 1876, and some of his reported speeches in the convention that gave us the constitution of 1874, it would soon be forgotten that he was a scholar as well as a lawyer. He was of Federal ancestry, and began life a Whig; took an active part for Gen. Scott in 1852, but the Know-nothing movement drove him from those with whom he had formerly affiliated, and in 1856 he declared for Buchanan, and ever after clung to the Democratic party. In 1863 he represented the counties of Franklin and Fulton in the Lower House, and in 1864 Franklin and Perry, and was recognized as an able debater and a careful and wise legislator. In 1872 he was elected to the constitutional convention by the counties of Franklin and Cumberland. The records of its debates and the testimony of his associates concur in giving him a high place among its members.

In 1882 he was again elected to the House of Representatives, and was chairman of its judiciary committee, and universally recognized as the foremost man of that body when he died. This is a summary of his political career, for which he had little taste and less adaptation, considering the manner in which distinction in this field is generally won. He had none of the qualities of the mere politician. He was incapable of trickery. He despised the cunning and artful man. None of the methods by which men are cajoled or duped or purchased to further the interests of an individual or party ever received his sanction. He never sought office, but was always master of the various questions that arose in the State or Nation, and presented them to the people in their assemblies and to his party in its conventions, like a scholar, a statesman and a gentleman. It was his superiority rather than his popularity

that led his constituents to elect him to the public places that he filled. But there was a sphere in which he loved to move, and a calling to which he was devoted. He was a lawyer of the highest type. He began the practice of his profession before he attained his majority, and pursued it unremittingly as long as he lived. Upon his admission to the bar, Judge Watts pronounced him the brightest student he had ever instructed, and has said the same of him often since. Judge Sharswood after he left the supreme bench said with deliberation that, taking one term with another, he regarded Mr. Sharpe as the best prepared and most thorough lawyer that came before him during the term that he sat in that court. The bar and the people of the southern portion of the State, in which he was personally well known, recognized him as the first lawyer of his day, and the leader of his profession; and they had ample grounds for such recognition, for in him were combined all the attributes that make up the accomplished and thorough lawyer. He was a scrupulously honest man, with a knightly sense of professional duty which at all times reminded him of his obligation to the court as well as to his client. He was learned in all branches of his profession, and familiar with the practice of all the courts. He tried a case with the same zest, skill and earnestness in the quarter sessions as he did in the common pleas. His client sitting by his side was always the same, whether in the person of one accused of crime, or of a prominent citizen legally demanding his rights. His power of memory was equal to his reasoning faculties. He could carry without notes the names of witnesses and their testimony accurately through a protracted trial, and when questions of law unexpectedly arose he could often refer on the instant to a case that ruled the point. His knowledge of pleading and his self possession were such that he was seldom taken by surprise, and his accuracy in the preparation of the pleadings commended him to the learned in the profession. He was an advocate of great power. His manner was open, manly, candid and earnest. His diction was fine. He could skillfully analyze testimony, and logically present the result of his analysis; and to these he added care in the preparation of his case, and, whenever practicable, an examination of the witnesses before they were called to the stand.

But the place where he was most at home, and appeared to the best advantage, was before the court. The atmosphere that pervades this tribunal in our State has always been uncongenial with tricky sophistry, the suppression of truth and the suggestion of falsehood. Here integrity, industry, learning and a high order of talent are surest of finding recognition. Such were his industry and learning that he never appeared before the court in any important case without thorough preparation. Such was his ability that he never failed to present his case in the clearest and most favorable light, and such his integrity that he would have suffered the most mortifying defeat rather than gain a cause by citing a misleading or overruled case. Thus armed with every weapon that could contribute to success, the supreme court of his State was the tribunal in which he displayed his finest qualities, and there he was always welcome, for he never appeared before its judges without an argument that was worthy of their fullest attention, and with a paper, book, or counter statement containing all that could be said on his side of the controversy. This learned and profound lawyer, persuasive and eloquent advocate, was an especial favorite with the younger members of his profession. There never was an hour of his busy life when he was not willing and ready to turn aside from his own business to aid those of less experience who came to him for counsel, and many are the instances of his unalloyed courtesy and kindness that his juniors at the bar love to recall.

It is sad to think that the recollection of such a man will die with the generation that surrounded him, but this is the decree of fate. It is only on the battle-field and in the arena of politics that permanent fame is attained, and in both the criterion of greatness is success, nothing higher. The lawyer who makes it his standard of duty to see that justice is administered with an equal hand, who strives to protect the weak, to prevent wrong, and terminate contention, and devotes his days and nights to the interests of his fellow men, may look forward to immortality, but it is that beyond the grave. Mr. Sharpe's personal appearance was attractive, his manners refined; his face was indicative of his chief characteristics, in it were mingled gentleness and intellect. The latter secured for him a pre-eminence, which by reason of the former provoked neither enmity nor jealousy. His habits were retired, not only because of his love of study, but of impaired hearing. His sensibility to this affliction often kept him from mingling in society when he would have been most welcome. He was reared a Calvinist, trained from childhood in the tenets of the Westminster Confession of Faith and its catechisms, professed its doctrine in manhood, and died in its faith. His funeral was attended by representatives of both houses of the Legislature, by the bars of Franklin and Cumberland Counties, and a large concourse of people of Franklin County. He died on the 23d of August, 1883, and awaits the resurrection, in the beautiful Falling Spring Cemetery, on the banks of the Conococheague.

JOHN SHIFFERT, veterinary surgeon, Chambersburg, was born in Lehigh County, Penn., June 24, 1821, only son of John and Elizabeth (Kriesmer) Shiffert. He received a fair education in the public schools of that day, and early in life he adopted the profession of veterinary surgeon. He first studied with Dr. Saser, an eminent German veterinary surgeon, and subsequently with Dr. Henry Hine, an equally noted surgeon in this branch, and later was associated with Dr. Henry Carroll, also a successful German veterinary surgeon. Our subject has practiced his profession in various places in Pennsylvania and in other States. During the late Rebellion he was veterinary surgeon to the Susquehanna department, under Capt. Shipley, till the close of the war. Mr. Shiffert came to Chambersburg about 1850, and has since resided here, with the exception of the time spent in the army and a two years' residence in Cumberland County, Penn. The Doctor was first married, about 1851, to Barbara Metz, who bore him four children—one son, John C., now a veterinary surgeon practicing in New York, and three daughters. The first wife of our subject died about 1865, and he subsequently married Esther Mullen, and by her had six children, of whom only one survives, Daisy B., born October 7, 1873. In 1873 Dr. Shiffert purchased his present residence in Chambersburg. He has been an extensive and successful practitioner; has never aspired to public office.

S. M. SHILLITO, gunsmith and burgess, Chambersburg, was born in Loudon, Franklin Co., Penn., November 8, 1824, eldest son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Grubb) Shillito, the former of whom was a native of Chambersburg, born in 1793; served in the war of 1812, and was at the battle of North Point. His ancestors were from the North of Ireland and settled in Chambersburg, Franklin Co., Penn., in 1740. At the age of twelve years our subject commenced working with his father at the trade of gunsmith, and after acquiring a knowledge of the business, continued with his father until the death of the latter in 1852, when he assumed control and conducted the business until the destruction of Chambersburg in 1864. For six years following he was a clerk in the postoffice of that city. In 1874 he resumed the gunsmith business, which he has since successfully carried on. Mr. Shillito is much interested in edu-

ational matters, and for fifteen years served as a member of the board of directors of the public schools. He is now serving his second full term as burgess of the city. He has been identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church since childhood, and filled the different official positions in the church. In politics he is a Republican.

**THE FIRM OF SHREINER BROS.**, composed of Samuel and John Shreiner, proprietors of the "Montgomery House" livery, Chambersburg:

SAMUEL SHREINER was born in Silver Spring Township, Cumberland Co., Penn., August 27, 1840, and was educated in the public schools of his native township. He was reared on the home farm until the age of twenty-nine; then engaged in telegraph building, as foreman of a gang of men, for some ten years; was stationed at Chambersburg, as lineman for the Western Union Telegraph Company, for two years. In the fall of 1881, together with F. A. Marshall, he purchased a livery, which was conducted under the firm name of Marshall & Shreiner for about one year. In 1883 John Shreiner purchased the interest of Mr. Marshall, and since then the firm has been Shreiner Bros., and they have done a successful business. They built their present livery stable in the rear of the "Montgomery House," into which they moved in the spring of 1884. Mr. Shreiner married, in March, 1879, Mary C. Porter, daughter of Joseph F. Porter, and by her had four children, three living: Bessie May, Edith Pearl, Roy Porter and Margaret Elizabeth.

JOHN SHREINER was born in Silver Spring Township, Cumberland Co., Penn., December 26, 1846, and was educated and reared in the same manner as his brother. He engaged in telegraph work with his brother, and now holds the position of lineman, resigned by his brother. He married, in 1873, Eleanora Morrett, daughter of Daniel Morrett, and by her has six children: Charles Talbert, Daniel Morrett, Mary E., Clara May, Clarence Miller, Glenn Cleveland. Mrs. Shreiner is a member of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Shreiner is a member of Lamber-ton Lodge, No. 708, I. O. O. F., and Olive Branch Encampment of the I. O. O. F. Politically he is a Democrat.

HENRY SIERER, furniture manufacturer, Chambersburg, was born in Cumberland County, Penn., August 24, 1832, son of Daniel and Mary (Kroll) Sierer. He grew up on the farm, and received but limited educational advantages. In March, 1850, he came to Chambersburg, where he served three years at the trade of cabinet and chair making. At the expiration of his apprenticeship he purchased the interest of his employer, William A. Haslett, whose establishment was on the site of his present place of business. In 1856 Mr. Sierer put into the establishment steam power, and in 1859 leased the Wash-abaugh Brewery property as a factory, where he continued the business until the property was destroyed by fire in 1864. He again leased the same site and rebuilt, and was, in August, 1869, the second time burned out. He again rebuilt and occupied the property until the expiration of his lease in 1872, when he purchased the Lemnos edge-tool factory, to which he added suitable buildings for manufacturing purposes, which, during the flood of 1877, were carried away, with the exception of the main structure, and by which much of his property was destroyed. He again rebuilt, and is now carrying on an extensive business. The firm, since 1873, has been H. Sierer & Co. (the Co. being William H. Bricker). The firm employs about forty hands. In 1854 Mr. Sierer was married to Margaret C., daughter of Dr. Jeremiah Senseny. She died in 1860, and in 1864 he was married to Catherine J. Carmany, by whom he has had four children. The family is identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Sierer has ever been alive to educational interests, and for several years served as school director of the borough. In politics he is a Republican.

JOSEPH SIERER, dealer in carpets and wall paper, Chambersburg, was born in Cumberland County, Penn., December 11, 1838, son of Daniel and Mary Sierer. He was brought up to farming until fifteen years of age, and received such instruction in the common branches as the neighborhood schools afforded. At the age of fifteen years (in March, 1853), he began serving with his father an apprenticeship at the trade of chair-making, in Chambersburg. After completing his apprenticeship he worked for others several years, and for a period took charge of his brother's retail establishment, in which capacity he was occupied in February, 1868, when was opened the carpet house of J. Sierer & Co., which was carried on under that name until April, 1870, since when Mr. Sierer has conducted the business himself, and to which he added, about eight years ago, wall paper. The business has grown to large proportions and the store is now in a flourishing condition. In 1869 Mr. Sierer was married to Emma C., daughter of Jacob Jarrett, of Chambersburg. To this union six children were born, five of whom are living—two daughters and three sons. Mrs. Sierer is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ADOLPHUS A. SKINNER, retired farmer, Chambersburg, was born in Fannettsburg, Franklin Co., Penn., April 14, 1844, a son of William W. and Mary Ann (Ramsey) Skinner. He received a fair education in the schools of his native town, in the academy at Spring Run in Franklin County, and in Miln Wood Academy at Shade Gap, in Huntingdon County, in addition to which he was in attendance one term at Academia, Prof. Shoemaker's academy in Juniata County. Subsequently he taught school three or four winter terms, and in 1863 entered the store of his uncle, John S. Skinner, in Fannettsburg, as clerk, remaining with him a year or fifteen months. In 1866, in company with Captain J. H. Walker, he engaged in the shoe and notion trade at Fannettsburg, under firm name of "Skinner & Walker," which firm for two years did an extensive business. On the death of his father in 1867, our subject became the owner of the home farm, which is still in his possession, and upon which he resided until 1872, when he was elected register and recorder, and, in November, 1872, removed to Chambersburg, Franklin County. In 1875 he was re-elected to that office and filled the same until 1879, when for three years he led a retired life, and in 1882 accepted the position of deputy register and recorder, which he filled until April, 1884. Since the spring of the latter year he has devoted his attention to the management and improvement of several farms in Franklin County, and to the building of houses in Chambersburg and Fannettsville. October 16, 1879, Mr. Skinner married Miss Susie E., daughter of John Keefer, a well known citizen of Chambersburg, and to this marriage have been born two children: Adolphus L., and Mary Ann; the former born December 25, 1880, and the latter born April 4, 1882. Mr. Skinner is a member of the I. O. O. F.; in politics a Republican. He and his family are attendants of Central Presbyterian Church, Chambersburg.

WILLIAM C. SKINNER, brick manufacturer, Chambersburg, was born in Fannett Township, Franklin County, Penn., June 18, 1849, youngest son of William and Sarah Ann (Aikin) Skinner, the former of whom is also a native of Fannett Township, this county, born in 1818, his father, John Skinner, having been one of the pioneers of that township. William Skinner was a merchant in Dry Run, till his election to the office of sheriff in 1854, when he removed to Chambersburg, where he continued to reside until his death in 1878. He reared to maturity a family of four children—two sons and two daughters. He was a successful business man. William C. Skinner received a fair education in the public schools and academy at Chambersburg, also at Academia Academy in Juniata County, Penn., which he attended some



three terms. In connection with his father and brother (under firm name of William Skinner & Son), our subject conducted a dry goods and notion store for three years. In 1873 he commenced the manufacture of brick, in which he still continues, and has an extensive yard where he makes some 800,000 bricks per annum, usually employing some twenty hands. In 1875 he was appointed and served as deputy sheriff three years. In the fall of 1880 he was elected sheriff, filling that office for a term of three years, since when he has devoted his attention to brick manufacture. Mr. Skinner married, in 1873, Alice R., daughter of Melchor Hassler, a former well known resident of St. Thomas Township, this county. Mr. and Mrs. Skinner are parents of six children, of whom four sons survive. Our subject and wife are members of the Presbyterian Church. In politics Mr. Skinner is a Democrat.

EDWIN O. SMILEY, grocer, Chambersburg, was born in Carlisle, Cumberland County, Penn., July 28, 1858, a son of Robert B. and Elizabeth A. (Shade) Smiley. He with his parents came to Chambersburg in 1866, where he was educated in the public schools, and in the fall of 1872 entered the employ of S. A. Huber as clerk, with whom he remained until October, 1884, when he commenced business for himself in his present location, 71 South Main Street, as a dealer in general groceries and crockery, making a specialty of fresh fish and vegetables in their season, which business is increasing and promising. December 15, 1879, Mr. Smiley was married to Miss Lulu, daughter of Christian and Margaret Senseney, former residents of Chambersburg. Mr. and Mrs. Smiley are members of the First United Brethren Church.

GEORGE WEBSTER SMITH, conductor, Chambersburg, was born in Chambersburg, this county, February 12, 1842, youngest child of Allen and Patience (Webster) Smith, the former of whom, a tanner and currier by trade, was born in Chester County, Penn., March 4, 1801, and came to Chambersburg in the fall of 1839, where he entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company as engineer (he had occupied a similar position on the State road before coming here) and was the first to run an engine with an enclosed cab on the Cumberland Valley Railroad. He continued on the road some years and then ran individual express cars for Maj. Calhoun for seven years. In 1852 he embarked in the grocery trade and did an extensive and successful business until the destruction of Chambersburg in 1864. His residence and place of business were totally destroyed, and though he rebuilt the latter, he never entered into business. Allen Smith, who was a member of the Society of Friends, never cared for office. He died April 7, 1877, a member of the I. O. O. F. His widow, who was born in Lancaster County, Penn., September 2, 1806, is still living, vigorous in mind and body. Our subject, the only living child of this couple, was educated in the public schools of Chambersburg, and clerked in his father's store early in life. About 1869 he entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, acting as brakeman for five years, when he was appointed conductor of a freight train, a position he still holds. Mr. Smith was married in 1867 to Priscilla E., daughter of David Zimmerman, a former resident of Letterkenny Township, this county. Of the ten children born to this union four are living—two sons and two daughters.

FREDERICK T. SNYDER, register and recorder, Chambersburg, was born in Guilford Township, this county, June 13, 1850, third son of Jacob C. and Martha (Tritle) Snyder. He was educated in the public schools of Guilford Township, and was reared to farming until 1869, teaching school winters and working on his father's farm. Having studied telegraphy at Davenport

Institute, he became an operator in Ohio for one year. Returning home in 1876, he resumed teaching and farming; was elected judge of the election board in Guilford Township in 1879, and assessor of same township in 1881-82; in the fall of 1884 he was elected register and recorder of Franklin County for a term of three years, being the only Democrat elected on the county ticket during that campaign. Mr. Snyder married, June 3, 1879, Ella V., daughter of Amos P. Rice, a resident of Guilford Township, this county, and by her has one daughter, Anna Myrtle, born in March, 1881. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder are members of the First United Brethren Church, of Chambersburg.

JOHN D. SPEER, manufacturers' agent, Chambersburg, was born in Lurgan Township, Franklin Co., Penn., February 5, 1833, eldest son of William and Jane (Calhoun) Speer. He was reared and worked on a farm in his native township until sixteen years of age, receiving such educational advantages as the neighboring schools afforded. He was then apprenticed to the trade of carpenter and joiner, which he learned, and at which he worked for others until about 1853, when he commenced for himself the business of building and contracting in Lurgan Township. He was married in 1853 to Lucinda, daughter of John Hamshire, a former citizen of Lurgan Township. Our subject carried on the business in Lurgan until coming to Chambersburg in the spring of 1864. He worked at his trade during the rebuilding of Chambersburg, and about the year 1867 entered into partnership with W. D. Guthrie in the burning of lime, which occupation he followed until 1870. In 1871 or 1872, in company with Jacob S. Brand, he began the manufacture of blasting powder, and continued that business for three or four years, when he disposed of the same. These gentlemen also conducted a wholesale and retail grocery under the name of "Brand & Speer," for three years, when Mr. Speer retired from the firm. About the year 1881 the latter became identified with the firm of Laffin & Rand as manufacturers' agent for powder of all grades, also for the Duncannon Iron Company, and for the Central Iron Company of Harrisburg, manufacturers of boiler plates, etc. The firm is now J. D. Speer & Son, and has operated extensively for the past three years. Mr. and Mrs. Speer are the parents of five children—two sons and three daughters. They have been identified with a church society for many years.

WILLIAM STAKE, tax collector, Chambersburg, was born in Hamilton Township, Franklin Co., Penn., April 19, 1828, son of John and Sarah (Monninger) Stake, the former of whom was also a native of this county, born in Lurgan Township about 1790, his father having been one of the pioneers of Franklin County, Penn. John Stake was a weaver by trade and spent the last of his days in Hamilton Township, this county, where he died about 1871. He reared to maturity a family of seven children, of whom one son and four daughters survive. Our subject was educated in such schools as the county then afforded but afterward improved his educational advantages by study. When seventeen he commenced an apprenticeship, serving three years at the trade of carpenter in Shippensburg, Penn. There he also worked as journeyman for some years. In 1852 he married Catharine Bruner. That year he commenced building and contracting in Upper Strasburg on his own account, and there did a successful business until, coming to Chambersburg in the spring of 1865, he entered the employ of the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, working in the car-shops till June, 1877, when he was elected tax collector for the borough of Chambersburg, and has since been annually re-elected to the same position. Mr. and Mrs. Stake are the parents of eight children, five of whom are living—two daughters and three sons. The family are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Stake is a member of the O. U. A. M.

**JOHN STEWART**, attorney at law, Chambersburg, the second son of Dr. Alexander and Elizabeth (Hammil) Stewart, was born November 4, 1839, in Shippensburg, Cumberland Co., Penn., and was educated at Princeton College, where he graduated in the class of 1857. He then studied law with Judge Watts at Carlisle, and was admitted to the bar in November, 1860. In 1861 he removed to Chambersburg, where he has been engaged in the practice of his profession. August 11, 1862, he was mustered into the Union Army as first lieutenant of Company A, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was promoted to adjutant of the regiment four days later. In that capacity he served with the regiment until it was mustered out at the expiration of its term, May 30, 1863. He was a delegate from Franklin County to the National convention at Baltimore, which nominated Lincoln for his second term. After leaving the army Mr. Stewart devoted himself entirely to the practice of his profession. He was elected in October, 1872, the delegate from the then Nineteenth Senatorial District, comprising Cumberland and Franklin Counties, to the State constitutional convention. Mr. Stewart was an elector in the State on the occasion of Gen. Grant's first election. He was also a delegate in the National convention at Cincinnati, which nominated President Hayes. In 1880 he was elected a member of the State Senate from the Thirty-third District, comprising Franklin and Huntingdon Counties. In 1882 he became the Independent Republican candidate for governor in the triangular contest of that year. In 1884 he was a delegate to the National Republican Convention at Chicago which nominated James G. Blaine, and was chairman of the Pennsylvania delegation. Mr. Stewart married, in 1862, Miss Jane Holmes Larmour, daughter of Samuel B. Larmour, of Alexandria, Va.

**ISAAC STINE**, wholesale and retail grocer, Chambersburg, was born in Hanover, York Co., Penn., April 4, 1847, youngest son of Alexander and Esther Stine. The father was born in Germany in 1805, and came to America about 1840, first locating at Hanover, York County, where he remained until 1847, when he came to Chambersburg and opened a grocery store on Second Street, which he carried on until his death in 1863, having been a successful business man. He reared to manhood and womanhood a family of five children, of whom Isaac is the sole survivor. The widow still lives at the age of eighty-four years, vigorous in mind and body. Our subject received a common-school education, and passed his youth in his father's store. On the death of the latter he assumed charge of the business, which had been removed to South Main Street. Soon after his removal his stock was totally destroyed by fire, and he returned to Second Street, where he resumed business, and continued for five years. About 1870 he again located at No. 147 South Main Street, and from there, in 1880, he removed to his present location, adding a wholesale department to the retail store, which latter is now at No. 42 South Main Street, the wholesale department being carried on at the corner of Main and Washington Streets. He has also two warehouses in different parts of the borough, employs two commercial travelers, and does an extensive business. Mr. Stine is a Mason and a member of the I. O. O. F. and K. of P.; in politics a Democrat. He and his family are members of the Hebrew Church.

**JACOB STROCK**, conductor, Chambersburg, was born in Hamilton Township, Franklin Co., Penn., August 21, 1844, son of Henry and Sarah (Bitner) Strock. Henry Strock was born in Lebanon County, Penn., May 21, 1800; came to Franklin County early in the century and purchased a farm in Hamilton Township, where he lived till about 1861, when he removed to St. Thomas Township, this county, and there resided until his death, which oc-

curred June 26, 1875. He reared to maturity a family of fifteen children, of whom five daughters and four sons survive. Jacob Strock received a fair education in the public schools of his native township. He was brought up to farm pursuits, and remained at home till eighteen years old. In 1862 he commenced an apprenticeship at the trade of bricklayer with the Cumberland Valley Railroad Company, and worked at that trade, mostly with that company, until, 1870, when he commenced as brakeman on a freight train for the same corporation and continued in this position some five years. About 1877 he was appointed conductor, a position he has since filled. Our subject was married in 1866, to Catharine, daughter of Robert Dunkinson, a former resident of Chambersburg, Penn. To this union was born one daughter, Annie, who was married September 24, 1885, to Samuel Minnich, of Chambersburg. Mrs. Strock is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In politics Mr. Strock is a Democrat.

JACOB LEWIS SUESSEROTT, M. D., (deceased) was born of German descent, in Chambersburg, this county, February 20, 1829. He died July 16, 1886. Having received an academic education, he entered Jefferson Medical College, and was graduated from that institution in March, 1851. In the same year, combining the practice of dentistry with that of medicine, he established himself at Chambersburg, where he remained until 1857; then accepted the chair of pathology and therapeutics in the Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery, at Philadelphia. In 1864, his home being placed in a precarious condition by the northern movement of the Confederate Army, he resigned his professorship and returned to Chambersburg in order to protect, as far as possible, his property. From that time he devoted himself exclusively to medicine, engaging in a general practice. He was a member of the State Medical Society, of the Franklin County Medical Society, an ex-member of the American and Pennsylvania Dental Societies, also of the American Medical Association. During the latter portion of the late war he was surgeon to the district board of enrollment, and was surgeon to the United States pension bureau from 1863 until December, 1885. October 12, 1852, Dr. Suesserott married Julia E., daughter of Frederick Smith, Esq., of Chambersburg, and to this union have been born two sons and three daughters, the eldest of which children, C. A., is an attorney of Chambersburg; L. F., the second eldest, was associated with his father in the practice of medicine, having graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in the session of 1879. In politics Dr. Suesserott was a Republican. He was connected with the Lutheran Church.

BENJAMIN UGLOW, farmer and dealer in real estate, Chambersburg, was born in Cornwall, England, June 26, 1814, eldest child of Nicholas and Prudence (Date) Uglow. Nicholas Uglow, born in England in 1788, immigrated to America in 1818, came direct to Chambersburg, this county, and engaged in well-digging and brick-making, subsequently buying the land, now the home place of his son, in Chambersburg. He reared to maturity a family of three children, of whom Benjamin is the sole survivor. He was at one time elected justice of the peace, but declined to serve. He was an enterprising citizen, and died September 28, 1868. Our subject received but limited educational opportunities, and early in life was called on to assist in the various duties pertaining to the farm and brickyard. He always lived on the home place, with the exception of two years spent on a farm in Hamilton Township, this county. Early in life he manufactured brick extensively for some twelve or fifteen years. Our subject has been twice married, first on March 31, 1836, to Miss Mary Gurns, who bore him twelve children, of whom ten are now living—six daughters and four sons. Mrs. Mary Uglow died May 23, 1857, and

Mr. Uglow then married, January 20, 1859, Miss Elizabeth Keyser, who was born in Germany, November 5, 1823. To this union were born two daughters, one of whom (Rebecca) is living. Mrs. Uglow is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Our subject, who is an esteemed and substantial citizen, has never aspired to office.

WILLIAM WALLACE (deceased) was one of the most widely known, reputable and prosperous merchants who have done business in Chambersburg; he came of genuine Scotch-Irish stock. His father, Isaac Wallace, was born at Blue Ball, Lancaster Co., Penn., and came to Franklin County in early life and settled on a farm in Guilford Township, near the village of Marion. William was the only son. Isaac had three daughters: Harriet, who died young; Rebecca, who was married to Adam Fisher, the head of the family of Fishers so famous as hotel keepers, and whose representatives are now the proprietors and managers of the popular "Indian Queen Hotel"; and Mary, the consort of James Duffield, a member of the numerous and influential connection of Duffield, who were among the earliest inhabitants of the country round about New Guilford, or, as better known, "Turkey Foot." Our subject, William Wallace, was born on the paternal farm, November 6, 1805; he was educated in a log schoolhouse near Marion, and acquired an excellent mental training. Of his apprenticeship we can learn nothing, but in 1826 he commenced business for himself in Greenvillage; a few years later he moved to Chambersburg and took the store at the corner of Queen and Main Streets, since famous in the annals of the county seat as "Wallace's Corner." He went into partnership with Col. John McGeehan, then a celebrated personage in this region; soon after the firm was enlarged by taking in James Duffield, the brother-in-law of Mr. Wallace, and the firm bore the title of McGeehan, Wallace & Co. After a few years Mr. Wallace bought out the partners and conducted the business alone until after the burning of the town by the rebels, when, his business house and store being consumed, he secured a temporary room in the market-house, replenished his stock, associated with him a favorite clerk, Mr. Leonard Kindline, and did an immense trade under the firm name of Wallace & Kindline. Subsequently Maj. McLenegan, son of his second wife, was taken into the partnership, and, finally, he reconstructed his firm and, as Wallace & McLenegan, continued in the mercantile business until death dissolved the firm. It may be stated in passing that Mr. McLenegan, a general favorite in the community, soon followed his venerable associate to the grave. Mr. Wallace died after a prolonged illness, which he accepted from the beginning as fatal, and which he bore with exemplary composure, waiting serenely for the end. He was twice married; his first wife was Mary McLenegan, of an excellent family in Lancaster, by whom he had several sons, all of whom, except Elijah, who is still living, died in their childhood and youth. His second wife, who survives him, was Mrs. Mary McLenegan (widow of Elijah McLenegan, brother of the first Mrs. Wallace), who was born a Fordney, a sister of William B. Fordney, eminent in the legal and social life of Lancaster. The present Mrs. Wallace had three children: Emily Beattes McLenegan, wife of Dr. Samuel G. Lane; Samuel McLenegan, who died young, in Philadelphia, in 1853; and Maj. William McLenegan, who served in the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers, during the war and departed this life August 2, 1883. William Wallace acquired a large estate and erected a number of valuable houses in Chambersburg. He was a devout Christian for many years, a member of Falling Spring Church. In politics, in which he took a lively interest, he was a Democrat born and reared, but upon the breaking out of the Rebellion he became

an earnest Republican. During the worst days of the war his faith in the final triumph of the Union forces never faltered, and his gratitude to the statesmen and generals of the Republic was intense and abiding. Mr. Wallace was an exceptionally handsome man, of winning address, pleasant voiced, simple and gentle in deportment, and of an affectionate nature, constant in his friendships, frank and direct in his convictions, and invincibly honest in his sentiments, and in his dealings possessing rare judgment. He was a great reader, and acquired a fine stock of knowledge. He was interested in the prosperity of the community. During his business career he was engaged in milling, brick-making, farming, and prospered in all. He was one of the largest stockholders of the Chambersburg Woolen Mill and one of its officers and managers. He lived before the public many years and died honored and lamented:

“A man resolved, and steady to his trust,  
Inflexible to ill and obstinately just.”

FREDERICK WEITZEL, grocer, Chambersburg, was born in Hesse Darmstadt, Germany, March 3, 1836, second child born to Earnest and Christiana (Seng) Weitzel. He received an ordinary common-school education in his native country, having attended the private and public schools, and when quite young assisted his father in the latter's duties as school teacher. He served an apprenticeship for three years at the trade of cabinet-making, which he commenced at the age of sixteen years; subsequently he worked at his trade in various places in Germany, and in November, 1868, began carrying on the cabinet business in his native town, Eckerthausen, which he continued until emigrating to America in August, 1869. On his arrival in this country he began work in the Knabe Piano Factory at Baltimore, and remained in that institution two years. He next became a resident of Steelton, Penn., for two years. In June, 1874, he located in Chambersburg, and embarked in the grocery business at his present location on North Second Street. February 18, 1873, he was married to Catherine Rader, and to them have been born two daughters: Anna Mary, born February 5, 1874, and Emma Elizabeth, born November 12, 1876. The family are identified with the German Lutheran Church. Mr. Weitzel is a law-abiding citizen and a prosperous business man.

A. J. WHITE, merchant tailor, Chambersburg, is a native of this county, born at Chambersburg, January 1, 1828, son of Robert and Elizabeth (Jarrett) White. Until fourteen years of age he attended the common schools of his native town; then served an apprenticeship at the tailoring business, which he followed, working for others until 1858, when he commenced business for himself. In 1864 he lost his place of business and residence, together with furniture, and the following year rebuilt, constructing a fine modern edifice, immediately resumed business, and at once took the leading position in fine merchant tailoring, ready made clothing, gents' furnishing goods, etc. For the past five years the firm has been A. J. White & Son, consisting of Andrew J. and Hiram C. Our subject married, in 1850, Sarah J. Grove, who bore him fourteen children, ten of whom are now living—five sons and five daughters—originally six sons and eight daughters: Alice V., Hiram C., Ida Belle (deceased), Andrew Jackson (deceased), Mary Blanche, Carrie E., Robert Walter, Nellie S., Ellwood J., Sallie R., Preston B., Howard, Fannie Emma (deceased), Nannie Edith (deceased). Mrs. White died June 20, 1885, a life-long member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and a devoted and earnest Christian woman. In January, 1887, Mr. White married Miss Emma K. Harn, a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and a first cousin of his first wife.

Our subject has been a member of the I. O. O. F. for the past thirty-six years. He has been an active worker in the Methodist Episcopal Church for twenty years. He is one of the substantial men of Chambersburg, and a respected and esteemed citizen. In politics he is a Democrat.

J. M. WOLFKILL, merchant, Chambersburg, was born in Greencastle, Franklin Co., Penn., April 8, 1828, son of John and Elizabeth Wolfkill. He received limited schooling. At the age of twelve years, his mother being a widow, he was thrown upon his own resources. He engaged with a Mr. Wilhelm, of Greencastle, in driving hogs and sheep from Greencastle to Baltimore for a period of two years. In 1842 he came to Chambersburg and entered the employ of John Smith, as clerk, with whom he remained until 1850. He then removed to Orrstown, and, in company with Henry Ruby and R. J. Lawton, established the firm of Ruby, Wolfkill & Co., in general mercantile business, in which he continued for four years and a half, also conducting a brickyard. He then took a trip West, and, returning, came to Franklin County, engaging for four years and a half in trade in Upper Strasburg, where he did a successful business. In 1860 he returned to Chambersburg, and the following year purchased the site of his present business and home (corner of West Market and Franklin Streets), and engaged in general merchandising. In 1863-64 he had two stocks of merchandise carried off, and in the latter year his residence was destroyed. In 1865 he rebuilt, erecting his present commodious building, where he has since continued in an extensive and profitable business. In 1850 Mr. Wolfkill was married to Anna Mary, daughter of Henry Ruby, a well known resident of Chambersburg. Mr. and Mrs. Wolfkill are the parents of two children, one of whom, Henry E., is associated with his father in the business. Henry E. is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Wolfkill has always declined public position. He is a self-made man and a substantial citizen; in politics a Democrat.

CHARLES A. YOH, train dispatcher, Chambersburg, was born in Martinsburg, W. Va., August 16, 1857, youngest son of Henry and Susan (Streib) Yoh. He obtained an ordinary common-school education in his native place, and was employed as a clerk until nineteen years of age, when he learned telegraphy. In 1877 he was appointed assistant train dispatcher in the general office of the Cumberland Valley Railroad, in Chambersburg. About the year 1882 he was appointed train dispatcher, a position he has since held. Mr. Yoh has always taken great interest in the fire department of the city, and in 1884 he was elected president of the Cumberland Valley Hose Company. In the spring of 1886, he was elected to the office of councilman from the First Ward. In 1878 he was married to Miss Margaret Carl, and to them have been born four children; three are living—two sons and one daughter. Mr. Yoh and family attend the services of the Lutheran Church.

W. J. ZACHARIAS, district attorney, Chambersburg, was born in Frederick County, Md., March 18, 1852, the youngest son of Christian and Sarah (Picking) Zacharias. He was educated in the public schools and in Mercersburg College, graduating from the latter institution in 1876. In that college he remained one year as tutor of Latin and Greek. For three years he was vice-principal of the Chambersburg Academy, during which time he read law in the office of John Stewart, Esq., and was admitted to the bar, April 26, 1880, and in September of that year commenced the practice of his profession in Chambersburg. In the fall of 1883 our subject was elected district attorney, served his term and received the unanimous nomination for the same office in the summer of 1886, and was defeated by two votes, though leading his ticket 763 votes, his opponent being Hiram J. Plough, Esq. Mr. Zacha-

rias married, March 20, 1883, Mary J. daughter of Capt. R. J. Boyd of Up-ton, this county, and to them have been born one daughter, Janet, and one son, Robert M. The parents are members of Zion's Reformed Church, in which Mr. Zacharias is a deacon. He is a member of Columbus Lodge, I. O. O. F., No. 175; in politics he is a Democrat.

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## ANTRIM TOWNSHIP AND BOROUGH OF GREENCASTLE.

REV. JOHN ROBINSON AGNEW was born June 8, 1810, in McCon-nellsburg, Bedford (now Fulton) Co., Penn., son of Col. James and Mrs. Ochitree (*nee* Elizabeth Finley) Agnew. He attended the classical school of Dr. McConaughy, at Gettysburg, Penn., and graduated at Dickinson College, Carlisle, pursuing his theological education at the Union Seminary, Va., and Princeton, N. J. Mr. Agnew was a missionary among the Choctaw Indians "at his own charges." His first pastorate was at Harrisville, Butler Co., Penn., and Scrubgrass, Venango Co., Penn., of nine years' duration. His health failed, however, so that he would never consent to be installed again, but was stated supply in various churches; was missionary among the freed-men; chaplain in the Missouri penitentiary during Gov. McClurg's term; agent for Lincoln University and LaFayette College; professor of senior classes in Steubenville Female Seminary, Ohio; agent of board of colportage, Pittsburgh. He married, in 1839, Harriet J. H. Agnew, by whom he had one child, M. J. Agnew. Mr. Agnew was elected vice-president of Oxford (Ohio) Female College, but did not accept by advice of friends, though strongly urged to by faculty and students. In "Men of Mark" it is said of him "while acting as professor of astronomy, at Steubenville, Ohio, he invented an ingen-ious set of sectional globes, celestial and terrestrial, combined with an orrery in such a manner that all three, in one, more clearly and definitely convey to the mind of the student the movements of the heavenly bodies than has been done by any other invention, and it will be a blessing to any school to be furnished with these appliances for illustrating geography and astronomy. While laid aside from preaching by physical infirmities, at Greencastle, Penn., he is completing these inventions. [Never completed on account of want of means.] In all the public positions he has occupied the Rev. J. R. Agnew has proven himself to be a man of the very highest principles, faithful, earnest and conscientious in the discharge of his duties, and pre-eminently a man of faith and prayer, preferring the poverty and trials of the Gospel ministry to the many more lucrative positions which have offered themselves to him at various periods of his eventful life." He came here (Greencastle) from Mis-souri in 1872, where he has been ever since, entirely laid aside from active life at present by bodily infirmity, deafness and partial blindness.

ALLEN BROWN and descendants. Allen Brown came from Cookstown, County Tyrone, Ireland, and settled in Lower Path Valley, then Fannett Township, Cumberland Co., Penn., about the year 1755. He built a house on the main road leading to Pittsburgh, started a small store and traded with the Indians and early settlers. In 1765 he bought from Adam Hoopes 450 acres of land, for which he paid £359. In religion he was a Presbyterian, and it is supposed he was one of the many that left Ireland about that time in order to have larger religious liberty. He was twice married—to Mary Broth-



erton, July 3, 1755, who died July 10, 1758, and, May 16, 1768, to Margaret Oliver, who died March 14, 1817. Allen Brown died October 14, 1808, aged seventy-nine years, and is interred in the White Church Presbyterian graveyard. He was enrolled in Capt. Abrams company, and did some service in the Revolutionary war. In person he was a man of medium height and size, kindly disposition, and a leader among men at his day and in the community in which he lived. He left three children: Mary, Joseph and Stephen O. Mary married James McCurdy, and died at the age of seventy-five. Joseph was twice married, was elected justice of the peace and was for a number of years a ruling elder in the Lower Path Valley Presbyterian Church. He died, respected by the community, at the age of seventy-six, and is interred in the White Church graveyard. Stephen O. was born February 7, 1782. He fell heir to one half the large tract which his father owned; on this land he built a house, on the road leading through the valley from Fort Loudon to Concord, and there lived all his days. April 30, 1806, he married Martha Johnston, of Antrim Township, this county, a lady of the noted family of that name which figured so largely in the early history of Antrim Township and Franklin County. She died March 22, 1817, aged forty-three, and is interred in the Johnston graveyard near Shady Grove. March 5, 1824, he married Margaret Brewster, daughter of William Brewster of Fannettsburg, this county. She died May 17, 1872. Stephen O. Brown died March 8, 1860, aged seventy-nine years, and is interred in the Lower Path Valley graveyard where a neat monument has been erected to his and his wife's memory. He was six feet in height, weighed about 175 pounds, hair brown, eyes blue. In his prime he was a man of strength, with fine physical and muscular build, a large, well molded head and a strong face. He was a reader and well informed on all subjects, and a fine conversationalist. He was a Presbyterian, and for many years held the office of trustee in the church. He was a Whig in politics, but never sought nor held office, more than school director of his township. By economy, industry and good judgment he accumulated quite a large fortune. He left three children: Martha Jane, wife of Samuel M. Linn, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, Oliver S. Brown and Dr. W. B. Brown, Greencastle, Penn.

GEORGE W. BRUMBAUGH, stock-dealer, Greencastle, was born July 8, 1834. His grandfather was a native of Washington County, Md. His father, David Brumbaugh, was also born there, but about two years previous to our subject's birth moved to the south part of Antrim Township, this county, just over the Maryland line. David's wife's name was Anna Eve Kessecker. He was a farmer, a prominent member of the Lutheran Church, a large landholder, owning three farms in Maryland and three farms in Pennsylvania, amounting to 975 acres. During his late years he kept a hotel at Middleburg, near the State line, and besides this hotel property he owned three different houses and other lots in Middleburg; he died in 1846, and his widow in 1849; they are buried in the old Lutheran graveyard at Hagerstown, Md. They had a family of twelve children, nine of whom lived to be grown: Simon, Elias D., Nathan H., Elizabeth L., Jacob B., Catherine J., Anna Maria, Indiana D. and George W. The subject of this sketch was reared to the life of a farmer, and obtained his education in the Middleburg schools. After his parents' death he lived with his brother Jacob, and sister Anna Maria, who continued the hotel and managed the farm. December 20, 1871, he was married to Miss Ann Eliza Hartman, daughter of Charles and Susan (Myers) Hartman, very early settlers in Antrim Township, Franklin County. The Hartmans were from Lehigh County; the grandparents of Mrs. Brumbaugh were born there; they were Charles and Elizabeth (Lowery) Hartman. The grandparents of

Mrs. Brumbaugh on the Myers side were Jacob and Susan (Zent) Myers. Charles and Susan (Myers) Hartman had eight children, three living: Hamilton Van Dyke, Ann Eliza and Susan Zent. Charles Hartman was a very prominent member of the Reformed Church, holding official positions in the church and serving it in some way nearly all his life. He was also prominent in politics, a Democrat, and served Greencastle as its burgess, and in other local offices. He died in 1864, his widow in 1879; they are buried side by side in the Reformed Church graveyard at Greencastle. He had been a resident of the place fifty-six years. After our subject's marriage, in the spring of 1872 he moved to Greencastle and commenced keeping house in the old home-stead of his wife's parents, where he has resided up to date. Previous to this, and up to this time, Mr. Brumbaugh has been handling stock, in which he has been successful. In politics he is a Democrat; has served as town councilman and in other local offices. Although not a member, he is the treasurer of the Reformed Church, of which Mrs. Brumbaugh is a member. Mr. and Mrs. Brumbaugh have one child, Susan Wolff, born January 29, 1875.

ADAM CARL, M. D., Greencastle, was born December 16, 1800, at Hanover, York Co., Penn., son of George and Catherine (Diller) Carl, the former a native of York County, and the latter of near Carlisle, Cumberland C., Penn. The Doctor's father, who was a farmer in York County, died while the Doctor was quite young, and he was taken by his brother, with whom he lived. He obtained his literary education in the schools of Hanover, and while a young man he became a clerk in an apothecary store in Carlisle. In the meantime he had become interested in medicine, and decided to adopt that profession as his life calling, and when twenty-four years of age became a student of Dr. James Henry Miller, at Baltimore, Md., who was professor of the theory and practice of medicine in Washington Medical College, Baltimore, where he graduated in March, 1829. The Doctor came to Greencastle in 1825, and started a drug store the same year on South Carlisle Street, in the house now occupied by Dr. Nowell. In May of same year he married Ann Maria Michael, a native of Hanover, and a daughter of John and Catherine (Beltz) Michael. By this union there were seven children: William M., born May 22, 1826 (died aged forty-six); John, born February 19, 1828; George Davison, born June 15, 1830; Charles H., born June 5, 1832 (died aged three years); Xavier Bichat, born December 19, 1836 (died aged one year); Henrietta J., born April 11, 1838, and Mary Ellen, born March 1, 1843, wife of Dr. F. A. Bushey. Dr. Carl, on the death of his wife, July 6, 1848, married in 1849 Mrs. Susan Moore, a sister of his first wife; she died in 1874. The Doctor is a member of the Lutheran Church at Greencastle. He has been in constant practice of his profession in this place for fifty-eight years, but the last three or four years has attended only upon special old patients, or in consultation. He served his church as deacon for several years, and as an elder for over fifty years. The Doctor was here during the invasion of Lee, and on the enemy's retreat to Virginia treated many of their wounded while passing through Greencastle. When he first settled he had a large practice, extending fifteen miles in all directions from Greencastle, his visits all being made on horseback.

GEORGE DAVISON CARL, a son of Dr. Adam Carl, a native of Greencastle, obtained his literary education at the Pennsylvania College, at Gettysburg, and began reading medicine in 1851 with his father, subsequently attending one session at Jefferson Medical College, and afterward graduating at Pennsylvania Medical College, Philadelphia, in the spring of 1855. The same year he began the practice of his profession at Greencastle.

REV. CYRUS CORT. The Cort family originated in Westphalia, Prus-

sia. The first coming to America was John Yost Curth or Kurth, who was then twenty years old; he emigrated, and in 1758 located near Hagerstown, Md., and married Margaret Kemmerer. He was a farmer and was remarkable for his unaffected piety, was a member of the Reformed Church, and during early times had charge of blockhouses for defense against the Indians, in Westmoreland County, where he moved previous to the Revolution. He had three sons and four daughters. Daniel Kort, one of his sons, was born March 5, 1780, in Westmoreland County, and was married to Elizabeth Turney, an aunt to the present congressman from that district. They had seven sons and seven daughters, all of whom lived until their majority, and all but one was married. Daniel was a substantial farmer, prominent in his section, and a consistent member of the Reformed Church. Joseph Cort was the eldest son of the last named family, born November 5, 1805; he married Mary Skelly, a daughter of William and Elizabeth (Byerly) Skelly, and a granddaughter of Andrew Byerly, the founder of Byerly Station, at Bushey Run, in Westmoreland County (this was where the battle of Bushey Run was fought under Col. Henry Bouquet). Mrs. Skelly's father, Jacob Byerly, was but three years old when the family were obliged to flee to Fort Ligonier to escape the Indians (the father being absent at the time). The mother mounted a horse with a young babe in her arms and a child one and a half years old tied to her back, and the other children, all small, walked and ran some thirty miles, and just barely escaped inside the fort, the Indians firing at them as they went inside. Joseph Cort and his wife, Mary (Skelly) Cort, had a family of six children. He lived at Greensburg, Westmoreland County, and was engaged for many years in merchandising, and publishing the *Pennsylvania Argus*, a prominent Democratic organ. He, in 1845, sold out his business in town, and moved on to his farm near Irwin Station, and became one of the founders of that place; he now resides at Irwin Station. His wife died in 1843, and in 1844 he married his present wife, *nee* Fanny Rhodes, by whom there were seven children. Jacob Byerly, great-grandfather of Rev. Cyrus Cort, was a soldier in the Revolutionary war, and served principally on the western frontier at Fort Pitt and vicinity. He lived to be ninety-nine years old, and died in 1857 or 1858; he is buried in Brush Creek graveyard, near Manor Station, Westmoreland County, under a large military monument; by his side lies buried, under another large monument, his son Joseph, a soldier of the war of 1812. Maj. Andrew Byerly, who commanded troops, guarding Perry's fleet, when his ships were being built at Erie, and Lieut. Benjamin Byerly, who afterward was sheriff and representative from Westmoreland County, were also sons of Jacob Byerly.

REV. CYRUS CORT was born March 15, 1834, at Greensburg, a son of Joseph and Mary (Skelly) Cort, and was reared principally amid the life usually found among the substantial and best farmers. At the age of twenty he became a student at Irwin Station Academy for one year, then at Turtle Creek Academy one year, and in 1856 he became a member of the freshman class at Franklin and Marshall College, and was graduated there in 1860, taking the highest scholarship honor of his class, delivering the Marshal oration on graduating day. The next two years he spent in the study of theology at the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, under the presidency of the Rev. Dr. Philip Schaff, and was graduated from that institution in 1862. In September, 1862, shortly after leaving the seminary, in response to the call made by Gov. Curtin for 50,000 emergency men, he raised a company of Westmoreland yeomanry, was elected captain, and brought them as far as Harrisburg, but the emergency having passed, caused by Lee's invasion of Maryland, and the battle of Antietam, they were sent back to their homes without getting into act-

ual service. A few days later he was licensed to preach the Gospel by the Classis of the Reformed Church in Westmoreland County, and began his ministry as missionary pastor at Altoona, Penn. After four years of hard labor he succeeded in getting together a congregation of 100, and built a fine two-story Gothic sandstone church edifice. Since then he has labored thirteen years in missionary work in Illinois and Iowa, holding the chair of languages at Henry Seminary, Ill., for two years, and the rest of the time was missionary pastor of the congregations near Vinton, Maquoketa, etc., Iowa; during this time he also for seven years edited and published a monthly religious periodical called the *Reformed Missionary*. June 1, 1831, Mr. Cort became the pastor of the Reformed churches at Greencastle and Middleburg, Penn.; besides the labor of attending to his large pastoral charge of 340 members, he has taken great interest in historical matters; was prominent in securing the centennial celebration, July 4, 1882, of the founding of Greencastle. A few weeks later he delivered an eloquent address that was afterward published widely, on the burning of Hannastown (burnt by Indians July 13, 1782). August 6, 1883, he was largely instrumental in securing the celebration of Col. Bouquet's victory at Bushey Run, on the occasion of the 121st anniversary, also delivering the principal address, 15,000 people being present. In 1884 he took an active part in the centennial celebration of the organization of Franklin County, and was chairman of the Antrim Township centennial committee, and April 22, same year, at above convention at Chambersburg, was appointed chairman of the Enoch Brown memorial committee, and August 4, 1885, the monument was dedicated with imposing ceremonies, at which time he delivered the presentation and dedicatory speech. He has edited and published the "Bouquet and Brown Memorial Volume," giving an account of different centennial celebrations, Enoch Brown's monument and others, in which he has personally taken part. The book has met with great favor among historians and literary people. June 20, 1886, he delivered the address at the re-interment of the remains of Corp. Rihl, the first Union soldier killed on Northern soil, on the site of the monument now being erected. Recently he was appointed by the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society, of Philadelphia, to furnish data for an archæological map of the water-sheds of the Delaware, Susquehanna and Potomac Rivers, and has already furnished considerable matter relating to Indian mounds, graves, relics, etc., found in this region, to this society. Mr. Cort was married, May 1, 1866, to Susan M. Patterson, daughter of William and Sarah (Fegley) Patterson, and they have had six children, four now living: Paul L., Ambrose, Sarah Agnes and Ralph Bouquet. Mr. Cort is a regular correspondent and writer of literary articles and reviews for different magazines and periodicals, chiefly in prose, but has, on several occasions, written poems that have been widely circulated, such as "Response to the Blue Juniata," "They Have Called Me Back from the Golden Gates," the last words of Dr. Henry Harbaugh, etc.

J. B. CROWELL, president of the Crowell Manufacturing Company, Greencastle, was born in Franklin Township, Adams Co., Penn., in March, 1817. When nineteen he learned the business of a bricklayer and builder, and carried on the building business in Greencastle for ten years. In 1850 he bought out the interest of Mr. Chappel in the foundry business in Greencastle, and in company with Mr. Bradley, under the firm name of Bradley & Crowell, carried on the foundry business on a limited scale, manufacturing plows, stoves and farm bells, and general castings used in the country. They continued thus until 1857, when they took in as partner Mr. J. F. Keller, and the firm became Bradley, Crowell & Keller, and continued thus until 1861. At that

time they began manufacturing grain drills, namely: the Willoughby drill, which proved a success in the market. June 26, 1860, the firm's buildings and plant, including the manufactured goods, were burned, entailing a loss of \$8,000 or \$10,000. The next morning, by the energy of Mr. Crowell, sheds were erected in which to carry on their business and supply their trade. In the spring of 1861 Mr. Crowell bought his partners' interests in the entire plant, and the same spring located on the site now occupied by the Crowell Manufacturing Company, and began the manufacture of sashes, doors and blinds, dealing in lumber and general contracting and building, running a steam saw-mill, and also bought out the interest of Mr. Austin of the firm of Austin & Davison. At this time he also moved his foundry for the manufacture of agricultural implements, especially the Willoughby grain drill, with J. B. Crowell's fertilizer attachment, which was very popular in its day, as well as corn-shellers, rakes, etc., to the same place. The firm was then Crowell & Davison, which continued until the fall of 1869. Mr. Jacob Dearsdorf then bought of Mr. Davison a one-quarter interest, and the following spring Mr. Crowell bought the other quarter interest from Mr. Wm. H. Davison, thus acquiring a three-quarters interest. The firm then became known as the Crowell Manufacturing Company. In June, 1875, the sash, door and blind factory, saw mill, foundry and general stock stable and office were all destroyed by fire, involving a loss of \$30,000; insurance \$6,000. They immediately erected temporary buildings and started again, however. About 1875 or 1876, a nephew, Joseph E. Crowell, bought a one-quarter interest, and in 1879 the firm became known as J. B. Crowell & Co., and was chartered as a stock company, with a capital of \$65,000, and continued until December, 1882; then the affairs of the company were closed out by the sale of the Crowell Manufacturing Company, and the capital stock increased to \$200,000. Mr. Crowell was the president of the first stock company and of the last, and has always given his personal attention to the entire business, which gave employment at one time to over 200 hands. Mr. Crowell is a self-made man, never receiving a legacy at any time, and his success is due entirely to his own perseverance and energy. He has been a member of the Presbyterian Church for forty years, and trustee for a number of years. He married, in 1845, Margaret M. Miller, daughter of Margaret and James Miller, of Perry County, Penn.

JAMES KING DAVIDSON, M. D. and president of the First National Bank, Greencastle. The progenitors of this gentleman were of Scotch-Irish origin. The founder of the family in Franklin County was Elias Davidson, born in 1736, and who located in the southeastern part of Antrim Township, this county, about 1760, where he took up a large tract of land, on which he lived, and where he was engaged in farming the balance of his life. He was of the Presbyterian faith, and served as one of the first elders of that church in this township. He was an honored and prominent man among the early settlers of his vicinity, and served in several offices of public trust. He married, March 19, 1771, Agnes McDowell, born September 9, 1740, a daughter of Maj. John McDowell, a prominent and influential citizen, by whom was born a family of children. Elias Davidson died April 15, 1806, and his wife June 9, 1790; they are buried on the old home farm. One of the sons of the above was John McDowell Davidson, born in Antrim Township, this county, January 4, 1772. He succeeded to a good portion of his father's estate, and like him always followed agricultural pursuits. He was married twice, first to a Miss Maxwell, of Montgomery Township, this county; she died leaving a family of several children, and Mr. Davidson then married Miss Mary McLaughlin, a daughter of James H. and Mary McLaughlin, by which union

there were three children: James King Davidson, whose name heads this sketch, Mary A. E. and George H. Davidson. (The last two were twins; Mary A. E. Davidson died March 9, 1885.) John McDowell Davidson died January 5, 1811, his widow January 28, 1851, and they are buried, he on the old farm, and she in Cedar Hill Cemetery, near Greencastle. They were members of the Presbyterian Church, of which he was an elder for many years.

JAMES KING DAVIDSON was born in Antrim Township, this county, four miles southeast of Greencastle, February 10, 1810, and he passed his earlier years in Greencastle, in the meantime receiving the education the schools of the town and vicinity afforded, and where, subsequently, he prosecuted his studies, preparatory to becoming a student at Dickinson College, where he graduated before his twentieth year. Soon afterward he began the reading of medicine in the office of Dr. John McClellan, of Greencastle, and graduated at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in 1833. After leaving college he practiced his profession at McConnellsburg, Bedford Co., Penn., for one year; then emigrated West and located at Shelbyville, Shelby Co., Ind. In 1836 he returned to Greencastle, and for some six years was engaged in merchandising and farming, but resumed the practice of his profession in 1842, and has continued in the same up to the present time, though for the past few years he has partially retired. For the past fifty years the Doctor has been closely and prominently identified with the social and public enterprise of the borough of Greencastle and vicinity. The Doctor is a ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church, to which office he was elected in 1846, under the pastorate of the Rev. T. V. Moore. He was one of the charter members in organizing the First National Bank of Greencastle, acted as director some years, and is now its president; has served many years on the board of education; in politics a Whig and Republican. The Doctor was married November 22, 1836, to Martha M. Robison, of Antrim Township, this county, a daughter of Robert Robison, a prominent farmer of that township, whose ancestors from County Antrim, Ireland, settling in this township at the same time as the Davidsons. They were also Presbyterians, and Robert Robison and John McDowell Davidson were both ordained as elders of that church at the same time.

THE DAVIDSON FAMILY. The progenitors of this old Franklin County family were of Scotch-Irish and Welsh extraction. The first of the family, William Davison, settled in Antrim Township about the year 1757. The grandfather of William G. Davison (the subject proper of this sketch), Joseph Davison, was a son of the first settler, and was born in Adams County, Penn., in 1754; was a farmer all his life, and died May 13, 1842. The family were all Presbyterians of the most pronounced type. A son of Joseph, named Hugh, was a colonel in the war of 1812, and was actively engaged throughout that contest. Joseph first married a Miss Margaret Brown, by whom there were several children. She died and he afterward married a Miss Margaret Robison, by whom there were two children, Abraham Smith Davison and Andrew Davison, the latter of whom removed to Greensburg, Ind., in 1823, after being admitted to practice law at Chambersburg, Penn. He became one of the judges of the supreme court of Indiana; he died about 1869. Abraham Smith Davison was born in Antrim Township, this county, in 1802. He was a prominent farmer of the township, and an active politician; worked for his party and once was a candidate on the ticket for sheriff. He married Sarah Latta, who bore him seven children. He died in 1854; his widow still lives at Greencastle with her son, William G., aged about eighty years. Three sons of this family served on the Union side in the war of the Rebellion. Joseph A. enlisted in 1861,

in Company D, Sixth Pennsylvania Reserves, and served for three years. He was first orderly sergeant and later was promoted to first lieutenant, then captain, then major, and breveted a lieutenant-colonel at the close of the war. He died at Greencastle in May, 1879, leaving a widow and four children. Andrew R. joined, in July, 1862, Company K, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, as first lieutenant, and soon afterward was promoted to the captaincy, and served nine months. In August, 1864, he became adjutant of the Two Hundred and Ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served until June, 1865. He is now cashier of the First National Bank of Brownville, Neb. James H. Davison served as sergeant in the Twenty-second Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry, three months, and in 1864 re enlisted and served until the close of the war. He is now in the grocery business in Altoona, Penn. William G., youngest son of this family, was born in 1849, in Antrim Township, this county, and when fifteen he became a clerk in a store at Greencastle. In 1878 he began his present grain, coal and lumber business, as the active member of the firm of J. Stouffer Snively & Co. This firm does an average business of upward of \$100,000 per annum, and is one of the most important business enterprises of the place. Mr. Davison is a Republican in politics, and takes an active interest in the welfare of his party. He has served his vicinity in various positions of trust, such as councilman, school director, etc. He is a member of the K. of H. and American Legion of Honor, and a member of the Presbyterian Church. He married, in September, 1876, Martha J. Detrich, a daughter of Gen. David Detrich, of Greencastle, and they have two children: Charlotte Isabel and Mary Jean.

JOSEPH A. DAVISON, soldier and merchant, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn., January 13, 1838. William Davison came from Wales and settled in Adams County, Penn., where his son Joseph was born January 9, 1754. In 1757 the family removed to Antrim Township. Joseph Davison married Margaret Robinson in 1798. They had two sons, namely, Andrew Davison, born in 1799, and Abraham Smith Davison born in 1802. The latter married Sarah Latta, and the first born son was the subject of this sketch. He received his education in the public schools, except that he spent one year at the select school of Rev. James Kennedy, at Chambersburg. He began his business life as a clerk in a general store at Chambersburg, afterward sold dry goods at Pittsburgh, and was thus engaged at the breaking out of the Rebellion, when he entered the army. Upon returning from the war he married, November 10, 1864, Anna M. Taylor, of Chambersburg. After this he resided at Greencastle, engaged with Schaffhirt & Imbrie, warehousemen, and subsequently in the same business as a member of the firm of J. A. Davison & Co. He entered the service April 24, 1861, as first sergeant of Capt. Dixon's Company D, Sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Reserves, a company recruited in Franklin County. This regiment in the beginning was attached to the Third (Ord's) Brigade of McCaull's division Pennsylvania Reserves; afterward to the First Brigade, Reserve Division Fifth Army Corps. The regiment was in camp at Harrisburg, drilling until July 11. From the 12th to the 22d it lay at Greencastle. On the 22d it was moved by rail to Washington, and thence to Tennyaltown, Gen. McCaull's headquarters; at this time it was reported very well drilled. Then came the battle of Dranesville, won by the Reserves, the first success of the Union arms. Transported by water from McDowell's command below Washington, to aid McClellan on the Peninsula, the Reserves arrived at the White House June 14, 1862, in time for the division to participate in the "seven days' battle" in front of Richmond. In fact, however, the

Sixth Reserves were detained at Tunstall's Station and White House until they embarked and sailed via Fortress Monroe and James River to Harrison's Landing, arriving July 1. Here, August 1, 1862, Sergt. Davison was promoted to first lieutenant. August 14, the Reserves left the Peninsula, and Lieut. Davison saw war in its sternest aspect on the field of second Bull Run. His regiment was hotly engaged at South Mountain, and helped win the field of Antietam, but at this time he was languishing with severe illness. Fighting under Franklin on the left at Fredericksburg, the regiment lost one-third of its entire number. Arriving at Gettysburg at 2 P. M. July 2, 1863, Lieut. Davison charged with his regiment from Little Round Top. September 19, the regiment was lying at Culpeper Court House, and there, Capt. Dixon having become lieutenant-colonel, Joseph A. Davison was made captain of Company D. May 5, 1864, the Wilderness campaign opened; on this day and the next, the Sixth was actively engaged, as it was during the several days' struggle at Spottsylvania Court House. In the terrific fighting at Spottsylvania on the 8th it was heavily engaged nearly the entire day. Capt. Davison was made brevet major "for gallant conduct at the battle of the Wilderness," and brevet lieutenant-colonel "for gallant conduct at the battle of Spottsylvania Court House." He became brigade inspector of the First Brigade. At Bethesda Church; on the last day of its term of service, the Sixth, now only about 150 strong, captured 102 prisoners, and buried a large number of the enemy's dead who fell in its immediate front, fortune permitting so glorious an ending to a career begun with victory at Dranesville. On June 11, 1864, Capt. Davison was mustered out with his regiment at Harrisburg. During three years of service he was constantly in the field, participated with his regiment in all its marches and battles, so that its history is his war record. He was a soldier without fear and without reproach. His companions in arms say of him that, above all, he was a cheerful soldier, on the march untiring. He was modest, unselfish, kind and true, and, in consequence, greatly beloved by his comrades and neighbors. He died at Greencastle May 26, 1879, at the age of forty-one years.

W. H. DAVISON (deceased) was born November 2, 1836, in Antrim Township, this county, son of Andrew and Sarah (Brown) Davison. He raised a portion of Company B, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and on their being mustered in at Harrisburg was commissioned captain; he served nine months, was at Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville, part of the time inspecting officer of Tyler's brigade. He came home in bad health, and died in 1875, leaving a widow and five children.

JOHN B. DAVISON (deceased) was born in Antrim Township, this county, in August, 1841, a son of Andrew and Sarah (Brown) Davison. He enlisted in August, 1862, in Company K, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served nine months. He participated in the celebrated charge of Tyler's brigade at Fredericksburg, and also in the fight at Chancellorsville; he died in March, 1882, leaving a widow and six children.

JOSEPH R. DAVISON, dealer in grain, etc., Greencastle, was born on the old Davison homestead in Antrim Township, this county, November 9, 1843, and is a son of Andrew and Sarah (Brown) Davison. He was educated in Antrim Township schools, and afterward attended one year at Fayetteville Academy, in this county, and graduated at the Iron City Commercial College. He enlisted at the age of nineteen, in August, 1863, in an independent cavalry company, commanded by Lieut. C. L. Mercereau, and was mustered into the United States service in August, 1863. This service lasted six months and he afterward enlisted, in September, 1864, in the Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cav-



alry, and served until the close of the war, being mustered out at Harrisburg in July, 1865. He participated in the engagement at Poplar Grove Church, Virginia, Boydton Plank Road or Hatcher's Run, the fight at Five Forks and at Appomattox Court House, at the surrender of Lee. Mr. Davison was a dispatch bearer for Lieut. -Gen. Sheridan throughout this entire campaign, and at Five Forks, while our troops were making a charge, saw Gen. Sheridan snatch the colors and lead the charge in person; and when Gen. Gordon first came from Lee to arrange for a suspension of hostilities, pending the surrender of Lee, Mr. Davison was the only person who accompanied Sheridan across the field to meet him; he was also on duty only a hundred yards or so away from Grant and Lee, when the famous surrender was made. On leaving the service Mr. Davison returned home, and in 1879 began his present business of dealing in grain, coal, lumber, fertilizers, etc., and does a business amounting to from \$40,000 to \$50,000 per annum. He is Deputy Grand Commander, L. of H., a member of the K. of H., and of the G. A. R., and has been Post Commander of Corporal Rihl Post, No. 438, since its organization. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and one of the board of trustees. He is a Republican, has served as councilman two terms, township clerk one term. He was married May 23, 1871, to Miss Laura V. Wampler, of Chambersburg, a daughter of Lewis Wampler, and they have two children: Guy W. and William R.

**DETRICH FAMILY.** Lewis Detrich, a native of Germany, was a drummer during the Revolutionary war, in the patriot army, and at the termination of that struggle he settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where some of his children were born. He settled in Franklin County, about one mile north of Greencastle, some time previous to 1800. His wife's name was Julia Ann Gurschurt, by whom he had thirteen children. He lived for many years about half way between Greencastle and St. Thomas, on Back Creek, where he died in 1819; his widow died in 1832. She was a remarkably resolute woman, and when eighty years old walked nine miles to visit her children, wading the creeks on the way. The Detrichs of Franklin County, with few exceptions, spring from this couple. Lewis Detrich was a thoroughly educated German scholar; was not a member of any church, being very liberal in his religious views, and none of his family up to his death belonged to any church. They afterward, however, nearly all became members of the Reformed Church.

**CHRISTIAN DETRICH**, the third or fourth child of the above named, was born in 1781, in Lancaster County, Penn., and coming to this county with his parents when quite young, he was married in 1806 to Susannah Statler. He was a farmer and lived four miles northwest of Greencastle, on Conococheague Creek, and in 1833 or 1834 moved to Greencastle, where he died in 1855. His first wife died in 1824, leaving nine children, and he then married a Mrs. Byers, by whom there were no children. He was for many years a member of the Reformed Church, and served as a captain of a militia company for seven years, having served about the same time as a lieutenant; he was also a justice of the peace several years.

**GEN. DAVID DETRICH**, a son of Christian and Susannah (Statler) Detrich, was born August 26, 1807, in Antrim Township, this county. When young he learned the cabinet and undertaking trade, and after completing this apprenticeship, he began business in 1829 at Greencastle, in which he remained fifty-three years, during which time he assisted in making coffins for 3,830 persons. He began with very little means, but has accumulated during his long life a comfortable competence. He was early identified with the militia of the State, and when twenty-eight years old was commissioned first lieutenant of the Sixth Company, Twenty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Militia; two years after-

ward he was appointed adjutant of the Sixth Regiment, and a short time afterward was promoted major of the Second Battalion of the Sixth Regiment, for seven years, and in 1835 was commissioned colonel of the Sixth Regiment for seven years. In 1842 he was made brigade inspector of the Second Brigade, Eleventh Division of Pennsylvania Militia, also for seven years. He was then, in 1849, elected and commissioned brigadier-general of the Pennsylvania Volunteers for Franklin County; served five years; in 1854 was re-elected for five years; was, three years, member of Gov. Johnson's staff, and closed his connection with the military in 1859, having been identified with it without intermission for a period of thirty-one years. In 1871 he was elected director of the poor of Franklin County by 600 majority, on the Republican ticket. He always, as long as his health permitted, took an active part in the local politics of the day, having served his vicinity in various positions of trust and honor, such as burgess, councilman, school director, etc. He became connected with the Presbyterian Church in 1826, and has been an elder of the same for twenty-seven years; was the leader of the choir for forty years; superintendent of the union Sunday-school in the township for thirty years; and was superintendent of the Sunday-school connected with his own church in town, twenty-seven years; was an attendant at twenty-two meetings of the synod, and was also elected a member of the general assembly of the church, which met at Baltimore in 1873. Gen. Detrich was married to Margaret Cornman in 1831; she died in 1839, leaving three children, only one living—Ellen, now wife of Charles Ruthrauff. He then married, in 1841, Margaret Davison, who still lives, and they have had four children: Martha married William G. Davison; Marshall, who was a soldier in the civil war, enlisted as a private when but seventeen, for nine months, was wounded at the battle of Fredericksburg (when his time was out he re-enlisted and served until the close of the war, and was mustered out as lieutenant of cavalry. He served as clerk in the surveyor-general's office of Pennsylvania for some time, and during the riots at Williamsport he was sent on active duty there, as the governor's aid, ranking as colonel. While there he contracted a cold, from the effects of which he died in 1874); William D., the third child, lives with his father; and a daughter, the fourth child, died, aged twenty years. The General has been afflicted with cataract of the eyes, making him almost entirely blind, although his health otherwise is good.

JAMES C. EACHUS, clerk at the "Crowell House," was born in Greencastle, this county, September 17, 1842, and is a son of Phineas and Harriet (Stine) Eachus. He was educated in the schools of Greencastle, and was a clerk in the store of Prather & Kreps of Greencastle, when in August, 1862, he volunteered as a soldier in the war for the Union, enlisting in Company K, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, for nine months. He served in the Army of the Potomac until the termination of his term of enlistment, and soon afterward located at Pittsburgh. He was married December 20, 1870, to Susan A., daughter of Lazarus and Susan (Brewer) Kennedy. Mr. Eachus resided in Pittsburgh, Penn., three years after his marriage; then returned to Antrim Township, where he has resided ever since. Mr. and Mrs. Eachus have one child, Charlotte, born December 13, 1873.

JEREMIAH EBBERT, farmer, Greencastle. Jacob Ebbert, grandfather of our subject, came to this county at a very early date, and settled west of Conococheague Creek, near the old Kennedy farm, and died on that place; his widow died at the residence of his son John, who lived on the old Prather homestead, south of Greencastle, in 1825; this place, consisting of 200 acres, he

afterward bought, and it is still owned by the family. John Ebbert died in 1861, aged seventy-nine; his widow, who was a Miss Elizabeth Yous, died in 1867, aged sixty-seven; they had a family of nine children, six of whom are living: Joann; Anna Maria, widow of Andrew J. Kline; Jeremiah; Samuel; Catherine L. and Sarah J. Jacob Ebbert and wife were buried near Conococheague Creek, and the father and mother of Jeremiah Ebbert were buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery at Greencastle. They were Lutherans. Jeremiah Ebbert was born March 13, 1824, near Greencastle, on the old Prather homestead, and was married December 7, 1871, to Jennie Mechesney, a daughter of James and Susan (Milhuf) Mechesney, the former a son of James and Jane (Buchanan) Mechesney, who was a cousin to James Buchanan, ex-President of the United States. James Mechesney and Jane Buchanan were married near Greencastle in 1799. James and Susan (Milhuf) Mechesney now live in Westmoreland County, Penn.; they were natives, the first of Westmoreland County, Penn., and the latter of this county. The former's parents, natives of Tyrone, Ireland, moved from this county in 1799, to Unity Township, near Greensburg, Westmoreland County. The grandfather died in 1853, aged eighty-three, the grandmother in 1857, aged eighty-eight, and they are buried in Unity Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Ebbert had six children: James Mechesney, John Davidson, Albert Everett, Susan Milhuf, Lizzie Yous, Jeremiah Watson, and two that died in infancy. Mrs. Ebbert was formerly a member of the Presbyterian Church, now a Lutheran; Mr. Ebbert of the Lutheran Church.

Rev. John Ebbert was a son of John and Elizabeth (Yous) Ebbert. He married Maggie Rupert, from Huntingdon County; he was a Lutheran minister and officiated in Huntingdon County, Penn., and in other places; afterward went to Lucas County, Iowa, and while in charge of a congregation at Russell Station, died in 1867, aged about thirty-five; he was brought home and buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

WILLIAM WALLACE FLEMING, retired, Greencastle. Archibald Fleming, grandfather of William Wallace Fleming, was a native of County Antrim, Ireland, and came to this country about 1750-54, settling in Cochranville, Chester Co., Penn., where he kept a store. He raised a company of soldiers in Chester County, of which he was made captain; served in the Revolutionary war on the patriot side. He came to Shippensburg, Penn., about 1780, where he kept store, and afterward moved to Circleville, Ohio, where he died. The children of Archibald and Jane Fleming were John, born in November, 1769, died at Fort Smith, Ark., in 1837; Ann, born in July, 1771, died at Shippensburg, Penn.; Jane, born in September, 1773, died at Covington, Ind.; James Cannon, born in August, 1776, died at Lexington, Ky.; Martha, born in March, 1779, died in Zanesville, Ohio; Archibald, father of our subject, born in Shippensburg, April 23, 1783. He, Archibald, came to Chambersburg with an aunt, Martha Wallace, when but ten years of age, and remained there until 1810, when he came to Greencastle. He was a surveyor and civil engineer, and served as county surveyor for ten years, from 1812-22; in 1823 he was elected sheriff of the county, which office he held for three years, after which he was appointed, by the governor, inspector of the state roads in this county, a position he held for two years, 1827-28. He lived in Chambersburg until 1834 when he purchased a farm a short distance from Greencastle and moved to it. He was an elder in the Presbyterian Church. He married in June, 1810, Miss Eva Stahl, and by her had seven children: William Wallace; Mary A., residing on the old homestead; Jacob Stahl, married to Sarah Kisecker, in Upton, Penn., (they have two children: Alice, married to Dr. William Noble, also living in Upton, and Luther B., in Greencastle, married to Georgie Hostet-

ter); Eliza Jane, on the old homestead; John (deceased); James Archibald, single and living on the old homestead; and Blair Speer, also on the old place. The mother of this family died in 1865 and the father in 1869. They are buried side by side, in Moss Spring Cemetery. William Wallace Fleming was born in April, 1811, in Greencastle, son of Archibald and Eva (Stahl) Fleming, was reared to the business of a farmer, and received a good common-school education. He was married December 10, 1844, to Elizabeth A. Rankin, daughter of Andrew B. and Margaret (Ritchey) Rankin. Andrew B. Rankin was one of the prominent and influential politicians of the county. He was a Whig, afterward a Republican, and served the township as justice of the peace for upward of fifty years. He was president of the Waynesboro, Greencastle and Mercersburg Turnpike Company at the time of his death. From his early manhood he took an active part in every practical movement for the improvement of his native town, and his hand, more perhaps than any other, regulated its municipal affairs. He was born in 1791 and died in 1875. His wife Margaret (Ritchey) Rankin, was born in 1794 and died in 1874, and both lie buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, The children of Andrew B. and Margaret Rankin were Ann B., married to David F. Robinson, afterward member of Congress, and now deceased; William, a noted criminal lawyer and judge of Columbus, Ohio, now deceased; Elizabeth A., married to William W. Fleming, and living in Greencastle; Andrew N., living on Long Island, N. Y.; Margaret J., married to John Ruthrauff, and living in Greencastle; Edmond D. (deceased); Martha, married to Dr. M. F. Robinson, and living in Shippensburg, Penn., and John and Mary who died when but fifteen and sixteen years of age, respectively. Mr. Fleming after his marriage lived in Greencastle, but still farmed the old homestead. Mr. and Mrs. Fleming are members of the Presbyterian Church. They have five children: Anna M., married to Henry Strickler (they live in Greencastle); A. Edgar, married to Alice McLanahan (they live on a farm at the edge of Greencastle); Andrew R., a publisher, married to Susie Fleming (they live in St. Louis, Mo.); Ida M., at home; and W. Scott, a druggist, married to May Bryant (they live in St. Louis, Mo.) Mr. Fleming is the oldest man living in Greencastle who was born in the borough. During the war he suffered from the rebels, losing all crops for four years.

ELI W. FÜSS, farmer and grain-cradle maker, at Brown's Mills postoffice, was born near his present residence, March 8, 1826, and is a son of Joseph and Nancy (Whitmer) Fuss, the former a native of Maryland. Joseph came to this county in 1814, when about eighteen years of age; he was a blacksmith by trade, which he carried on for twenty-nine years, at or near the present residence of our subject. He and his wife were members of the Reformed Church; he was a warm friend of the public school system, and was prominent in securing and erecting the public school building in the neighborhood. He was a Democrat, but never held a political office; he died in 1881, aged eighty-five, and is buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery in Greencastle; his widow now lives at Marion, this county, aged eighty-one years. Our subject spent his early life learning the business of a farmer, and when sixteen began the blacksmith trade, remaining with his father until twenty-six years of age, when he moved to Greencastle and formed a partnership with Capt. Joseph Stickell, with firm name of Stickell & Fuss, which continued from October, 1852, to April, 1864. They manufactured grain-cradles, plows and wagons. Mr. Fuss then moved to the old homestead, and has lived there ever since. He married, in 1853, Catherine Royer, a daughter of Christian Royer, of Antrim Township, this county, and they have seven children: Annie E., John Calvin, Mary E. (who died in

Kansas), Ida Belle, Sarah Ellen, Emma R., Charles W. Mr. and Mrs. Fuss and all the children, except the youngest, are members of the Reformed Church. Mr. Fuss' farm consists of ninety-five acres, and there is a saw-mill adjoining, owned and operated by his son, John Calvin. He is Democratic in politics, and has served as school director in the township.

JOHN CALVIN FUSS, born July 10, 1856, at Greencastle, this county, obtained his education at the Greencastle schools and at Brown's Mills. In 1880 he became a partner with his father, under firm name of E. W. Fuss & Son, in the manufacture of grain-cradles, etc., at Brown's Mills. Mr. Fuss is also owner and proprietor of the steam saw-mill at Brown's Mills. They are dealers in and manufacturers of buggy rims, and deal in all kinds of walnut and hickory lumber, buying, saving and selling. Mr. Fuss married in 1882, Emma, daughter of John F. Miller, and they have three children: Myra Belle, born September 12, 1883; Leila Ruth, born January 5, 1885, and Ethel May, born July 16, 1886. Mr. and Mrs. Fuss are members of the Reformed Church of Marion. In politics he is a Democrat.

DR. JOHN C. GILLAND, Greencastle. Thomas Gilland, a native of Londonderry, Ireland, born June 7, 1777, the grandfather of our subject, settled in Quincy Township, near Funkstown. He married Jane McDowell, born October 12, 1778, probably in Antrim Township, this county; he died January 7, 1841; his widow March 6, 1857. His son, Thomas, now a resident of Antrim Township, near Shady Grove, the father of our subject, married Susan Conrod, February 8, 1838, and our subject was born near Shady Grove, July 27, 1849. He passed his earlier years and young manhood on the farm of his father, in the meantime attending the free schools of the neighborhood; also receiving the advantages of the select schools at Greencastle, Waynesboro and Strasburg for several years, preparing for college. He became a student at Ursinus College, Collegeville, Montgomery Co., Penn., and remained through the sophomore year, having been a student for eighteen months (this was in 1873). He then began reading medicine with Dr. William Grubb, of Greencastle, and graduated March 11, 1876, at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. The same year he began practice at New Franklin, Franklin County, remaining there two years, when he removed to Greencastle, and has been here ever since. The Doctor was married March 15, 1883, to Martha M. Snyder, daughter of Henry Snyder of J, of Guilford Township, and they have two children—Thomas Henry and Mary Belle. The Doctor and wife are members of the Presbyterian Church; he is a member of the I. O. O. F., of Waynesboro. The Doctor is a self educated man, having taught school to obtain the means from which to obtain a literary and medical education.

JOHN HADE, farmer, P. O. Greencastle. The Hade family are an old one in Antrim Township, and the first ancestors of our subject to settle here were John and his wife, whose maiden name was Ann Maria Knabe, a relative of the well known Knabe piano makers. The Hades were originally from Germany, and in religion were members of the German Baptist Church; they first settled in Lebanon or Lancaster, Penn., from Germany, in 1730. The above named John and his wife moved with their family in 1770, and settled at the old mansion farm mentioned elsewhere, where they built and lived in a log house, near the site of the present substantial stone structure. They bought 300 acres of land; they were then aged people. They both died in the log house, and are both buried in the German Reformed graveyard, Greencastle, Penn. They left five children, who settled in this county and in Washington County, Md. Their son, John, grandfather of the subject of this

sketch, married, and one of his children, also named John, was born February 2, 1783, and died in 1863. He was married to Hannah Yaugy, born in September, 1783, and died in 1868. Both are buried in Grind Stone Graveyard, at Hade's Church (German Baptist), near Grind Stone Hill. They had the following named children: William, Daniel, Jacob, Joseph, Catherine, John (subject of this sketch), Hannah, Mary, Emanuel and David. John Hade lives three and one-half miles south of Greencastle, on the Williamsport Turnpike, on what was known as the "Hade Mansion Farm," where his ancestors settled in 1770 or earlier. He was born in 1817, son of John and Hannah (Yaugy) Hade, and bought the old mansion farm of 216 acres in 1847, where he has since resided, this land having been in the hands of some member of the Hade family for upward of 125 years. He was married June 5, 1849, to Margaret E. Powell, a daughter of James and Jane (Malone) Powell, the former a son of George and Naomi (McCoy) Powell, natives of Berkley County, W. Va., and of English descent. Mrs. Jane (Malone) Powell was a daughter of Benjamin and Naomi (Wade) Malone, of Berkley County, W. Va., who were of Scotch-Irish extraction. Richard Wade, the great-grandfather of Mrs. Margaret E. (Powell) Hade, married a daughter of Lord — Beresford, of England, and relatives of the Burl family. (It was a runaway match, and proved a very happy one.) Mrs. Hade is a member of the Bethel congregation, of Shippensburg, Penn. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Hade — Jane H., John P. and J. Frank—are members of the Presbyterian Church.

HENRY R. HARNISH, merchant and farmer, Middleburg, resides about one half mile east of Mason and Dixon postoffice, on the Cumberland Valley Railroad. He was born in Washington Co., Md., one mile from his present residence, in 1826, and is the son of John and Barbara (Fetterhoff) Harnish, a native of Lancaster County, Penn., a carpenter and joiner by trade, and settled in Maryland about 1814, buying 100 acres of land in 1816. In 1834 he purchased 140 acres, where our subject now lives, and October 25, 1854, moved to this farm. He died there December 2, 1862, and is buried at Middleburg. His wife died in 1851, and is buried at the same place. They had eight children—five boys and three girls—those living are Jacob, who lives in Michigan; Mary, who married George W. Elliott, of Barber County, Kas.; Sarah, who married Hiram Whitmore, of Medina County, Ohio; and Henry R. The parents were members of the United Brethren Church. Our subject learned the carpenter trade, and followed it a year at journey work, and did the carpenter work on the house in which he lives, in 1851. In 1854 he took charge of the farm where he now lives, then owned by his father. This he bought afterward, and has lived on it ever since. He was married, March 15, 1857, to Nancy, a daughter of William M. Kuhnes, of Washington County, Md., and to them were born nine children, seven living: Cora, married to Jacob Teisher, August 15, 1882; Frances, married to Charles Zeller, July 31, 1886; Harry E.; Susan; Jessie; Nannie and John W. Mrs. Harnish is a member of the German Baptist Church. Mr. Harnish is a member of the I. O. O. F., of Middleburg. He is a Republican, and has served his vicinity in various offices of trust, such as county auditor, one term; three years school director, and township auditor, two terms. Mr. Harnish opened a general store at Mason and Dixon, this county, in 1874, with a partner, under the firm name of H. R. Harnish & Co. This name continued two years, when it was changed to Harnish & McLaughlin. In 1877 he sold his interest and opened his store at Middleburg, which he still conducts. He was appointed postmaster at Middleburg in 1877, and held the office until 1885.

CHRISTIAN R. HOOVER, brick-maker, Greencastle. The father of our

subject, Jacob Hoover, a native of Lancaster County, Penn., when a young man, enlisted in the Continental Army during the war of the Revolution. He was promoted to colonel, and was with the army until peace was declared. After the close of the war he came to this county, to what is now Five Forks, and bought 300 acres of land, where he lived the balance of his life, and died, aged eighty years, in 1836, and was buried at Quincy, this county. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church. He married Miss Royer, by whom he had two children: John and Elizabeth. She died, and he was married a second time, having by this union six children: Jacob, Samuel, George, Frederick, Catharine and Nancy. This wife dying, he married Mrs. Mary Ream, a daughter of John Ely, and by her had two children: David and Christian Royer. The subject of this sketch, who was born at Five Forks, in February, 1828, when a young man, learned the cigar-maker's trade, a business he followed for many years, carrying on a factory at Greencastle. His health requiring him to give up this, he paid his whole attention to the making of brick, as he had followed that business in summer while manufacturing cigars in winter, and in 1854 he located in Greencastle, opening a brickyard on his own ground in 1867. Here he averaged on the start 600,000 brick in the season, and he now averages about 200,000 to 300,000 per season. He has a small farm of twelve acres near the corporation, which he cultivates, and now divides his attention between it and the brick business. Mr. Hoover was an abolitionist before the war, and his first vote was cast for Gen. Taylor in 1848, voting the same political ticket until 1872, when he voted for Horace Greeley, since when he has been a Democrat. He served his party as judge of election in the Third Ward, and also on the county committee on various occasions. He was married in 1851 to Susan M. Zook, of McConnellsburg, Fulton Co., Penn., daughter of John and Anny Zook, and they had one child, that died in infancy. Mrs. Hoover is a member of the United Brethren Church, of which (although not a member) Mr. Hoover is a trustee. Mrs. Hoover's grandmother was a Mrs. Susan (Bloom) Myers, who was among the first settlers at McConnellsburg, the place then being a perfect wilderness inhabited only by wild beasts and Indians.

REV. JAMES D. HUNTER, Greencastle, was born in October, 1849, in Carroll County, Ohio, son of George and Rosanna (Harkless) Hunter. His father being a farmer, his early life was spent on the farm, and he afterward became a student at Savannah Academy, Savannah, Ohio, preparing for college, from 1870 to 1874. He entered Lafayette College, at Easton, Penn., in the fall of 1874, and was graduated there in the fall of 1878, delivering the Mantle Oration on that occasion. In the same fall he became a student of theology at the Union Theological Seminary, New York, remaining there until his ordination, November 30, 1880, when he took charge of the Presbyterian Church at Deerfield, N. J., and here remained until November, 1883, in December of which year he became pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Greencastle.

GEORGE R. KAUFFMAN, M. D., Brown's Mills.—Andrew Kauffman, a native of near East Berlin, Adams Co., Penn., was the first of this family to settle in this county, about 1816. He located with his family about seven miles northeast of Chambersburg, and was a farmer. He was not a member of any church, but his widow, whose name was Maria, became, after his death, a member of the River Brethren Church. He died and was buried in the Stover graveyard, four miles northeast of Greencastle. His wife was buried at the River Brethren Church, eight miles southeast of Chambersburg. They had seven children—six sons and one daughter: Abraham, Samuel,

John, Andrew, Jacob, Henry and Maria. Abraham, the eldest child, was the father of Dr. Kauffman, and was born in Adams County in 1808. He was married to Catherine Royer, a daughter of George Royer. He was a miller by trade, and when a young man followed that business for seven years, but was always identified with agriculture. He farmed 200 acres of land at what is now Kauffman's Station, which received its name from him. He and his wife were both members of the German Baptist Church. They had a family of two children: Anna Maria, who died when quite small, and George R. The father died in 1884, and is buried in the Antrim Cemetery, located on the old homestead. His wife died in 1873, and was buried in the same lot. George R. Kauffman, M. D., was born at what is now Kauffman's Station in 1841, and obtained his literary education at the Chambersburg Academy. In 1861 he began reading medicine with Dr. McGill, of Hagerstown, and afterward, with Richards & Montgomery as preceptors, at Chambersburg. He then attended one course at the State University, at Ann Arbor, Mich., and afterward two courses at Bellevue Medical College, New York City, graduating from there in the spring of 1867. Soon afterward he began practice at Mechanicsburg, Cumberland County. A few months later he located at Kauffman's Station, where he soon established a large practice, and where he has continued up to date. The Doctor owns the home place of 200 acres and lives in his elegant residence built by the Fullertons 112 years ago. At the time of the battle of Gettysburg, although a civilian, he was taken prisoner July 6, 1863, by the rebels at Hagerstown, Md., and was confined in "Libby," "Castle Thunder" and Salisbury, N. C., until April, 1865. The Doctor was married in 1867 to Martha E. Kisecker, a daughter of John and Eliza (Walter) Kisecker. They have one child, Leslie M. Politically the Doctor cast his influence with the Republican party.

JOHN KENNEDY, farmer, P. O. Shady Grove, was born in the parish of Drumachose, County Londonderry, Ireland, in 1807. His parents, James and Catherine (Cannon) Kennedy, came to the United States in 1823, and settled where our subject now lives. James Kennedy received 123 acres of land from his brother, Hugh Kennedy, of Hagerstown, Md., which was surveyed by Archibald Fleming in 1824. They brought with them five sons and three daughters: Rachel, John, William, James, Hugh, Joshua, Catherine and Ann. The parents were members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, originally Covenanters. The father died in 1847, aged about seventy years, and the mother in 1851, aged about seventy-seven years. They are buried in the Reformed Presbyterian Churchyard at Fayetteville. James, the first settler, was an elder of the church at Fayetteville, this county, for some years, and his son, Rev. Joshua Kennedy, is a minister of the above named church, now residing at Greencastle. John Kennedy was married May 9, 1856, to Margaret Bell, daughter of Thomas and Margaret (Dunlap) Bell, of Cumberland County, Penn., residing five miles north of Carlisle. Our subject and wife are parents of five children: William Holmes, who died in infancy; Catherine B., at home; Thomas J., a clerk in Waynesboro, Penn.; James D., at home; Joseph B., attending the normal school. Mr. Kennedy is a Republican and a strong prohibitionist; has served his township as school director, etc., and has also acted as guardian and executor of several estates. He owns about 240 acres, including the old homestead of his father; the improvements about the home he built; also those on the north end of the farm, now occupied by a tenant.

LAZARUS KENNEDY, farmer, P. O. Greencastle. John Kennedy, grandfather of Lazarus, was the first of the family to settle here, just west of



Conococheague Creek, in 1731, "Cornplanter," the Indian chief, being his nearest neighbor. His wife's name was Elizabeth; they were of Irish extraction, and came from Lancaster County, Penn., here, and took up 700 acres, patents for which are dated 1739. David (son of John) and Mary (Robertson) Kennedy, parents of our subject, resided at the site above mentioned; they both died in the vicinity, and are buried in Moss Spring Cemetery, Greencastle; John Kennedy died in 1805; David, his son, in 1818. David and Mary (Robinson) Kennedy had three children: Lazarus; Harriet, married to John Worley; and Charlotte, who died single. Lazarus, the subject of this sketch, was born April 8, 1806; always followed farming, and has carried on the old place ever since 1825, and now owns 199 acres of the old homestead. He was married in 1837 to Susan Brewer, a daughter of Jacob and Mary (Angle) Brewer, and they had ten children—nine now living: Cyrus, in Fulton County, Ill.; Washington, deceased; Charles, in Antrim Township, this county; David, in Greencastle, this county; Paxton, a photographer, in Hagerstown, Md.; Scott, superintendent of schools in Fulton County, Ohio; Ella, now Mrs. George B. Snively; Catherine, now Mrs. John Metcalf; Samantha, now Mrs. James Eachus; and Lazarus, Jr. The parents are members of the Presbyterian Church of Greencastle. Mr. Kennedy is a Republican, and has served his vicinity as school director. Three of his boys served in the Union Army during the war of the Rebellion: Cyrus, for three years; Washington, over one year in the signal corps; and Charles, ten months. Mr. Kennedy took an active part for the Union cause in the war by means and influence; he lost four valuable horses, taken by the rebels during Lee's invasion of 1863, and other stuff valued at \$800, and they finally took him prisoner for a short time but released him. Jacob and Mary (Angle) Brewer, parents of Mrs. Kennedy, were natives of Washington County, Md., where they were married. They bought a farm of 200 acres, two miles east of Mercersburg, in 1802, and kept house in a log building. They afterward built a brick residence, where they lived until they died, he at the age of eighty-two, and she when eighty-four; both are buried in the family graveyard. He was a member of the Lutheran and she of the German church. They had eleven children, all of whom lived to be grown and married. David married Miss Cushwa; Adam married Maria Johnson; Jacob married Mary Negley; Henry married Elizabeth Richert; Elizabeth married Capt. John Cushiva; Joseph married Margaret Vandran; John married Mary Zook; Maria married Daniel Richert; Susan married Lazarus Kennedy; Catherine married George Swigert; George married Louisa Gehr.

MATHIAS W. KISECKER, son of John and Eliza (Walter) Kisecker, was born in 1839, near Greencastle, in the house now occupied by Edgar Fleming. Our subject, when sixteen, learned the milling trade in the mill now owned by himself. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, served for about ten months, and was appointed quartermaster sergeant just before the battle of Chancellorsville, at which battle he was wounded in his left hand by a piece of shell or rifle bullet, that cut off the third finger of his hand. He had two days to serve, being wounded May 3, and his term of enlistment expired May 5. He was in the battle of Fredericksburg and present at the second battle of Bull Run. He was mustered out at Harrisburg and returned home. He was married in February, 1864, to Ella A. Witherspoon, and, on the death of his father in 1879, bought the old homestead of 120 acres, at his father's appraisalment. The stone grist-mill is operated by him, doing principally custom work in the summer and shipping in winter. Mrs. Kisecker is a member of the

Presbyterian Church. Mr. and Mrs. Kisecker have eight children: Annie L., John W., Mary E., Andrew H., David E., Elizabeth B., Charles N. and Mathias W., Jr. Mr. Kisecker is a member of the American L. of H. and G. A. R.; he is senior or Vice-Commander in the G. A. R.; in politics a Democrat. Just 200 yards below Mr. Kisecker's mill there used to be an old Indian fort, in the remains of which a few years since, on building a blacksmith shop, they found many old relics, knee buckles, etc.

REV. FREDERICK KLINEFELTER, pastor of Zion's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Greencastle, son of Adam and Sarah (Doudle) Klinefelter, was born in York, Penn., September 26, 1836. He obtained his early education at the York schools, mainly at the York County Academy. He devoted four years to learning the machinist trade, two of which were spent in Cincinnati, Ohio. Returning to York he prepared for college at the Academy, and entered the freshman class of Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, in the fall of 1858, graduating from that institution in the fall of 1862. At the breaking out of the war Mr. Klinefelter enlisted, June, 1861, in Company H, Sixteenth Regiment, Volunteer Infantry, under the three months' call of the President. The regiment was with Gen. Patterson in Virginia, was mustered out in August, and then Mr. Klinefelter returned to college, and, resuming his place in his class, graduated in the fall of 1862. The same year he entered the Theological Seminary at Gettysburg. [Notes from the "Rebel Invasion of Pennsylvania," by Prof. M. Jacobs.] "On Wednesday, June 17, 1863, a company of infantry, consisting of sixty students of the Pennsylvania College, together with several from the theological seminary, and a few citizens, under Capt. Frederick Klinefelter, a theological student, left for Harrisburg in obedience to the urgent call of the governor for emergency men, and were the first to be mustered into that service in response to the call. This company was known as Company A, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Militia, of which Col. Wm. Jennings was in command. The regiment having been ordered to Gettysburg arrived there at 9 A. M., June 26. By order of Maj. Haller they were sent forward on the Chambersburg pike, west of town; which movement resulted in their being thrown in the face of a superior force of the enemy. Forty of the regiment, among whom were ten of Company A, were captured. By a skillful maneuvering of the regiment and after a skirmish with the enemy's cavalry, resulting in the loss of 120 more of their number as prisoners, they reached Harrisburg, Sunday, June 28, having marched 54 out of 60 consecutive hours." At the anniversary of the Philomathean Society, in 1862, Mr. Klinefelter was elected as one of the orators. He is a member of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. He graduated from the Theological Seminary in 1864, and was ordained by the West Pennsylvania Synod at Hanover in 1864. The same year he engaged in the city missionary work in Philadelphia, where, in the following year, he organized St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church, which he served until 1867. The same year he removed to Tremont, Schuylkill Co., Penn., and served as pastor of the congregation there until December 1, 1872, when he became pastor of his present charge. Mr. Klinefelter was married September 4, 1866, to Miss Anna E. Wilson, of Philadelphia, daughter of David G. and Emma (Moore) Wilson, a most amiable lady, and greatly beloved by all who knew her. She died in June, 1884, in Philadelphia, leaving one child, Emma Wilson. Mr. Klinefelter was elected, in 1883, president of the West Pennsylvania Synod, serving three years, and has also represented the synod as a member of the board of directors of the Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, and as a delegate to the General Synod. Since Mr. Klinefelter has been pastor here the

fine brick Lutheran Church has been built, costing some \$16,000. The cornerstone was laid in 1875, and the building completed and dedicated in 1880, free of all indebtedness.

WILLIAM C. KREPS, attorney at law, Greencastle, was born in that place, in 1853, and is a son of William and Sarah A. (Eachus) Kreps, the latter a daughter of Phineas Eachus. He obtained his education partly at the schools of Greencastle and later at the Chambersburg Academy, where he remained two years; was engaged several years in mercantile pursuits; then later began his legal studies in the office of Judge Rowe, and finished reading law with A. G. McLanahan, Esq., of Greencastle. He was admitted to the Franklin County bar in December, 1883, and immediately thereafter began the practice of his profession at Greencastle, where he continues to reside, enjoying a lucrative practice. Mr. Kreps married, in April, 1883, Anna M. Shook, of Greencastle, a daughter of Jacob Shook. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in politics a Republican.

JACOB LEAR, blacksmith, Shady Grove, was born in Antrim Township, this county, September 14, 1840, son of James and Eliza (Anderson) Lear, the former of whom died when our subject was but five years old. When eighteen, Jacob began and learned the blacksmith trade, and was working in J. B. Crowell's machine shop at the breaking out of the war of the great Rebellion. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company K, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, for nine months, and participated in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. His term of enlistment had expired a day before the latter fight, and soon afterward he returned home, arriving shortly before the battle of Gettysburg. In the fall of 1863 he enlisted again for three years or during the war, in Company M, Twenty-first Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry, which in the summer of 1864 fought as dismounted troops. He took part in the battle of Cold Harbor, where he was wounded by a minie-ball in the left leg—the bone being shattered—while in the charge on the enemy's works; this wound still remains troublesome, and at times is an open sore. He was laid up six months, when he returned to active duty and soon after took part in the battle of Hatcher's Run, and from this time to the end of the war was in a continual series of engagements. He was mustered out at Lynchburg, Va., and then came home and followed journey-work about one year. In 1867 he bought out his present business, which he has conducted up to date. Mr. Lear was married February 11, 1868, to Mary Lohr; they have three children living and one deceased: George Brinton, born January 31, 1869; John Kennedy, born June 1, 1870; Michael Lohman, born August 3, 1873, and died aged nine years; Jessie Snively, born July 14, 1881. Mr. Lear belongs to the Lutheran Church; he has served his township as school director three years.

DAVID LAMONT McDONALD, M. D., Greencastle, is a native of Juniata County, Penn., born in 1841, son of James S. and Mary Ann (Enslow) McDonald. When our subject was but seven years of age his father died, leaving a widow and four children. At the age of eleven years young David began on a farm, working in the winters for his board and going to school. At the age of twenty, in September, 1861, he enlisted in Company I, Forty-ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and on the muster-in of the company at Harrisburg was appointed corporal. He served fourteen months, when owing to physical disability, brought on by sickness contracted in the service, he was honorably discharged. His regiment was part of Hancock's brigade. The first engagement the Doctor was in was the battle of Williamsburg, and throughout McClellan's Peninsular campaign, including the seven days' bat-

bles. After being in the hospital for some time, he was discharged at Philadelphia, October 27, 1862. At the time of his enlistment he was attending a select school at McCoy'sville, and on his return, he again attended the same school that winter; the following summer he taught a subscription school, and in the winter took charge of the public school of that place. In the spring of 1864, he began reading medicine in Dr. S. B. Crawford's office, McCoy'sville, Juniata County, and in the winter of 1864-65 again taught school. In the fall of 1865 he attended the medical university of New York City, and in 1866 he began practicing in partnership with his preceptor, continuing same until 1870, in which year he located at Concord, this county, where he had a successful practice for sixteen years. During this time, in 1881, he attended a medical course at Columbus Medical College, Columbus, Ohio, where he was graduated. The Doctor located at Greencastle, December 16, 1885, where he is receiving a fair share of practice. He was married May 25, 1871, to Anna M. Robertson, of Concord, this county, a daughter of John and Eliza (Montgomery) Robertson, and they have four children: David Lamont, John Hamilton, Calvin Brodie and James Loomis. The Doctor is of Scotch extraction, originating from the famous family of that name in Scotland. He is a F. & A. M., a member of the I. O. O. F. and G. A. R.; in politics a Democrat.

ANDREW G. McLANAHAN, farmer, P. O. Greencastle, is a native of Antrim Township, this county, born August 12, 1807, four miles south of Greencastle, near the Maryland line. His father, William McLanahan, also a native of this locality, was an extensive farmer, owning some 400 acres. He was a Presbyterian and a well known and honored citizen. His wife, *nee* Mary Gregg, was a daughter of Andrew Gregg of Centre County, Penn. From this union there were four children, Andrew G., James X. (deceased), Isabella, who married Joseph M. Heister, and Mary, who married Dr. J. C. Richards. James X., a lawyer, moved to New York City, where he died. James McLanahan, grandfather of our subject, and a farmer, owning upward of 600 acres of land, was a native of what is now known as Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn. His wife's name was Isabella Craig; they had six sons: Robert, James, John, William, Samuel and Joseph, and five daughters: Margaret, Mary, Rebecca, Isabel and Sarah. Andrew G. McLanahan was reared to the life of a farmer on the old homestead in Antrim Township, and has followed that occupation all his life, buying his present homestead of 350 acres, one mile and a quarter west of Greencastle, in about 1837, moving onto it in 1838. This place he sold to the Mormons and they occupied it for eighteen months, but on their leaving the country he was obliged to buy it back, through the sheriff, in 1846, and has lived there ever since. He now owns beside, a half interest of his father's old homestead and twenty acres in Antrim Township. He is now seventy-nine years of age. Mr. McLanahan, although not a politician in any sense, had decided convictions in politics, but singular to state never in his life asked a man to vote any ticket, going on the principle that a man's own conscience and convictions ought to settle that subject without dictation. He was married in 1837 to A. Elizabeth Doyle, daughter of George Doyle and to this union there were born six children; E. Ormond, Dick, Andrew G., Celia, Jessie and Alice. Mrs. McLanahan died March 28, 1880, and is buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

HARRY P. McLAUGHLIN, merchant, State Line, was born January 26, 1856, near State Line, in Washington County, Md., a son of Perry B. and Cornelia J. (Hostetter) McLaughlin, the former born at Pleasant Vale, Washington Co., Md., August 4, 1814, died November 11, 1875; the latter was born at Hanover, Penn., December 31, 1827, now residing at State Line.

They were married October 17, 1848, and have living the following named children; Frank H., Harry P., William P. and Charles M., all except Harry P., residing in Washington County, Md.; William is on the home farm. The father, a farmer by occupation, a member of the Reformed Church, owned some 200 acres of land in joint interest with his brother, John McLaughlin, a bachelor. Our subject established his present business in State Line in 1880, keeping a general store and dealing in grain, coal, fertilizers, and produce of all kinds, his store and sales averaging, including fertilizers and coal, about \$20,000 per annum. He buys and ships some 30,000 bushels of wheat per year. Mr. McLaughlin received the advantages afforded by the Washington County schools and those at Greencastle. He was married in 1879 to Miss Anna Zeller, of Washington County, Md., by whom he has three children: Howard H., Perry and Bertha. Mr. and Mrs. McLaughlin are members of the Reformed Church. Mr. McLaughlin is the railroad and express agent at State Line, having held these positions since 1883, and was appointed post-master in March, 1886.

VICTOR DAVIS MILLER, M. D., P. O. Mason & Dixon, was born near Williamsport, Washington Co., Md., February 1, 1838, son of Albertus A. Miller. He obtained his literary education at Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Penn., and began in 1857 reading medicine at Greencastle with Dr. Charles Michael, who was his preceptor during his whole course of study. He subsequently attended Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, where he graduated in March 1861, and soon after began practice in the neighborhood where he now lives, and has continued the same up to date. In 1862 he was appointed assistant surgeon of the Seventy-eighth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, which was part of the Army of the Cumberland, and was stationed in Nashville, Tenn. He was present at the engagement at La Vergne, Tenn., in the seven days' fight at Stone River. He was acting surgeon for this regiment during the last four months' service; resigning in April, 1863, on account of physical disability contracted through exposure during the battle of Stone River. At this battle, while engaged in dressing the wounds of an officer (who was serving as colonel of an Indiana regiment and commanding a brigade of Gen. Thomas' corps) on the field of battle, he ran a narrow escape, two bullets from the enemy passing through his coat. After resigning he returned to his practice in Antrim Township. The Doctor was married March 13, 1866, to Alice J. Rench of Washington County, Md., a daughter of Andrew Rench, and they have six children: Dewitt Clinton Rench, a graduate of Pennsylvania College; William Preston, Jane Scott, Victor Davis, Jr., Mary Lamon, Louisa Price. The Doctor is a member of the Reformed Church of Middleburg; a Democrat in politics; served as coroner from 1864 to 1866. He was a candidate of his party for the State Legislature in 1881, and was defeated by eight votes on account of a clerical error made by the clerk of the board of returns, but really received a majority of eight votes. The Doctor has a farm just over the line in Maryland, where he resides, which he carries on in connection with his practice. He lives in an elegant modern residence built by him at a cost of \$6,000.

J. FLETCHER NOWELL, M. D., Greencastle, is a native of Anne Arundel County, Md., born July 9, 1845, and is a son of William and Rachel A. (Sheckell) Nowell, of that county, the former of whom, a farmer, served as a local Methodist preacher. The Nowells were of English, and the Sheckells of Scotch descent. The Doctor obtained his literary education at Fort Edward Institute, N. Y., attending there some three years, and graduating June 24, 1868. He began reading medicine in 1870, and attended lectures at the

Hahnemann Medical College of Philadelphia, graduating there in 1875, and soon afterward (March 20) began the practice of his profession at Greencastle. The Doctor was married March 17, 1880, to Miss Jennie Cook of Chambersburg. After graduating at Fort Edward he had charge of the English department in Dickinson Seminary at Williamsport, for two terms, and the year afterward had charge as principal of the public schools at Waterford, Va. The Doctor is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Greencastle. In politics he is a Republican.

HENRY OMWAKE, P. O. Greencastle. The name was originally in German "Amweg," by which some of the members of the family are still known in Lancaster County, Penn. The first of the name to settle in Franklin County was Jacob Omwake, a native of Berks County, Penn; he located in Washington Township, near Besore's (now Salem) Church, and in the spring of 1808 moved on a tract of land which he bought of Samuel Sell. He died November 17, 1814, at the age of forty-one years. He was a member of the Reformed Church, and is buried in the Old Salem churchyard. His wife's name before marriage was Catharine Hassler; they had a family of two sons and four daughters. His widow was afterward married to Daniel Mowen. John Omwake, son of Jacob, was also a native of Berks County, being eight years old when the family came to this county. He was married to Elizabeth Ledy, a daughter of Henry and Elizabeth (Miller) Ledy. From the time of his marriage in 1821, to the time of his death in 1865, he lived on the old homestead, which first became his residence in 1808; his remains lie in the Salem ground. His widow is still on the old home place with her son Samuel, and is now in her ninety-third year; until about ninety years of age, she was able to visit her neighbors on foot, and preferred walking to church, a distance of three-fourths of a mile; since then she is partially disabled in body, but her mental faculties are comparatively good, her memory running back to occurrences which took place before the war of 1812. They were both members, and faithful attendants upon the services, of the Reformed Church, in the faith and doctrines of which they also brought up their children, of whom they had ten: Catharine married to Wesley Koons; Samuel, married to Elizabeth Keckler; John, married in Ohio, where he died of cholera; Jacob, who died at Tiffin, Ohio, in 1854; Jeremiah, married at Tiffin, Ohio, to Ann Sheets, and now living in Henry County, Ohio; Henry; Susan, married to Christian Leshner, of near Waynesboro, Penn.; Elizabeth, married to Wm. S. Koons (now both deceased); Mary Ann and Rebecca, both of whom died single. Henry Omwake, the subject proper of this sketch, was born December 6, 1830, and was reared to farming; he attended the common schools, but fitted himself for teaching mainly by his efforts at home. When nineteen he began teaching school in Salem District, and followed it during winter terms, for sixteen years. He was married in 1854 to Eveline Beaver, and moved to Antrim Township. In 1867 he bought the Peter Witmer homestead near Greencastle, now consisting of ninety acres, where his family are enjoying the fruits of the farm as the result of their industry. As an ardent supporter of the common schools he has served his Township three several terms as director. In 1881 he was elected to the office of county commissioner, in which he served three years. He and his wife are also members of the Reformed faith. Their family consists of nine children: John O., Wm. T., Mary K., Augustus B. (at home and a teacher), James E., Jeremiah S., George L., Chalmers P. and Howard R. John O., living in Cincinnati, Ohio, and Wm. T., who is an attorney in Waynesboro, Penn., are the only ones of the children not now at home.

SAMUEL PHILLIPPY, farmer, P. O. Greencastle, was born at his pres-

ent residence in February, 1833, a son of Samuel and Catherine (Rauch) Phillippy. Christian and Barbara (Reed) Phillippy, grandparents of our subject, came to Antrim Township, this county, from Lebanon County in 1817, and here the former rented land some four years, and, in 1821, he bought the farm of 160 acres, where our subject now lives, at sheriff's sale for \$48 per acre; the present stone house then stood as it does to-day, though the barn and outbuildings were built by the father of our subject in 1835. The old roof still remains good, the shingles of which were hauled from Harrisburg by wagon. This farm was purchased in three tracts, as follows: First dated November 24, 1761, as recorded in Patent Book, "AA, Vol. II, page 446; second dated October 24, 1765, as recorded in Patent Book AA, Vol. VII, page 152; third dated December 28, 1813." The tracts were purchased from Penn's heirs by John Brotherton; deed made to Christian Phillippy by Brotherton April 8, 1822. The Phillippys are members of the Lutheran Church, and the father of our subject was an elder in that church for many years; he was a member of the building committee in building the new church at Greencastle. Samuel and Catherine (Rauch) Phillippy had nine children: Christian, who married Uriah P. Smith (they live in Monroe County, Mich.); Jonathan, married to Catherine Harbaugh; Eliza, who married John Young (now a widow); Mary Ann (who married Christian Whitmore); Isaac, married to Catherine Shank; Samuel; Jacob, of Chambersburg, married to Susan Leshar; Catherine, who married Daniel M. Baker; Margaret, who married Adam Vandrau. Samuel married Mary Grove, a daughter of John Grove, of this county, and they have three children: John G., Miriam M., James Franklin, all at home. Mr. Phillippy has the 160 acres of land that his grandfather first purchased. He is a member of the Luthern Church; in politics a Democrat; is one of the most solid farmers of Antrim Township.

**THE RAHAUSER FAMILY.** The first of this family to settle in Franklin County was Jonas Rahausser, a native of Germany, born near Hesse Darmstadt, in 1777. He was brought to the United States by his parents, who settled in York, York Co., Penn., in 1781, and came with his brother Daniel, who was a minister of the Reformed Church, to Franklin County in 1790, and soon after became an apprentice to the blacksmith trade at Greencastle. After completing his apprenticeship, he was married at Greencastle, to Miss Catherine Drooks, by whom he had three children: Maud Catherine, Gideon and Jonathan. He was a prominent and active member of the Reformed Church (three of his brothers, Frederick, Daniel and Jonathan, were ministers of this society). He died in 1853, leaving a comfortable estate to his family, his wife having died in 1849, and they are buried in the Lutheran graveyard at Greencastle. Gideon Rahausser, son of Jonas and Catherine (Drooks) Rahausser, was born in Greencastle, this county, in 1814. He was a farmer, owning in Antrim Township a farm of some 180 acres, and from his marriage, in 1849, always lived on that farm, located one and one-half mile southeast of Greencastle. His wife's name was Margaret Stover, daughter of William Stover of Greencastle, and by this union there were five children: Susan A., William S., Joseph P., George W. and Gideon J. The father of this family died in 1859, aged about forty-five years; he was one of the most respected citizens of the township. His widow died in 1879, and they are both buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Joseph P. Rahausser, hardware merchant, Greencastle, the third child in the above family, was born in 1854, at Greencastle; he obtained his education at the free and select school of Greencastle, and Millersville Normal School, and subsequently (from 1872) he taught school for seven years, three years at Greencastle, one year at Shady Grove and three years at Belmont.

Since 1877, he in company with J. M. Stover accepted the agency of the "Stover Wind Engine Company" for four States: Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland and New Jersey. In 1880 this partnership was dissolved, and in 1882, he in company with his brother, Gideon, under the firm name of J. P. Rahauer & Bro., established the present business of dealers in general hardware and agricultural implements, including the wind engines; this is one of the most important business enterprises of the borough, the sales amounting some years to \$45,000 or \$50,000, averaging about \$35,000.

JOHN ROWE, merchant, surveyor-general of Pennsylvania and speaker of the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania, was born October 4, 1814, in Greencastle, Franklin Co., Penn. His father, a native of county Westmeath, Ireland, a Protestant, came to America in 1804 and settled at Greencastle, where he married Mary, daughter of John Wise, the son of Christopher Wise of Havre de Grace, Md., who married a daughter of one McKinnie killed by the Indians at Hollywell Paper Mill, Franklin County, in 1756. John Rowe was educated in the schools of his native town; at twenty-one years of age he married Elizabeth Prather. He was from youth until death a merchant of Greencastle, public spirited, zealous to promote the growth and prosperity of the town, active and influential in politics; even before his majority he began to take a leading part in local affairs and was sent by the Democrats to their county convention, and that body selected him as a delegate to the State convention with instructions to support Martin Van Buren for President. In 1840, when twenty-five years old, he was elected justice of the peace at the first election for that office under the amended constitution; four years later he was the Democratic candidate for the Legislature, but the Whigs had a majority; however, he was elected a representative in the General Assembly in 1851 and again in 1852. In the presidential campaign of 1856, John W. Fomey, organizing victory for Buchanan, called the State convention to meet at Chambersburg for the well understood purpose of putting Maj. John Rowe in nomination for surveyor-general; it was done and he was elected and filled the office for three years; in 1859 he was unanimously nominated for re-election, though a Douglas Democrat, but that year his party failed to carry the State. At the outbreak of the Rebellion he took firm ground for the Government, and in the fall of 1861 was elected as a Union Democrat to the Legislature, and was chosen speaker of the House of Representatives. Thenceforth he was identified with the Republican party, and was prominent in its councils. He died at Greencastle December 27, 1880, at the age of sixty-six years.

REV. JOHN RUTHRAUFF, of the Lutheran Church, was a native of York County, born in 1763; he came to Greencastle previous to 1795, and under his pastorate the Lutheran Brick Church was built, and the first Lutheran Sunday school was held; he was pastor for thirty-eight years. His wife's name was Maria Hamme, also a native of York County; he died in 1837, and his widow about 1842, aged about seventy-five years. They are both buried in the Lutheran graveyard, Greencastle, Penn. He was also a farmer and owned 200 acres of land one mile and a quarter west of Greencastle. He built a grist-mill in 1810, the first erected on that site; it was burned in 1827, and rebuilt by him. He had seven sons—John, Samuel, Frederick, George, Jonathan, Henry and David—and one daughter. Jonathan, a Lutheran preacher, died at Lebanon, Penn., while in charge of a congregation there. Frederick, also a Lutheran preacher, died at Milton, Penn., in charge of a congregation. Samuel, born in 1796, was reared at the old homestead, and when a young man operated the mill on his father's place; was afterward engaged in merchandising at Marion and St. Thomas, in this county. He was a soldier in the war of



1812, and served at Baltimore. He married Isabella Patton, by whom he had the following named children: John, Sarah, now widow of Washington Crooks; William, a Lutheran minister, who died at Zanesville, Ohio; Ann M., who died aged twenty; Elizabeth, first wife of Washington Crooks. The father died at Greencastle in 1862, aged sixty-six; the mother in 1878, aged seventy-eight, and both are buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

JOHN RUTHRAUFF was born in November, 1816, in Greencastle, this county, and was reared until eighteen years of age on the old homestead of his grandfather. When about eighteen years of age he engaged as a clerk at Loudon, this county, in a general store, and in 1838, in partnership with his father, opened a store at Marion. In 1846 he sold out the store and began farming on the Frederick farm, three miles north of Greencastle; abandoning this he bought 150 acres of land on the Leitersburg road, living, however, in Greencastle. This farm he sold, then bought the first farm east of town on the Waynesboro road, of fifty-six acres, which he afterward increased to seventy-four acres. He then became largely interested in dealing in stock and wool, in which he continued for twenty-three years. Mr. Ruthrauff is a Republican in politics, and during the war took an active part in upholding the Union cause; was active in securing enlistments and in filling the Antrim Township first and second quotas; was appointed and acted as treasurer of the committee for collecting money to pay bounties. April 17, 1861, an agreement was made and signed by sixty-seven citizens of Greencastle, agreeing to support the families of the members of the Greencastle company during their absence in defense of their country. Dr. William Grubb's name was first, and Mr. Ruthrauff's second on that list. This document is now in the hands of Mr. Ruthrauff. It was written and signed three days after the firing on Fort Sumter. Mr. Ruthrauff, with the assistance of the loyal citizens of the township, raised \$31,000 in four days, 16th to 19th of April, 1864, and in four days after had paid sixty-two men \$500 each, and they were mustered into the United States service. The devotion to the Union cause was such that the above named amount was raised without any assurance of it being refunded, but it depended on the Legislature to pass a special act authorizing the school board of the township to levy, collect and pay over to the treasurer the above amount, which was accomplished the following spring, and the amount returned to each one of the contributors. Mr. Ruthrauff lost considerable by Lee's army, and was obliged to "make himself scarce" when it was here. He was married to Margaret Jane Rankin, a daughter of Andrew B. and Margaret (Ritchie) Rankin, and they have had six children, two of whom died when young; four now living: Mary B., married to S. J. Strete; William, in the livery business in Greencastle, married to Florence Hammond; Margaret, married to Frederick Fletcher; John R., an attorney at Greencastle, married to Miss Margaret Lawshe, of Lewisburg, Union Co., Penn. Mr. Ruthrauff and family are members of the Presbyterian Church. He now lives on the old Rankin homestead, which Squire Rankin bought in 1822 and on it built the house.

JAMES SHIREY, hotel-keeper, Greencastle, was born at that place, October 14, 1842, and is a son of David and Joanna (Farne) Shirey, the former of Scotch-Irish and the latter of German descent. He passed his early years in Greencastle, and in May, 1862, enlisted in Company K, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was mustered in at Harrisburg. The regiment was soon afterward ordered to Washington for duty, where it remained some time. It was then attached to Tyler's brigade, being the First Brigade, Second Division, Fifth Army Corps; thence it was ordered to Monocacy Junction, Md. On the night of the last day's fight at

Antietam it was ordered to the front, but under a flag of truce from Lee to bury their dead the enemy escaped and retreated. The One Hundred and Twenty-sixth broke camp in September, 1862, and took up a position in front of Fredericksburg, and on the 13th of December, 1862, participated in the last charge of the Union troops on the fortifications of that place. Mr. Shirey was with his company in charge of the Fifth I. Battery and also in charge of the enemy's works; the company charged within ninety feet of the works and lost some twenty-eight killed and wounded out of a hundred. The Union troops were repulsed and fell back and crossed the Rappahannock in the night. Soon after Mr. Shirey was injured, and in consequence was sent to the hospital and only rejoined, his company on the day of the battle of Chancellorsville. His time had expired two days previous to the battle and a few days later the regiment was ordered to Harrisburg, where it was mustered out, having served about ten months. Mr. Shirey then returned home. In 1879 he began keeping hotel in partnership with H. R. Gaff, in the "Franklin House," an old frame building. That same year they tore down the old building and erected the fine brick known as the "Crowell House," at an expense, including site and buildings, of \$18,000. In 1884 he sold out his interest, and March 16, 1885, took charge of the "National Hotel" and conducted it until 1886. At that time he again took charge of the "Crowell House," and is now conducting it. Mr. Shirey is a member of the G. A. R., a member of the committee in charge of the erection of the Rihl monument. When the advance of Lee's army reached Greencastle on their way to Gettysburg, Mr. Shirey carried the message to Gen. Couch at Chambersburg, informing him that the rebels were on Northern soil. This message resulted in sending out the company of which private Rihl was a member, and he was killed one-half mile north of Greencastle. Mr. Shirey was married to Clara, daughter of Abraham Donaldson, of Washington County, Md., and by her has two children: Emma, born in 1873, and David, born in 1874. Mrs. Shirey died February 10, 1887, after a short illness.

**SNIVELY FAMILY.** of Franklin County. The first representative and founder of this family in the United States, was Johann Jacob Schenebele, born in Switzerland in 1659, who, according to the family records, to secure religious freedom and the privilege to worship God according to the dictates of his conscience, emigrated from his native country, and located near Lancaster City, Lancaster Co., Penn., in 1714, and was naturalized at Philadelphia, Penn., October 14, 1729. He was a farmer in his native country, and, owing to persecution for his religious views, was obliged to sacrifice a flock of sheep and other farm products when he left it. He died in Lancaster County; was a member of the Mennonite Church. Of his children there is a record of but one son, Jacob Snively, a native of Switzerland, born December 21, 1694, who is the founder of the Snively family in Franklin County. Coming there in 1731 he bought land in 1734, about two miles northeast of Greencastle in a bee line, the same year building a log house. His first purchase was 500 acres to which he afterward added some 1000 acres more. By the above it will be seen he was a man of substance, and evidently of considerable business ability, as he acted for some time as collector of taxes and agent for the Penns. He was married twice, and by his first wife (name unknown) were three daughters: Magdalena, Eve and Anna, and two sons: John and Christian. After his first wife's death he was married, April 14, 1736, to Barbara Eberle, to which union were born fourteen children: Henry, Joseph, Andrew, Michael, Jacob, Fannie, Catherine, Susanna, Elizabeth, Anna Mary, Mary, Catherine, Christiana and Barbara. The father of the above family died August 24, 1766, and

his widow some years afterward. He and his wives are buried about 100 yards north from the site where he built his pioneer log cabin; the burial place is surrounded by a substantial stone wall, three and one-half feet high and three feet thick, and is eighteen feet square; the center space is filled with earth to the top of the wall, and in this space lie the remains of the pioneers. On the site of the log cabin his son, Andrew, built a substantial stone structure in 1781, which to all appearances still stands solid as when first erected. On the other side of the road, 100 yards distant, this same Andrew built a large brick residence for his son, Maj. Henry Snively, in 1799; this residence is also in a good state of preservation. One quarter of a mile south of the above burial place is another ground, where lie buried a number of the Snively family, among whom is Andrew above mentioned, who died in 1813, aged sixty-two years; his first wife, *nee* Anna Funk, who died in 1788 aged thirty-four years; his second wife, *nee* Magdalena Shenk, who died October 20, 1830, aged sixty-seven years, and a bachelor son of Andrew, also named Andrew, who died in 1850, aged fifty-nine years.

JOSEPH SNIVELY, a son of Jacob and Barbara (Eberle) Snively, was born December 19, 1748, and was married to Magdalena Stoner June 13, 1771. To this union were born the following children: Barbara, Jacob, Magdalena, Anna, Elizabeth, John, Joseph and Benjamin. The father of the above family died October 30, 1833, the mother August 25, 1793, and they are buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery. He was a farmer and owned 1,000 acres of land south and east of Shady Grove.

JOSEPH SNIVELY, a son of Joseph and Magdalena (Stoner) Snively, was born December 12, 1786, and was married May 28, 1811, to Anna Bachtel. He was a prominent farmer of his day, owning some 1,000 acres or more of land, and lived on what was known as the "Mansion Farm," being the old homestead of his father, near Shady Grove. He was a practical surveyor, and during his whole life was engaged more or less in that business. He was a Whig, and was elected by his party as a member of the constitutional convention of 1838, in which body he served; he was highly respected and trusted, and acted as administrator in the settlement of several estates. He was a member of the Mennonite Church, in which faith he died August 22, 1872, and his wife June 13, 1853. They are buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery. Their children were named Isaac, Mary, Benjamin, Christiana, Joseph, Samuel B., David, Andrew, Nancy, Daniel and Emma A.

BENJAMIN SNIVELY, a son of Joseph and Anna (Bachtel) Snively, was born May 9, 1817, on the old homestead near Shady Grove, this county. He was married December 12, 1839, to Matilda Mitchell. He resides on his farm, a mile west of Shady Grove, Antrim Township. He is a Republican, and during the war was a firm friend to the Union cause, and has served his township in various offices of public trust. Mr. and Mrs. Snively have had born to them the following named children: Catherine N., Isaac, who enlisted and served some ten months in the Union army during the war of the Rebellion, and who is now deceased; James Ross, Benjamin, Jr., William Stewart, Edith M., Mary L. and Warren. Mr. and Mrs. Snively and family are members of the Presbyterian Church.

LEMUEL SNIVELY, farmer, P. O. Greencastle. Jacob Snively, the first of the family in this township, built a small log house in 1734, which remained standing until 1781, when the stone house now standing was built by Andrew Snively, a son of Jacob, the first settler. This stone house is directly opposite the present brick residence of Lemuel Snively, the last being built by Andrew for his son, Maj. Henry Snively, in 1799. Lemuel Snively was born July 19, 1834,

and is the son of Samuel who was the son of Andrew, the son of Jacob, the first settler. His mother was Susannah Snively, the daughter of Jacob Snively, who was the son of Joseph, who was the son of Jacob, the first settler. Thus it will be seen he is a descendant in a double degree of the first Johann Jacob, who settled in Lancaster County, Penn., in 1714. Our subject was reared to the life of a farmer, in the meantime attending the seminaries at Greencastle, Chambersburg, and Mercersburg, thus laying the foundation for an education. Subsequently he prepared for, and became a student at Dickinson College in 1853, remaining there one year and closing his school days. He was married December 20, 1860, to Anna Mary Rowe, a daughter of Hon. John Rowe. Some time afterward he took charge of the homestead farm of 131 acres, belonging to his father, which he has conducted up to date. Mr. Snively is a Republican, and an active worker and influential man in his party. He has served successively in the following offices: Township clerk, three terms; auditor, three terms, and county auditor for one term of three years. His home place consists of 100 acres, and is part of the original tract taken up by Jacob Snively in 1734, thus being in the family 152 years. Mr. and Mrs. Snively have six children: John Rowe, Susan Almira, Bell Gilmore, Elizabeth Prather, Watson and Samuel. The parents are members of the Presbyterian Church.

DANIEL SNIVELY, born June 29, 1802, at the old homestead, near Greencastle, was for many years one of the leading merchants of Greencastle; January 24, 1833, married Mary Ann Culbertson, who was born October 3, 1811, in the village of New Market, Dauphin County, Penn. Their children are:

REV. WILLIAM ANDREW SNIVELY, D. D., born December 6, 1833, was educated at Dickinson College, Carlisle, in the class of 1852; clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church; has been associate rector of St. Andrew's Church, Pittsburgh, Penn.; rector of Christ's Church, Cincinnati, Ohio; rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany, N. Y., and for twelve years past has been rector of Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights, N. Y.; was clerical deputy to the general convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in 1871, 1874, 1877, 1880, 1883 and 1886; member of the board of missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church; Standing Committee of the board of trustees of the General Theological Seminary, New York; member of the executive committee of the society for the increase of the ministry, chairman of the missionary committee of the diocese of Long Island and trustee of the Cathedral of the Incarnation, Garden City, L. I. He has published "Sermons during the War," 1865; "The Ober-Ammergau Passion Play," 1 vol., 8 vo., 1881; "The Cathedral System in the American Church," 1877; "Genealogical Memoranda" of the Snively family, A. D. 1659, A. D. 1882; "Science and Religion," a sermon before the Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Penn., 1884; articles in *American Church Review* and in the *Homiletic Review*.

JOSEPH CULBERTSON SNIVELY, M. D., born January 17, 1836, graduated at Dickinson College in 1857, studied medicine at Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., and practiced medicine in the same city until his death, which occurred in 1885.

DANIEL DUNCAN SNIVELY, born March 9, 1838, removed to Texas and engaged in stock raising; died at Sequin, Texas, October 26, 1862.

JULIA FRANCES SNIVELY, born April 30, 1840, and married to William H. Lewis, resides in Evanston, Ill.

ANNA MARY CULBERTSON SNIVELY, born September 23, 1843, married to Hon. Francis Colton of Washington, D. C.

JOHN CULBERTSON SNIVELY, born September 28, 1865; farmer in Nebraska.

REV. SUMMERFIELD E. SNIVELY, M. D., born June 10, 1848; graduated at Dickinson College, 1869; studied medicine in the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia; completed his studies in Germany; returned to the United States and studied theology at Berkeley Divinity School, Middletown, Conn., ordained to the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church, and was for three years assistant minister in Grace Church, Brooklyn Heights, and is now (1886) rector of St Paul's Church, Flatbush, L. I.

REV. THADDEUS ALEXANDER SNIVELY, born February 1, 1851, graduated at Dickinson College in 1869; graduated at Berkley Divinity School in 1872; in 1875 traveled in Europe and the Holy Land; ordained to ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and has been rector of St. John's Church, Huntington, L. I., Christ Church, Quincy, Mass., and at present is rector of St. John's Church, Troy, N. Y.

DANIEL SNIVELY, born June 29, 1802, died at Brooklyn, N. Y., October 15, 1880. Mary Ann Culbertson, his wife, born October 3, 1811, died at Brooklyn, N. Y., October 6, 1880. Both are buried at New Albany, Ind., at which place they resided for some years.

SAMUEL B. SNIVELY (deceased) was a son of Joseph and Anna (Bachtel) Snively, born July 27, 1825, in Antrim Township, this county, about one mile east of Shady Grove, on the farm of 300 acres owned by his grandfather, Joseph Snively, and his father, Joseph Snively. The warrant for this land was granted to Jacob Snively in 1762, and has remained in this family up to this date. Samuel B. Snively was reared on this farm, and lived here all his life conducting it. He was a surveyor, attending to a great deal of that work in his vicinity, and was trusted and honored as an honest, upright man. He had the settlement of quite a number of estates. He was a member of the Reformed Church, which he served first as deacon and afterward as elder for many years. He died October 2, 1882, leaving a widow and family of five children: Joseph L., M. D.; Mary E., Emma F., Annie B. and Nora M. He is buried in Greencastle Cemetery. He was married February 24, 1850, to Miss Maria Tritle, daughter of Daniel and Mary (Hege) Tritle (the Tritles were of German extraction), of Guilford Township, this county, near Grindstone Hill Church. Soon after marriage they began keeping house at the present homestead, one and a half miles east of Shady Grove. The widow and all the children, except one, live there. Emma F. married C. Keifer Kiesacker and resides near Greencastle. Dr. Joseph L. Snively, son of Samuel B. and Maria (Tritle) Snively, was educated at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster City, graduating there in 1874. In the fall of the same year he began reading medicine in the office of Dr. Senseney, of Chambersburg, and graduated at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in 1877. He has been practicing in Antrim Township since his graduation, and he lives on and has charge of the old homestead. His family are connected with the Reformed Church. In politics he is a Democrat.

MELCHI SNIVELY, farmer, Shady Grove, was born January 9, 1816, about three-quarters of a mile southeast of Shady Grove, this county, on land that has been in the hands of the family for over 120 years, and is now owned by our subject. His grandparents were Joseph and Magdalena (Stoner) Snively, his parents being John and Catherine (Poorman) Snively, the former of whom was born December 5, 1783, on the old homestead, one mile southeast of Shady Grove; was there reared, and bought 300 acres of land (part of the homestead) of his father. June 28, 1810, he married Catherine Poorman, by whom he had five children, four of whom grew up; Elizabeth, Magdalena, Melchi and Ann Catherine. The father died April 12, 1827. Our subject was

reared on a farm, and at the age of fourteen was employed as a clerk in a store in Lebanon County, Penn. When nineteen years old he began farming the 300 acres of land inherited from his father, and has carried on farming and stock raising ever since. In 1848 he established the first store opened at Shady Grove, which was continued for three years, and the store with little exception has been conducted by some member of the family ever since, the proprietor at present being his grandson, E. S. Snively. Mr. Snively still carries on farming extensively, and has some 450 acres of land in this township, having already disposed of 300 acres. He is at present living in Shady Grove, in a fine brick residence built by him in 1848 at a cost of \$3,000. Our subject was married August 8, 1837, to Elizabeth Newcomer, by whom he had five children: Frederick B., born June 17, 1838; William, December 16, 1839; George, September 9, 1841; Scott, September 9, 1845, and Virginia, May 18, 1847. Scott resides at Arkoe, a railroad station in Nodaway County, Mo. George lives on the home place. Frederick B. lost his life at the burning of the Washington House, Hagerstown, Md., May 30, 1879. Mrs. Elizabeth Snively dying August 9, 1861, Mr. Snively married June 9, 1863, Mrs. Catherine Boyd, daughter of James Kennedy, and a native of Ireland, having come to this country with her parents when five years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Snively are members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church. He is a Republican in politics, and has served his township in some local offices, such as school director, etc. He was a charter member in organizing the national bank at Greencastle, and a director for some years; was appointed first postmaster at Shady Grove (in 1849) and, with the exception of three or four years, himself or some member of his family has held the office until removed by President Cleveland in 1885.

FREDERICK B. SNIVELY (deceased) son of Melchi Snively, was born June 17, 1838, in Antrim Township, this county, near Shady Grove, and was educated at Mt. Holly, N. J.; afterward at Mercersburg, Penn. He was married in 1860 to Miss Cornelia Hammond, daughter of John and Elizabeth (O'Neal) Hammond of near Benevola P. O., in Washington County, Maryland. Mr. Snively was a prominent business man of Antrim Township, and kept store at Shady Grove for over twenty years. He was an ardent Republican and took an active part in the public affairs of the county. While on business at Hagerstown buying wool, the Washington Hotel, now the Baldwin House, took fire, and his room being on the third floor he jumped to the ground, receiving injuries from which he died May 31, 1879, only one day after the accident, leaving four children (one other was born some time afterward): Edwin S., born June 15, 1864; Jessie Estella, born January 23, 1868; Catherine K., November 19, 1872; Nellie C., born March 19, 1876; Frederick Bryan, born January 20, 1880. Mr. Snively was a member of the German Reformed Church, as is also his widow, who still resides at Shady Grove. Edwin S. Snively, a son of our subject, was educated at Ursinus College, Montgomery County, Penn., where he graduated in 1881, and two years afterward became a partner with his grandfather, Melchi Snively, at Shady Grove, and in March, 1886, became sole proprietor of the business, which he is now conducting.

GEORGE B. SNIVELY, farmer, P. O. Shady Grove, son of Melchi Snively, was born September 9, 1841, and was reared to the life of a farmer, in the meantime receiving the advantages of the schools in his native place, and subsequently two years' attendance at the Mercersburg Institute. October 12, 1862, he enlisted on the Union side in the war of the Rebellion, in Company G, Seventeenth Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry, and was mustered into the United States service at Harrisburg in November, same year. The regiment

was soon ordered to Opequon Creek, Virginia, on active duty, and our subject subsequently participated in the following battles: Opequon Creek, December 19, 1862; Beverly Ford, June 9, 1863; Upperville, June 21, 1863, where he had a horse killed under him; Gettysburg (and here had another horse killed under him), where he was detailed as mounted orderly at headquarters First Division, remaining as such to the end of service; Culpeper, where he had a horse wounded under him; Raccoon Ford; Brandy Station, where he also had a horse wounded under him; Oak Hill; Wilderness, May 8, 1864, where a bullet passed through his clothes; Glenallen Station, Meadow Bridge, Old Church Tavern, Cold Harbor, Whitehouse Landing, Newtown, Deep Bottom, Berryville, Va., Kearneysville, Smithfield, Williams Grove Mills, and Winchester (horse killed under him), and was also present at the surrender of Gen. Lee. He was mustered out in October, 1865, at Louisville, Ky., and returned to his home in Antrim Township. Mr. Snively was married February 5, 1867, to Mary E. Kennedy, a daughter of Lazarus Kennedy, of Antrim Township, this county, and commenced keeping house the same year on his father's farm, operating the place one year, when he removed to Nodaway County, Mo., and farmed two years, then returned to this township, where he has resided ever since, farming 175 acres of the homestead of his father. Mr. and Mrs. Snively have the following named children: Minerva, born May 25, 1868; Melchi K., born March 27, 1872; Franklin B., born December 18, 1873; Harvey N., November 20, 1875; George M., September 15, 1877; Luella, June 2, 1880, and John Earle, June 30, 1885. Mr. Snively is a charter member of the G. A. R., Post 438, or Corporal Rihl Post, and has been its quartermaster ever since. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church; in politics a Republican.

J. STOUFFER SNIVELY, farmer, P. O. Greencastle, born in Antrim Township, August 14, 1847, is a son of Jacob H. and Catherine (Stouffer) Snively. At sixteen years of age he began managing the old homestead for his mother, and carried it on until he was twenty-five years of age; then, having neglected his education somewhat, he became a student at Millersville State Normal School, in Lancaster County, Penn. After remaining there some time his duties again called him home to attend to the farm. Subsequently he, with the idea of locating, traveled through the West for some eight months, but finally returned home; was married soon afterward, and May 1, 1877, entered into a partnership to do a general commission business at Greencastle, and in the summer of 1878, having bought out his partner's interests, the firm of J. Stouffer Snively & Co. was established with W. G. Davison as a partner, the firm continuing the same to the present date (1887). Mr. Snively now lives on a farm one mile and a half from Greencastle, which he conducts, still retaining his interest in the commission business. Mrs. Snively having died in 1885, his family now consists only of his four boys: Clarence E., born April 24, 1876; J. Howard, born August 1, 1877; Charles R., born January 2, 1879, and Frank Ellis, born December 30, 1880. The farm on which Mr. Snively now resides has been in the family for over 150 years. The family attend the services of the New Mennonite Church. In politics Mr. Snively is a Republican. Jacob H. Snively (deceased) was born March 25, 1806, on the old homestead of his parents, John (born February 25, 1766) and Anna (Hege) Snively, one mile east of Greencastle. He was reared to agricultural pursuits, and on his father's death (June 30, 1844,) purchased the homestead consisting of 170 acres, where he lived and conducted the farm until his death, which occurred May 3, 1852. He was an able and progressive citizen, a great friend and advocate of the free school system, and a supporter of all those public en-

terprises and improvements calculated to benefit the many. He lies buried in the family lot on the home place; his widow, whose maiden name was Catherine Stouffer, to whom he was married March 8, 1838, now lives on the old homestead with four of her children that remain single: Martha B., Catherine S., Maria A. and Benjamin F. who manages the farm; the other children are Annie E., born April 24, 1839, married to Christian Strite, and J. Stouffer Snively, mentioned elsewhere. The parents of John Snively, who was born February 25, 1766, were Christian and Margaret (Washabaugh) Snively, the former of whom was a son of the pioneer, Jacob Snively, by first marriage.

WILLIAM H. SNIVELY, Greencastle, was born February 5, 1843, a son of Samuel and Susan Snively, the former a son of Andrew and the latter a daughter of Jacob Snively, who was the son of Joseph Snively, Andrew and Joseph being the sons of Jacob Snively. Our subject was reared to and learned the vocation of a farmer. September 3, 1862, when nineteen years of age, he enlisted in the Union Army during the war of the Rebellion, in Company K, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served until the expiration of his term of enlistment, which was nine months. In October, 1864, he again enlisted, this time in Company K, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served until the end of the war, making in his two enlistments nearly two years' service. He was in the battle of Chancellorsville (where he was taken prisoner and held twelve days, when he was paroled) and in several skirmishes; he was with the Army of the Potomac throughout the whole time of service. He returned home in 1865. In 1872 he was married to Miss Nannie Gearhart, and they have one child, Mary Georgietta, born in December, 1874.

JACOB S. SNIVELY, county commissioner, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Antrim Township, this county, January 3, 1837, the second son of Samuel and Susan Snively. He was educated in the public schools and Fayetteville Academy, and was reared on the home farm to agricultural pursuits. He married, December 4, 1856, Margaret H., daughter of Squire Peter Snider, a former well known resident of Guilford Township, this county. Mr. Snively remained at home until October 16, 1862, when he raised Company D, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, of which he was elected first lieutenant; he served out his term of enlistment and was mustered out at Harrisburg August 12, 1863. He again enlisted in 1864, this time in the Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served until the close of the war, being mustered out at Lynchburg, Va., in July, 1865. Mr. and Mrs. Snively are parents of seven children: Clara B., S. F., Sprague E., Harry (deceased), Bertha C. (deceased), Claud S. and Stuart M. (deceased). The eldest son, S. F., a lawyer in Duluth, Minn., is a graduate of Dickinson College and of the law department of the university of Philadelphia; the second son, Sprague E., is engaged in mining in Leadville, Col.; the others are at home. Mr. Snively was elected county commissioner in 1884, a position he still fills. He is much interested in school matters and has been school director for several years. He and his family are members of the Methodist Church. In politics he is a Republican.

HENRY STRICKLER, Greencastle. The Stricklers of this county are of German-Swiss descent, and came here from York County, Penn., near the Lancaster County line. Henry Strickler was the first of the name to locate in this county, settling near Greencastle in the year 1807. His children were Martha, Elizabeth, Henry, Joseph, Barbara, Susan, Mary and Sarah. Joseph married Mary Snively, and their children were Snively; Henry, our subject; Joseph B. and Abraham H. Snively was a lawyer by profession and practiced



in Chambersburg for a number of years; published the leading Republican newspaper of the county, the *Repository and Transcript* (now the *Repository*), for a short time; afterward removed to Greencastle, where he died. Joseph B. followed merchandising at Greencastle for some years; was a first lieutenant in Company C, Second Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, in 1861; moved to Nemaha County, Neb., in 1872, and is farming. Abraham H. is a prominent physician, residing in Waynesboro, whose biography will be found elsewhere in this volume. Henry Strickler, the subject of this sketch, a grandson of the pioneer, Henry and a son of Joseph and Mary (Snively) Strickler, the latter a daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Hollinger) Snively, was born two miles east of Brown's Mill, in Antrim Township, this county, February 28, 1834, and at the age of eighteen began learning the saddler trade at Greencastle, afterward finishing his apprenticeship at Martinsburg, Va. In 1861 he became book-keeper in the office of the *Repository and Transcript*, in Chambersburg; in August, 1862, under the call for nine months' volunteer troops, he resigned his position and enlisted in defense of the Union in Company K, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and when mustered in at Camp Curtin, Harrisburg, Penn., was made a sergeant. The company at once moved to the front, and was made part of the Army of the Potomac. At the battle of Fredericksburg, Va., December 13, 1862, the company was in the division commanded by Gen. Humphrey in his noted charge on the stone wall at "Marie's Heights." In this charge he was severely wounded in the left arm by a minie-ball from the enemy, the ball entering the wrist and passing out at the elbow, shattering the arm and necessitating immediate amputation. In 1863 he received the nomination, and was elected register and recorder of the county for the term of three years; was re-elected in 1866, serving two terms. In March, 1872, he was appointed and commissioned general United States store-keeper of internal revenue, and in January, 1877, deputy collector of internal revenue for the district composed of Franklin and other counties; held the latter position until July, 1885. He was married December 24, 1883, to Miss Anna M. Fleming, a daughter of William Wallace Fleming, of Greencastle. They have two children: Mary Ida and Arthur Fleming. Mr. Strickler is a member of the Christian Church and Mrs. Strickler of the Presbyterian.

REV. JAMES B. WEIDLER, pastor of the United Brethren Church, Greencastle, is a native of Southampton Township, this county, born in April, 1850, and is a son of Reuben and Catherine (Holl) Weidler. Our subject obtained his literary education in the common and select schools of his native township, and at the normal school at Shippensburg. He began teaching school January 1, 1871, in Warren Township, and followed that calling until March, 1881, having taught eleven terms, eight of them in Porter Township, Schuylkill County. During the last two years of his teaching he studied theology, preparing himself for the ministry, and in March, 1881, took charge of the United Brethren Church of Path Valley, this county, and supplied that congregation as their minister for four years. In the spring of 1885 he was appointed by the conference pastor of the Greencastle United Brethren Church. Mr. Weidler was married in October, 1875, to Sarah E. Swab, a daughter of Jacob W. Swab, of Dauphin County, Penn.

P. S. WILHELM, Greencastle. The Wilhelms are of Prussian descent, and their ancestors located in Bucks County, Penn., about the year 1700, and in Franklin County about 1788. Henry Wilhelm was a native of Bucks County, Penn., born in 1775, and leaving there when about fifteen years of age, subsequently settled in Antrim Township, this county; he married Elizabeth Car-

penyer in 1800, in the house in Greencastle where his daughter, Mrs. Dr. Michael, now lives, it then being a hotel. He kept "Wilhelm's Hotel" four miles west of Greencastle on the Mercersburg pike; was also a farmer and dealer in stock, driving his stock in droves to Baltimore; he was a member of the German Reformed Church; he died in 1847, aged seventy-three; his widow, *nee* Elizabeth Carpenter, died in May, 1871, aged eighty-eight; they both lie side by side in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Greencastle. They had the following named children: Daniel; John; Samuel, the father of P. S. Wilhelm; Sidney; Maria, who married Dr. Charles Michael, a native of Hanover, York County, and who practiced medicine in Greencastle from 1831 to 1871, when he died (the widow still resides there); Henry, Jr.; William; Amanda M., who married Rev. Christian Kunkel (she is a widow living at Greencastle); Sarah Belle, married to William McCowry of Greencastle (she is also a widow). The mother of this family was a member of the Lutheran Church. Samuel Wilhelm was born in Antrim Township, Franklin County, in 1805, and when thirty-two years of age left his father's house in Antrim Township, and took possession of the "Three Mile House," a hotel on the Hookstown road, three miles from Baltimore, keeping that for several years. He established a cattle yard at 953 West Pratt Street, Baltimore, and became largely interested in dealing in stock, under the firm name of Samuel Wilhelm; afterward he took Joseph Judick as a partner, and the firm was known as Wilhelm & Judick. This was continued a number of years when they dissolved partnership, and Mr. Wilhelm took in Sheeler and Ripple, under the firm name of S. Wilhelm & Co. After several years this was dissolved; then he took in two nephews, William F. and C. H. Kunkel, and his son W. S. Wilhelm, under the firm name of S. Wilhelm & Co. He died in April, 1873, aged sixty-nine, and was buried in Greenmount Cemetery, Baltimore, Md. He left an estate of upward of \$500,000, the accumulation of thirty-seven years' application to business. The name of the firm still remains the same, although the family have sold their entire interest. He was a director of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad for some time, and director in several banks in the city of Baltimore. His was the first regular cattle yard established in Baltimore, and the firm name is the oldest established in the cattle and stock business in the city. He left a family of four children: Georgia, Francis, Emma and Perkins S.

PERKINS S. WILHELM is the only one of the children of the above now living in Franklin County. He is a native of Baltimore, born in 1850, and was educated in the schools of Baltimore. He was married in November, 1880, to A. Belle Kunkel, a daughter of the Rev. Frederick Kunkel, a Lutheran minister. Mr. Wilhelm has resided at Greencastle since his marriage, and in 1885 built an elegant modern brick residence, fitted with all recent improvements, where he now lives.

COL. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN WINGER, attorney at law, Greencastle. This gentleman is descended from one of the oldest Pennsylvania families, both on the paternal and maternal side, and on both sides is of pure Swiss descent. The progenitors of the family, who immigrated to this country, were Huguenots. The three families from which our subject is descended, were the Witmers, who settled in Lancaster County, Penn., in 1716, the Buckwalters, in 1720, and Karl Michael Winger, who settled there in 1736. One of the tracts of land taken up by him is still owned and retained in the Winger name, direct from William Penn. Jacob, a son of Karl, married Mary Weaver, to whom were born five children. Their youngest, Joseph Winger, was born March 13, 1807. He married Esther Buckwalter, born in Lancaster County

in 1812, a daughter of Abraham and Nancy (Witmer) Buckwalter. To Joseph and Esther (Buckwalter) Winger were born sixteen children, and of this large family three died in infancy, one at the age of seventeen, eleven were married and had families, and one remains single. Eleven of the family are still living, and of this large family the subject of this sketch is the fourth child. He was born November 27, 1835, in Salisbury Township, Lancaster Co., Penn., on the old William Penn road, within a mile of what was known as the "Old Compass Tavern." His father, who was a farmer, removed with his family and settled in Montgomery Township, this county, in 1838, where, besides his farming interests, he also carried on a general store; also was postmaster, keeping the office in his store at Clay Lick. Col. Winger was reared to agricultural pursuits, until at the age of fourteen he was employed as a clerk in a general store at Mercersburg, and at eighteen took charge of his father's store at Clay Lick, this county, conducting the business until 1860. During this time, May 20, 1857, he was married to Susan J. Duffield, a daughter of William Duffield, a prominent farmer of Montgomery Township, this county, who was of Scotch-Irish descent. In 1860 he moved to Philadelphia, where he was employed as a salesman in a dry goods house, and the following year became a partner in the concern. In March, 1862, he turned his attention to reading and the study of law in the office of Tenner & Davis, the same year selling and closing out his dry goods business. The Colonel had during his residence in Franklin County been prominently identified as an officer of the State militia. In 1857 he was elected captain of a volunteer cavalry company, called the "Union Horse Guards," served for some years, and was afterward appointed and served as aid-de-camp to Brig.-Gen. McAllen, with rank as captain (both commissions were issued by Gov. William F. Packer, and are dated respectively July 5, 1858, and May 7, 1860). While connected with the militia service he attended the encampments at McConnellsburg, Chambersburg and Waynesboro, from which experience he had acquired much practical knowledge of military matters, and in the summer of 1862 he proffered his services to Gov. Curtin, to serve in the Union Army in the war of the Rebellion. His services were promptly accepted, and August 23, 1862, he was commissioned by the governor as first lieutenant of Company D, One Hundred and Twelfth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers (Second Artillery), and was soon afterward ordered on active duty to Washington, D. C., where the regiment remained until the spring of 1864. In October, 1862, he was detailed by Gen. Banks, commanding the defenses north of the Potomac, on recruiting service, with directions to open an office in Chambersburg. He arrived at that place October 10, and in the morning rented an office for recruiting purposes, and the evening of the same day rebel Gen. Stuart, with 2,000 picked Virginia cavalymen, made his raid on the doomed city. Lieut. Winger doffed his uniform and donned a citizen's garb, thereby escaping capture. Joseph Winger, the father of Lieut. Winger, postmaster at Clay Lick, had been taken prisoner by Stuart, and while at Chambersburg was on parole; and although urged by his son and others to escape, would not violate his parole, so was taken South and confined in Libby Prison some two months. The lieutenant enlisted during the following six months 166 men and rejoined his regiment April 3, 1863. Soon after he became one of the staff of Col. Gibson, then in command of a brigade, the lieutenant acting as assistant inspector-general. In the spring of 1864 the regiment was ordered to Port Royal, Va., where they became a part of the Eighteenth Corps, under Gen. Baldy Smith. They took part in the battle of Cold Harbor, the Lieutenant having command of his company. Subsequently, in the battle of Petersburg, the captain of Com-

pany L being wounded, Lieut. Winger was assigned to its command, and while there his company was under constant fire from the enemy for fifty-five days. During this time the famous "Quaker Mine" was exploded. From August 22 to December, 1864, the Lieutenant was on sick leave, and after returning to his regiment, January 24, 1865, he was promoted to major and given command of the regiment. Under his command the regiment from this time was in one constant succession of engagements until the evacuation of Richmond and surrender of Lee. He was promoted May 18, 1865, to lieutenant-colonel, after which he was placed in command of Petersburg, Va., relieving Gen. Hartsuff; there with his own and the One Hundred and Seventh New York Regiments he was given command of Surry County, Va. After this county was "reconstructed" he was placed in command of nine counties, including Nottoway, Charlotte, Halifax, Mecklenburgh, Lunenburg, Amelia, Prince Edward, Cumberland and Buckingham, with headquarters at Burkeville Junction. After administering the oath of allegiance, and reconstructing these counties, he was mustered out of the United States service at City Point, Va., January 29, 1866. He then returned to Franklin County, and took charge of the Duffield farm in Montgomery Township, but in 1867 engaged in mercantile business at Greencastle, where he established his residence. In 1870 he resumed the study of law in the office of Judge Rowe, and was admitted to the Franklin County bar, March 12, 1872, since when he has been practicing at Greencastle. The Colonel, who is a Democrat, was elected in 1867 a member of the Pennsylvania Legislature from Perry and Franklin Counties. He became a member of the Masonic order at the age of twenty-one, and is now high in degrees. He and his family are members of the Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Winger died in February, 1868, leaving three children: Blanche D., Esther E. (who died aged seventeen), and Mary B., who married June 1, 1886, Dr. Varden, and now resides at Englewood, Clarke Co., Kas. Col. Winger was married the second time to Margaret K. Byer, of Washington County, Md., and by this union there are two children: Rose and Frances. He purchased the *Echo* printing office in 1868, which he conducted until 1876, when he sold it to the present owner. In 1878, to aid an army comrade, Capt. George C. Wilson, he established the *Greencastle Press*, and has since been its proprietor, attending at the same time to his large law practice and other business. The new postoffice, established in 1883, in Antrim Township, is called Wingerton, deriving its name from this family. The origin of the name Winger was from the locality in which they originally lived, in the immediate mountainous vicinity of the "Wengern Alps" in the Canton of Zurich (this is one of the highest ranges of the Alps in Switzerland), thus Wengern anglicized to Winger.

GEORGE W. ZIEGLER, merchant, Greencastle, was born near Leitersburg, Washington Co., Md., April 30, 1810. Having obtained a fair education in the subscription schools in vogue at that time, at the age of nineteen he became an employe in a general store at Leitersburg, where he remained three years. He was next engaged in selling goods in Hagerstown, Md., for one year; thence in 1833 he came to Greencastle, where he bought out the interest of John G. Miller, in the firm of Stonebraker & Miller, consisting of a small stock of dry goods, groceries, etc., and formed a partnership with Mr. Stonebraker under firm name of Stonebraker & Ziegler. The stock was somewhat increased by the new firm, which continued in business until 1838, in which year Mr. Ziegler bought out his partner's interest. He continued in the business alone until 1850, when he formed a partnership with his brother David, under the firm name of George W. Ziegler & Co. This firm continued until 1876, and was then changed to

George W. & D. Ziegler, which is the present style of the firm. This business has been conducted on the same corner, and mainly in the same room, since 1833, and Mr. Ziegler is now the oldest established merchant in Greencastle. The average stock now carried by the firm is from \$15,000 to \$20,000, and the business has continued to increase steadily, until it stands second of its kind in the county. Mr. Ziegler was married in 1842, in Greencastle, to Miss Maria Fatzinger (daughter of George and Catherine Fatzinger), who died in 1847, leaving three children, only one of whom, George Frederick, survives. Our subject, from his first arrival in Greencastle, took an active interest in politics. He was first a Whig, and later a Republican. He was a member of the Republican National Convention held at Philadelphia, in 1856, which nominated John C. Fremont and William L. Dayton for President and Vice-President of the United States. Mr. Ziegler was an ardent advocate of the adoption of the free school system in Pennsylvania, and has been its constant friend since its establishment. For the greater portion of his life he has been the friend of the temperance cause. Although born in a slave State, from early boyhood he firmly stood in opposition to human slavery, and he was one of the earliest advocates in Franklin County of extending the right of suffrage to the freedman. Mr. Ziegler ever since his residence in Greencastle has always been ready to lend a helping hand to every enterprise that he has deemed worthy of his aid, and which in his judgment was calculated to promote the interest, well-being and prosperity of the town and its vicinity. He took a prominent part in the rehabilitation of the Franklin Railroad after it had fallen into a state of complete dilapidation, and also in all the preliminary work necessary for the establishment of the First National Bank of Greencastle, in which he has been one of the directors from its organization.

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## FANNETT TOWNSHIP.

### ALEXANDER FAMILY OF PATH VALLEY:

REYNOLD ALEXANDER, a Scotch-Irish Presbyterian, is found with a few others, a settler in Path Valley, one mile south of the present village of Dry Run, as early as 1750. He was a man of good education, of strong religious convictions and much personal courage. He was active in founding the Presbyterian Church at Spring Run and was one of the original trustees to whom Gov. John Penn made a grant of land "for a Presbyterian meeting-house and burial ground" in 1764. He took up and acquired considerable landed estates, which are mainly occupied by his descendants to the present time. His sons were Robert, James and William. He had also a daughter, Polly, who became the wife of David Campbell, an elder in the Presbyterian Church.

COL. WILLIAM ALEXANDER, youngest son of Reynold, born in 1767, was, in his day, one of the prominent citizens of the county. He was county commissioner in 1810-11; sheriff in 1811-14; county auditor 1815-16, and represented the county in the Legislature in 1825-26. In 1814 he raised a company of volunteers in his native valley, and, as their captain, mustered them into service against the British at Baltimore, just before the appearance there of Lord Ross. He subsequently bore a colonel's commission. Anna Moore became his wife in his nineteenth year, and his sons were Thomas, William, James, Robert and Randall; and his daughters, Mar-

garet, wife of Ebenezer McGinley; Mary, wife of David Elder; Anna, wife of Andrew Wilson; Temperance, wife of Edward Kirkpatrick; Janett, wife of John Templeton.

THOMAS ALEXANDER, son of the above, was sheriff of the county from 1814 to 1817. He subsequently removed West. He married in 1808, the widow Susan Elder, *nee* Walker. His sons were William and James.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER, another son, was, at one time, a member of the Legislature from Cumberland County. He died at Newville in August, 1837. His wife's name was Osborn.

RANDALL ALEXANDER, also son of Col. William Alexander, removed in early life to the adjoining county of Huntingdon. He served many years in that county as justice of the peace; was also an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and, in 1836, received the Democratic nomination for the Legislature. He was married in February, 1831, to Sarah H. Carothers and died at the age of forty-six, leaving a widow, nine sons and two daughters, to wit: William, Samuel C., John T., Thomas J., Robert M., Ann J., Mary E., Randall M., Geo. E. and David N.

REV. WILLIAM ALEXANDER, D. D., son of Randall, was born in 1831, graduated from Jefferson College, Pennsylvania, in 1858, and from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1861; became pastor of the Newbury Church, Williamsport, the same year, was subsequently pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Beloit, Wis., and was called in 1869 to the church in San Jose, Cal. In 1871 he became president of City College in San Francisco, Cal., and two years later embarked with Dr. Scott in founding, under the auspices of the synod of the Pacific, a theological seminary of the Presbyterian Church, at San Francisco, Cal., of which institution he is at present a professor. He received the degree of D. D., from Wooster University in 1876. He was married in December, 1861, to Minerva Osborn. Their children are William, Thomas Newton and Paul Clifton.

REV. SAMUEL CAROTHERS ALEXANDER was born near Shirleysburg in 1833, graduated from Jefferson College, Penn., in 1858, and from the Seminary, in Columbia, S. C., in 1861, and was pastor of Steele Creek Church, Mecklenburg County, N. C., till September, 1865. He was subsequently active in founding and organizing Biddle University, at Charlotte, N. C., and for the last thirteen years has been the successful pastor of the large Upper Path Valley Presbyterian Church, of which his great-grandfather was one of the founders, and in the ruling eldership of which his descendants have been represented in unbroken succession in each generation to the present time. He was married in March, 1862, to Nannie R. Price of near Charlotte, N. C. Their children are Alice M., William, Jessie L., Clara B., George E. and Annie K.

DR. RANDALL M'GINLEY ALEXANDER, also son of Randall, graduated from Jefferson Medical College in 1872 and is now successfully practicing his profession in Fannettsburg, this county. He was married in 1871 to Mary J. McGaughey. Their children are Newton, Frank and Archibald.

HON. THOMAS JEFFERSON ALEXANDER, son of Randall, born March 13, 1838, is a merchant and resides in Nebraska, and is at present a member of the Legislature of that State. He is unmarried.

DR. GEORGE EDMUND ALEXANDER, son of Randall, was born October 15, 1847, graduated from Jefferson Medical College in 1874, and is now successfully practicing his profession in San Ramon, Cal. He has acquired some celebrity as a surgeon. He is married to Mary Lynch and has a son, Archibald.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER, Esq., son of John T., and grandson of Randall, was born 1859; studied law in Chambersburg, with the firm of Stenger & McKnight, was admitted to the bar in 1883, is chairman of the Democratic county committee and is successfully practicing his profession in Chambersburg.

JOHN ALEXANDER, son of James, and grandson of Reynold, was born in 1800, and occupied and owned the mansion farm of his grandfather. He was partly educated with a view to the ministry in the Presbyterian Church, but feeble health compelled him to abandon it and turn his thoughts to agricultural pursuits, in which he was eminently successful. He acquired a large estate, and was county commissioner from 1852 to 1854. He was for many years a ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church and was universally esteemed as a man of probity and honor. His wife was Anna McCurdy, by whom he had the following heirs: James, Mary J. McGinley and Margaret Blair. He died in 1876.

WILLIAM M. ALEXANDER, grandson of John, is a merchant in Dry Run, and an honored elder in the Presbyterian Church. He was married November 26, 1885, to Nettie B. Wolf.

JOSEPH B. ALEXANDER, a worthy and prosperous citizen of Path Valley, is descended from Robert Alexander, son of Reynold, and is of the fifth generation from the original settler. Jacob Flickinger, late of Metal Township, was descended, on his mother's side, from Reynold Alexander—was grandson of Robert, and great-grandson of Reynold. He was married to Levinia Clippingier, and their children are Edgar, William, Anna (Mrs. Shearer), Albert and Clara.

JAMES H. ALEXANDER (deceased) was born in this township July 10, 1825, the only son of John Alexander. He was reared to farming and studied surveying, which he followed for some time. In October, 1855, he married Jane Stitt, and to them were born four children: Anna J., John W., William M. and George. Mr. Alexander died of pneumonia February 6, 1864. He was a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church. His sons are engaged in farming pursuits, except William M., who is in mercantile business at Dry Run, in partnership with W. H. Coons. William M. was born on the farm June 6, 1860, and spent his boyhood on the same. In 1881 he engaged in his present business with Mr. Coons under the firm name of Coons & Alexander. They are young men of good habits, attentive to their business, and are attaining success. Mr. Alexander was married in September, 1885, to Nettie Wolff, a daughter of John Wolff. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and in politics is a Republican.

DR. IRVINE T. ANDREWS, dentist, Concord, was born in Columbia County, Penn., May 24, 1833, a son of Marlen Andrews (a native of New Jersey, who came to Pennsylvania when a young man and died in 1879), and Caroline (Wagoner) Andrews. Our subject left home in the fall of 1863, and enlisted in Company A, Two Hundred and Ninth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, remaining until the close of the war. He served in the field hospital, and upon his return home went to Pittsburgh, where he studied dentistry. After graduating he moved to Shickshinny, Luzerne Co., Penn., and for three years engaged in the practice of his profession. He then went to North Carolina, and spent six years in Elizabeth City, that State. In 1876 he came to Concord, where he has since practiced his profession. He was married in 1873 to Lizzie Ross, a native of Maryland, a daughter of Rev. Joseph A. Ross, and they have two children: Ross A. and Mary C. Dr. Andrews has two brothers and four sisters, viz.: Jesse and William, who both served three years in the army, the former in the Second Pennsylvania

Cavalry, and the latter in the Sixteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry; both returned unscathed—Jesse is in the coal business in Danville, Penn., and William is in the same business in Plymouth, Penn.; Ann E., who is the widow of William Garrison, and resides near Bloomsburg, Columbia Co., Penn.; Mary, Tilla and Ella, who reside with their mother on the old homestead, near Orangeville, this county.

S. M. BAIR, farmer, P. O. Spring Run, was born July 2, 1844, on the farm he now owns. The Bair family are of German descent. The first one of the name, of whom we have any account, David Bair, the great-great-grandfather of our subject, immigrated to America in the sixteenth century, and who was the father of Michael, who was born in Lancaster County, Penn., and emigrated from that county to Franklin County in 1780. Michael was the great-grandfather of Simon M., and had three sons: David, Samuel and John, who settled in Lancaster County, except the grandfather of our subject. John Bair, father of our subject, was born in August, 1814, in Spring Run, and married Eleanor McMath, who was born in Huntingdon County, in 1818, a daughter of John McMath, whose wife was an Utley. Mr. Bair has one sister, there being but two children in his father's family. January 1, 1863, our subject married Anna Shearer, a native of Metal Township, this county, and a daughter of Jacob and Agnes (Campbell) Shearer. Mr. and Mrs. Bair have four children: John M., Jacob S., Mollie E. and Nettie A. Mr. Bair has been engaged in farming since arriving at manhood. In 1864 he enlisted in Company E., Ninth Pennsylvania Cavalry, remaining until his discharge, or the close of the war. He has 142 acres which he farms successfully. He is an efficient member of the United Brethren Church at Spring Run, and school director of Fannett Township. In politics he is a Republican.

J. A. BOGGS, coach trimmer, Concord, was born November 7, 1844, near Waterloo, Juniata Co., Penn., a son of James Carson Boggs, who was born in Lack Township, Juniata Co., Penn., May 12, 1817, a son of John Boggs, who came from Ireland and located in Juniata County in an early day. He married Elizabeth, daughter of James Carson, whose wife was a Miss Work. John Boggs, Jr., was a son of John and Lydia (Bruce) Boggs. The Bruces were of Scotch and the Carsons of Irish origin. Our subject's mother was Martha J., a daughter of Andrew and Nancy (Karhner) Henry. J. A. Boggs, when young, learned the carpenter's trade with his father. In June, 1863, he went out in Company H, Twenty-first Cavalry, and served six months. He then re-enlisted for three years and served until the close of the war. While in the service he was thrown from his horse and received injuries, on account of which he has since drawn a pension. Upon his return home he married Catherine M. Crouse, daughter of George W. Crouse, and by her he has three children: William H., George F. and Mattie J. Since 1880 Mr. Boggs has been engaged in coach-making. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is instructor in vocal music. In politics he is a Prohibitionist.

JOHN BRINLEY, merchant, Dry Run, was born March 12, 1835, a son of Jacob Brinley, a native of this county and a son of Michael Brinley, who came from the eastern part of the State. Our subject's mother's maiden name was Catherine Klippinger, a daughter of Anthony Klippinger. Jacob Brinley was born about 1802, and his wife October 4, 1804. They were the parents of the following children: David C., Mary Ann, Margaret, Elizabeth, John, Susan and Noah A., all of whom lived to rear families, except David C. and Susan (unmarried); Mary, wife of John Runk, of Huntingdon County; Margaret, wife of Amos Devor, residing in Fannettsburg; Elizabeth, wife of J.



J. Devor, residing in this township. The mother died May 5, 1885. At the age of fifteen our subject began to learn the blacksmith's trade, which he followed until 1869, when he engaged in merchandising at Dry Run, which he has since continued. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served until the expiration of his term of enlistment. He has been four times married, first, in 1856, to Barbara, daughter of Martin Coons. She died September 4, 1860, leaving two children: Martin M. and William W. His second wife was Margaretta, daughter of Andrew Typer; she died July 8, 1865, leaving no issue. His third wife was Agnes, daughter of John W. Stitt; she died February 20, 1874, leaving one child, Nannie N. His present wife is Sarah Ann, daughter of John and Mary J. (Gamble) Davis, and a native of Dry Run, this county. The children by this last union are Ella, Frank, George, Thomas, Mary, Noah and Robert. Mr. Brinley is a Republican in politics, and served some time as postmaster. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church. He does an excellent business, with his eldest son, Martin M., as partner, the firm being known as John Brinley & Son. They keep a large stock of general merchandise and are good business men.

NOAH ANTHONY BRINLEY, farmer, P. O. Spring Run, was born March 25, 1839, in Juniata County, Penn., a son of Jacob Brinley. He was but two years of age when he was brought by his parents to this valley, and at the age of eight he started out for himself and worked out by the month for several years. At nineteen he went to learn the blacksmith's trade with his brother John, with whom he associated for sixteen years. In August, 1862, he and John enlisted in Company G, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, for nine months, and Noah served until the expiration of his term. In the fall of 1864 he enlisted in the Ninth Pennsylvania Cavalry, Company D, remaining with it until the close of the war. After his return he continued in business in Spring Run. In 1885 he quit the business and commenced farming, at which he is still engaged. He has been twice married: first, in 1858, to Elizabeth Bair, a native of Spring Run, and a daughter of Michael Bair. She died in 1866, the mother of the following named children: John, Lydia, McClellan and Margaret. His present wife is Martha J., a native of Amberson's Valley and a daughter of David Wolff. By this union there are three children: Daniel, Fohl and Amanda S. Mr. Brinley is a member of the United Brethren denomination and an official member of the same. In politics he is a Republican.

CHARLES HENRY BURK, farmer, P. O. Amberson's Valley, was born near Hagerstown, Md., September 19, 1847, a son of Samuel and Rosana (King) Burk, and grandson of Sarah Burk. Being left fatherless at the age of one year, and his mother marrying again, our subject left home at the age of seven years, and from that time forward took charge of himself and saw much of the rough side of life. He had two brothers, who were twins, John and James, and a sister, Sarah J. When about sixteen years of age, he enlisted, in August, 1864, in Company A, One Hundred and Second Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served until the close of the war, receiving his discharge, June 6, 1865. He was wounded, October 19, 1864, at Cedar Creek, and taken prisoner, but was recaptured by Sheridan. Upon his return from the service he went to Dry Run, where he worked out by the month and remained some time. January 3, 1871, he married Mary C., a native of this county, and a daughter of Jacob and Isabella (Shields) Rolar—the latter a daughter of Arthur Shields, and granddaughter of Thomas Shields, a native of Ireland, and one of the early settlers of this valley. After marriage he

came to Amberson's Valley and learned the stonemason's trade with Stake Bros.; worked at it for several years, and finally purchased the old "Shields farm" at the head of Amberson's Valley. This farm he has since improved, and has been offered three times the amount he paid for it. He is a good farmer and thorough-going in all his business operations. Mr. and Mrs. Burk have two children: John Wilmer and Jennette Elizabeth. He is a staunch Democrat. Mrs. Burk belongs to the Methodist Protestant Church. Mr. Burk's brother, John, also served in the Civil war, was wounded and taken prisoner, and was never again heard of.

ROBERT SAMUEL CAMPBELL, farmer, P. O. Dry Run, was born March 5, 1832, on the Campbell homestead, this county, where his father, John Campbell, settled in 1831. The latter was born in 1796 on the ocean, three days from land, his parents being *en route* from Ireland, and after arriving in America they cast their lot with the pioneers of Path Valley. The father was a weaver by trade but gave his attention to farming after coming here. He was identified with the stirring events of 1812, and served as a militia man. His wife was a Miss Robinson, and they were the parents of eleven children, of whom John (father of Robert S.) was one. John married Ann, daughter of James and Jane (Anderson) Johnson, whose family were early settlers of Perry County, and were several times driven out by the Indians. John Campbell made many moves up and down the valley, extending his visits into Perry County, but made his final settlement in Burns' Valley in 1831, on the farm owned by Hance Campbell, where he spent the remainder of his days. Five children grew to maturity: James R., Alexander W., Johnson J., Robert S. and Hance A. Robert S. remained on the homestead until he was thirty years of age. February 24, 1863, he married Ann M. Clymans. She was born November 5, 1841, near Carrick Furnace in Metal Township, a daughter of James and Mary Ann (Seburn) Clymans. James Clymans' mother, a widow with six children, immigrated from Scotland some time in the last century, and settled in Allen's Valley, Fulton County, Penn. Mary Ann (Seburn) Clymans' father was a drummer boy in the war of 1812. He was married to Mary Anna Wolff, and five of their children grew to maturity. He died of brain fever and was buried at Waynesboro, Penn., with the honors of war. For two years after marriage our subject lived on the homestead; then removed to Huntingdon County, where he lived three years, after which he located permanently on the Ragan farm, where he has since resided, engaged in farming. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell have six children: Ida A., a teacher; William A., in Dakota; Blanche M.; Jennie M.; Lodema E.; and Maggie M. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell are members of the Presbyterian Church. In politics he is a Democrat.

HANCE CAMPBELL, farmer, P. O. Doylesburg, is the youngest son of John and Ann (Johnson) Campbell, who located where Hance lives, in 1831. Here our subject was born April 13, 1841. He has always been a resident of the farm on which he was born. In 1871 he took charge of the homestead, and in April of the same year, married Bathsheba Long, eldest daughter of Frederick Long, who was born in the kingdom of Wurtemberg, Germany, March 22, 1823, a son of Matthias and Christina (Fogel) Long. Mrs. Campbell's father came to America when five years old, and his parents being poor he contributed to their support until he became a man. He afterward acquired property, and in 1848 married Agnes J., born in Cumberland Valley, daughter of Joseph Devore. In 1851 he located in Burns' Valley and engaged in farming. Mr. Campbell owns 400 acres of land. His children are Johnson, Minnie, Frederick and Russell. In politics he is a Democrat.

ISAAC CLUGSTON (deceased) was born near Marion, this county, about 1813, a son of Robert and Betsey (Bonebreak) Clugston; he was reared to farming pursuits, and when a young man moved to Chambersburg and studied medicine with Dr. Randall. Later he located at Dry Run, and when a single man began the practice of his profession. He married Agnes Hammond, who was born December 25, 1823, the third daughter of Lawrence Hammond. Mr. Clugston remained some years in Dry Run, then moved to Shirleysburg, Huntingdon County, lived there fifteen years, and then returned to Spring Run. He engaged in farming, also carried on a store, and was postmaster there for several years, and in 1864 moved to Doylesburg, where he engaged in merchandising until his death, which occurred January 27, 1879. He was a member of the Baptist Church, and politically a Democrat. He served as postmaster from 1864 until his death in 1879. He was the father of twelve children (eleven of whom lived to be grown): Jefferson L., James A., Howard S., Mary M., Cinderella, Martha E., Alva C., Lillie F., Ida A., John S. and George B. (twins) and Edie M. Jefferson L. resides in Dauphin County; Howard S., in Potter County; Mary M. is the wife of Hezekiah Miller; Cinderella is the wife of Alexander Pyles, in Juniata County; Martha E., wife of James Wise, of this township; Ida A., wife of William Widney, and Lillie F., wife of Finley Gamble, are in this township. Howard S. served as a soldier throughout the civil war from 1861 to 1865. Mr. Clugston for several years carried on the hotel business, having the only place of accommodation for the traveling public in the town.

ALVA CURTIS CLUGSTON, merchant, Doylesburg, was born September 9, 1854, in Shirleysburg, Huntingdon Co., Penn., a son of Dr. Isaac and Agnes (Hammond) Clugston. When quite young he moved with his parents to Dry Run, this county, where his boyhood was spent in working on a farm and clerking in a store. Subsequently he removed with his parents to Doylesburg, and in 1879 engaged in mercantile business with his mother, which association lasted until 1883, when he commenced on his own account and has been successful to date. In the spring of 1886 he put up his present store building, 22x63 feet, two stories high, which is kept well stored with a selected stock of dry goods, notions, groceries, ready-made clothing, boots and shoes, hats and caps, hardware, queensware, stationery, wall paper and general merchandise. His motto is "Quick sales and small profits, and the best goods for the least money." He takes produce in exchange for goods, and is doing a thriving business. In 1883 he married Miss Sadie, daughter of Benjamin Reed, and by her has one child, Myrtle.

JOHN M. COONS, farmer, P. O. Dry Run, was born October 30, 1835, one mile west of Dry Run, on the old homestead, the fourth son and fifth child born to George Coons. The latter was born October 15, 1799, in Lancaster County, Penn., removed to Path Valley and married Margaret Crouse, and soon located near Dry Run, where he engaged in farming until his death, in 1873; his widow died in March, 1885, aged eighty-three years. Both were members of the Presbyterian Church; they reared a family of nine children: Julia Ann, Samuel, Jacob, William, John M., Margaret and Agnes (twins), Peter and Catherine. Julia Ann is the wife of Peter Coons, and all live in this township. At the age of sixteen our subject came to Dry Run and, with Thomas Skinner, learned the tailor's trade; then engaged as clerk for several years, and in 1854, in partnership with James Ferguson, embarked in merchandising, and continued the same, six years. In August, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, for nine months, and served until the term of enlistment had expired.

He was taken prisoner at the battle of Chancellorsville and conveyed to Belle Isle, but after a brief confinement was liberated, returned home and remained one year at Dry Run. In the spring of 1863 he located on the farm he now owns, one mile and a half north of Dry Run, known as the "Campbell farm," and containing 137 acres. December 20, 1860, he married Mary A. Doyle, a native of this township, born at Doylestown, daughter of James and Agnes (Skinner) Doyle. Mr. and Mrs. Coons have five children living: James G., in Dakota; Zilla A., a teacher; Tillie F.; Gamble S.; and Lucy C. Mr. Coons is a Presbyterian.

W. H. COONS, merchant, Dry Run, was born July 5, 1855, in this township, the second son of Samuel and Mary J. (Haynes) Coons, the latter of whom died January 15, 1885, aged fifty-eight years and fourteen days. At the age of twenty-three he left the homestead and engaged as clerk at Dry Run for Mr. Mackey, for three years. Mr. Mackey being elected county treasurer, our subject and Mr. Alexander associated together in December, 1881, and purchased Mr. Mackey's stock. They carry a general stock and are doing a good business. October 24, 1882, Mr. Coons married Mary Stitt, a daughter of John Stitt, deceased. He has two children, Anna C. and Mary E. The parents are members of the Presbyterian Church. In politics Mr. Coons is a Republican.

EDWARD BARNABAS DOYLE, retired farmer, P. O. Doylesburg, is the great-grandson of Felix Doyle, one of the pioneers of Path Valley, this county, who made his first settlement here prior to 1750. The grandfather of Edward B. was Barnabas, who married Mary McElhenny, by whom he had seven sons: Edward W., Thomas, John, James, William, Felix and Barnabas, and two daughters, Judith and Catherine; all settled in Path Valley, and reared families, except Catherine, who married and moved to Maryland. Edward W., the father of our subject, was born near Doylesburg, this county, February 13, 1781; in February, 1808, he married a Miss Nancy A. Spaulding, who bore him five sons and one daughter: William J., Henry S., Edward B., Basil J., George F. and Caroline, Edward B. and Caroline being at the present writing the only survivors. Edward W. Doyle at the age of twenty-two moved to Concord, this county, where he built a store and hotel and engaged in business, and for many years was the leading spirit of the place, being prominently identified with the interests of the township and county. As an enterprising and liberal-minded citizen, he was highly esteemed in the community wherever known. He was a sound Democrat, filled several offices of trust in the township, and served the county as commissioner. In 1824 he moved to the farm now owned by his son, Edward B., known as the "McElhenny farm," and built a mill and distillery on the creek, and also carried on farming operations (the mill is now owned by Jacob Rhone). He was a sincere and devout Catholic and assisted in the establishment of the church at Doylesburg. His death occurred February 10, 1840; his widow survived until 1869. Edward B., our subject, was born in Concord, Franklin County, October 4, 1819, and when five years of age removed with his parents to where he now lives. September 27, 1853, he married Caroline Obold, daughter of Sibastion and Mary Obold, and to this union were born six sons and one daughter: George S., William E., Edward B., Charles H., Francis A., John J. and Annie C., most of whom are widely scattered from the home of their childhood. George S., Charles H. and Francis A. are located in business at Atlanta, Ga.; John J. resides in Kansas; Edward B. is in the oil region; Annie C. married Mr. A. G. Tuohy, who is in Government employ in Washington, D. C. William E., the only son remaining in the township, married December

30, 1879, Annie McElheny, daughter of S. W. and H. A. McElheny; he resides on the farm of our subject, who lives with him, the latter's wife having passed away to the spirit land July 27, 1878. Mr. Doyle is spending the eve of his life in the quiet of his home, awaiting the call of the Master to go hence.

ALEXANDER ERWIN (deceased) was born in the North of Ireland in 1776, and when twenty-one years of age came to this country with his father, Alexander Erwin, whose father was a minister of the established Church of England. The great-grandfather of our subject came from Scotland to Ireland at the time of the battle of the Boyne. The father of our subject was quite a business man in the old country, carrying on a tannery and several stores. He located here near Concord in 1797, and engaged in farming. His wife, Mary Holmes, a lady of aristocratic birth, bore her husband fourteen children, of whom thirteen were reared. Alexander, our subject, was brought up on the farm, and was married June 14, 1825, to Mary B. Jordan, who was born in Baltimore June 2, 1805, the second daughter of Frederick and Mary (Barnetts) Jordan, the former a wholesale hardware merchant of German birth, and a son of George Jordan. Mrs. Mary (Barnetts) Jordan was a daughter of Joseph Barnetts, of English birth. Mr. Erwin engaged in farming until his death, which occurred quite suddenly April 24, 1846, from heart disease. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Politically he was a Whig, and a staunch citizen of the community. To him and his wife eleven children were born, eight of whom lived to be grown, five dying within one year of typhoid fever, and four are now living: Alexander James, a physician in Mansfield, Ohio; Arabella, wife of Thomas E. Orbison, of Orbisonia; Matilda, wife of James Speer, of Huntingdon County, and Joseph B. The last named was born November 27, 1842, and March 15, 1881, he married Alice Ross, a native of Baltimore, and a daughter of Rev. A. J. Ross. Joseph B. Erwin has had charge of the farm since he grew to maturity. He has 500 acres of land. He and wife have one child, Alexander. He is a Methodist; in politics he is a Republican.

MARTIN LAWRENCE HAMMOND, Spring Run, Fannett Township.— He is the representative of an old time family of the valley. The ancestor and pioneer was Martin Hammond, who moved to that place in 1790, and married Margaret Brindle, by whom he had eight children: Jacob, Margaret, Lawrence, John, Barbara, Martin, Philip and David. His wife died in the infancy of David, in August, 1815. He then married Mary Brown, and had by her five children: Eliza, Stephen, Mary, Daniel and Elias. The father died in October, 1829, at the age of sixty-five. His wife removed to Illinois and died there. Lawrence, the father of the subject of this notice, was born in 1797. In 1818 he married Mary Skinner, of Dry Run. She was born in 1803. Together they had a family of fifteen children, ten only of whom reached maturity, viz.: Margaret Widney, Martha Taylor, Agnes Clugston, Violet Weidman, Mary Ann Zylar, Emily Mackey, Elizabeth Stitt, Barbara Burd, Teresa Campbell and Martin. Of these, seven still survive. Lawrence Hammond was a man of mark in his day, possessing a sound judgment, with great energy of character. He was not only able, in his lifetime of eighty-seven years, to gather and leave to his children a large estate, but also the priceless inheritance of a good name. His widow still survives, in her eighty-fourth year, living in the homestead. Martin L. was born March 16, 1830. He married Martha Barelay November 20, 1851. He is by occupation a farmer. He lived with his father until the death of the latter, in 1883; since then he has been doing business for himself at Spring Run. The family are members of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Hammond in politics is a Democrat.

WILLIAM J. HARRIS, proprietor of the Concord tannery, Concord, was born January 16, 1846, in Concord, this county, a son of James and Anna Seibert Harris, the former a son of William Harris. Our subject worked at shoe-making with his father, and at the age of eighteen began to learn the tannery business with Joseph Pomeroy, with whom he worked for several years learning the details of the trade. September 21, 1874, Mr. Pomeroy died, and Mr. Harris rented the tannery, which was established by his late employer in 1841. In 1885 he purchased the tannery, and now turns out about 2,000 hides and skins yearly, using 400 tons of bark. In 1872 he married Nettie G. Harrison, a native of Shirleysburg, Huntingdon Co., Penn., and a daughter of M. S. and Olive (Underwood) Harrison. Mr. and Mrs. Harris have three children: Frank W., Anna M. and James C. Mr. Harris is a member of the United Presbyterian Church. In politics he was formerly a Republican, but is now a Prohibitionist.

CYRUS HAZLETT, superintendent of the old Franklin tannery, was born May 5, 1827, in Hopewell Township, Cumberland County, Penn. In early life he was thrown on his own resources, and commenced grinding bark for Smith McKinney, of Hopewell Township, Cumberland County, Penn., working for him through the summer season, and going to school through the winter season, for two or three years; then he went to Abraham Smith to learn the tanning business in Lurgantown, Franklin Co., Penn. He worked for him for one year, when Mr. Smith sold the farm and tannery to David Miller; worked for Mr. Miller for a short time; left Mr. Miller and went to Shippensburg, Cumberland County, to work for Wm. McLean at his tannery; was there for some time, when Mr. McLean bought the Franklin tannery in Amberson's Valley, this county, fifteen miles north of Shippensburg, owned by Benjamin Deford, of Baltimore, Md., one of the largest tanneries of that day. This was in 1844 or 1845. He worked as a journeyman for McLean for about five years, when Hazlett went West, and was absent for about one year; then returned and went to work at the Franklin tannery again. He was married June 10, 1851, to Annetta Jane Culbertson, daughter of Robert and Nancy Culbertson, of Amberson's Valley, who formerly was from Culbertson's Row. Robert Culbertson's mother was a Duncan; Mrs. Culbertson's was Nancy Brackenridge. In the spring of 1852 Wm. McLean and Hazlett rented the tannery at Roxbury, Lurgan Township, this county, from Samuel L. Sentman, and went into the tanning business for five years, when their lease ran out. They leased it for four years more. During these four years Hazlett bought the property of his former employers, Abraham Smith and Miller, and when his lease ran out at Roxbury, he moved to his own property and commenced tanning at his own tannery, Wm. McLean furnishing him with hides. He carried on the business of tanning and farming till August, 1864, when he enlisted in Capt. M. G. Hale's Company F, Two Hundred and Seventh Regiment, Second Brigade, Third Division, Ninth Army Corps. After the surrender of Lee's army Mr. Hazlett returned home by way of Petersburg, Va., and City Point; took a boat down James River to Fortress Monroe; from there to Alexandria; was there about ten days when he received a dispatch from home stating that his youngest child had fallen in a vat at the tannery and was drowned. He got a furlough and went home, but too late for the funeral; returned back, when the furlough was out, to be in Washington at the grand review of the Potomac Army. In a few days the regiment went to Harrisburg and was discharged. He returned home in the latter part of June, 1865. In the spring of 1866 he went to take charge of Fraizer & Bros.' tannery in Newburg; did business for them for two years, when he leased the tannery from the Fraizers; carried on busi-

ness for three years, Wm. McLean furnishing him hides. When the lease ran out he contracted with Mr. McLean to superintend his tannery. Then he moved to Franklin tannery, in Amberson's Valley, in the spring of 1871, where he is now, December 8, 1886. To Cyrus Hazlett and Annetta Jane, his wife, were born twelve children, seven now living: Wm. Mc.; Jane Haddesa, wife of H. Jones; Nancy B., wife of John C. Witheren; Cyrus D.; Clarence F.; Frank S. and Mollie May. Wm. Mc. Hazlett is married to a daughter of John Fleck; Clarence F., to a daughter of Robert Mevity, all of Fannett Township. There is no town in this valley near the tannery. There is one store where the postoffice is kept by John A. Shoemaker. Cyrus Hazlett is a member of Orrstown Lodge, No. 262, A. Y. M., and Newburg Lodge, No. 562, I. O. O. F., Encampment Roxbury, I. O. O. F., Red Men, No. 150, a member of the G. A. R., and, politically, is a Republican; is not connected with any church particularly, but is a liberal contributor to all churches. Since 1842 Mr. Hazlett has been in the employ of Wm. McLean, with the exception of a few years, and is the only man who started in with Mr. McLean at that date that is in his employ at the present time, December 8, 1886.

J. W. HOLLIDAY, farmer, P. O. Dry Run, is the only male representative now living in the county of the name. His great-grandfather, John Holliday, was a native of the "Emerald Isle," came to Path Valley at a very early day and settled on the farm now owned by our subject, where he died. His son John (grandfather of our subject) was born on the Holliday homestead, September 27, 1769, married Elizabeth Coulter (who was born July 16, 1771, and died March 7, 1862), and subsequently moved to Blair County, where Samuel Holliday, father of J. W., was born in 1806. Three years later the grandfather moved with his family to the old homestead, where he died November 4, 1838. He was a stanch citizen of the Valley, and for many years an elder in what is known as the "Upper Church" (Presbyterian); served as justice of the peace, and represented his county in the Legislature. He had a family of three children: James, Margaret and Samuel. James died a bachelor; Margaret married James Alexander and moved to Blair County. Samuel, father of J. W., came here to the Holliday farm with his father from Blair County in 1809, where he grew to manhood and married Elizabeth McElhenny, daughter of William McElhenny, and to them were born four sons and seven daughters. He was engaged in farming and stock raising, and was a member of the Presbyterian Church. In 1844 he was tendered the nomination as representative of the county, but declined. He was a sound Democrat and an active worker for his party. He died, respected by all, December 4, 1880. James W., his successor, was born here October 29, 1849. He commenced merchandising in Dry Run in 1872, and continued in the business till 1881; in 1878 he was the nominee of the Democratic party for register of wills and recorder of deeds, but was defeated with his party; has since 1881 been actively engaged in the management of his farm, which is one of the best in the Valley. January 3, 1882, he married Sarah R., daughter of Amos and Mary (Skinner) Kegarries. Mr. and Mrs. Holliday have two children: Irene V. and James W. The family are members of the Presbyterian Church. In politics Mr. Holliday is a Democrat.

E. G. JONES, M. D., P. O. Dry Run, is a representative of a well known family, a native of Path Valley, and a son of James Jones, who was a son of John A. Jones, one of the pioneers of Metal Township. He was reared on the farm until seventeen years of age, when he went to school receiving an academic course, which was supplemented by a course in the normal school at Shippensburg. He then began reading medicine with Dr. Thomas J. Dunott,

of Harrisburg, Penn., and attended one year in the hospital at that place, finally graduating at Jefferson Medical College in April, 1884. Dr. Jones then began practice in Hustontown, Fulton Co., Penn., where he continued two years, meeting with flattering success, and finally located in Dry Run, April 20, 1886. The liberal patronage which has been extended to him since, gives ample proof that his merits are being recognized by an intelligent community.

W. G. KIRKPATRICK, farmer, P. O. Dry Run, is a son of Edward Kirkpatrick, who was born in Fannett Township, this county, February 12, 1799, a son of Francis Kirkpatrick, whose wife was a Hudson. Edward married Ann Herron, a native of Burns' Valley, born May 6, 1800, a daughter of Patrick and Temperance (Moore) Herron, natives of Adams County, Penn. Patrick Herron was a son of John and Elizabeth (Bowls) Herron. Edward Kirkpatrick died June 1, 1858, his widow April 4, 1886. They reared a family of six children, but one now living—William G., our subject, who was born August 26, 1836, on the farm where he has since lived and which he owns. November 30, 1865, he married Nancy J. Burk, born near Dry Run, a daughter of William and Eliza (Smith) Burk. Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick have a family of nine children, viz.: Anna E., Minnie G., Edward N., William B., Mary E., Samuel A., John H., Harry M. and Clara M. Mr. Kirkpatrick has an excellent farm of over 270 acres, which he cultivates successfully. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church; politically he is a Democrat.

JOHN LINN, retired, P. O. Concord, is a grandson of Hugh Linn, a native of Ireland, who came to this country about 1790, and located in Horse Valley, on the edge of Perry County, where he carried on farming and died. His wife, Sarah, was a sister of James Widney, an Irishman, and one of the early settlers of Path Valley; he settled in the Valley near Concord, of which town he was the founder; he was a Wesleyan Methodist and the pioneer of Methodism in the Valley; a man of enterprise, he bore a conspicuous part in the early history of the township. Hugh Linn was born in Ireland, May 10, 1785, the third son of Hugh and Ann (Widney) Linn, latter a daughter of James Widney, the pioneer. Mrs. Ann Linn was born in Path Valley, December 22, 1785. Hugh Linn, Jr., was a stonemason, which trade he followed for a number of years, and subsequently purchased the Stewart farm, where he lived fifty years. In 1865 he went to his daughter in Ogle County, Ill., where he died suddenly, April 3, 1870; he joined the Methodist Episcopal Church when fifteen years of age, and during his life was an active church worker; he served as class leader and steward. He was a Democrat until the civil war, when he united with the Republican party. He reared following named children: James, a miller by trade, who lived and died in Concord; Sarah, wife of Samuel Henry, who moved to Illinois; Mary, married to Samuel Booker, who located in Illinois; Jane, married to Andrew J. Taylor, who moved to Pennsylvania; John; Margaret, wife of A. Lougridge, who moved to Illinois; Hugh, who served in the Mexican war, and died, unmarried, from disease contracted in the service; Alexander, who served in the civil war as assistant surgeon in Newton Hamilton, Mifflin County; Arabella, married to William Bloom, and located in Martinsburg, Blair County; and Eleanor, married to William Typer, who located in Ogle County, Ill. John, our subject, is the sole survivor of the family in this county. He was born near Concord, April 13, 1820, worked on the farm until arriving at maturity, and after nine months' residence in Ohio and Kentucky, he went to Washington County, Md., where he learned the marble cutter's trade, which he followed for seven years. In 1851 he returned to the farm and married Margaret J. Hays, born in Path Valley, a



daughter of Richard and Elizabeth (Cunningham) Hays, the latter a daughter of William Cunningham. In 1863 he entered the One Hundred and Sixty-eighth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry, and served eleven months, returned home and resumed farming. In February, 1865, he was drafted, but procured a substitute. He sold his farm shortly after the war, built property and has since lived retired. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In politics he was Republican, now a Prohibitionist. Mrs. Linn has been an invalid for eighteen years with chronic rheumatism. Mr. Linn's father, Hugh, was drafted in the war of 1812, but his brother James took his place.

JAMES H. LITTLE, coachsmith, Concord, was born July 2, 1823, the second son of John Little, who was born in Cumberland County, Penn., in 1792, a son of James Little. The latter was born in Ireland and immigrated to Cumberland County about 1784, and came to Path Valley in 1801. His wife was Jane Herron, daughter of Patrick Herron, of Scotch-Irish descent. To James Little were born William, John, James, Robert, Thomas, Isaac, Frank, Samuel and Matthew, Polly, Margaret and Jane. All of these moved west and settled in Muskingum County, Ohio, except William and John; the former died suddenly, going with a team to Baltimore. John came with his father to this township in 1801, and was reared to farming pursuits; when yet a young man he went out in the war of 1812, and, returning home, resumed farming. July 4, 1816, he married Sarah, a native of Ireland and a daughter of John Hays. In 1847 John Little moved to Juniata County, Penn., where he died February 6, 1855. His widow died December 15, 1861. John, for several years after his removal to Juniata County, was engaged in the manufacture of wheat fans. He was for many years a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, although first a Presbyterian, and politically he was a Democrat. He had eight children who grew up: William, Eliza, Mary, James H., Eleanor, Tirzah, John and Thomas. William resides in Clay County, Kas.; Eliza, wife of Daniel Conn, in Juniata County; Mary resides in Waterloo, Juniata County, unmarried; Eleanor is a resident of Concord, the wife of James McKim; Tirzah (deceased) was the wife of Michael Miller of Waterloo, Juniata County; John is a merchant in Concord; Thomas is a resident of Altoona, a bachelor. James H. was born on the homestead near Doyleburg, and in 1846 came to Concord and learned the blacksmith's trade with William Donnelly; in 1852 he set up in business for himself, which he still continues. In 1852 he married Melinda M., daughter of William Donnelly, with whom he learned his trade, and like Jacob, Mr. Little says, "he worked for her seven years." He has nine children (eight living), viz.: Lillian, wife of A. H. Lupper of Larned, Kas.; Luella, a mute, in Philadelphia; Newton, in Harlan, Iowa; Florence, in Arizona, the wife of Rev. James Gerry Eberhart; and Laura, Arthur, Oscar, Eleanor (who died December 29, 1876), and Stella at home. Mr. Little is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and has been recording steward for over twenty years. Politically he is a Prohibitionist, when not a Democrat.

GEORGE MAGEE, farmer, P. O. Amberson's Valley, represents one of the old time families, who came to the Valley over a score of years prior to the Revolutionary period. Patrick Magee, his grandfather, was born in Ireland, where he married a Miss Hall, daughter of James Hall, and with her and one child, John, immigrated to America, and settled on the farm now owned by our subject, and there died. He reared the following children: John, George, James, Adam, William, Alexander, Patrick, Nancy, Mary and Nicolai. Adam, the father of our subject, was born on the homestead in 1779, being the third son. The farm was left to him and his younger brother, Alexander, whose interest he subsequently purchased. Upon this farm he spent his life, and died August

9, 1854. His wife was Martha Appleby, who was born near Shade Gap, a daughter of John Appleby. George Magee, our subject, was reared on the farm, and remained with his father until his death, and worked for him. March 27, 1847, he married Margaret J. Taylor, who was born April 18, 1825, a daughter of Thomas and Hannah (Adams) Taylor, and they have one child, William A. Mr. Magee is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and has served as trustee and deacon for several years. He is a Democrat, the political faith of his father. Our subject's son, William A., married Margaret, a daughter of Robert McVitty, and five sons and two daughters have been born to them: Clinton A., Emma, Robert C., Franklin G., Joseph, William and Cora M. George Magee has filled several positions of trust in the township; he is a Democrat in politics.

STEPHEN O. McCURDY (deceased), a representative in his day of an old family of Path Valley, was born in Metal Township, this county, May 28, 1810, the youngest child of James and Mary (Brown) McCurdy. He was reared to farming, and after he became of age engaged in mercantile business for several years. In 1835 he married Maria B., a native of this county, born June 5, 1811, a daughter of Anthony and Mary (Hess) Klippinger, and after marriage settled at Spring Run, on the spot where M. L. Hammond's residence now is. Here he engaged in mercantile business a short time, and then in teaming for several years, working a part of the old homestead one year. In 1848 he built the house, barn and other buildings on the place now occupied by his widow, and where he resided until his death, which occurred February 17, 1881. He and his wife were the parents of six children, who lived to be grown, viz.: James, who resides in Philadelphia; Mary L., wife of William Mackey (she died May 11, 1865); John, a resident of Philadelphia; Oliver B., a minister of the Presbyterian Church in Perry County, Penn.; Annie E. (wife of J. C. Burk), on the homestead; and Amos M., a resident of Culver, Kas. Mr. McCurdy was of staunch Scotch-Irish ancestry. His father and grandfather (both named James) were ruling elders in the Presbyterian Church in Upper Path Valley. In early life our subject entered a profession of faith with the church of his fathers, then served by the Rev. Amos A. McGinley, and soon took a place among the active and influential members of the congregation and community. For many years he was a member of the board of trustees, and was one of the most active and efficient officers the church ever had. By his sterling worth, strict integrity and irreproachable life, and by his generous and kind nature, he won the love and esteem of all who knew him. He was a kind husband and congenial companion. In politics he was a Republican.

WILLIAM MCGINLEY (deceased) was a native of Adams County, Penn., born August 15, 1821; son of Ebenezer McGinley, and a nephew of Rev. A. A. McGinley, the well known pioneer minister of Franklin County. Our subject in 1846 married Mary Ann Alexander, a native of Path Valley, this county, born September 28, 1823, daughter of John and Ann (McCurdy) Alexander. Shortly after marriage they located on a part of the Brinley farm, where he engaged in agricultural pursuits, which he continued till his death. He died January 20, 1860, leaving no issue. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and an esteemed citizen of the community. Mrs. McGinley resides on the Alexander homestead. Her father died July 27, 1875, her mother February 28, 1878, and with Mr. McGinley repose in the cemetery at Spring Run.

H. MILLER, proprietor of the "Valley Home Hotel," Concord, was born January 11, 1822, at Springtown, Metal Township, this county, one mile north

of Fannettsburg. His father, Frederick Miller, a cooper by trade, moved to Franklin County in 1819, and located in Metal Township. He married Mary Goyer, whose father, John Goyer, served as a drum-major in the Revolution. Frederick Miller served in the war of 1812. His father, Martiu, served in the Revolution, was wounded in the knee, drew a pension up to the time of his death, and lived to be a centenarian. The Goyer family came from Germany, and were sold to pay their passage, being eight months on the ocean. There were three in the family: John, his wife Margaret, and their son John, all of whom served in the Revolution, the father as a soldier, his wife as a washer-woman for the officers, and their son, John, Jr., who was but twelve years of age, as drummer boy, and later as drum-major. John, Sr., was shot, and his wife Margaret, picking up his musket, fought through the engagement. She afterward drew a pension for actual service, and died at the age of one hundred and three years. Subject's grandfather, Martin Miller, his maternal grandfather, John Goyer, and his father, Frederick (the latter in the war of 1812), all drew pensions. Frederick died in his eighty-seventh year from hemorrhage. He had five sons and six daughters, all of whom lived to be married. Martin Miller had at the time of his death over 400 descendants direct from himself, in all five generations. John Goyer died in Path Valley, aged ninety-seven. John and Martin Goyer were buried with the honors of war. Henry Miller, our subject, the seventh in a family of eleven children, remained at home until he was past twenty-one years of age. He was brought up as a cooper, but afterward worked on the farm, commencing first to work by the month and then by the day or job, and labored hard and constantly. In 1845 he married Isabella Plunkard, by whom he had seven children, as follows: Elizabeth, Mary, David, William, Jane, Lucy and Belle. This wife died of consumption, and Mr. Miller next married Mary North, a native of Germany, and a daughter of John North, a miller. By this union ten children were born: Lena, John, Henry, Elmer, William, Edgar, Laura, Samuel, Lillie and Sadie. For ten years Mr. Miller farmed for Dr. J. S. Flickinger; five years on William Harris' farm; came to Concord in 1871, bought the McElhenny property, and has since been engaged in the hotel business (temperance), and has also carried on farming. He was a member of the United Brethren Church for thirteen years, and of the Methodist Episcopal Church thirty years, of which latter he is an official member. In politics he is a Republican.

J. M. NOBLE, manufacturer of coaches, wagons, buggies, sleighs and vehicles of all kinds used in this county, Concord, was born in Juniata County, Penn., in 1853. He is a son of William Noble, who was born in Fannettsburg, a son of John Noble. His mother was Mary, daughter of William and Catherine (Gray) Short. Mr. Noble learned his trade with Shower & Scholl, of Mifflintown, Juniata County, and came to Concord in October, 1876, where he began the manufacture of wheeled vehicles, and has since continued in this line with success. By doing the best of work and using the best materials he has extended his work, which has only to be examined to be appreciated. He does also general repair work, and invites patronage, and can successfully compete with any one who will do honest work. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and has been Sunday-school superintendent for several years. In politics he is a Prohibitionist.

DANIEL R. PIPER, coach-maker, Dry Run, was born in Amberson's Valley, August 16, 1832. His father, John A., also born in Amberson's Valley, January 20, 1803, and was a son of Daniel and Mary (Witter) Piper; the latter a daughter of John Witter, of German descent. John A. Piper married Margaret Struble, who was born in this county November 26, 1808, a

daughter of Daniel and Mary (Rook) Struble, the latter a daughter of George Rook. To Mr. and Mrs. John A. Piper were born the following named children: Louis S., Wilson, Daniel R., Rebecca J., Jonathan, Martin, David H., Maria, Ezra, Mary A., William S., all of whom lived to be grown except William S., and all served in the civil war, save Daniel R., who was physically disqualified, but who would have gladly gone into the service. All returned home but David H., who died in the hospital at Gallatin, Tenn.; Louis S. and Jonathan reside in Nebraska; Rebecca J. is the wife of Franklin Cramer, and resides near Pleasant Hill, this county; Maria and Mary A. reside in Lawrence County, Ill., Mary A. being the wife of William Newman; Ezra resides in the same place; Wilson lives in Amberson's Valley. John A. Piper, who was a farmer, died May 7, 1880, in Illinois; his wife died in Amberson's Valley, August 21, 1862. Daniel R. remained at home until the age of seventeen when he settled near Dry Run, August 6, 1849, and spent three years in learning his trade with Simon Mouer; then worked at journey work for over two years. His health failing he worked at the carpenter's trade three years. In April, 1858, he rented the shop for two years and later bought the property, and has since carried on the business. January 31, 1855, he married Mary I. Harmon, who was born near Spring Run, a daughter of James and Nancy (Neal) Harmon. Mr. and Mrs. Piper have seven children: William S., John H. F., James A. L., Henry R., Martha B., Zepheniah A. C. and Mary C. Mr. Piper is a member of the United Brethren Church; politically he is a Republican.

ROBERT PRICE, farmer, P. O. Amberson's Valley, was born in Path Valley, near Doyleburg, September 12, 1812, a son of John Price. He can distinctly remember the rejoicings over the victory at New Orleans. He began teaching at the age of fourteen, and for forty-eight years taught without intermission, with the exception of two terms spent at Bridgeport, one at Smoketown and one at Dickey's Mill. His labors have been confined to Fannett Township. John Price, father of our subject, came from County Donegal, Ireland, to this country in 1791, locating shortly after in Fannett Township, and soon after his arrival, in 1794, was called on to aid in quelling the Whisky Rebellion. He was a tailor, which trade he followed for many years up and down the valley. It was the custom at that time for tailors and shoemakers to go from house to house and make up the stock for the family. He married Hannah Rowls, a native of Chester County, Penn., and a daughter of John and Nancy (Morrow) Rowls. Mr. Price was a good citizen, attended to his own personal affairs, carried on farming to some extent, but did not own any land. He passed away in August, 1844, highly respected in the community in which he had lived. Of the following named children who grew up and reared families, none are now living except Robert: John, Thomas, William, Richard (who served in the Mexican war), Robert and Nancy I. She married James Watts; she and Thomas settled in Marion County, Ohio, and both reared families. John settled in McDonough County, Ill. William and Robert alone remained in the county. Robert, our subject, closely applied himself to his books when young, attended the best schools of the neighborhood and also those of Chambersburg, and his career as teacher has been a very successful one. June 25, 1841, he married Rachel Skinner, a native of Path Valley, born May 5, 1817, a daughter of William Skinner, whose father was also named William. Her mother was Jane, a daughter of Titus and Catherine (Rowls) Harry; her grandfather, William, married Martha Duncan. Mr. Price located at the head of Amberson's Valley in 1858, and here has since resided, having something over 300 acres of land. Of eight children

born to him, seven are living, viz.: Sylvester, married to Martha Diven; Mary A., wife of George Shields (they reside on the homestead); Thomas J., at home; Almira J., wife of James Fagon; William A., at home; Noah A., married to Jane Shields, and Martha, wife of David Ferguson. James, whose name is not mentioned above, is buried in North Carolina, where he fell in the service of his country, March 16, 1865, pierced by a bullet while on the skirmish line. He first enlisted in the Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served his term of six months; then enlisted in the Ninth Pennsylvania Cavalry for three years, or during the war, and was killed after serving ten months. Sylvester served in the Forty-ninth Pennsylvania "Bucktails." Mr. Price and family are members of the Catholic Church. In politics he is a Douglas Democrat.

K. P. ROSENBERY, superintendent of McLean's tannery, P. O. Doylesburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, this county, October 4, 1838, a son of Benjamin and Harriet (Peebles) Rosenberry. He was brought up on the farm and received a good common-school education, which he augmented by several years' experience as teacher, being engaged continuously for about thirteen winters, beginning that vocation at the age of nineteen. About 1869 he came to Doylesburg and began work at the tannery, first as a common laborer, and made himself useful in many ways, keeping the company's books, receiving and measuring bark, working in every capacity to advance the interests of his employers, and learning the many details of the business. His diligence and fidelity to the interests of the company being fully recognized, they advanced him from one position to another until he was placed in full charge of the establishment in April, 1881. The tannery has a capacity of 6,000 sides and 700 tons of bark annually. In 1866 he formed a matrimonial alliance with Evaline Reed, who was born in Amberson's Valley, a daughter of George and Barbara (Stake) Reed, the latter a daughter of Peter Stake. Mr. Rosenberry is a member of the Methodist Protestant Church, and an efficient and zealous Sabbath-school worker, being superintendent of the Sabbath-school at Doylesburg. He has five sons and one daughter: Alvin M., Washington W., George H., Benjamin B., Rush M. and Anna M. Politically Mr. Rosenberry is a Democrat.

JOSEPH RYDER, farmer, P. O. Dry Run, was born May 26, 1825, near Bridgeport, in Peters Township, this county. The name was originally spelled Reiter, and later changed to Ryder. The family trace back their ancestry to one Michael Ryder, an Englishman, who came to this country several years prior to the French and Indian war, and settled in southeast Pennsylvania. He is believed to have perished at Braddock's defeat, and left one son, who bore his name, Michael, and who was the great-grandfather of our subject. He was born September 24, 1744, and died September 7, 1821. His wife was Magdalena Newman, who was born April 21, 1747, and died August 26, 1821. They had seven sons and four daughters, the eldest child being Michael. The latter was born in 1770 and died in June, 1810; he married Saloma Wortze, who was born August 24, 1773, and died October 5, 1853. Their second child was likewise named Michael. He was the father of Joseph, and was born May 13, 1798, near Elizabethtown, Lancaster County, and came to this county in 1822. Two years later he married his cousin, Mary Ryder, daughter of Adam and Elizabeth (Longenecker) Ryder. Her mother was a daughter of Christian Longenecker, whose wife was a Miss Share. Our subject located when young near Dry Run. In his fifteenth year he moved back to Peters Township, near Loudon, where he lived until February 22, 1855, when he married Anna Shearer. She was born June 14, 1822, near Bridgeport, Penn.

She was a daughter of Jonathan and Anna (Longenecker) Shearer. Jonathan was a son of Peter Shearer, whose wife was Christina Markel, and a sister of Gen. Joseph Markel, who ran for governor on the Whig ticket in 1844. After Mr. Ryder's marriage he moved to Fannett Township and located on the Eby farm, where he resided nineteen years. In the spring of 1874 he located on the Coulter farm, where he has since lived, and has now 600 acres of choice land, upon which are excellent improvements. His father built the barn 124x59 feet, in the year 1868, and the brick house the following year. Within the space of eight years Mr. Ryder has put upon the Coulter farm 35,000 bushels of lime, and, during the time he occupied the Eby farm and since, he has put upon it 35,000 bushels and upward of lime, making an aggregate of 70,000 bushels of lime upon the two farms. He has the best of farm machinery, steam thresher, clover huller, etc., and farms successfully. He has worked hard and is now enjoying the fruits of his labor. The family of Mr. and Mrs. Ryder were as follows: Jonathan S., born April 27, 1856; Mary E., born June 2, 1858; Adam M., born in October, 1860, died in January, 1863; Annie C., born June 27, 1863; Sherman J., born January 26, 1865. Mrs. Anna Ryder, wife of Joseph Ryder, departed this life October 14, 1886. She was a member of the German Reformed Church.

SAMUEL A. SHEARER, tanner, P. O. Spring Run, was born March 31, 1823, near Strasburg, this county, a son of Christian (a blacksmith) and Susan (Probst) Shearer, to whom were born the following named children: William, Mary, Ann, Susanna, Rebecca, Katie, Samuel A., Benjamin and Adaline. Samuel A. when a boy learned the tanner's trade. February 14, 1847, he married Harriet Piper, who was born in Amberson's Valley, January 28, 1822, a daughter of Daniel Piper, who was born in this county, November 25, 1777. Her mother was Mary (Witter), born March 26, 1784. Daniel Piper was a son of John and Catherine (Sollinger) Piper, and died June 19, 1838; his widow died May 25, 1865. After marriage Mr. and Mrs. Shearer moved to Juniata County, Penn., where they remained eight years, and then came to Path Valley, farmed eight years, then returned to Juniata County. After residing there four years and a half, they moved to Shade Gap, Huntingdon Co., Penn., and lived two years and a half, and in the spring of 1871 located at Spring Run, where they have since remained. They have six children living: Mary S., Elizabeth C., Rebecca F., William H., Emma M. and H. Ada. Emma M. is the wife of David I. Culbertson of Shippensburg, Penn., formerly of Amberson's Valley. Mr. Shearer is a member of the church of the United Brethren in Christ, and has been officially connected with the same; and of which his son, William H., is a trustee.

WILLIAM C. SHEARER, farmer, P. O. Spring Run, was born November 12, 1841, on the farm which he now owns, one-half mile from the south part of the township, the eldest son of Elias Shearer, who was born on the dividing line between Metal and Fannett Townships, January 7, 1814, and who was a son of Jacob Shearer (an early settler in the Valley), and married Eliza Campbell, April 14, 1836; she was born July 3, 1814, a daughter of William Campbell. After marriage they removed to the farm now owned by their son, William C., and remained until their death, he dying June 3, 1885, and she in November of the same year. They reared eight children: William C., Maria E., Catherine A., Margaret I., Sarah A., Mary J., Larue B. and Clara E., all residents of the township, except Margaret I. and Mary J., who reside in Huntingdon County. In 1868 our subject married Martha A. Kirkpatrick, a daughter of James and Agnes (Shetler) Kirkpatrick, and they have six children living: William W., Anna E., Ella A., Clara E., Sarah C. and George

H. Mr. Shearer operates a threshing machine in connection with farming. He is an elder in the Presbyterian Church.

D. O. SHEARER, farmer, P. O. Dry Run, was born July 29, 1844, on the J. Miller place, a son of William Shearer, who was born near Strasburg, this county, in 1809, a son of Christopher Shearer, who was one of a family of twelve sons. William, who married Emma, born in 1812, a daughter of David Neal, was for nearly half a century a member of the Presbyterian Church of Upper Path Valley; served as school director several terms, and was a substantial citizen. He died, as he lived, a Christian, passing away March 23, 1885. Of the ten children born to him four are now living, viz.: Denton O., our subject; Maggie, wife of William F. Kolb; John P. was a teacher for a number of years, is a lawyer, but now a resident of Indiana, where he is United States pension examiner; and Susan A., wife of Daniel Wolff, of Spring Run. Denton O. was brought up on the farm, and received an education which he improved by five years' teaching, in the course of which he attained to a professional certificate. December 29, 1870, he married Mary A. Elder, only daughter of Joseph and Mary (Wolff) Elder, and with them he has resided since his marriage, engaged in farming. He is a member of and elder in the Presbyterian Church of Upper Path Valley, and an active worker in the Sunday-school, having been either superintendent or assistant in the different Sunday-schools with which he has been connected for twenty-two years, the last five years superintendent of the Dry Run Presbyterian Sunday-school. He has also been chorister for the same length of time. He was church trustee five years, and served his township for two terms (term three years) as school director, and one year as registry assessor. He was elected a delegate to the Democratic State Convention which met in Allentown, Penn., in March, 1884, and in the same year was elected one of the directors of the "Children's Aid Society," of Franklin County, which was organized that year in Chambersburg. In addition to farming he has since his marriage been somewhat extensively engaged in other business, such as the settlement of estates, acting as guardian for wards, and managing estates as agent, etc. He has been executor, administrator and assignee, and is at present executor in three estates and guardian for seven wards.

JOHN ALFERD SHOEMAKER, merchant of Amberson's Valley, was born February 15, 1848, about midway between Roxbury and Strasburg, the eldest son of William and Mary (Hefflefinger) Shoemaker, residents of Letterkenny Township, this county. John A. remained at home on the farm until twenty years of age, and then went to learn his trade in the Franklin Tannery. In 1871 he entered mercantile business, buying out the interest of S. J. Eckenrode, and has since been engaged in this line. He was elected justice of the peace in the spring of 1885, and served as postmaster from 1873 to 1885; has also been auditor and assessor of the township; has been a director in the Path Valley Mutual Fire Insurance Company for ten years, and has filled other positions of trust. He is prominently connected with the interests of the Methodist Protestant Church and Sunday-school, being officially connected with the same. October 21, 1868, he married Frances L. Stake, born March 23, 1849, daughter of Daniel Stake, a well known resident of Amberson's Valley, this county, and they have five children: Daniel H., born September 2, 1869; Dora, born April 23, 1872; William O., born October 13, 1875; Lulu P., born September 17, 1878; Carrie M., born November 5, 1881. Mr. Shoemaker is a member and Worshipful Master of the A. Y. M., No. 262; also I. O. O. F., No. 419, and Encampment, and Red Cloud Tribe, No. 150, I. O. R. M. He is a leading Democrat, and this year was elected a member of the State convention.

B. F. SHOPE, M. D., Dry Run, was born in 1855 in Huntingdon County, Penn., a son of John Shope. He was reared to farming, but seeing outside the pale of husbandry a wider field of usefulness, and which he fancied was more congenial to his tastes, he resolved to take up the study of medicine. In the winter of 1879 he commenced reading at Orbisonia, under Dr. W. T. Browning, and pursued his studies up to the time of his final graduation March 15, 1882, at Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York City. On the 6th of September, 1884, he married Sadie E. McKee, a daughter of James McKee of Cleveland, Ohio, and settled down in Dry Run in February, 1884, as the successor of the late Dr. J. H. Flickinger, and has since enjoyed an excellent practice. In politics the Doctor is a Democrat.

DR. W. M. SHULL, Concord, was born in Spring Township, Perry Co., Penn., August 14, 1859, the youngest of his father's family. His father, Samuel Shull, was a native of Perry County, and a son of Frederick Shull. Subject's mother's maiden name was Alvina Albert, also a native of Perry County. The Doctor was reared to farming, acquired a good education, and began teaching at the age of eighteen. He taught for five years, a portion of the time as assistant at Wilson College. In the spring of 1882 he began the study of medicine, first with Dr. McMorris, of Duncannon; later with Dr. Stricker, of New Bloomfield, finally graduating at Jefferson Medical College in the spring of 1885. He immediately began the practice of his profession in Blaine, Perry County, where he met with success. In February, 1886, the Doctor came to Concord, where he has since received an excellent patronage and is meeting with success.

STEPHEN MCGINLEY SKINNER, retired farmer, P. O. Dry Run, is of the fourth generation of the family in this country, and was born March 25, 1818, on the farm which he owns, and on which his father, Stephen Skinner, located in 1808. The latter was born in Cumberland County, in March, 1783, and was a son of William Skinner and Martha Duncan. John Skinner, his father, came from England and located first in New Jersey, then came to the Cumberland Valley, where he purchased land in 1782. He had children as follows: Anna, William, Archie, George, Phebe, and some whose names cannot be determined. William, the grandfather of our subject, was born November 15, 1757, and by his wife, Martha, had quite a family. The sons were William, John, Stephen, David, Enoch and Daniel, and the girls were Nancy, Mary and Martha. All reared families, except Enoch and Daniel; John and Stephen settled in Path Valley. Stephen married Nancy Morrow, the mother of our subject. She was born January 7, 1785, a daughter of Richard Morrow. Stephen Skinner died October 30, 1851; his widow in August, 1855. Their children were Ezra, Daniel, William, Thomas, Morrow R., David D., Agnes, Stephen McGinley, Martha, Catherine, Mary, Enoch and James W., all living in the Valley, except Enoch, James and Thomas. Our subject was reared on the farm, where he has always resided, with the exception of five years he spent at Dry Run, then removed to the homestead, where he has since remained. March 26, 1840, he married Margaret Culbertson (who was born in Path Valley, March 18, 1818), a daughter of Samuel Culbertson. Mr. Skinner owns 100 acres of land. He has seven children living, viz.: Calvin M., Isaac, Drusilla, James W., West C., Daniel M. and Maggie S. Elizabeth died when six years of age; James W. resides in Gunnison City, Col.; Isaac and Drusilla reside near Bloomington, McLean Co., Ill. Mr. Skinner is now retired from active business, enjoying the quiet and pleasure of his home. He has been for many years an elder in the Presbyterian Church, which position his father held before him. He has in his possession the warrant and patent which his grand-



father, William, got from Thomas Blair, the first owner—the warrant laid on June 3, 1762, and patented March 12, 1775. The tract consisted of 436 $\frac{3}{4}$  acres, which was afterward divided into four farms, of which Mr. Skinner's is one. For twenty-five years our subject was chorister in the church; politically he was first a Whig and later a Republican. He sent two sons to the civil war: Calvin and Isaac.

DAVID DUNCAN SKINNER, farmer, P. O. Dry Run, was born October 11, 1815, the sixth child of Stephen Skinner, a son of William Skinner. He remained at home until he was of age and for several years drove a team to Pittsburgh. At the age of twenty-five, he married Margaret, daughter of John Flickinger. She died leaving eight children, but one now living, Stephen. Mr. Skinner's second wife is Jane Beers, a native of Huntingdon County, and a daughter of Alexander Beers. To this union ten children were born (nine now living), viz.: Robert, Eldorado, Gilson, Nancy M., Clinton, Wilbert, Mary, Retta J., Emma C. and Anna M. (latter deceased). In 1844 Mr. Skinner moved on the place where he now resides, and on which he has put all the improvements. He had but \$700 when he bought the property, and has now three farms, making 600 acres in all. Mr. Skinner has been very industrious and probably did more hard work than any other man in this Valley. In politics he is a Republican.

D. J. SKINNER, farmer, P. O. Dry Run, is a descendant of one of the old pioneer families of Path Valley, this county, where he was born August 10, 1822, the third son of John and Judith (Doyle) Skinner. John Skinner was born April 17, 1786, in this township, as was also his wife, Judith, daughter of Barnabas Doyle, whose ancestors came here as early as 1748. The grandfather of David J. was William Skinner, one of the pioneers of Path Valley. Our subject remained at home until he was twenty-two years of age, when he married Catherine, daughter of Andrew and Sarah (Stark) Barkley, the latter a daughter of Isaac Stark. Mr. Skinner remained on the homestead farm fifteen years after his marriage, and, about 1859 moved to the Adam Crouse farm, where he remained until 1869. He then moved to his present residence, where he has since lived, and up to the present time has been continuously engaged in farming pursuits, having several hundred acres of choice land, highly improved. He is the father of ten children, as follows: Washington, Sarah A., John M., William B., Anna A., Lizzie C., Jennetta A., David M., Ada B. and Lotta B., all of whom are residents of the county, except John M. and William B., the former a merchant, the latter an attorney, in Mount Vernon, Mo. Washington entered the service of his country at the age of sixteen, and returned as captain; he was subsequently elected county treasurer. Mr. Skinner is a member of the Presbyterian Church. In politics he is a Democrat.

JOHN STAKE, retired farmer, P. O. Amberson's Valley, was born in this valley October 16, 1812. The progenitor of the Stake family came from Germany and located in Lancaster County, Penn. Our subject's grandfather, Frederick, was a Revolutionary soldier, and from him descended Peter (the father of John), who was born near Strasburg, this county, in 1781, being the youngest of a large family. Peter Stake married Anna M., daughter of Harmon Myers, of Amberson's Valley, about 1803, and located where James Craig now resides, the place having only a cabin at that time and three acres cleared. He was a farmer and hauled goods from the eastern cities to Pittsburgh before the era of railroads. He was a stanch citizen and a respected member of the community. John Stake, the fourth son, grew to manhood on his father's farm, and after attaining his majority went to Fillson to learn the carpenter's trade,

which he followed for several years. February 5, 1840, he married Nancy Culbertson, who was born July 9, 1816, at the "knob" in Amberson's Valley, the fourth daughter and seventh child of Robert and Nancy (Bleckenridge) Culbertson. Her paternal grandfather was Robert Culbertson, who married Ann Duncan. Mrs. Nancy (Bleckenridge) Culbertson was a daughter of John Bleckenridge. Soon after marriage Mr. Stake settled down to farming, and purchased a part of the Riddle tract, where he has since resided. He has had five children, three now living: Josephine, Rebecca J. and Mary A. Josephine resides in Letterkenny Township, the wife of John A. Eckenrode; Rebecca, is the wife of David E. Eckenrode, and Mary, the wife of Jacob C. Eckenrode (brothers), and both families reside in this township. Albert W. died of an abscess in the side at the age of twenty-three years, ten months and twenty-seven days, and Daniel J. died in infancy. Mr. Stake, though not a member of any church, contributes liberally to the support of the Gospel, and favors all Christian efforts.

DANIEL STAKE, farmer, P. O. Amberson's Valley, was born in Amberson's Valley, December 16, 1818, in a log cabin one mile south of the Upper Post Office, the fifth son of Peter and Anna (Myers) Stake. He left home on attaining his majority and learned the carpenter's trade which he followed several years. In 1852 he took charge of the old Franklin tannery, which he conducted for eighteen years for Mr. McLean, after which he located on the farm he now owns, and which he had purchased prior to becoming connected with the tannery. He has an excellent farm of 150 acres, well improved and situated in the heart of the Valley. His wife, Mary, was born in the Valley, in 1814, a daughter of Robert and Nancy (Bleckenridge) Culbertson. Mr. and Mrs. Stake have five children: Henrietta, wife of James Heffelfinger of Cumberland County; Frances, wife of John A. Shoemaker; Denton, located in this township; Robert, residing in Cumberland County, and Grier J. Mr. Stake is a member of the Methodist Protestant Church. Grier Johnson Stake was born in March, 1857, and is the youngest of the family. He married Jennie Hammond, who was born in this valley, a daughter of Daniel and Ellen (Skinner) Hammond, and they have three children: Mollie E., Wisley P. and Tena O. He has had charge of the home farm since 1879; is a member of the Methodist Protestant Church; of the I. O. O. F., No. 419, and A. F. & A. M., No. 262.

ISAAC STARK, the father of James Stark, and the grandfather of the existing family of children, was born in Norristown, N. J., about the year 1750. He removed to Path Valley in the year 1801, and located on the farm of Rev. Mr. Bear, one mile northeast of Spring Run, and now in possession of the estate of John Alexander. After a residence there of two years he removed to Loudon, where he died in his fifty-second year. He married Elizabeth Trousdale (*nee* Gleen), a widow, in the year 1787. (Mrs. Stark's children by her former husband were Jane, married to Lam Elder, and Hannah, married to Samuel Culbertson; she was born May 27, 1785.) The fruits of this marriage were as follows: Elizabeth, born October 31; 1789, who became the wife of Michael Morrow, both of whom resided and died near Dry Run. (They left two daughters, Sarah and Nancy. The first named is the wife of John Kennedy; the second resides with her sister near Griggsville, Pike Co., Ill.) Sarah Stark, the second daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth Stark, married to Andrew Barclay, a pioneer of Path Valley, a sketch of whose life appears in another part of this history; Isaac M. Stark, the youngest son, died a bachelor. His character was above reproach and he always had the esteem of his fellow-citizens.

JAMES STARK, the more immediate subject of this sketch, and the father of the existing family of children, was born in Norristown, N. J., April 4, 1799. He came to Path Valley with his parents in the second year of his age, and afterward removed with them to Loudon. At the time of his father's death he was in his sixth year. His mother returned to Path Valley and purchased the farm owned by the late Daniel Skinner; when he was fourteen years old his mother died, thus leaving him and his younger brother, Isaac, orphans. Their struggle with the world was a hard one, and it was instructive and interesting to hear James relate his experiences and hardships. The writer has often, when a boy, around the old fireside, listened to him as he told of the difficulties he had to overcome in order to secure the simplest elements of an education; he related how, during the winter days, he gathered pine knots, by the light of which during the long winter nights he studied his lessons and his sisters spun and knit. Where now stand comfortable brick and frame farmhouses, there were log houses with puncheon floors, and clapboard roofs. He often told of waking from a good night's sleep to find his bed and head covered with snow. "How well I remember now how he labored to instil into the minds of his own children the necessity of economy and thrift, by relating how he saved his first 50 cents, by carrying wheat to the mill for a neighbor. And when he saved \$5 in his fourteenth year, he felt as though his fortune were made. Before he was twenty years of age he learned the miller's trade and had charge of the mill at Orbisonia. It was while employed in that capacity that he wooed and won Martha Skinner, whom he married in the year 1825, the Rev. George Gray performing the ceremony. This old father of the faithful ever had a warm place in Mr. Stark's heart from that time until his death. He never visited the Valley but what he was entertained at his board. After a brief residence at Shade Gap and Waterloo, engaged in mercantile business, he moved in 1833 to Dry Run and purchased the farm where his wife was born and raised on, and where he lived and died. James Stark displayed in his youth the same characteristics of energy, honesty and firmness of purpose which were so markedly developed in his maturer years. He was a man whose views were broad and liberal; charity, both of word and deed, was a prominent trait of his character, being ever ready to deal gently and kindly with those who fell into temptation, and having a hand ever open to the poor and needy. He took a firm stand in all movements looking to the educational advancement of the people and to the strengthening of the church. During the ministry of the Rev. Amos McGinley, he was chosen a ruling elder of the Upper Path Valley Presbyterian Church, and for forty years he was a prominent figure in that congregation. His visits to the sick and his ministrations to the poor and needy were continual, and his memory is cherished by many a resident of that Valley. He displayed marked ability in the manner in which he filled local offices and in the settlement of estates. His integrity was unquestioned and yet, during his long life, he never had a law suit. So peaceful was his character that he was often called in to adjust differences between neighbors. After a long and useful life, he passed away on the 26th of July, 1882, in the eighty-fourth year of his age, retaining his faculties to the last. He left surviving him Martha Stark, who was the youngest child of William Skinner, an old pioneer of Franklin County. She still resides on the homestead in her eighty-third year. How much of patience, of kindness, of Christian love and charity this good mother in Israel brought to bear through the long years of wife and motherhood will only be known at the last great day. Suffice it to say that my poor pen cannot tell the story. Who can fathom a mother's love!" There were born to them ten children—six sons and four

daughters. The eldest son was killed by Indians in Chili, South America. The second, Adolphus, was killed by a land slide on Sacramento River while mining in California during the exciting times of 1849 and 1850. The third, Albert G., enlisted in Company A, the Seventy-seventh Pennsylvania Infantry, in September, 1861. He was engaged with the regiment at the battles of Shiloh, Liberty Gap, Murfreesboro, Nashville, Franklin (Tenn.); also Chickamauga and the campaign to and around Atlanta, Ga. He arose from private to the captaincy of the company and now resides at Kansas City, Mo., engaged in real estate. The fourth son, Denton D., soon after his graduation at Jefferson College, enlisted in the Thirty-seventh Illinois Infantry, Col. Julius White commanding, and served during the campaign under Fremont to southwest Missouri; in the spring of 1862, under Curtis, in the campaign into Arkansas, which ended in the battle of Pea Ridge. In the summer of 1862 he was promoted to adjutant of the First Arkansas Cavalry and was present at the battle of Prairie Grove; in 1863 he was promoted to the captaincy of the First Arkansas Battery of Light Artillery and formed part of the army under Gen. Steele, which penetrated Arkansas as far as Camden. He now resides in San Francisco, Cal. The third son, Newell Duncan, enlisted in the One Hundred and Twenty-Sixth Pennsylvania Infantry and was wounded at the battle of Fredericksburg; he is merchandising at Topeka, Kan. The sixth son, Isaac Andrew, was too young to enter the army, but was a great comfort and aid to his aged parents during the dark days of the civil war. His untimely death at the early age of twenty-one at Trinidad, Colo., December 16, 1872, was a sad blow. The eldest daughter, Nancy Jane, married Joseph Ferguson and resides in Griggsville, Ill. The second daughter, Elizabeth Glenn, was carried off in her twentieth year, a victim of typhoid fever. The third daughter, Maggie, though an invalid from her twelfth year, and unable to walk, by her cheerful disposition and patient endurance is the solace and comfort of her aged mother in the old homestead. The fourth daughter, Sarah, married John W. Everett of Fannettsburg. She died of consumption about the year 1876, in Carthage, Ill.; she was a general favorite in the community. Mr. Everett resides in Quincy, Ill., a good man in every position of life.

DR. G. E. STEWART, dentist, proprietor of the Dry Run "La Piere Hotel," was born October 20, 1833, in Juniata County, Penn., a son of Watson and Jane (Irvine) Stewart. He received an academic education at Port Royal, Penn., at Bucyrus, Ohio, and afterward taught several years in Ohio and Indiana. In 1854 he commenced the study of medicine with Dr. C. West at Hagerstown, Ind.; afterward attended Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia, and in April, 1863, he came to Dry Run, Penn., where he practiced medicine and dentistry until 1871, when he removed to Everett, Bedford Co., Penn., and practiced dentistry in connection with medicine, and in the meantime built a handsome hotel property here, which he conducted up to 1884, at which time he sold his property and returned to Dry Run, where he has since resided. He owns the "Centennial" (now the "La Piere Hotel"), which he has remodeled and put in excellent order, and has the best of accommodations both for man and beast. His wife, Louisa, was born in August, 1831, in Juniata County, a daughter of John H. and Jane S. (Logan) Burdge, both born in Lost Creek Valley, Mifflin County. Mr. Burdge was a son of Samuel Burdge, of Scotch descent. Mrs. Jane S. (Logan) Burdge was a daughter of Henry Logan, a Revolutionary soldier. (John H., his son, served in the war of 1812.) Mrs. Stewart had three brothers: Henry L., Reuben and Moses. Henry L. served in the Mexican war, and he and Moses were in the civil war, both dying in the service. Dr. Stewart and wife have three sons: Alfred,

Homer and Ward, and one daughter, Maude. Mrs. Stewart has earned a wide reputation among the traveling public, and the "La Piere Hotel" is widely known, the cheering variety of the table and the studious attention given to the guests having merited the enviable reputation which the house sustains.

JOHN STEWART, farmer, P. O. Amberson's Valley, was born September 14, 1846, on the old homestead, which he now owns. His father, Davis Stewart, was born February 28, 1802, a son of George Stewart, who was a son of John Stewart, the latter living to the age of one hundred and four years. Subject's mother's maiden name was Juliana Fagan. She was born July 18, 1812, a daughter of James Fagan. Davis Stewart settled on this place in April, 1841; to him and wife were born the following named children: Maria E., Margaret, Simon, David, Henrietta, John, Jacob and Rebecca. Maria E. is the wife of George Mower (they reside near Chambersburg, this county); Margaret is the wife of James B. Culbertson; David served in the civil war, and is now a resident of Saline County, Neb.; Simon also served in the civil war; Henrietta is the wife of John Felmlee, of Juniata County, Penn., and Rebecca is the wife of John R. Weist, in Junction City, Kan. Davis Stewart died May 10, 1871; his widow November 1, 1884. After the father's death John and Jacob purchased the farm, and conducted it together until 1878, when John bought Jacob's interest, and has since conducted it alone. March 6, 1873, he married Mary E. Shearer, who was born in this township February 15, 1853, a daughter of Jonah E. and Elizabeth (Van Seyoc) Shearer. Mrs. Stewart died March 31, 1879, leaving two children: David A., who was born May 1, 1874, and Carrie A., who died in April, 1883, aged about five years. Mr. Stewart owns 250 acres of land. In politics he is a Republican.

GEORGE M. TAYLOR, farmer, P. O. Dry Run, was born May 16, 1811, at Sulphur Springs, in Amberson's Valley. His father, Casper Taylor, was born in Chester County, near Philadelphia, in 1774, a son of John Taylor, a native of Germany, who removed to Path Valley about 1786, and remained here about two years, then located in Amberson's Valley, where he remained until his death; he died in 1831, at the age of eighty-six years. To him were born Casper, Robert, John, David, Peggy, Polly, Hannah, Nancy and Pelsey, all of whom located in Franklin County except David, who removed to Baltimore. Casper married Isabella Matthews, a daughter of George Matthews, and had a family of four sons and two daughters, viz.: John, George M., Isabella, Nancy, Jackson and William. John resides near Springfield, Ohio; William removed there and died in January, 1886; Isabella resides in Perry County, the widow of Elias Gruber; Nancy resides in Kansas, the widow of Samuel Shearer; Jackson died at Ft. Littleton, in 1884. George M. was reared on the farm and at the age of eighteen learned the manufacture of woolen goods; afterward followed this some years as a journeyman, and in 1852 returned to Amberson's Valley and bought the factory at that place, then owned by John Cramer. This he carried on for thirty-two years; then, in 1883, he removed to Path Valley, and located on a part of the old Hammond property. He was married February 24, 1841, to Martha Hammond, who was born January 19, 1819, second daughter of Lawrence Hammond. Mr. Taylor has seven children living, viz.: Franklin, Martin, Mary B., Margaret A., Emeline, Hannah and Ida. Samuel died of pneumonia, March 20, 1882, aged twenty-three years; Franklin farms at home; Martin resides in Shippensburg, Penn., a teacher of the grammar school; Mary is the wife of Noah Laughlin, and resides near Newbury; Emeline resides near Newbury, the wife of David Nus-

baum; Hannah is the wife of George Rine, residing near Dry Run; Ida is the wife of Wilbur Skinner, residing north of Dry Run. Mr. Taylor has always been a Republican in sentiment; is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Two of his sons, Franklin and Martin, served in the civil war. Franklin was in the Thirteenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and, spent eighteen months in Libby Prison; Martin returned with the loss of a hand.

JOHN HARRISON WITHEROW, merchant, Spring Run, was born in Fannettsburg, this county, July 31, 1836, the eldest son of Hon. John Witherow, a well known resident of the county, who was born July 13, 1794, in Fannettsburg, a son of John Witherow, of Scotch descent, whose wife was a Kilgore. To them were born eight children, seven of whom—John, David, James, Joseph, Keziah, Jane, Hannah—lived to rear families. David settled near Carrick Furnace, and finally removed to Illinois; Joseph went to California; Jane married William Dunkle; Hannah married Jacob Wilhelm, of Metal. John Witherow was reared in Fannettsburg, following the trade of carpenter, and served as justice of the peace for twenty-five years; served in the war of 1812-14, and in the civil war held a commission in the home guard. He was first appointed justice of the peace by the governor, afterward was elected by the people. In the militia he held commissions from lieutenant to lieutenant-colonel. He was a ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church, and in politics an old line Whig, but never a member of the Know-nothing party. He was a member of the Legislature in 1857. He died in Fannettsburg, May 18, 1864, highly esteemed in the community in which he lived. His wife, Susan Types, born October 7, 1803, in Path Valley, died October 14, 1846. They had six daughters and two sons, but four now living: John Harrison, Eliza A., Mary J. and Isabella. Our subject lived in Fannettsburg until the war of the Rebellion, and learned the trade of his father. He held a commission in the "Washington Blues" as lieutenant, with which organization he was connected nine years. In February, 1862, he enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Seventh Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served until his discharge, on account of disability, in the spring of 1863. He returned to his home in Fannettsburg, and afterward went to Chambersburg, where he clerked in the "Franklin Hotel" for two years. In December, 1865, he came to Spring Run and engaged in the mercantile business, which he has since continued. He married in June, 1859, Mary E. Barclay, who was born in Fannettsburg, this county, daughter of William and Mary (McDonnel) Barclay. Mr. and Mrs. Witherow have one child, John C., and an adopted child, Florence S. Mr. Witherow served as sergeant-at-arms in the House of Representatives from 1879 to 1883. He is a member of the Spring Run Presbyterian Church and of the I. O. O. F., No 811. In politics he is a Republican.

DANIEL WOLFF, merchant, Spring Run, was born January 22, 1846, in Amberson's Valley. His father, David Wolff, also a native of the same place, was born September 10, 1821, a son of David Wolff, a native of Pennsylvania, who located in Amberson's Valley about 1800, and who married Martha Kirkpatrick, who was born February 13, 1781. David Wolff (our subject's grandfather), died January 14, 1866, his wife in August, 1853. David Wolff, our subject's father, married Elizabeth Reed, who was born in this county, a daughter of David Reed. This David Wolff was a farmer all his life and died in 1846; his widow in 1859. Their children, three in number, are all residents of this county: Martha is the wife of Noah Brinley, of Spring Run; George resided near Strasburg, and Daniel, our subject, was reared on the farm, and on arriving at manhood left home and followed farming until 1881, when he came to Spring Run, where he still remains, engaged in merchandising. He

served as postmaster two years prior to the present administration, and still holds the office. September 28, 1868, he married Susan A. Shearer, a native of this township, and a daughter of William Shearer. They have seven children: William E., Elizabeth H., John S., Mary E., Edith M., Daniel O. and Bruce M. In politics Mr. Wolff is a Democrat, and in religion a Presbyterian.

JOHN WOLFF, farmer, P. O. Dry Run, was born in Path Valley, this county, July 26, 1832, eldest son of his parents. His father, Daniel, a son of David Wolff, was also born in the Valley, and married Barbara Keasey, a daughter of John Keasey, whose wife was a Hammond. Daniel Wolff died in 1844; his widow is now in her eightieth year. To them were born two children: John and David; the latter was drafted and assigned to the One Hundred and Forty-ninth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was killed at Sailor's Creek, Appomattox. John also took active part in the civil war, and went out in the Two Hundred and First Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry in 1864, serving until the close of the war. When John was but twelve years old his father died, and he was thrown upon his own resources. At the age of eighteen he began teaching, and for twenty years taught school at the Center Valley Schoolhouse, in Metal Township. December 24, 1855, he married Margaret Ann, daughter of James McCurdy, and they have five children: Laura E.; Nettie B., wife of William Alexander; John M., Oliver B. and James A. Since 1876 Mr. Wolff has been engaged in farming. He has been identified with the Presbyterian Church since 1855, and is an elder in the same. In politics he is a Prohibitionist.

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## GREENE TOWNSHIP.

MARSHALL EDMONDSON BATTIN, farmer, P. O. Scotland, was born in Chester County, Penn., March 10, 1836. The family is of Scotch and English extraction. His parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents were of the Quaker faith. The great-grandparents were among the earliest settlers of Chester County, Penn., having taken up large tracts of land on Brandywine Creek in East Brandywine Township—where many of the descendants still live, and are among the most enterprising and intelligent citizens of the county. His great-grandmother, Edmondson Taylor, was a Quaker preacher of the orthodox faith until about 1825, when, Elias Hicks having caused a division in the Quaker ranks, many of them adopted his tenets. They are called Hicksite Friends. His great-grandmother, Edmondson Taylor, was an aunt of the author and poet, the late Bayard Taylor, who died very suddenly in Berlin, Germany, while serving as United States Consul to that country. In 1858 M. E. Battin commenced a course of study at Pleasant Hill Academy, in Hanover, Penn., remaining there till the spring of 1860, when he entered the freshman class at Selin's Grove Institute, Penn. In 1862 he, with his whole class, responded to Gov. Curtin's call for ninety days' men to protect the State from the approach of the Southern Army. In September, 1862, he entered the sophomore class, and in the spring of 1863 he, with nearly his whole class, enlisted in the United States volunteer service, having gone into an independent regiment of cavalry called the Wissahickon Cavalry and connected with the Twentieth Pennsylvania Cavalry. They did effective service at Gettysburg and in Virginia. The

regiment being disbanded in the fall of 1863, he again resumed studies in his class, but on February 12, 1864, he again, with one of his class, re-entered the volunteer service by enlisting in the Third Pennsylvania Artillery, Company G, One Hundred and Fifty-second Regiment, and were sent to Fortress Monroe. From there the same spring to active engagement in front of Petersburg, Va., where he remained till Lee's surrender to Gen. Grant, and then the regiment took charge of the pontoon bridges crossing the James River at Richmond, Va., where he was severely injured in the back, from which he never entirely recovered. The war having closed, Mr. Battin was transferred to Patterson Park Hospital, where he remained two months, and from which he was discharged. He came to Franklin County, Penn., and here has since remained. He married Susie, daughter of Jacob Garver, a prominent citizen of Greene Township. They have four children, viz.: Mary G., Chas. Edmondson, E. Katie and Luther G. Mr. and Mrs. Battin are members of the Lutheran Church, in which he is a deacon; politically, he is a Republican.

ABRAHAM G. BECK, farmer, P. O. Green Village, was born February 3, 1834, in Lancaster County, Penn. His grandfather, David Beck, came from Germany and settled in Lancaster County, where he farmed, and reared several children, and there died. Of his children, David, Jr., was born in that county, and there died in 1877, aged nearly ninety-four years. He was a prosperous farmer; he married there Mary Groff, who died in 1878, aged eighty-six years; they bought the property on which they died, and where they resided all their lives and reared their children, whose names are Martin, David, Abraham G., Mrs. Maria Bowman, Mrs. Catherine Slone and Mrs. Sophia Griner of Indiana. Abraham G. was educated in his native county, where he farmed and followed milling one year. He then moved to Ashland County, Ohio, where he was a miller one year; then went to Plymouth, Marshall Co., Ind., and followed the same business; then returned to Lancaster County and was similarly engaged three years. He then came to Franklin County, and for fourteen years engaged at milling for Daniel Lehman, in Greene Township; later he bought a farm near Greenvillage of about thirty-two acres from Joseph Cluckson, where he now resides. He married, October 19, 1869, Miss Adelina Stahley, by whom he has two children: Mary S. and Abraham S. Mr. and Mrs. Beck are members of the Lutheran Church of Greenvillage. He has been school director. Politically he is identified with the Republican party.

REV. JAMES M. BISHOP, P. O. Chambersburg, was born August 9, 1821, in Littlestown, Penn., on the old family homestead. The Bishops originally came from Germany, where some members of the family still reside. Some went to France, where they were called "Le Veque," which means the bishop; later they went to England, where the name was Anglicized and called "Levick." Others of the family came from Germany to America and settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where they engaged in agriculture and became representative members of the community. They were members of the Lutheran Church. One of these, Philip Bishop, was born in Lancaster County, Penn., and later moved to Woodsboro, Md., where he farmed. He then returned to Pennsylvania and settled in Littlestown, where he became a leading citizen. He was the first member of the United Brethren, and built the first church of that denomination in Adams County, and the second church outside the city of Baltimore. He erected the church with his own funds, and was an official member and pillar all his life. In political matters he was identified with the old Jeffersonian Democrats, and filled many township offices. His first wife was Barbara Eby, who died the mother of ten



children—four sons and six daughters, viz.: Barbara, wife of Rev. George A. Geeting; Mrs. Magdalene Brubaker; Mrs. Susan Crouse; Mrs. Elizabeth Gitt, of Hanover; Mrs. Anna Heim; Mary A., who died unmarried; Philip, Christian, Jacob and John. Philip married for his second wife Mary Senseny, and died at the age of seventy-seven years. Of his sons, Philip lived on the home farm, where he died aged seventy-four years, six months and nineteen days; he married Catherine, a daughter of Jacob Senseny; she died at the age of forty-six years and six months, the mother of ten children, nine of whom reached maturity, viz.: Levi, Simon S., Barbara A., James M., J. Philip, Lucinda, Mary C., Sophia and Levina C. Philip Bishop was a member of the United Brethren Church, of which his two sons, James M. and J. Philip, became ministers. The former, at the age of twenty-three, in 1844 entered the ministry and traveled for thirty years, and for nine years has been an elder traveling through the Cumberland Valley. He was married in this township, November 26, 1846, to Miss Eliza, daughter of Peter and Catherina (Grove) Over. She was born December 18, 1824, on the farm where our subject now resides. To her and her husband six children have been born, viz.: Mrs. Emma C. Plough, Mrs. Mary V. Bolinger, Alvin O., Mrs. Edith M. Smiley, Mrs. Laura E. Oylor (who died September 21, 1884, aged twenty-three years), and Alcesta B. Bishop. Politically Mr. Bishop is identified with the American and Prohibition parties. The antecedents of Mr. Bishop were all earnest and enthusiastic workers in the service of the church. Mr. Bishop received his early education in Littlestown Academy, and at an early age embraced religion. In early life he was engaged in merchandising, and while so employed would occasionally exhort and preach, until ex-Bishop Russel prevailed upon him to enter the work more fully. In 1845 he was sent by the annual conference to Perry County as a missionary, and succeeded so well that the next conference recognized his charge as a circuit. In 1846 he was transferred to the Chambersburg Circuit, and for the next two years labored in the district, in which he is now so well known and loved. Each year 100 persons were converted and many received into the fellowship of the church. In 1847 he was assigned, in addition to the Chambersburg Circuit, to the Rocky Spring charge. At that time he interested himself to procure money for missionary purposes, and adopted a novel plan. He took a pig, called "the missionary pig," and persuaded others to do likewise, and in the fall of the year the pigs were sold, and the money, \$30, sent to the board. His plan was followed by many other ministers. For a short period Mr. Bishop devoted his time to his farms, and was then stationed two years in the Greencastle Circuit. At the following conference he was elected presiding elder and placed in the Chambersburg District, which included the charges in Franklin and Fulton Counties and the southwestern part of Cumberland County. To this position he was re-elected for three years, and then traveled the Orrstown and Rocky Spring charges. Afterward he was again elected presiding elder and served five years, traveling the Greencastle and Mowersville work and the Shippensburg station. In 1877 Rev. Mr. Bishop served a new congregation in Chambersburg four years with good results. He has always been held in high esteem by his church; twice he represented the annual conference in the general conference: once in Lebanon in 1869, and again in Dayton, Ohio, in 1873. In 1854 he was elected treasurer of the Branch Home, Frontier and Foreign Mission Society in this district. By thrift and foresight he has managed to accumulate property making him independent of a fixed salary. He now leads a quiet life at Pleasant Retreat parsonage, and occasionally conducts services at the quarterly meetings and preaches for some of his brother ministers. His popularity is attested by the large audiences which attend on these occasions.

SAMUEL BIXLER, retired farmer, P. O. Scotland, was born April 23, 1828, in Carroll County, Md., on the old homestead of the Bixler family. His great-great-grandfather, John Bixler, came from Switzerland during the religious persecution in 1680, and settled in Lancaster County (now York), Penn. He settled on the Codorus Creek, near York County; was a farmer and miller, and reared several children. He was a member of the Mennonite faith. His son Jacob, also a farmer and miller, lived a short time in Baltimore, Md.; then settled in the Bachman Valley, that State, where he died. He was twice married. His first wife, *nee* Miss Bear, bore him two children. His second, Elizabeth Rickman, bore him eight, and of these, Jacob, the grandfather of our subject, married Barbara Grable. He was a farmer, a member of the German Reformed Church, and died aged seventy-two, the father of eight children. Of these, Jacob, the father of our subject, was a farmer, and in the spring of 1830, moved to Cumberland County, Penn., where he remained seven years, and then returned to Maryland, and after two years came to Southampton Township, this county, where he farmed. He then came to Greene Township and carried on agriculture until 1851; in 1863 went to Fayetteville, where he died January 1, 1879, aged seventy-four years. He married Nancy, a daughter of Abraham Kurtz. She is yet living, aged eighty years, the mother of four children: Samuel, Mary A., Dr. Jacob R. of Carlisle, and Caroline E. Samuel married Barbara, daughter of John Sleichter. The Sleichters and Kurtzes are old families of Swiss descent. Mrs. Barbara Bixler died at the age of fifty-eight years, the mother of five children: Hiram, Emma R., Samuel, William O. and Mary C. Mr. Bixler's second wife, *nee* Rebecca Sleichter, is half sister of his first. Mr. and Mrs. Bixler are members of the United Brethren Church. He was formerly a farmer, then a merchant in Scotland for seven years, then followed agriculture until 1884, when he retired. Politically he is a Democrat, and has filled some of the township offices, among them that of assessor.

THADDEUS BOGGS (deceased) was born June 22, 1822, in Fayetteville, Penn., where he died April 26, 1861; a son of Joseph Boggs, also a native of this county, who lived near Strasburg. Thaddeus was married January 9, 1851, to Miss Hannah M., daughter of William Mentzer, an old settler near Fayetteville. William Mentzer married Mary McFern, who was born near Funkstown, this county, a daughter of Henry McFern, a native of Ireland, of Scotch descent. His wife, *nee* Susan Knepper, was of German descent. William Mentzer was the father of eight children: George, Henry, Benjamin, William, Joseph, John, Abel and Hannah M. The last named is the widow of Thaddeus Boggs and the mother of five children: William Hammett, who was born February 11, 1855, is the only one now living; Mary V., who married A. B. Shively, died near Erie, Penn., December 11, 1875; Emma M. died December 18, 1868, aged fifteen years and nine months; Franklin T. died February 28, 1868, at the age of eight years, eleven months and seventeen days; Tудie Boggs died October 3, 1878, aged eighteen years, eleven months and twenty-four days. Our subject's grandfather, William Boggs, a hatter by trade, came from Berks County, and settled in Strasburg, this county, where he died at the age of eighty-eight years. His son Joseph, also a hatter, was born in Strasburg, this county, in 1800, and died in 1866, in Fayetteville, where he had followed his trade, and was postmaster at the time of his death. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church. Thaddeus Boggs was educated in this county, and entered upon his business career as a clerk for J. B. Cook in Fayetteville. He afterward became a clerk for the Hon. Thaddeus Stevens of the Caledonia Iron Works. He then formed a partnership with H. McKnight, bought out the

general store of Ross Homer, and they did business together for several years after which Mr. Boggs continued the business until the time of his death. He was a member of the A. F. & A. M., Chambersburg. Politically he was a warm supporter of the Republican party.

GEORGE BOLLINGER, farmer, P. O. Green Village, was born November 20, 1852, on the old Bollinger homestead in Greene Township, to which his father, Joseph, had come about the year 1846. His grandfather, Jacob Bollinger, emigrated from Germany and settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where he followed farming. He was the father of three children: Benjamin, Mrs. Catherine Grube and Joseph. Joseph was born in 1807, and is yet living, an active, wide-awake man. After coming to Greene Township, this county, he bought 220 acres, to which he afterward added, and which is now divided among his children. He is no politician but is identified with the Republican party. He married, in Lancaster County, Lydia, daughter of Jacob Johns. She died March 6, 1883, aged seventy years, the mother of six children, who reached maturity: Israel J., Mary A. (widow of D. W. Thrush, a member of the bench and bar of Carlisle and formerly president of a college in the West), Urias, Jacob, Benjamin and George. The last named (our subject) was educated principally in his native county. In early life he farmed, and taught school in the winter five years in his neighborhood. September 5, 1876, he married Miss Mary V., daughter of Rev. J. M. Bishop. She is the mother of two children: Edith A. and Mabel. Mr. and Mrs. Bollinger are members of the United Brethren denomination, of which he is circuit steward. He is school director of his township, and politically is identified with the Republican party. He owns 114 acres, a part of the old homestead, on which he now resides.

JEREMIAH BRAKE, farmer, P. O. Green Village, was born April 15, 1834, in Letterkenny Township, this county. His great-grandfather came from Germany and settled in Lancaster County, where he farmed and died, and where his son, Christian Brake, was born. Christian married Molly Roller, in Frederick County, Va. They settled in Letterkenny Township, this county, over one hundred years ago, and were among the pioneers of this county; they reared a large family and died here at a good old age. Their son, John, who was a successful farmer, was born here July 2, 1795, and died May 7, 1858. He married Catherine Sleighter, who died October 1, 1857, aged sixty-four years. She was the mother of six children who arrived at maturity: Jeremiah, Solomon, John, Magdalena, Jacob (deceased at the age of nineteen years) and Catherina (deceased at the age of fifty-seven years). Of these our subject was educated in Letterkenny Township, where he farmed with his brothers; finally the property was divided and our subject came to Greenvillage, where he now resides. He has a farm of 150 acres near the village. March 4, 1883, he married Miss Amanda E., daughter of Jacob and Charlotte Keefer. Mr. and Mrs. Brake have two children: Carrie and Jacob Howard. Mr. Brake is identified with the Democratic party, as was also his father, though the old pioneer, Christian Brake, was a Whig.

JACOB BRECHBILL, farmer, P. O. Green Village, was born February 12, 1838, in Letterkenny Township, this county; a son of Christian Brechbill, who was born in Morrison's Cove, Bedford Co., Penn., and when a young man moved to Franklin County; he married, in Letterkenny Township, Elizabeth, daughter of Abraham Crider, and who died in Kansas (where she was living with her daughter, Mrs. Anna Stoner) aged over seventy-nine years, and was buried in Letterkenny Township. Christian Brechbill was much respected by the people, and acted as administrator many times. (For further history see the sketch of

Christian Brechbill.) Our subject was educated in his native township, and at the age of twenty-two married Miss Eliza, daughter of Samuel Wingert. She died in 1879, aged thirty-seven years, the mother of four children, three now living: Annie M., Lizzie and Lydia; David is deceased. He next married Miss Barbara J., daughter of Henry Hoover, and to them have been born three children, one now living—Jerome; Harry H. and Eber H. are deceased. Mr. Brechbill came to Greene Township in 1865, and has a farm of 111 acres. He is a member of the River Brethren denomination; politically he is a Republican.

CHRISTIAN BRECHBILL, farmer, P. O. Green Village, was born October 12, 1842, in Letterkenny Township, this county. His father, Christian Brechbill, was born in Morrison's Cove, Bedford Co., Penn., and came to Letterkenny Township before his marriage. He was a weaver and blacksmith in Morrison's Cove; he married Elizabeth, daughter of Abraham Crider. She died in Kansas in the winter of 1885, aged seventy-nine years, five months and twenty-four days. Five of their children are now living: Abraham, Anna, Jacob, Susannah and Christian. The father died in Letterkenny Township, aged about seventy-five years. He was a prosperous farmer and owned several farms at one time. He was a deacon in the River Brethren Church for many years and well known and respected all over the county. Christian, the subject of this sketch, was educated in his native township, and there married Barbara Wingert, who died there. She was the mother of Abraham Brechbill of Greenvillage. Mr. Brechbill married for his second wife, Susannah, daughter of Abraham Brechbill of Hamilton Township, this county. The following are the children born to this union who are now living: Emma, David, Harvey and Mary E. Mr. and Mrs. Brechbill are prominent members of the River Brethren Church. He lives on his farm of ninety-five acres adjoining Greenvillage, and to which he came about two years ago. Politically he is a Republican.

J. H. BRECKENRIDGE, farmer, P. O. Fayetteville, was born August 21, 1848, in this county. The Breckenridge family is well known in the history of the United States, and the Franklin County (Penn.) branch of it springs from the same stock as Vice-President Breckenridge of Fayette County, Ky. Samuel Breckenridge, father of our subject, was a fuller by trade, in Southampton Township, this county, and kept a hotel on the pike. He then removed to the vicinity of Fayetteville, in Greene Township, where he bought 100 acres of land. He was a successful farmer, and added to his land until he had 150 acres, which is still owned by his heirs. He was twice married: his first wife, Catharine, was a daughter of Capt. Redett, and died here. His second wife was Mary Ann, daughter of Jacob and Anna (Sweigert) Hull, of Carroll County, Md., and is still living. Samuel Breckenridge died June 11, 1870, aged sixty-one years; he was born in September, 1809. He and his wife were the parents of four children now living: Emma V., wife of Dr. J. R. Bixler of Carlisle, Penn.; William H., James Hull and Ida A., wife of David L. Renfrew. James Hull Breckenridge is married to Miss Martha A. L., daughter of Walter B. Crawford. The Breckenridge family are all members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and politically are identified with the Democratic party.

GEORGE W. BRINDLE, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born May 4, 1830, on the old Brindle homestead, in Greene Township. His ancestors came in a very early day to Pennsylvania from Germany. The great-grandfather returned to his native country on a visit, and on the voyage back to America was lost. The grandfather lived in Southampton Township, where

he farmed and reared a family. Of his children, George, the father of our subject, was born and reared in this county, and came to Greene Township when a young man, where he married Miss Elizabeth Minnick. She died in 1873, aged eighty-four years; he died in 1856 at the age of seventy-six. He owned the farm of 166 acres, now the property of George W. Our subject was reared in this county and married Elizabeth, daughter of George Keller, a pioneer at Grindstone Hill, this county. They are the parents of the following children: Mary C., George R., Ida M., S. Elmer, Harry E. and Bessie G. Mr. and Mrs. Brindle are active members of the Lutheran Church, of which he is an elder. He is a Democrat; served as school director for six years. He was elected to the office of director of the poor of Franklin County, although it is a Republican County, which speaks volumes for the standing of Mr. Brindle, who was elected in 1882, and served three years.

ISAAC BURKHOLDER, farmer, P. O. Fayetteville, was born in 1831, in Cumberland County, Penn. His ancestors came from Germany and settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where they farmed. Joseph was born in Lancaster County, and moved to Cumberland County, where he died a prosperous farmer at the age of forty-eight years. He married Mary Whisler, who died at the age of forty-one years. They had seven children who reached maturity, viz.: Joseph, Elizabeth, Isaac, Abraham, Mary, Anna and Leah. Of these, Isaac was educated in his native county, and there farmed until he came to Franklin County when he was twenty years old. He worked on the farm, and at the age of twenty-five was married to Miss Lydia, a daughter of Jacob and Mary (Diller) Weaver. Mr. and Mrs. Burkholder have five children now living: Mary, Lydia A., Sarah, Rebecca and Louise. Mary is the wife of John Frey, of Chambersburg. The parents are both active members of the Mennonite Church. Politically Mr. Burkholder is a Republican. He owns 135 acres of land, formerly the "Gen. Reay farm."

SAMUEL R. BURNS, retired farmer, was born April 4, 1816, on the banks of Antietam Creek, Franklin County, Penn. His great-grandfather, Archibald Burns, emigrated from Scotland to America in 1751 and settled near Millers-town, Adams Co., Penn., on the farm his wife had received as a gift from her brother, Rev. John Cuthbertson, Covenanter minister, who accompanied them to America, and settled in Lancaster County, Penn. Archibald died leaving his sons, John and James, still lads, to the care of their widowed mother. Mrs. Burns remarried, her second husband being Francis Meredith, Esq. James settled in the wilds of Ohio. John wedded a daughter of Jeremy Morrow, of Carroll's tract, Adams County, and settled on the banks of Antietam Creek, Franklin County, in 1773; on the property still owned in the family. He established himself mainly in the business of manufacturing sickles, erecting a shop and mill for the purpose. Here he and his wife, Sarah, reared their seven sons and four daughters, and here both died and were buried, in what was then known as the Covenanter graveyard, two miles down the Antietam from their home. In 1776 John Burns was summoned to be a soldier in the Revolutionary war. About the close of the war he was appointed a magistrate, and continued to hold his office until his death in 1809. The children all survived their parents except the eldest. The latest living of the sons was James, whose death occurred in 1875. He was captain of a volunteer company in the war of 1812, and at the close of the war received the title of general in honor of his services. The eldest son, Jeremy, became an occupant of the paternal homestead and followed the trade of sickle-smith, which he learned from James Thomson, son of Alex. Thomson, in honor of whom Scotland, Franklin County, is named. Jeremy Burns and Sarah, daughter of

John Renfrew, Sr., and granddaughter of Saml. Rea, were married in 1811, and their children were twelve in number. The following named survive their parents: Nancy, John F., Samuel R., Esther E., Jeremiah M., Sarah, James C. and Hannah J. Their father died in 1847, their mother in 1855. Samuel R., our subject, followed farming on the homestead until two years after his father's death, when he moved to Guilford Township, this county, on a farm near Fayetteville, where he distinguished himself as a successful farmer until the fall of 1869, when he came to Scotland, and since then has been engaged a greater part of his time in settling estates. He was married in 1844 to Margaret Ann Renfrew, daughter of John Renfrew. Mrs. Burns died in July, 1865, the mother of six children, three sons and three daughters. Three died previous to their mother, and the three surviving are Jeremiah M., Sallie E. and M. Annie. Mr. Burns was an elder in the Covenanter, now Reformed Presbyterian, Church, for a number of years previous to his settlement in Scotland, and is now an elder in the United Presbyterian Church.

HENRY K. BYERS, M. D., P. O. Fayetteville, was born on the old homestead in Fayetteville, February 22, 1818. The great-grandfather (who spelled his name "Boyer") came from France and settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where some of his descendants still live. His son, John, married a Miss Raun, who lived near Shippensburg, Penn., and became the mother of the following named children: Frederick, Castle, Samuel, William, Mary and Margaret. John Boyer, when a young man, lived a short time in Cumberland County, Penn., and then bought a place three miles south of Fayetteville, where he farmed, and died the owner of two farms. In religion he was a Dunkard, in politics a Whig. His son, Castle, was born in Fayetteville, where he died in 1849, aged sixty-one years. He was a farmer and hotel-keeper on the pike. He married Mary Kuntz, a native of Fredericktown, Md. Her grandmother was a native of Macedonia, Greece. Mrs. Byers died here about 1870, aged seventy-four years. She was the mother of the following named children: Margaret, John, William, Henry K., Caroline, David, Samuel and Magdalena. Henry K., our subject, was educated in this county, read medicine under Dr. McCowan, and graduated from Washington College, Baltimore, Md., in 1846. He located at once in Fayetteville, engaged in the practice of his profession, and has since enjoyed the esteem and confidence of the community. Dr. Byers has been twice married. His first wife was Eleanor J. Thompson, who died in 1848. His present wife is Ann Jane, a daughter of John and Margaret (Black) Crawford. Politically the Doctor is a Republican, formerly a Whig.

CHARLES ALEXANDER CLARK (deceased) was born August 26, 1828, in Dauphin County, Penn., and died at his home in this township, April 16, 1886, of consumption. The Clark family is of Scotch descent, the grandfather, Walter Clark, having come to America when a young man. He settled in Dauphin County, Penn., where he owned a large tract of land. His son, William (father of Charles A.), was born in Dauphin County, farmed the old homestead, and about 1838 moved to this county; here he bought the Myers farm and resided on it until his death. The family of Walter Clark were members of the old Derry Presbyterian Church, below Hummelstown; William Clark and family were also members of the same denomination, and worshiped in Falling Spring Church, of which he was an official member. He married Anna Maloney, who died in Chambersburg, Penn., aged over seventy years. William died at the age of fifty-five; he reared a family of four children: William, Mary, Elizabeth and Charles A., all now deceased. Charles A., was reared on the farm and educated in this county; he became a successful farmer, improved his property in every way, and in 1879 built a handsome

residence. March 30, 1851, he married Miss Barbara J., daughter of Peter Besore, an old settler of Letterkenny Township, this county. Mrs. Clark was born there February 27, 1825, and still resides on the homestead; she is the mother of five children: William A., Arthur B., Laura V., Anna E. and Emma J. Clark. William A. is married to Miss Mary, daughter of George Dice, a merchant of Shippensburg. Mrs. Clark and family attend the Presbyterian Church at Chambersburg, of which she and her daughters are active members. Mr. Clark was an advocate of the principles of the Republican party, filled many township offices, and in the fall of 1883 was elected director of the poor of Franklin County. He was well known and esteemed for his many good qualities of head and heart, and in his death the community lost a valued member, one who could be trusted and respected for his own intrinsic worth.

A. H. COOK, lumber merchant, P. O. Fayetteville, was born July 4, 1822, in Guilford Township, this county. His forefathers were Germans, and settled in Pennsylvania. The grandfather, John Cook, came to this county when a young man, and married here; he was a farmer at Falling Spring, Guilford Township, and died near Fayetteville; he had a large family, of which his son Jacob was born in this county, was a member of the Reformed Church, and assisted in building the church edifice in Chambersburg. Politically he was a Democrat and filled township offices; he was a weaver in early life and operated an extensive establishment at Falling Spring for coloring and weaving. He married a Miss Hannah Hosler, and both died in New Guilford Village; their children are as follows: John, Jacob, Elizabeth, Adam H. (subject), Catharine, Peter, George, Hannah, Samuel and Margaret. Adam H. was educated in this county, and in early life took up farming and coopering, and for nearly ten years followed the latter in Guilford Township. He then farmed there, and later in Smoketown, Greene Township. In 1861 he came to where he now resides at Cold Spring, near Fayetteville, where he also has a saw-mill and a large ice dam, fed from mountain springs of cold water, which makes the best ice, for which he finds a ready market at Chambersburg; he first put up ice in 1875, and now has several ice-houses, and cuts about 1,500 tons per year. Mr. Cook married Susannah Gesselman, daughter of Joseph Gesselman, and to them have been born four children: Hiram C., Jeremiah F., who died at the age of twenty-one years; Alfred J. and Elmer E. Mr. and Mrs. Cook are active members of the United Brethren Church, of which he has been an officer and class leader. Politically he is a Democrat.

UPTON J. COOK, merchant, Fayetteville, was born June 20, 1843, at Upton, this county. His ancestors were of German extraction. His grandfather, Peter Cook, was born at Grindstone Hill, and of his children, Jacob B. was a farmer, also engaged in mercantile business in Upton, and in 1847 came to Fayetteville. Here he bought out the store of — Arnold, and continued the business for some years. In 1874 his son, Upton J., took charge and has since conducted the business. Jacob B. still owns the homestead and a warehouse; is also postmaster and keeps a general store at Altenwald. This town is located on his homestead. His son, Alfred J., farms the old place. To him and his wife, Margaret (Neal) Cook, were born the following named children: Upton J., Elmira, wife of Philip Summers; Maggie, wife of Dr. J. M. Ripple, and Alfred J. Our subject was educated in Fayetteville, in early life clerked in his father's store, and has since been engaged in mercantile business. Politically the family are Republicans. The father is a member of the Reformed Church.

WILLIAM L. CRAIG, merchant, Scotland, Penn., was born October 27,

1858, in Roxbury, Lurgan Township, this county. His grandfather, John Craig, came from Scotland, and settled in Franklin County; his old homestead is near Roxbury. He was a farmer and brewer, and also kept a team on the road between Baltimore and Pittsburgh. He was well known, very successful, and a representative man of his time. He married Nancy Charlton, who died the mother of seven children: William H., John H., James H., Mary, Nancy, Margaret and Eliza. James H. was educated here; in early life was a teacher; later a merchant, keeping a general store in Roxbury and Dry Run. He was much interested in political matters, and served as postmaster at the last mentioned place. March 21, 1850, he married Miss Catherine, daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth (Reed) Stewart, the former a son of George Stewart of Lancaster County, who was among the early settlers of the township. Mrs. Craig was born March 2, 1831, in Lurgan Township, this county, and died at the home of our subject October 30, 1884. She was the mother of five children: James S., John C., Daniel D., William L. and Harry F. Craig. James H. Craig was born in August, 1823, on the old homestead, and died in the military hospital in Tullahoma, Tenn. He enlisted in Company A, Seventy-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was one of the 500 Pennsylvania volunteers who were taken prisoners before they were armed, and afterward exchanged. He served under Gen. Grant and participated in many engagements. Our subject, William L., was a teacher in early life. In 1881 he came to Scotland and embarked in the mercantile business. He married, September 24, 1885, Miss Emma K., daughter of A. H. Etter. September 1, 1885, he was appointed postmaster at Scotland, and still holds that office. He is identified with the Democratic party and takes a lively interest in political matters. Mr. Craig has in his possession a rare and genuine Cremona (Stradivarius) violin, valued very highly by competent judges.

MILTON CRAWFORD, farmer, P. O. Fayetteville, was born September 1, 1844, on the old homestead of the Crawford family. His forefathers left Scotland and settled in the North of Ireland, where their descendants lived for many generations. The great-grandfather, Edward Crawford, immigrated to America about 1740, and took out a patent on 640 acres of land, on what was known as "Penn's Manor." This land is still in the possession of his descendants. He had three sons: Edward, who lived in Chambersburg, where he was a lawyer and banker; James and John. James moved to near Mercersburg, where he died; John married Anna Holmes, and lived on the homestead (his wife was a native of Ireland). The great-grandfather, Edward, had the following named children: Martha, John, James, Elizabeth, Ruth, Edward, Joseph and Mary. John and Edward were soldiers of the Revolution, and John was captured with 2,300 others at Fort Washington, and kept a prisoner on Long Island during the remainder of the war. The following is a copy of a letter he sent to his parents after his capture, the original of which is still in possession of the family:

NEW YORK, November 21, 1776.

*Honored Father and Mother:*

I am a prisoner here, and without clothes or hard money, only what was on me when I was taken. I left my clothes with Eddy the other side of the river; expect to get them again. I would be glad if you could send me some hard money, as no other will pass here. I have the liberty of walking the streets. You need not be uneasy about me. I am well at present, and live in hopes to see you. I am your dutiful son and humble servant,

LIEUT. JOHN CRAWFORD.

P. S.—I was taken November 16, at Fort Washington, with 2,300 more.

Edward Crawford will be remembered as the first clerk of the county of Franklin. Joseph was killed by the Indians; John and James inherited the



farms, but the latter sold his share for £300 to his brother John, and then removed to Mercersburg, Penn., where he died. John died on the farm where he was born, in 1827. He was the father of eleven children, all of whom were active and highly honored citizens of Franklin County, esteemed by all. His son Holmes was at the head of the Chambersburg Bank, and served in the war of 1812. He was at the capture of Fort McHenry, and was known as a thorough Christian gentleman. James Crawford lived and died on the homestead, his death occurring January 18, 1872, at the age of seventy-three years. His three children are yet living: John E., Frederick B. and Milton Crawford. The mother of these was Catherine, daughter of Frederick and Anna (Eby) Byers, old settlers of this county. The Byers family were of German origin. Mrs. Crawford was born October 15, 1805, in Guilford Township, and is still living on the old homestead in Guilford Township. James Crawford was a member of the Presbyterian Church; politically a Republican. Milton, our subject, was educated at Fayetteville Academy, and while a student, at the age of nineteen enlisted in February, 1864, in Company D, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry, Capt. Hullinger, and served until the close of the war. He participated in the engagements of Five Forks, Sailor's Creek and Appomattox Court House, and served on Gen. Sheridan's staff, carrying dispatches, etc.; he was honorably discharged July 17, 1865, and returned home. He then entered a business college at Pittsburgh, from which he graduated in March, 1866. October 20, 1868, he married Miss Rebecca Harmony, a daughter of John Harmony, and engaged in business two years at Reading. He then returned to the old homestead and farmed for eight years. In 1880 he came to Fayetteville, where he now resides. He owns a farm of 157 acres near the old homestead. He and wife are members of the Lutheran Church. Politically he is a Republican. He is commander of Capt. Stevens Post, No. 317, G. A. R., also is district deputy of this county of the K. of P. and M. of E. of Caledonia Lodge, K. of P.

J. M. DOUGHERTY, druggist, Fayetteville, was born in Greene Township, this county, October 1, 1859. He is a son of James Dougherty, a native of County Tyrone, Ireland, who immigrated, when eighteen years old, to America; two years later he returned to his native country, and when twenty-one again came to America; on his arrival in this country he worked in Lancaster County, Penn., and later came to Franklin County, and located in Green Village, where he was a boss miner, which business he followed all his life. Here he married Miss Susan Zeigler, a native of this county, who died in 1876, at the age of sixty-two years. She was the mother of seven children: Margaretta, Angeline, Henrietta, Susan, Joseph M., Thaddeus and William. Our subject was educated in his native county, where he studied pharmacy in a drug store in Fayetteville, of which store he has been proprietor for the last two years, keeping a general line of drugs. He married, March 4, 1881, Miss Mary E., daughter of Henry Stamey, and a native of this county, of an old pioneer family. They have two children, Milton M. and May Blanche. Politically, Mr. Dougherty is a Republican, as was also his father. He and wife are members of the Lutheran Church.

JACOB R. EBERSOLE (deceased) was born December 20, 1820, in this county, a son of Jacob Ebersole, who was born in Lancaster County, Penn., and died July 19, 1864, aged seventy-one years, nine months and seventeen days, in Greene Township, this county; he married Magdalena Root, who died March 16, 1881, aged eighty-five years, three months and six days. They came here when quite young and were the parents of eight children: Michael, Jacob R., Mrs. Elizabeth Fry, Mrs. Barbara Lehman, John, Samuel, Chris-

tian and Mrs. Magdalena Lehman. Jacob R. was educated in his native county and early in life became a farmer; he was very successful and owned over 100 acres, on which his widow resides. He married, November 1, 1849, Miss Elizabeth Frey, who was born in this county November 15, 1825, a daughter of Christian and Maria (Oberholtzer) Frey. Mr. and Mrs. Ebersole had two children: Mrs. Lydia Ann Rife and Reuben F., who now farms the homestead. Our subject removed to the farm where his widow now resides, in the spring of 1851. He was a member of the Mennonite Church, to which his widow still belongs, and was well known and respected all over the county, and esteemed for his many good qualities of head and heart.

HENRY EBERSOLE, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born September 21, 1823, on the old homestead in Greene Township, this county. His forefathers came from Germany and settled in Lancaster County, where they farmed. His father, John, was born in Lancaster County, and settled in Greene Township, this county, where he farmed; he died aged seventy-four years, at the home of Mrs. Nancy Hurst, Washington County, Md.; he married Fanny Ebersole, who also died in Maryland, aged eighty-four years. They were the parents of the following named children: Elizabeth, John (deceased), Fannie, Martha (deceased), Henry, Nancy (deceased), Susan and Abraham, all of whom reared families. Our subject was educated in his native county, where he has been a farmer all his life. He married Nancy Lehman, who died at the age of over twenty-seven years. He next married Martha, a sister of his first wife, and a daughter of Peter Lehman, of an old family. Mrs. Ebersole is yet living, the mother of six children: Leah, John, Elizabeth Samuel, Daniel and Fannie. Of these, Leah is the wife of David Martin; John married Miss Emma M. Whitmer, a daughter of Samuel and Martha (Hurst) Whitmer (they have one child, Saloma Ebersole). Mr. and Mrs. Ebersole are active members of the Mennonite Church. Politically he is a Republican. He is the owner of two farms, one of fifty acres and another of 114 acres.

SAMUEL ETTER, retired merchant, Fayetteville, was born April 18, 1825, in Southampton Township, this county. His ancestors are supposed to have been of German origin, and to have settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where the grandfather, Samuel Etter, lived. He came to Franklin County and settled in Southampton Township, where he reared a family, farmed and died. His son, John W., was an old Pitt wagoner, an occupation he followed until the advent of the railroad. He was a member of the Lutheran Church; politically, a Democrat. He married Margaret A. Howard, of Lancaster County, Penn. John Etter died on the old homestead at the age of eighty-two years. His wife died at the age of seventy-nine years. They were the parents of six children: William H., John W., Samuel, Margaret, Jacob, Josiah (now in McPherson County, Kan.). The father had two brothers: Jacob, who was a farmer, and Samuel, who was a mechanic and became a ship-builder in New York City. Samuel Etter, our subject, at the age of sixteen left home to learn the cabinet-maker's trade at Shippensburg, Penn. He located in Fayetteville in the spring of 1846, and here followed his trade until 1882. In 1865 he also engaged in mercantile business, which he followed until six years ago, conducting both businesses at the same time, but now leads a retired life in the village. Mr. Etter first married Mary Fickes, who died at the age of twenty-seven years. His second wife was Mrs. Eliza Heintzelman, *nee* Fleck, who by her former husband had two children: Hiram and Edward, the latter deceased. To Mr. Etter she bore one child, Ida Lee, the wife of John B. Crawford. Mr. Etter is a member of the Lutheran Church, as is also his daughter. Politically he is a Democrat,

**BENJAMIN FICKES**, retired farmer and mason, P. O. Fayetteville, was born November 14, 1828, in York County, Penn. His ancestors came from Germany and settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where his grandfather, John Fickes, was born. He died in Cumberland County. His son, John Fickes, Jr., was born in Cumberland County, and died in Adams County. He was a Republican. He married in Cumberland County and reared eight children—seven sons and one daughter; of these, Benjamin left home at the age of five years and lived with his cousin, William Fickes, for ten years; William was elected sheriff of Adams County. At the age of fifteen our subject went to York County, where he learned the mason's trade, serving an apprenticeship of two years, and then followed the trade. In the fall of 1850 he came to Franklin County, and spent his time between farming and working at his trade; has also dealt in horses. He is a successful business man. He married in 1855 Miss Harriet Penwell, and to them were born seven children: Anna E., Jonathan A., Ida R., Lydia E., Eliza J., Martha A. and Harriet C. Jonathan A. married Emma Heckman, a daughter of Christ Heckman, and had one child, Benjamin F. Fickes. Mr. and Mrs. Fickes are Lutherans. Politically he is a Republican. He has prospered in everything, and is now leading a retired life.

**SAMUEL FREY**, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born July 1, 1827, on the old homestead of his grandfather, John Frey. The latter came here in 1792, from Elizabethtown, Lancaster Co., Penn., where he was a blacksmith. His ancestors were Swiss. He married Miss Kindig and reared three children: Christian, Anna and Francis. Anna married Christian Ebersole, who is now dead. John Frey died in 1838, aged eighty years, and had acquired a nice property by hard work. His son Christian was born September 1, 1785, and died August 10, 1873. He married Maria Oberholtzer, who was born here January 13, 1787, and died here October 25, 1846. She was the mother of six children: John, Anna, Christian, Elizabeth, Samuel and Jacob. Samuel, our subject, was educated in the log schoolhouse, known as the Lehman Schoolhouse. He was reared on the old farm, and after marriage came to the one he now owns, and which consists of 132 acres of land. He married Miss Anna, daughter of Abraham and Esther (Nisley) Long. To them were born the following children: Mrs. Mary Weaver, Christian, Amos, Jacob, Anna and Elnora. All the Frey family, except our subject, have been members of the Mennonite Church. Politically he is a Republican.

**SAMUEL GARVER**, farmer, P. O. Scotland, was born March 18, 1821, in Washington County, Md., near the State Line. The Garver family came from Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany, the grandfather, a farmer, came from Germany and settled in Washington County, Md., near Smithsburg, and there died. He was three times married and was the father of twenty-one children. His third wife, Elizabeth Garver, was the mother of four boys and three girls. Of these, Samuel was born in Maryland and died in Greene Township, this county, at the age of seventy-one years. He bought the Thomson farm, consisting of 600 acres, and which was known as "Corker Hill," from the Bank of Chambersburg, paying \$30 an acre. After his death it was divided among his children. He was a man of good moral principles, one of the prominent men of his day, and was an official member of the Lutheran Church. He married, in Maryland, Miss Margaret, daughter of Ludwig Emrick, of German descent. She died here at the age of sixty-eight years, the mother of seven children: Sarah, Jacob, John, David, Samuel, Martin and Daniel. Of these, John and David went west; John settled in Mt. Carroll, Ill. Samuel was educated at Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg. He has all his life engaged in agricultural pursuits, and now owns 127 acres, having sold a large amount.

He was married here to Miss Sarah, daughter of David Goldsmith, member of a well known family. To Mr. and Mrs. Garver six children were born: Charles, (deceased); Theodore F., of Salina, Kan., a lawyer; Rev. Austin S., a Congregational minister, of Worcester, Mass.; Emma, wife of McLeod Thomson, of Altoona, Penn., the latter a civil engineer; Alice, wife of T. L. Bond, a lawyer of Salina, Kan.; John A., a lawyer of New York City. Mr. and Mrs. Garver are members of the Lutheran Church, of which he is an elder. He has been identified with the Whig and Republican parties, and has filled many township offices, among them those of school director and assessor.

HON. H. C. GREENEWALT, P. O. Fayetteville, was born May 25, 1830, in Quincy Township, on the old Greenewalt homestead, on which place the grandfather settled in the beginning of the present century. He is a son of David Greenewalt, and was educated at Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, and Princeton College, N. J., graduating at the latter in 1855. In early life he farmed, and also followed milling. He was elected a member of the Legislature for 1877-78, and re-elected for 1879-80. In May, 1880, he received an appointment under Samuel Butler, State treasurer, as assistant cashier in the State treasury, was reappointed in 1882, under Gen. S. M. Baily; and in 1884 was appointed cashier under William Livsey, State treasurer. He still holds the latter office. Mr. Greenewalt was married in November, 1857, to Miss Martha L., daughter of John Crawford, and to them were born the following named children: John Crawford, Harry Lee, Frank Lindsay, Nannie Crawford, Jane Renfrew and Margaret Black. Of these, John C. graduated at the Pennsylvania University, and read medicine under Dr. Sam. G. Lane, of Chambersburg, and graduated from the medical department of Pennsylvania University at Philadelphia; now located in Camden, N. J., as a medical examiner in the relief department of the Pennsylvania Railroad. Harry L. is married to Miss Laura Taylor, and is engaged in farming, and Frank L. is a medical student. Hon. Mr. Greenewalt is a member of George Washington Lodge, No. 143, A. Y. M. of Chambersburg.

CAPT. D. B. GREENEWALT, farmer, P. O. Fayetteville, was born February 11, 1834, near Mt. Hope, in Quincy Township, this county. His forefathers were German, but his grandfather, John Greenewalt, was a native of Dauphin County, Penn. He settled in York County when a young man, but finally came to Franklin County, where he settled and died in Peters Township. He was also a blacksmith, and owned a farm of 300 acres. Of his four children David, a successful farmer, died in Fayetteville (where he came in 1844), aged seventy-two years. He married Elizabeth Stall, a native of Fayetteville. She died in Guilford Township, this county, aged seventy-four years, the mother of four children: Henry C., John (who died aged twelve years), David B. and Charlotte E. (wife of H. J. Renfrew). David B., our subject, was educated in Fayetteville, and was reared on the farm, following agricultural pursuits all his life, except while engaged in the service of his country. In August, 1862, he enlisted in the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment, Company A, Capt. Doebler, for nine months. He served out his term of enlistment, and then joined Company D, Twenty-first Cavalry, as orderly sergeant. At the end of his second term of enlistment, he again enlisted February 22, 1865, and served as captain of Company K, of the Eighty-seventh Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, which company he recruited in his native county, and served in the capacity of captain until the close of the war. He participated in the engagements of Fredericksburg, Wilderness, Petersburg, Sailor's Creek and Farmville, Va. After the war he returned to agricultural pursuits, which he has since followed, his farm adjoining Fay-

etteville. Capt. Greenewalt was married March 9, 1865, to Miss Anna C., daughter of John Harmony, and four children were born to their union: Lottie M., George W. (died at the age of ten years), Milton H. and Carrie Bell. Mr. and Mrs. Greenewalt are members of the Lutheran Church. Politically he is a Republican; has served as school director nine years; was the first commander of the G. A. R. Post at this place; is a member of the K. of P., K. of R. S., and A. F. & A. M., George Washington Lodge, No. 143.

JOHN HACHELROAD, farmer, P. O. Green Village, was born Dec. 31, 1814, in Guilford Township, this county. His ancestors came from Germany and settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where they followed farming. John Hachelroad, our subject's father, was born in Lancaster County, near Middle Creek, and there married Elizabeth Etter, a daughter of Jacob Etter, an old pioneer, of German origin. He came to Guilford Township, this county, in early life, and owned two farms. He reared six children: Catherine, Mary, John, Jacob, Christian and Michael, all of whom married and reared children. The parents were members of the Lutheran Church. The grandfather of our subject died in Lancaster County in 1833, aged sixty years. John, our subject, was educated in Guilford Township, this county, where he farmed until 1846, when he moved to Greene Township, and here he bought his father's farm of 204 acres, which he has since cultivated successfully. He has greatly improved the place, on which he has erected a large house and other buildings. In the spring of 1886 he made his home in Green Village, where he still resides. In January, 1840, he married in Guilford Township Miss Jane, daughter of Michael and Jenny Bittner, natives of Southampton Township, this county. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Hachelroad are as follows: William, Mrs. Anna Alison, Michael, Christian, Mrs. Catherine Martin, Abraham, Simon, Mrs. Lydia Ashburn and Jessie. In politics Mr. Hachelroad is identified with the Republican party, and has filled the office of supervisor for many years.

E. HARTZELL, M. D., Fayetteville. The forefathers of this gentleman came from Switzerland and settled in Pennsylvania in 1732. The great-grandfather, George Hertzell (as the name was then spelled), lived and died in York County, and his son George farmed in Adams County, where he died at the age of sixty-five years. He married a Miss Brean, who died at the age of seventy-two years, the mother of the following named children: George J., John, Henry, Joseph, Samuel, Elizabeth, Mary, Susan and Hannah. Of these George J., the father of our subject, a farmer, died in Menallen Township, Adams Co., Penn., aged fifty-five years. He was a member of the Reformed Church, married to Miss Mary, daughter of Frederick Gelwix. She died at the age of sixty-three years, the mother of the following named children: Lebright E., Ezekiel, Zephania, Charles A., George, Frederick, Leah, Matilda, Anna and Rachel L. Zephania and Frederick are both physicians. Our subject was educated at Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, and at the age of twenty-one commenced the study of medicine with Dr. David Gilbert. He next went to Philadelphia, where he attended the medical college and graduated from the medical department of Pennsylvania College in 1847. The next year he located in Taneytown, and one year later moved to Fayetteville, where he has since resided, enjoying a good practice. He is a member of Franklin County Medical Society. Dr. Hartzell was married twice, first to Matilda Hewitt, who died at the age of twenty-five years, the mother of two children: Clayton C. and Levina (both deceased). His present wife is Mary A., daughter of Jacob Bixler. She is the mother of five children: Milton B., George J., Alice (deceased), Charles A. and Mary E. Dr. and Mrs. Hartzell are members of

the Reformed Church; politically he is a Republican. The Doctor's eldest son was educated at Pennsylvania College, from which he graduated; he later graduated from Jefferson Medical College, and is now a practicing physician in Philadelphia. His second son, George, is married to Bertha Etter, and is a farmer; Charles A. is a medical student.

A. W. HEINTZELMAN, farmer, P. O. Fayetteville, was born July 11, 1839, on the old family homestead, in Adams County, Penn. His great-grandfather came from Germany and settled in Northumberland County, Penn., where he farmed and died. His son removed to Adams County, where he was a prosperous farmer, but suffered losses in the Revolutionary war. He married a lady of German descent, and to them were born eleven children, of whom Daniel is yet living in Cashtown, Adams Co., Penn. Another son, John, married in this county three daughters of Martin Wingert. He farmed the old homestead in Adams County, and in 1850 came to this county, settling in Fayetteville, where he died. He was a member of the River Brethren denomination; politically an old line Whig, but later a Republican. His son, our subject, came to this county when but ten years old, was educated here and has always followed agricultural pursuits. February 5, 1863, he married Miss Sarah A., daughter of Joseph Stahl. Their children are Clara A., Mary G., Larhue, Winfield A. and Joseph. Politically he has always been a Republican; is a member of the K. of P. of which he has been past chancellor.

D. W. HESS, mechanic, of Scotland, was born January 19, 1843, in Greene Township, Franklin Co., Penn., a son of Samuel Hess, who was born in Washington Township, of which his ancestors, of German origin, were old settlers. Samuel Hess married, near Waynesboro, Susan Stover, who died in 1855, aged fifty-four years, the mother of the following children, viz.: Mary, Catherine, Susan, Elizabeth and Daniel W. After marriage he came to Greene Township, where he farmed and later worked at shoe-making. He moved to Letterkenny Township, this county, where he resided some years, and then settled in Greene Township, between Scotland and Chambersburg, where he farmed for twenty years, then moved to New Franklin, Guilford Township, same county. In 1857 he retired, and there died March 2, 1884, aged eighty years, ten months and two days. Our subject was educated in the schools of Franklin County, and early in life followed farming. He learned the carpenter's and builder's trade in 1865, and the same year located in Scotland, Greene Township, where he has since resided. December 20, 1870, he married Miss Susan A., daughter of Abraham Whitmer, whose mother's maiden name was Elizabeth Shank, and to them have been born five children: Florence M., Albert T., Arie Gertrude, Samuel Edwin and Elsie Mabel. Mr. Hess does much work for the Cumberland Valley Railroad, and employes about fifteen hands. He also has a steam planing-mill 35x45 feet, which he built in 1886. Previous to the erection of this mill he rented a building that was burned down February 22, 1886. He has always been identified with the Republican party. He and wife are members of the German Baptist Church.

ALONZO UPPERMAN HOLLAND, M. D., of Fayetteville, was born September 25, 1839, in the city of Baltimore, Md. His forefathers were Scotch, but settled in the North of Ireland, whence they emigrated to America. The great-grandfather came from Ireland and settled in Maryland, where he was a notary and scrivener, and afterward returned to Europe where he died. His son, John U. Holland, was born in Annapolis, Md., where he died when almost eighty years of age. He was a copper and tinsmith; was a popular man and had served as coroner. He took quite an interest in political

matters, being a Whig in sentiment. He married Anna M. Joins, of Scotch-Irish extraction, who died when over seventy years of age, the mother of one child—William L. Holland. The latter was born in Annapolis, then the capital of Maryland. He was by trade a shoe-maker, and later kept hotel in different places; among others at Fayetteville, whence he removed to Seven Stars, four miles west of Gettysburg, Penn., where he died in 1860, aged forty-nine years, seven months and nine days. He was a Whig in politics. He married Margaret Upperman, a daughter of John Upperman, of Lancaster City, Penn. She died in Fayetteville, aged seventy-three years, the mother of two children—William, who died at the age of fifteen years and Alonzo U. Our subject was educated at Baltimore and the Academy at Fayetteville, after which he read medicine with Dr. Barrick, of Maryland, and Dr. Senseny, of Chambersburg. He then attended lectures at the Medical College, Philadelphia, and graduated in 1870. He at once located at Fayetteville, where he has since remained and has a farm of fifty acres adjoining the town. Dr. Holland is a member of the K. of P., and has passed through all the degrees and filled all the chairs, and has three times acted as representative to the Grand Lodge. In politics he is a Democrat.

JACOB HUNSECKER, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born January 22, 1839, in this county. His father, John, was born and educated in Lancaster County, and when a young man came to Franklin County. Here he married Lydia Shirk, who died the mother of twelve children: Catherine, Abraham, Elizabeth, Jacob, Lydia, John, Solomon, Adeline, Aaron, Leah, Daniel and Mary. John Hunsecker is a member of the Mennonite Church, of which he was made a minister and is now a bishop. He is still hale and hearty, and much respected. Our subject was educated here and married Miss Catherine, daughter of Levi Hurst, of an old and respected family. They have three children: Anna, Amanda and Saloma. Mr. and Mrs. Hunsecker are members of the Mennonite Church. He has a farm of 205 acres of land in good condition and well cultivated, and is a highly successful farmer.

JOHN S. IMMEL, farmer, P. O. Green Village, was born in September, 1851, on the old homestead, where his father was also born. The Immel family is of German descent, the great-grandfather having come from Germany, and settled in Greene Township where he bought a large tract of land, on which he died, a member of the Lutheran faith. His son John was also born here, and built a part of the present house, hauling the stones with oxen; he also improved the farm and died here. He was a member of the Lutheran Church. His wife was a Miss Barnitz, a native of Maryland, who bore him fourteen children, ten of whom arrived at maturity: George, David, Leonard, John, Kate, Annie, Michael, William, Jacob and Barnett. Of these John, father of our subject, is still living. He married Anna, daughter of Jacob Stauffer, and she died October 13, 1883, aged sixty-two years, the mother of four children: John S., Mrs. Emma L. Kieffer, Anna B. and George B. Our subject was reared and educated in his native county, and from his youth has been engaged in agricultural pursuits, now farming the old homestead of 165 acres. He was married, in this county, December 25, 1884, to Miss Ida E., daughter of Cyrus T. Kieffer, of an old family, and of German descent. Mr. Immel is identified with the Republican party; his family were formerly Whigs. His father has held several township offices.

JOHN W. IMMELL, farmer, P. O. Green Village, was born in 1852 on the old homestead in Greene Township, this county. The forefathers of Mr. Immell came from Germany and settled in southern Pennsylvania, probably in Lebanon County. John Immell, the great grandfather, was born in Lebanon

County, and after his marriage came to this county where he and his wife Barbara both died at a good old age. They were members of the Lutheran Church, and had four children, John, Jacob, Michael and Elizabeth. Michael, who was a trapper in the Rocky Mountains, was killed in an engagement with hostile Indians; Elizabeth became the wife of a Mr. Foreman, a commission merchant of Baltimore; John and Jacob married two sisters, Elizabeth and Susan Barnitz, of an old and respected family of Maryland. John and Elizabeth settled on the old homestead, where he died from injuries received from the kick of a horse. He and his wife were the parents of fourteen children, of whom four—George, John, Leonard and Barnett remained on the homestead. George and Leonard died aged about seventy years; Barnett is still living at the age of seventy-six years; John was the only one who married. Jacob Immell, the grandfather of our subject, settled in Green Village, on a part of the old homestead near where his grandson, John W., still resides. Jacob took a deep interest in political matters, and died here in February, 1868, in his ninety-third year. His wife died at the age of seventy-one years; eight of their children reached maturity and two died in infancy: George W., William (father of our subject), Mrs. Elizabeth Embick, Mary A., Mrs. Caroline S., Wallace, Sarah A., Mrs. Eveline Hawk, Margaret (wife of Rev. Levi Williams of York, Penn.). Of these George W. farmed in Guilford Township, this county, on a Falling Spring, and died there in 1880, aged sixty-nine years. He married Margaret, a daughter of Philip Weaver, a farmer and miller of Scotland, and became the father of five children: George W., Jr., Mrs. Mary E. Stauffer, Anna M., Jacob M. (of Philadelphia), and Alice, who died at the age of twenty years. He was a prominent member of Chambersburg Lutheran Church, of which he was an elder. And was identified with the Republican party. William Immell, father of John W., was born in this township, and married Miss Elmina Hawk, daughter of Jonathan Hawk. She died May 23, 1852, the mother of two children: Susan M., wife of George W. James, a native of Missouri, and a physician in Ray County, that State (they have five children), and John W. William Immell died on the homestead. John W. was educated in Green Village and at the Missionary Institute in Selin's Grove, Penn. He owns the old homestead of 150 acres, where he resides. He was married, September 29, 1886, to Miss L. Alice, daughter of John W. Etter, a resident of Scotland, Penn. Mr. Immell is a member of the Lutheran Church, and politically is identified with the Republican party.

A. G. KAUFFMAN, merchant, Fayetteville, was born May 23, 1849, on the old Kauffman homestead in Guilford Township, this county, where Samuel Kauffman settled in 1845. His ancestors came from Switzerland and settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where they gained prominence and were well known. The grandfather, Christian, a farmer, settled in Franklin County. He married Nancy, daughter of Michael Groh, and they had eight children, viz.: Christian, Abraham, John, Samuel, Andrew, Henry, Jacob and Maria Frantz. Mrs. Kauffman died in 1881, aged over ninety years. Samuel Kauffman was born in this county, and was a farmer in Guilford Township, where he had 150 acres. He sold this land in 1882, and removed to Waynesboro, where he is a stockholder in the Geiser Manufacturing Company. He married Anna Byers, who bore him eight children: Samuel, William, John, Andrew G., Mrs. Margaret Yauckey, Mrs. Alice Brechbill, Anna and Emma. Andrew G., our subject, was educated in his native county, and in the Iron City College, at Pittsburgh, Penn., where he graduated in the spring of 1873. Then returned home and farmed until the fall of 1873. He then bought the general store of Jacob B. Cook, of Fayetteville, which he operated until the fall of



1875, when he sold out and moved back to the farm. In the spring of 1877 he moved to Waynesboro, where he kept books for Weaver, Bear & Co. one year. In 1878 he again moved to the farm, where he lived until 1880, when he purchased the store of Samuel Etter, of Fayetteville. He keeps a general store, and also handles the Walter A. Wood harvesting machine. Mr. Kauffman married, March 26, 1874, Miss Elizabeth C. Brown, a daughter of Jeremiah and Martha (Metz) Brown. Mr. and Mrs. Kauffman are parents of four children: Byers M., Laura B., Nora Emma and Mary Edith. Mrs. Kauffman is a member of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Kauffman is a Republican, and in the spring of 1883 was elected justice of the peace.

CHRISTIAN LANDIS, Sr., farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born January 25, 1816, in Dauphin County, Penn., and is a grandson of Henry Landis, who was of Swiss descent, and many of whose descendants live in Lancaster and other counties in Pennsylvania. John Landis, Henry's son, lived and died in Dauphin County, eleven miles below Harrisburg. He married Elizabeth, a daughter of Jacob Root, a Mennonite minister and a native of Switzerland. She died there at the age of seventy years, the mother of three sons and two daughters: John, Elizabeth, Nancy, Christian and Moses. She had been previously married to John Nisley, the father of Martin and Jacob Nisley. Christian Landis was educated in his native county, and came here when twenty-seven years old. He married in December, 1845, Susannah Lehman, who died the mother of four sons: John L., Daniel L., David D. and Christian L. Mr. Landis next married Barbara Lehman, a sister of his first wife, and a daughter of Daniel Lehman, a Mennonite preacher. Mr. Landis first bought 117 acres of land, to which he added from time to time, but which has been divided, and he now has about 230 acres. Christian L., our subject's son, was born April 29, 1859; was reared and educated here, and farms the homestead. He married November 7, 1883, Miss Anna, daughter of Jacob Martin, and they have one child, Adam Landis. In politics he is a Republican.

JOHN L. LANDIS, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born December 9, 1846, in Greene Township, this county, son of Christian Landis, a native of Dauphin County, Penn. He was educated in this county, and here married Miss Catherine Lehman, a daughter of Daniel Lehman, and to them were born the following named children: Anna, Lizzie, Amos, Daniel, Katie, Jacob, Amanda, Rhoda, Harvey and Samuel. Mr. and Mrs. Landis are members of the Mennonite Church. He owns over ninety-one acres of land in Greene Township. In politics he is a Republican.

DAVID D. LANDIS was born January 27, 1855, on the Landis homestead, where his father, Christian Landis, settled when a young man. He was educated in his native county, and has devoted himself to farming pursuits all his life. He married, November 18, 1875, Miss Martha, daughter of Abraham Lehman, and has three children: Abraham L., Rannie L. and Benjamin L. Mr. Landis is identified with the Republican party, to the principles of which he strictly adheres.

REV. SAMUEL D. LEHMAN, Chambersburg, was born March 27, 1831, on the old Lehman homestead, in Greene Township, this county, where his father, Peter, settled after his marriage, and died August 31, 1875, aged seventy-six years. Peter was born on the old homestead of his grandfather, Daniel Lehman (who came to this county about ninety years ago), and which is now the property of Christian Landis. Daniel was a son of Peter, a native of Lancaster County, near Manheim, Penn., where the great great-grandfather settled on his arrival from Switzerland. The family as far back as can be traced were members of the Mennonite Church. Daniel Lehman married

Nancy Hoover, who died at the age of eighty-seven years. She had nine children who reached maturity: Samuel, John, Daniel, Jacob, David, Nancy, Elizabeth, Barbara and Susannah. Daniel (the grandfather) died in March, 1847, aged seventy years. He was a minister for many years in his chosen church, and always had an influence for good in the community in which he lived. He was an invalid the last ten years of his life, having been injured by a horse. His son, Peter, married Susan, daughter of Jacob Detwiler. She died at the age of fifty-three years, the mother of seven children: Nancy, Martha, Samuel D., Barbara, Daniel, John and Susannah. Samuel D., our subject, was educated in the schools of his neighborhood. He married Miss Elizabeth, daughter of John Hunsecker, and they have three children: Lydia, wife of Michael Hurst (she has one son, Samuel Hurst); Peter and Elizabeth. Mr. and Mrs. Lehman are active members of the Mennonite Church. He was ordained a minister of the gospel May 31, 1885, and follows in his grand-sire's footsteps in the good work.

DANIEL D. LEHMAN (deceased) was born July 21, 1835, in Greene Township, this county, a son of Peter Lehman. He was a farmer in early life and died on the old homestead, January 22, 1883, where he was also born. He owned 113 acres of land on which his widow still resides. December 11, 1866, he married Miss Catharine Bomberger, who was born September 2, 1838, near Shippensburg, Cumberland Co., Penn., a daughter of Joseph and Sarah (Erb) Bomberger, of German descent. Mrs. Lehman bore her husband three children: Joseph E., Anna and Henry B. Daniel Lehman was identified with the Mennonite Church all his life. He did his duty everywhere and was well known and respected by all who came in contact with him.

SAMUEL LESHER, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born April 17, 1824, near the old Lesher homestead in Guilford Township, this county. His great-grandfather, Sebastian Lesher, came from Switzerland, and settled in Lancaster County, Penn. There his son, John, was born and reared a family of three boys—Joseph, John and Michael—and with them and his wife, Elizabeth (Bosler), he came to this county, and bought land near Greencastle in Antrim Township. His son, Joseph, lived there some years and then moved to Guilford Township, where his father had divided his farm between Joseph and Michael. Joseph married Fannie Lehman, who died at the Waynesboro road in 1827, aged forty-five years. She was the mother of six sons who reached maturity: John, Daniel, David, Benjamin, Joseph and Samuel. Joseph married, for his second wife, Mrs. Mary Miller, *nee* Smith, a daughter of Daniel Smith, and to them two children were born: Anna and Abraham. The latter bought the old homestead near the Taylor works and still resides there. John, the grandfather, died on the homestead about 1839, when nearly eighty years of age. He had a farm of over 260 acres and was a prosperous man. Our subject was educated in this county, and has followed farming all his life, now owning two farms, one containing eighty-six acres, and the other 103; also has a tract of twenty-five acres. He married Barbara, a daughter of Peter Lehman, and five children have been born to them: Daniel L., Samuel L., Elizabeth L., Peter L. and Mary L. Mr. and Mrs. Lesher are active members of the Mennonite Church; politically he is a Republican.

JOHN L. LESHER, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born October 17, 1841, on the Lesher homestead, in Greene Township, this county. About six generations ago his forefathers came to America from Switzerland, and settled in Lancaster County, Penn. In 1804 the great-grandfather, John Lesher, came to this county, where he farmed and died. His son Joseph was born in Lancaster County and came to Franklin about 1804, before his marriage, and died

here at the age of sixty-three years. His wife was Fannie Lehman, daughter of Daniel Lehman (her grandfather came from Switzerland in 1728), they had six children: John, Benjamin, Daniel, Joseph, Samuel and David, all of whom reared families, except the last, who was accidentally killed by falling from a barn. Joseph Lesher married for his second wife, Mrs. Mary Miller, who was the mother of two children: Abraham and Anna. Joseph as well as his ancestors was a member of the old Mennonite Church. Of his children, Benjamin, a minister of the church, resides one mile from Williamson, Franklin County; another son, John L., was born in Antrim Township, and farmed there; later he moved to Greene Township, where he died aged sixty-three years. His wife was Catherine, daughter of John Lehman; she died at the age of sixty-nine years, the mother of two children: John L. (our subject), and Mrs. Catherine Parret. John L. was educated in the schools of his native county; in early life he farmed, and about 1876 commenced milling, which he still follows, operating the Red Bridge mill. He married, February 11, 1883, Miss Anna F. Peckman, of St. Thomas Township, this county. Mr. Lesher has a farm of 142 acres, which is supposed to be the oldest in the county, having been bought by his grandfather from one Ferguson, a Scotch-Irishman, and to which the subject's father came in 1836. Mr. Lesher is a Republican.

JACOB LIGHTFOOT, retired, Fayetteville, was born April 23, 1812, in Franklin Township, Adams Co., Penn., where he lived until he was twelve years old. He then came with his father, William Lightfoot, a blacksmith, to Greene Township. The latter was born in York, but died near Mercersburg, this county, aged seventy-two years; he was a son of Daniel Lightfoot, a native of Germany. William Lightfoot married Esther Smith, who died in Greenwood, this county, aged fifty-two years, the mother of the following named children: Solomon, William, Ruth, Jacob, Sarah, Rachel, Levi, Catherine and Margaret. Our subject, who was educated in this county, was a shoemaker for twelve years; followed blacksmithing for forty years, and also farmed, but is now living a retired life. He married Elizabeth Peters, who died April 8, 1886, aged sixty-nine years and nine months, the mother of four children: S. Jane, who died at the age of nineteen; William; Rosannah, wife of Jeremiah Harmon, and Elizabeth, wife of J. Brown. Mr. Lightfoot has been an active member of the Church of God for forty years, and has been an elder for many years. Politically he is a Democrat.

DANIEL G. LOWRY, merchant, Fayetteville, was born September 15, 1853, on the old Lowry homestead, in Quincy Township, this county. His paternal grandfather immigrated from England, and settled first in York or Lancaster County; afterward he came to Franklin County, where he was a prosperous man and well known; he died at the age of seventy years. He married Miss Hullinger, who bore him the following named children: George, Curtis, John, Jacob, Mrs. Wikert, Mrs. Lowers, Mrs. Dull, Mrs. Wingert, Mrs. Keller and Mrs. Knepper; of these, George married Catharine Morter, who died at the age of seventy-three years, the mother of eleven children, ten of whom reached maturity: Elizabeth, John, Curtis, David, Catharine, Jacob, Tena, Hannah, Judith and Daniel G. Our subject was reared in his native township, where he farmed until coming to Fayetteville; here he opened a store, which he has since conducted; he also handles the McCormick reaper and binder. He was married in Ohio, where he resided two years, to Miss Maggie, daughter of William Rohan, and she has borne him three children: Nelsie, Anna and Blanche. Politically Mr. Lowry is a Democrat.

DAVID MACLAY, M. D., Green Village, was born January 18, 1852, in Greene Township, this county. His father, Charles Templeton Maclay, was a

native of Lurgan Township, this county, and a son of David Maclay. Our subject received his early education in the schools of his township, at the Chambersburg Academy, and also at the Tuscarora Academy. In 1871 he began reading medicine under the preceptorship of his father; later attended the University of Pennsylvania, and graduated from that institution in the spring of 1875. He located in Green Village, where he has since practiced his profession with success. February 14, 1878, he married Miss Mary, daughter of Judge Joseph Pomeroy of Academia, Juniata Co., Penn., and whose family originally belonged to Lurgan Township, this county. To Dr. and Mrs. Maclay two children have been born: Charles T. and Joseph P. The parents are members of Falling Spring Presbyterian Church. The Doctor is a member of Franklin County Medical Society.

JOHN W. MAHON, blacksmith, Green Village, was born April 2, 1843, in this village. His great-grandfather, Robert Mahon, came from the North of Ireland. He was of Scotch descent and a member of the Presbyterian Church. He settled in Southampton Township, Franklin County, where he became an extensive farmer. He married a Miss Mahon, and reared one child, Robert, Jr. He and wife lived to be very old and were buried in the Presbyterian cemetery at Shippensburg. Their son, Robert, was also a farmer, and died on the old homestead of 400 acres; also a Presbyterian, and was twice married. His first wife was a Miss Leeper, who died young, the mother of two children, Robert and Mrs. Elizabeth Potts. His second wife was Sarah Stumbach, who is yet living, aged ninety years, and is the mother of David, John, Henry, Samuel and Archibald. Of these Robert was a blacksmith. He lived a short time in Green Village; in 1844 he came to Scotland, where he died July 14, 1881, aged sixty-two years. He married in Chambersburg Miss Jane, daughter of William and Catherine (McGuire) Wallace. William Wallace was of Scotch-Irish descent, and died here. Mrs. Jane Mahon was born July 30, 1809, in Green Village. She is the mother of eight children: Harriet, wife of Dr. Charles T. Maclay; Mrs. Margaret Rank; Nathaniel K., Thaddeus M., John W., Mrs. Mary S. Youst, Zacharias T. and Mrs. Cora Etter. Robert Mahon was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church; was a Republican, and served as justice of the peace for nearly thirty years. John W., our subject, was educated in the schools of Chambersburg and the institute at Selin's Grove. At the age of twenty he learned the blacksmith's trade. In the fall of 1864 he enlisted in the Two Hundredth and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, Company G, having previously served three years in the militia. He served until the close of the war and participated in the battle at Fort Steadman and the series of battles of the siege of Petersburg, and a number of other engagements. He was in the Third Division, Ninth Army Corps, served as corporal but was never wounded. He has since followed his trade in Scotland, doing the iron work for G. C. Markward, carriage manufacturer of that place, and usually employs two men. Mr. Mahon has been twice married; first to Katie S., daughter of Jacob Heckman. She died leaving three children: Masada Pearl, Lillian Romain, and Arthur Mahon. His second wife is Anna Heckman, a sister of his first. They have two children: Ella and Katie. Mr. and Mrs. Mahon are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church; his ancestors were old seceders.

JACOB MARTIN, farmer, P. O. Green Village, was born December 18, 1816, in Lancaster County, Penn. His great-grandfather came from Germany; latter's son, Abraham, lived and died in Lancaster County. Abraham's son, Jacob, was born there and married Esther Newswanger. They moved to Cumberland County, Penn., where they both lived to a good old age and died, she

aged over seventy-seven, and he over seventy-one years. They had eight children: Mary, Esther, Emanuel and Anna (twins), Jacob, Catherine, Abraham and Elizabeth. Of these Jacob was educated in Lancaster and Cumberland Counties, Penn., in the German and English languages. He was reared on the farm, and has been a successful farmer all his life. He came to Greene Township, in 1867, where he owns 152 acres of land. He resided in West Pennsboro Township, Cumberland County, on a farm of 124 acres, for thirty-eight years. He married in that county Miss Lydia, daughter of Adam Staut, of a respected family of that county. She died in Greene Township, July 12, 1880, the mother of thirteen children: John, Jacob, Joseph, Abraham, Emanuel, Adam, Isaac, George, Henry, Levi, Anna, Elizabeth and Sarah. Of these, Anna is the wife of Christ Landis. Mr. Martin married for his second wife, Mrs. C. Whistler, *nee* Maury. He is a Republican in politics.

DANIEL STEWART MCGOWAN, M. D. (deceased), was born August 25, 1808, near Carlisle, Penn., a son of Daniel McGowan, whose father, Daniel, was of Scotch descent, and emigrated from the North of Ireland. Our subject was educated at Dickinson College, and then read medicine under Dr. Cummings, of Fayetteville. Later he attended lectures at Baltimore, Md., and graduated in the spring of 1832. He located at Everett, Bedford Co., Penn., where he remained a short time; then came to Fayetteville, where he followed his profession the rest of his life, and was one of the leading physicians of the county. He bought out the practice of his preceptor, who had become a Presbyterian minister. He died at forty-seven years of age. Dr. McGowan, although the superior of many with whom he came in contact, was of a very approachable manner. He was a Royal Arch Mason. May 6, 1832, he married Miss Anna, daughter of John Thomson, whose father settled in Scotland, this county, where Mr. Battin now resides. She was born on the homestead October 22, 1809, and died in Chambersburg, while on a visit to her son, February 27, 1877. She was the mother of seven children: Theodore, Thomson, Frank, Stewart, Hannah T., Anna and Edith. Dr. McGowan was first an old line Whig, but later a Republican. The Thomson family are all members of the Covenant Church, of which Dr. McGowan's eldest daughter is also a member.

EPHRAIM MINICK, farmer, P. O. Fayetteville, was born February 11, 1834, near Orrstown, Franklin Co., Penn. His grandfather, John Minick, came from Germany and settled in York County, where he was a farmer, and died at the home of his son Peter, in this county. Peter was born in Cumberland County, and came to Franklin County when a young man. He resided in Orrstown, where he was a tailor, a trade he followed all his life. He was a consistent member of the Evangelical Church and, politically, first a Whig, later a Republican. His first wife was Mary Ebersole, who died leaving four children: John, Barbara, Mary and Samuel. His second wife was Juliana Strous, who survives him, and is now eighty-five years old. She is the mother of the following children: Jacob, Susannah, Elizabeth, Juliana, Ephraim and Peter (twins), David and Adam. Peter, the father, died at the age of eighty-two years. Ephraim, our subject, was educated in his native county. At the age of sixteen he went to Shady Gap, Huntingdon Co., Penn., where he remained until he was twenty-five years old, learning tanning with his half-brother, John. He then went to Perryville, where he followed his trade, and in 1865 returned to this county, and now carries on his trade and farms near Fayetteville. He was married, in Huntingdon County, to Miss Margaret Peterson, who is the mother of six children: John D. W., Hannah M., Peter Strous, Jennie, William B. and Julia E. Mr. and Mrs. Minick are members of the

Methodist Episcopal Church; politically Mr. Minick is identified with the Republican party.

GEORGE W. MOWER, coach-maker, Fayetteville, was born December 27, 1844, in Fayetteville, Penn., a son of David Mower, a native of Cumberland County, Penn. The ancestors of the Mower family are supposed to have been of German origin. David was a wheelwright and came when a young man to Franklin County, where he learned the trade in Mowersville; he then moved to Fayetteville and worked in one place for fifty years. He was a good mechanic, well known and esteemed. He died in February, 1883, aged seventy-one years. He married Sarah, daughter of Tobias Ritter, and she is still living at the age of seventy-one years. To Mr. and Mrs. David Mower were born the following named children: Mary E., Barbara A., Samuel A., George W., Maria C., William Henry (deceased), Sarah A., John F. and Charlotte W. George W., our subject, was reared and educated in Fayetteville; in early life he learned his trade, principally with his father; also learned coach-making, and has followed both trades all his life. He spent one year in Ohio; he married Martha J., daughter of Daniel Palmer of an old family of the county. She is yet living, the mother of five children: Howard S., Wiley P., Leigh R., Reid and an infant girl. Mr. and Mrs. Mower are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1863 Mr. Mower enlisted in the defense of his country, in Company D, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served out his term, six months. He then enlisted in 1864 in the Eighty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, Company K, and served until the close of the war. He participated in several engagements, among them the battle of Sailor's Creek. He is a member of the G. A. R., Captain Stevens Post; in politics is a Republican.

REV. MARTIN H. OBERHOLSER, P. O. Green Village, was born December 2, 1845, on the old homestead in Greene Township, this county. His forefathers were Germans, his great great-grandfather having come to America, settling in Pennsylvania. So far as known his grandfather, Christian Oberholser, a farmer, settled in Lebanon County, Penn., where he died, the father of five children: Jacob, Martin, Henry, Christian and John. Christian was born in Lebanon County, and came to Greene Township, this county, after he was married, and bought a farm of 106 acres. He was a successful farmer, and here became a member of the River Brethren Church. Later he became a minister, and served for over thirty years. He died August 13, 1872, aged sixty-nine years. He was a faithful member, honored and esteemed far and wide by all who knew him. He married Nancy Hoover, who also died here, the mother of six children, three now living: Christian, Maria (wife of S. Zook, now of Kansas) and Christian (wife of A. Wingert). Rev. Christian Oberholser married, for his second wife, Fannie Heisey, who is yet living at the age of eighty-two years. She is the mother of three children: Nancy (wife of H. Musser, of Lancaster County), Barbara (wife of Jacob S. Lehman), and Martin H. Our subject was educated in the common schools of his native county, and was reared on the farm. November 30, 1865, he married Miss Rachel Wingert, a daughter of Rev. Aaron C. Wingert. She is the mother of eight children, five of whom are living: Fannie, Lizzie, Anna, Aaron and Martin. Another child, John, who was the eldest of the children, when at the age of sixteen, fell into a reaping machine, and had an arm cut off, expiring soon after. At the age of fourteen our subject embraced the principles of the Christian faith; then served as deacon four years; was elected minister, in which capacity he served for eleven years. He has since devoted his time faithfully to the church. He is not a politician, has never voted, but gives his whole labor

to the church, and has been an elder or bishop in the church for six years, and still holds that office. Mr. Oberholser has added to and improved the homestead from time to time, until at present it embraces 200 acres, a part of which was once an Indian garden. Our subject's mother, Fannie Heisey, is a daughter of John and Annie (Engle) Heisey, also of German descent. Annie Engle was a daughter of John Engle, who emigrated from Germany, and was one of those who settled on the Susquehanna River in Lancaster County, and was the founder of the River Brethren Church, of which our subject is such a prominent member.

REV. PHILIP H. PARRET, P. O. Chambersburg, was born August 30, 1842, in Rockingham County, Va., and is of English descent. His grandfather, Philip Parret, was a pioneer of that county, where he married, was a farmer, and died. His son, Branson M., was also born in that county, and was a very prosperous farmer. His wife, Mary, was a daughter of Jacob Showalter, of German descent. To them were born nine children: Mrs. Margaret A. Hinton (of Sangamon County, Ill.), Philip H., Jacob G. (in Illinois), Barbara C., Mrs. Nancy V. Young (of Darke County, Ohio), Uriah, Branson M., Jairous S. and Mrs. Sophia E. Custer (of Rockingham County, Va.). Rev. Philip H. was educated in his native State. In early life he commenced farming, which he followed until the outbreak of the civil war. He was then conscripted, but at the first opportunity came north, first to Washington County, Md., in May, 1864, and in August, 1864, to this county, where he had friends. Here he has identified himself with the county, and farmed ever since. January 18, 1866, he married Miss Katie, twin sister of John L. Leshner, and two children have been born to them: John H. and Leannah L. Mr. Parret has taken an active part in church matters, and May 18, 1873, was ordained a minister of the Mennonite denomination. He is the owner of thirty-one acres of land.

JOHN PLOUGH (deceased) was born in this county. Being deprived of his mother by death when but two days old, his mother's parents took charge of him for a number of years. He was a son of Jacob and Mary (Rife) Plough, who had two children: Amanda, wife of Heilman Huber, and our subject. Jacob's parents had a family of eight boys and three girls. When the Plough mansion farm was sold, Jacob became the purchaser, after which his son was again brought back to his father's house. John Plough was educated in this county, and became a very successful farmer. At the death of his father he became proprietor of the home mansion farm, containing 156 acres. Soon afterward he purchased the adjoining farm, containing 111 acres; he was a thrifty and successful farmer. He was married at the residence of his father-in-law, Rev. James M. Bishop, whose eldest daughter, Emma C., became his wife, February 13, 1868. Three sons blessed their union: Bishop Irvin, born April 4, 1869; Merle D' Aubigne, born May 26, 1876; and John Ray, born March 14, 1884. Mr. Plough was a Republican though not a politician, and just before his death he was elected assessor of the township. He was one of the best of husbands and fathers, and his death, which occurred March 24, 1885, was deeply regretted by all who knew him. He was a regular attendant of Salem United Brethren Church, near his home.

ROBERT A. RENFREW (deceased) was born on the old homestead near Fayetteville, Greene Township, this county, where he died in 1874. His great-grandfather, Samuel Renfrew, was a native of Glasgow, Scotland, came here and settled in this county on the place still owned by his descendants. He was a farmer and also a miller. Our subject's father was a very wealthy man and owned several farms, with which he provided his children. Robert

A. married Hannah, a daughter of Samuel Thomson, and a descendant of the old Scotch pioneer, Thomson. She died in 1871, the mother of a large family, of whom five reached maturity: Mary E., David L., John A., Robert M. and Sarah R. John A. married Clara B. Thomson, also a descendant of the pioneer, and his children are Augusta, David L. (married to Ida A. Breckenridge, and has five children: Clarence H., Emma V., Flora, Jessie and Edna), Robert M. was educated in the schools of his native county, and in early life began milling, which he has since followed, and with his sister owns the Greenwood or Renfrew mill on the old homestead; married Laura M. Newman. His parents were active members of the Covenanter Church, of which he is an official member. He is identified with the Republican party. The Renfrew mill is a saw and grist-mill, runs four stone, two buhrs and two hoppers; capacity 250 bushels, and supplies the market and also provides for home consumption. The brand is "Greenwood Mills."

LEWIS M. RINEHART, merchant, P. O. Green Village, was born November 27, 1864, in Chambersburg, Penn., a son of Lewis M. Rinehart, a native of this county, and who married, in Chambersburg, Miss Hannah Ensminger, who is yet living in Green Village. In August, 1861, when the nine months men were called for, Lewis M. Rinehart, the father of our subject, enlisted in Company G, captain, George G. Miles, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry; colonel, James G. Elder. He served out his term, and participated in the battles of Fredericksburg and Antietam, and the skirmish at Shepperdstown, Md. He next enlisted in the One Hundred and Twelfth Regiment, Company C, Pennsylvania Heavy Artillery, and was located at Fort Ethan Allen and Fort Martha. It was a provisional regiment, and was really known as the Second Provisional Heavy Artillery. He was promoted to sergeant, and took part in the battle of the Wilderness and other engagements. At the blowing up of Fort Hell, where his regiment lost 600 killed, wounded and missing, he was taken prisoner and conveyed to Andersonville; later he was transferred to Libby, where he died in the early part of November, 1864.

SAMUEL NORTON ROBERTSON, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born March 17, 1853, in Juniata County, Penn. The family are of Scotch origin. The grandfather, Wm. Robertson, was born in New York, and settled in Burns' Valley, Franklin County, where he died. He was a weaver; also owned a farm. He married a Mrs. Hamilton, and became the father of ten children. Of these, John Robertson moved to Juniata County, where he farmed two years, and then bought a farm near Concord, Franklin County, where he resided twenty-seven years, and died March 22, 1886, aged seventy years. He was a member of the United Presbyterian Church, with which he united when a boy, and politically was a Democrat. He married Eliza Montgomery, of Doylesburg, Franklin County, a daughter of John Montgomery. She is yet living, the mother of the following children: Mrs. Catherine Anderson, of Clarinda, Iowa; John W., of Lawrence, Kas.; Mrs. Anna M. McDonald, of Greencastle, Franklin County; William H., of Shippensburg; Samuel N.; Mary E. and James C., near Concord; and Ed. M., of Lawrence, Kas. Samuel N., our subject, was educated at the schools of Concord, McCoysville, Juniata County, and at Shippensburg Normal School. In early life he worked on the farm, and then went to Lawrence, Kas., and engaged in the furniture business. On his return to Pennsylvania he spent seven successive winters in teaching at Concord and Burns' Valley. He was married, December 29, 1879, to Miss Anna J. Blair, of Blair's Mills, Huntingdon County, a daughter of Alexander Blair. After marriage he bought a farm of 112 acres in Greene Township,



where he now resides. He and his wife are the parents of four children: Mary E., John B., Bruce A. and Ralph M. Mr. and Mrs. Robertson are members of the Presbyterian Church. Politically he is identified with the Democratic party.

JACOB A. ROHRER, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born April 3, 1850, in Greene Township, this county, on the old homestead. His father, John, was born near Pleasant Hall, Letterkenny Township, this county, in 1803, and died here June 11, 1874. He was a son of Jacob Rohrer, who came from Lancaster County. The family is of German descent, the old stock having come from Germany in 1749. John, who was a farmer all his life, except thirteen years, in which he followed the carpenter trade, married, in December, 1844, Catherine, daughter of Andrew and Elizabeth Boyer. She was born July 30, 1813, in Cumberland County, Penn., and came to this county when she was ten years old. To her and her husband were born two children: Elizabeth A., wife of A. W. Hoover and our subject. Mrs. Rohrer is still living and resides with her children alternately, having furnished rooms at either place. John Rohrer was a man of quiet manners, but firm in purpose. Our subject was married, January 20, 1880, to Miss Mary A., daughter of Henry H. Rife, an old settler. They have had one child, Sarepta, born December 1, 1885, died September 15, 1886. Politically Mr. Rohrer is identified with the Republican party, as was also his father.

SAMUEL S. ROTH, miller, P. O. Fayetteville, was born September 21, 1858, in Butler Township, near Arendtsville, Adams Co., Penn., on the old family homestead. His great-grandfather, with his son, Jonas Roth, came from Hanover, Germany, and settled in Adams County, Penn., where they farmed and milled, but made their first settlement in York County. Jonas married Barbara Kauffman, and both died on the homestead, the parents of nine children. Their son Henry married Sarah, a daughter of Jacob Shank, and had a family of six children: Samuel S. (subject), Gilmore G., Harry M., Theresa F., Mary A. and Sarah A (twins). The father is still living on his farm in Adams County. Our subject was educated in his native county, where he also learned the miller's trade. He then traveled for six years in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico, Missouri, and over his native State and Maryland. In December, 1885, he returned home, and in April, 1886, he took charge of the Fayetteville Mills, owned by his father, who bought the estate of John Weaver. Politically, Mr. Roth is a Republican. The Fayette Mills have five buhrs and a capacity of fifty barrels per day. They have been refitted, and many improvements introduced in the way of bolting and manufacturing patent flour. The establishment gives good satisfaction under its present enterprising manager.

ABRAHAM SHERK, farmer, was born in Greene Township, this county, close to where he now resides. His ancestors came from Germany, and it is supposed the great-great-grandfather settled in Lancaster County, Penn. His son, Joseph, came to this county after he was married and settled in Greene Township, where his grandson, Jacob Sherk, yet resides. He bought over 300 acres of land from a man named Mitchell near Green Village. Joseph farmed here and died at an advanced age. He was married in Lancaster County and reared twelve children; most of his descendants are in the West. Of his sons, Abraham settled on the old homestead and married Miss Christine Bowman, a daughter of an old pioneer family. He was seventy-nine years old when he died, and was an extensive farmer. His wife was about eighty-two years old. They reared seven children, of whom Jacob was born here and

farmed on his father's place, a part of which is now owned by John Sherk. Jacob married Nancy Garver, who died here at the age of eighty years, the mother of four children: John, Abraham (our subject), Annie (wife of William Zimmerman), and Benjamin in Illinois. Jacob filled many township offices, among which were those of assessor and supervisor. Our subject was educated in this county and reared to farming which he has since followed. He also spent several years in Carroll County, Md., engaged in agricultural pursuits; also engaged in the lumber business for a short time. He married in October, 1852, Miss Elizabeth Lawton, and four children have been born to this union: Robert, Minnie, Benjamin and Jacob. Mr. and Mrs. Sherk are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Politically he is identified with the Republican party.

SOLOMON SHIVELY, farmer, P. O. Green Village, was born April 16, 1810, on the old homestead in Greene Township, this county. The family traces its ancestry to French Huguenots who left their native country for Switzerland, from which place the great-grandfather of our subject emigrated to America. He was married and had a son born on the ocean, Jacob, the grandfather of our subject. The great-grandfather settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where he died at a good old age. He had another son, Henry, whose descendants are still living in Lancaster County. Jacob was a carpenter and farmer, and lived many years near Shippensburg, where he owned a farm; later he moved to near the residence of his son, John, where he built a house, and where he and his wife died. They had the following children: Samuel, John, Jacob, Henry, Daniel, Barbara, Nancy, Elizabeth and another daughter, name unknown. Of these, John, a farmer, was born in Lancaster County. He married Hannah, daughter of Henry Rhodes. She died at about sixty years of age, the mother of six children: Nancy (deceased), Solomon, Eliza, John, Daniel, and Rebecca (deceased). John Shively, Sr., came to Franklin County about 1806, where his father bought about 250 acres of land, of which our subject, Solomon, has 120 acres. John Shively, Sr., was a man who took a deep interest in political matters and was a strong Democrat. He and his wife were members of the United Brethren Church, and he held several township offices. Solomon was educated in this township, and for the last five years has lived in Green Village. He has been twice married; first to Rebecca, daughter of John Embick. She died in December, 1879, aged sixty five years. She bore her husband twelve children, seven of whom are living: John, Hannah, Sarah, Harriet James, Jacob and Frank. Of these James is reading medicine with Dr. Maclay, of Green Village. Our subject married for his second wife, Mrs. Catharine Gontz, *nee* Embick, a sister of his first wife. Mr. Shively is a member of the United Brethren Church, of which he is trustee, and politically he is identified with the Democratic party. Mrs. Shively is a member of the Lutheran Church. Our subject's brother, John, read medicine with Dr. Richards and attended one course of lectures, but his health failed and he died in the Isle of St. Croix, West Indies.

JACOB SHIVELY, retired farmer, P. O. Fayetteville, was born in Greene Township, this county, on the old family homestead. His great-grandfather came from Switzerland about 1750, and died in Philadelphia, on his arrival in this country; he had three sons: John, who never married; Henry, who married and has wealthy descendants living near Lancaster City; Jacob, who came to Franklin County, in 1805, and bought 260 acres from David Eby, who had a distillery on the place. Jacob married, in Lancaster County, Barbara Linder, of Swiss descent, and who died aged sixty-eight; he died at the age of seventy-three. They had eight children who reached maturity: John, Jacob, Henry,

Daniel, Elizabeth, Nancy, Barbara and Samuel; of these Jacob married, here, Maria Rhode, of German descent, who died at the age of forty-three years, the mother of five children, who came to maturity. Jacob Jr., married for his second wife, Catherine Crider, and died at the age of eighty-eight years. He was a farmer and owned half of the homestead, the other half being the property of his brother John. He was a Democrat, served as supervisor of Greene Township; was a member of the United Brethren Church, and made his house a stopping place for ministers of that denomination. Of his children, Jacob, our subject, continues to reside on the old homestead.

JOHN E. SHIVELY, farmer, P. O. Fayetteville, was born March 31, 1843, in Greene Township, this county. His forefathers came from Germany and settled in Lancaster County, Penn., whence his grandfather, John, came to this county. Our subject's father, Solomon, now lives in Green Village, having moved there about four or five years ago, prior to which time he lived on his farm, two and one-half miles northwest of Fayetteville. John E. Shively educated in the common schools of this county, and early in life took up farming, which he still follows, owning a farm of 149 acres, near Fayetteville, on which he resides. He married Susan, daughter of John Lehman, and to their union were born nine children: Fannie M., Abbie E., John L., Rebecca A., Benjamin F., William B., Harry Wallace, Naoma Gertrude and Solomon Howard, the latter born November 1, 1886. Mr. and Mrs. Shively are members of the United Brethren Church. Politically he is identified with the Democratic party. He is a successful and representative citizen.

DAVID SHOVER, farmer, P. O. Scotland, was born August 16, 1811, in Bloomfield, Perry Co., Penn. His ancestors came from Germany and settled in Lancaster County, where his grandfather, Sebastian John Shover, a blacksmith, was born; the latter settled in Perry County, where the county seat now is. He was an industrious man; he married twice, and his first wife bore him two children: Jacob and Catherine. His second marriage was with a Miss Zimmerman, who bore him the following named children: John, Andrew (a miller by trade), David, William, Samuel, Elizabeth, Susannah and Maria. John Shover, Jr., was born in Perry County, and died there aged twenty-four years. He married, at the age of eighteen years, Miss Susan Barricks, who bore him three children: Jacob, Mary and David (our subject). She then married Philip Hackman, to whom she bore two children; she died when nearly ninety years of age. Our subject was reared in Perry County, and at the age of eighteen, left his stepfather and worked for a farmer until he was twenty-three years old; he then married Miss Elizabeth Lauderbaugh, who died August 24, 1881, she bore her husband the following named children: John, Daniel (in Illinois), Mrs. Eliza J. Ruth, B. Anna, Mary C., Andrew, David, William and Samuel. Our subject had about \$400 when he married, and his wife who was industrious and frugal, had also saved some, and together they accumulated a modest fortune. Mr. Shover cropped for fifteen years for half the produce, and then bought 104 acres of land where he now resides, and has accumulated more and more, until to-day he has several farms, aggregating about 500 acres, all in Greene Township. He is an active member of the United Brethren Church, to which his wife also belonged; she was a daughter of Henry and Christine (Warner) Lauderbaugh. The Warners moved to Canada and died there. Politically, Mr. Shover is a Democrat.

JOHN SHOVER, farmer, P. O. Fayetteville, was born July 5, 1835, in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, a son of David and Elizabeth Shover, the former of whom is yet living a prosperous farmer, the owner of between 300 and 400 acres of land, and the father of nine children, now living (see

sketch of Samuel Shover). Our subject was educated in this county, to which he was brought when but eighteen months old. He has followed farming, and now owns eighty acres of land. He married Miss Elizabeth, daughter of Martin Wingert, of an old family of this county, and their children now living are Amos H., Alice, wife of David Horst (they have three children: Nancy E., Harvey and Martha), and Mary Ellen. Mr. and Mrs. Shover are members of the United Brethren Church. Politically Mr. Shover is a Democrat, but votes for the best man at all times.

SAMUEL SHOVER, farmer, P. O. Scotland, was born April 1, 1853, in this township, son of David and Elizabeth Shover, the latter of whom died aged seventy-two. Their children are John, Daniel, Elizabeth, Ann, Andrew, David, William, Mary and Samuel. The father came here a poor man, but by persevering industry has become a well-to-do and prosperous farmer. He is a member of the United Brethren Church, and politically is identified with the Democratic party. Our subject from youth has been engaged in agricultural pursuits in this county, and is now farming his father's place of 114 acres. He was married, February 13, 1873, to Miss Nancy Heckman, a daughter of Christian Heckman, an old resident of the county, and their children are Ida M., Harvey and Minerva. Mr. and Mrs. Shover are active members of the United Brethren Church. Like his father, Mr. Shover is a Democrat.

W. A. SNYDER, farmer, P. O. Scotland, was born January 8, 1837, in Hamilton Township, this county. His ancestors were natives of Germany. His father, Charles, came to this county when a young man, and married Margaret Anderson; he died in middle life, and his wife at the age of thirty-seven years. They had three children: Mary J., who died at the age of twelve years; David F., who died at the age of twenty-four in hospital at Bolivar, Tenn., in the service of his country, and William A., our subject. He was educated in Greene Township, which he made his home all his life. He was left an orphan at the age of nine or ten years, and reared in the family of Daniel and Sarah Finefrock, until he was seventeen. He then worked out in different parts of the county, but mostly in this township. He worked nine years for Jacob Fry, an old settler and a good man; two years for J. D. Lehman, and then went to Warren County, Ill., where he worked twenty-one months, and then returned to Pennsylvania, and worked two years for Chris Fry. December 3, 1867, he married Miss Nancy, daughter of Samuel Lehman, an old settler. They have one son, Harvey L. Snyder. Mr. Snyder has followed farming all his life, and owns fifty-five acres. He is a Republican. He and wife are members of the Mennonite Church.

SAMUEL J. SPOONOUR, farmer, P. O. Fayetteville, was born December 14, 1845, in Greene Township, this county. His grandfather, John Spoonour, came from Lancaster County, Penn., and settled in Greene Township, where he died; his son, Samuel, was born and died here, August 19, 1880, at the age of fifty-six years, a member of the Lutheran Church; married Elizabeth Shober, who died in this township, when young; a member of the Lutheran Church. They had three children: George, Samuel Jefferson and Robert. Samuel Spoonour married for his second wife Susan Warren, daughter of Isaac Warren, and the mother of three children: Richard, Isaac and Mrs. Isabel Black. Samuel J., the subject proper of this sketch, married Ellen J., daughter of George W. Henderson, and they have one child, May Spoonour. Mr. and Mrs. Spoonour are members of the church. Politically he is a Republican.

ALEXANDER STEWART, merchant, Scotland, was born September 18, 1843, in Shippensburg, Cumberland Co., Penn., and is the fourth son of Dr. Alexander Stewart of that place. He was educated at Shippensburg, and at

the age of eighteen years he entered the army, enlisting in Company D, of the One Hundred and Thirtieth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, at the expiration of his term of service he re-enlisted in Company K, of the Two Hundred and First Regiment, and became first lieutenant of his company. He participated in the engagements of Antietam, Fredericksburg and others. After the war he removed to Colorado, where he remained three years, engaged in active business in the transportation of freight over what were then the plains. He then returned to Shippensburg and engaged in mercantile pursuits. In 1874 he moved to Scotland, where he continued to reside. His attention is largely given to agricultural pursuits, but with these he conducts a large business in the purchase and sale of grain. He was married in Shippensburg, Penn., to Miss Nannie E., daughter of Dr. Robert Hayes of that place.

JOHN PRICE WALLACE (deceased) was a native of Lancaster County. He died November 20, 1881, on the old Immell homestead, to which he had removed after the death of his father-in-law. He was a son of John Wallace, a well known and respected citizen of Lancaster County, Penn., where the Wallace family occupied a prominent place in the community. Our subject was educated in his native county, and early in life engaged in mercantile business in Lancaster County, making a specialty of dry goods. In 1837 he and his brother-in-law, Nathaniel Kinzer, came to this county, and opened a general store in Green Village, which they operated for many years, but dissolved partnership some years before the war. Mr. Wallace continued a successful merchant until within a few years prior to his death, when he turned the business over to his nephew, Thomas Wallace. He was postmaster for many years, and held the office at the time of his death. May 25, 1840, he married Miss Caroline S. Immell, who was born August 16, 1818, in this township, on the old Immell farm, a daughter of Jacob and Susan (Barnitz) Immell (see sketch of John W. Immell). Mr. Wallace was a member of the Presbyterian Church, in the faith of which he died. Politically he was a Republican, and was highly honored and respected in the community. His widow is a member of the Lutheran Church.

HON. J. BURNS WHITE, manufacturer, P. O. Fayetteville, was born January 31, 1841, in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn. His forefathers were Scotch and settled in the North of Ireland, whence the progenitor of the White family in America came, and settled in Cumberland County, Penn. The great-grandfather, John White, moved to Culbertson's Row, Greene Township, Franklin County, and there farmed and died. He reared a large family. Of these John White farmed and died there. He married a Miss Pomeroy, who bore him four sons and two daughters: John, Ebenezer, Thomas, Samuel, Elizabeth and Mary. John went to Illinois; Ebenezer to Ohio; Thomas to Baltimore, Md., where he was an architect; Elizabeth married John Gillen; Mary married Harvey Allen; Samuel married Nancy Burns, of Waynesboro, a daughter of Jeremy Burns. She was born in 1811 and is yet living, the mother of three children: J. Burns White, Emma S. and Nannie, wife of Hiram George of Fayetteville. Samuel White died in 1871, aged sixty-three years. He was a manufacturer of woolen goods; first learned the business at Quincy and Waynesboro, and in 1849 came to the Franklin wollen mill near Fayetteville (then owned by the Bigham family), which he bought in 1855, and which was his property until his death. He was first associated with Robert Black but in 1860 he bought out Mr. Black's interest. J. Burns White was educated in the public schools, Fayetteville Academy and in Westminster College. During the civil war he volunteered and enlisted in Company D, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry, and at the expiration of his term

of service he attended college. In the spring of 1865, in response to a call of the National Government, the majority of the employes in his father's mill enlisted, upon which he left school, came home and assumed control, which he has retained ever since. Mr. White married, February 22, 1871, Miss Lizzie Byers, a daughter of Frederick Byers of Chambersburg. They have two children, Jennie L. and Samuel E. Mr. White is a member of the G. A. R.; politically he is a Republican, and in the fall of 1884 was elected a member of the Legislature, a position he has since filled with ability. He takes an interest in school matters and served as school director for nine years.

JEREMIAH S. YAUKEY, merchant, Fayetteville, was born October 4, 1849, in the Dutch settlement in Guilford Township, this county. His grandfather, a farmer, settled in this county and died in Ohio; his son, Daniel, was a native of this county, and died here May 19, 1886, aged seventy-six years, eleven months and ten days. He was a successful farmer, but for the last five years of his life was blind. He quit farming some twenty years ago, and lived in Fayetteville, one mile from this, where he died at the residence of his son Daniel. He married, March 6, 1834, Mary, daughter of Barnhart Sowers; she died on the home farm in August, 1863, the mother of five children who reached maturity: Daniel, Hezekiah, Jeremiah S., Hiram (deceased) and Mrs. Amanda Miller (deceased). Our subject was educated partly in this county and at the normal school in Strasburg, this county, and Lebanon Valley College, Penn. He was reared on the farm and in early life taught school and music. He engaged in the coal business with his brother Daniel at Fayetteville Station, on the Mt. Alto Railroad, the same fall after the road was completed. After one year's absence from the coal business he again engaged in it, having in the meantime been engaged in the machine business. In 1876 he built a warehouse, which he enlarged in 1885, the present capacity being over 25,000 bushels. He has an ice trade in Chambersburg. The ice is cut at Cold Spring at the foot of the mountain, and is considered of the purest quality. He also engaged in packing and baling hay and straw, and in shipping. He is interested in the lumber trade, hardwood lumber, and at his warehouse sells lumber, machinery, fertilizers and salt. Last spring he bought a machine shop and saw-mill in Fayetteville, Penn. He is a thorough business man in every respect; is a member of the United Brethren in Christ Church; in political matters was formerly a Republican but is now an American.

JOHN G. YOUST, merchant, Scotland, was born in that place January 20, 1832. His grandfather, Jacob Youst, came from Germany when a young man, settled in Greene Township, this county, where he farmed, and died on the old homestead, aged about forty years. He married a Miss Mary Hile, who died about the age of sixty-five years, the mother of three children: William, John and Mrs. Nancy Mahon. John went to Illinois, where he farmed and died. William was reared and educated here. He and his wife are members of the German Reformed Church, of which he was deacon for many years. He farmed near Scotland, and in 1872 went to Fayetteville, where he now leads a retired life. His children who reached maturity are as follows: John G., Jacob (deceased, formerly a druggist of Fayetteville), Mrs. Mary Besore, Mrs. Wilhelmina Claudy, Mrs. Jennie Koser, Mrs. Alice Wilders and David Youst, an officer in the United States Army at Plattsburg, N. Y. John G. was educated here, and taught school for twenty-seven years. He taught school at the age of sixteen years, and was one of the ablest teachers in the county, only teaching in three places during all that time. He bought a farm near Scotland, which he subsequently sold, and then engaged in the mercantile business, in 1873. He bought out Mr. F. Besore, of the firm of Besore & Sleighter, and

has continued business since, keeping a general stock and meeting with success. August 3, 1857, he married Miss Mary E., daughter of John Furry, an old resident of this county. Mr. and Mrs. Youst are members of the German Reformed Church at Fayetteville, and the parents of one daughter, Ellie, wife of Bennett Oyler. (Mr. and Mrs. Oyler have three children now living: Robert Ambrose, Bennett Harper and Mary Jennett). Mr. Youst is a Republican. He has filled the office of postmaster for twelve years, and is agent for the Adams Express Company at this point.

JACOB ZOOK, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Lancaster County, Penn., January 21, 1823. His great-great-grandfather, Abraham Zook, came from Germany and settled in Chester County, Penn., where he farmed and died. His grandson, Abraham, was born in Chester, but when a young man removed to Lancaster County, where he farmed and died. He married a Miss Kurtz, of German descent. They had ten children: Joseph, Abraham, John, Christian, Noah, David, Fannie, Elizabeth, Phœbe and Mary. Of these, Joseph came to this county in 1829, and settled in Greene Township, where his son, our subject, resides. Joseph was a member of the River Brethren denomination; he was a fuller in Lancaster County, but followed farming here, and had a mill. His first wife was Anna Shock, who died at the age of thirty-seven years, when our subject was two and a half years old. She was the mother of six children: John, Abraham, Jacob, Joseph, Mary and Catherine. His second wife was Catherine, daughter of Jacob Whisler. She died in March, 1885, aged eighty-five years. The children of the last marriage who reached maturity are as follows: Samuel, Noah, Sarah, Leah and Susannah. Our subject was educated at the schools of his native county, and has been a farmer and miller all his life. In January, 1849, he married Elizabeth, daughter of Martin Wingert. Mr. and Mrs. Zook are members of the River Brethren denomination, of which he is a minister. He has been a member for thirty-five years or more, and was ordained a minister in the spring of 1885. He has been identified with the Republican party, but in all local matters he votes for whom he considers the best man, regardless of the party. He has filled the office of supervisor, and served as school director for six years. He has a farm of 145 acres.

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## GUILFORD TOWNSHIP.

JOHN BOWMAN, merchant, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., July 11, 1816, a son of John and Barbara (Lehman) Bowman, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German descent. He is the youngest of six children; was reared by his parents on the farm, and educated at the district schools. In early life he learned the shoemaker's trade, which he followed for half a century; later he retired to the farm, and still owns a fine one, consisting of 140 acres, in Greene Township, this county. When a young man Mr. Bowman was widely known as a teacher of vocal music, and taught singing school several winters in this county. In 1864 he removed from his farm to Stoufferstown, and has since been engaged in the mercantile business. February 14, 1843, he married Elizabeth Nicklas, who was born and reared in this township, daughter of Jacob and Maria (Burkholder) Nicklas, who were respectively of French and Swiss origin, and whose ancestors were among the early settlers of Franklin County. To Mr. and Mrs.

Bowman were born eleven children, seven of whom are now living: Mary, wife of John Weiger; Sarah; Susan, wife of B. O. Metz; Lydia Ann, wife of Rev. S. R. Breidbaugh; John C., a minister of the Reformed Church; Ella and Jacob Z., a prominent physician in Somerset County, Penn. Mr. and Mrs. Bowman are members of the Reformed Church, in which he has been an elder and deacon for over forty years. The children are all members of the same church. Mr. Bowman is a Republican in politics, never aspired to office, but served one term as steward of the almshouse of Franklin County, and declined a re-election. He was elected county auditor for a term of three years.

JOHN H. BUSH, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn., June 30, 1835, and is the second son of Abraham and Elizabeth (Stuff) Bush. Abraham Bush was born in Antrim Township in 1808, and was a son of Henry Bush, one of the pioneers of this county. Abraham was a successful farmer, and reared to maturity a family of one daughter and three sons, the sons all living. He was a life-long resident of Antrim Township, and died in 1858. John H. Bush was educated in the schools of Antrim Township, and brought up to the pursuits of the farm. At the age of eighteen he commenced to learn the cooper's trade, which he followed as a journeyman in Greencastle for some seven years. April 18, 1861, he entered Company C, Second Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served out his term of enlistment; then enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Twenty sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and participated in all the battles of the regiment; re-enlisted as a veteran in Company D, Two Hundred and Ninth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and soon after was made chief musician of the regiment; served until the close of the war; was present at the surrender of Gen. Lee, and was mustered out with his regiment at Harrisburg in the summer of 1865. He returned to civil life, and October 30, 1866, married Mary E., daughter of David Keller, a former well known resident of Guilford Township, this county. After marriage Mr. Bush resided for one year in Antrim Township engaged at his trade, and in 1868 came to Guilford Township and located on the David Keller farm, where he has since conducted a fine place. Mr. and Mrs. Bush are the parents of two daughters, Jennie E., now the wife of William O. Bixler, and Emma V., a school teacher. Mr. Bush served as tax collector in 1878, 1879, and 1880. He and his wife are members of the United Brethren Church. In politics he is a Republican.

GEORGE S. COOVER, blacksmith, New Franklin, was born in Greene Township, Franklin Co., Penn., January 21, 1844, and is the only child of Jeremiah and Elizabeth (Shearer) Coover. Jeremiah Coover was born in Letterkenny Township, this county, December 24, 1815. His father, George, was an early settler of Letterkenny Township, where he spent his days engaged in farming. Jeremiah was educated at such schools as the neighborhood afforded, and later learned the trade of blacksmithing. In 1848 he came to New Franklin, and engaged at his trade in the same shop, where his son still conducts the business, until 1876, when he retired. He is still vigorous in mind and body. Our subject was educated in the schools of Guilford Township, and when eighteen years old commenced working with his father at the blacksmithing business. In 1865 he enlisted in Company L, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served until the close of the war; was mustered out at Lynchburg, and discharged at Harrisburg, Penn., in July, 1865. On his return to civil life he resumed his former occupation with his father until 1876, since which time he has successfully conducted the business alone. Mr. Coover married Mary C., daughter of Michael E. Harchelroad, a former resident of Guilford Township. Mr. and Mrs. Coover are the parents of seven chil-



dren, three daughters and three sons living. Mr. Coover is a member of the G. A. R., Housum Post, No. 309. He has served as assessor and school director of Guilford Township, and in 1882 was elected jury commissioner.

JACOB EBERLY, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Chambersburg, Penn., April 2, 1810, the second son of Peter and Elizabeth (Swain) Eberly. Peter was a native of Lancaster County, Penn., born October 26, 1757; came to Franklin County in the spring of 1797, and settled on the place now owned by his son, Jacob. The stone residence and barn near it stood on the place when he bought it. He originally bought about 300 acres, since known as the "Evergreen farm." Prior to 1822 he had led a retired life for eighteen years in Chambersburg; then he removed to the head of Falling Spring, and purchased the David Andrews mill, which he operated until his death in 1835; he reared a family of eight children, of whom four sons survive; he had been a stockholder and director in the Chambersburg Bank for many years, and a member of the Mennonite Church. Jacob Eberly was educated at the schools of the neighborhood, and remained with his parents until his marriage, in 1829, with Hannah Reed, who bore him ten children, four daughters and two sons now living: Catherin, Ann Mariah, Hannah, Emma, John R. and Henry J. Mrs. Eberly died January 26, 1855, and October 7, 1856, Mr. Eberly married Mary Ann Scriba, who was born July 3, 1817. To this union was born one daughter, Mary S., who died February 5, 1866, at the age of eight years. After his first marriage Mr. Eberly located on the home place, and conducted it until 1848, when he took up his residence in Chambersburg for two years. He operated the first steam saw-mill in the county, which he built and owned, and which was situated at the foot of the mountain. He resided at the mill for three years, and in 1853 returned to the home place in Guilford Township, where he has since resided, occupying a handsome residence, which he erected in 1858; he also owns 190 acres of land adjoining the borough. He and his wife are members of the Lutheran Church, in which he has been an officer and elder for many years; he is also an active temperance worker. In politics he is a Republican.

A. H. ETTER, superintendent of the Franklin County Almshouse, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in this county December 22, 1824, a son of Jacob and Mary (Henning) Etter, who are of German origin, natives of Pennsylvania; they had two children: D. Frank, a prominent physician in Yankton, Dak., and A. H. Our subject was educated in the district school, and in early life engaged in agricultural pursuits. In 1877 he sold his farm and moved to the village of Scotland, this county, and opened a general store, which he successfully conducted for three years. In 1884 he was elected to his present position. In politics he is a Republican, and has held most of the offices in Greene Township, and served for a number of years as justice of the peace. In January, 1857, he married Mary C., daughter of Jacob Kyner, of German origin, and to this union the following named children were born: Anna Mary; Emma K., wife of William L. Craig; Luther, Lydia Belle, Alexander Stewart and Robert H. Mr. and Mrs. Etter are members of the Lutheran Church, of which he was an elder for many years.

WILLIAM FERGUSON, farmer and stock grower, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Cumberland County, Penn., December 15, 1826, a son of William and Margaret (McCoy) Ferguson, the latter a native of Cumberland County, of Irish origin. His father, a native of Ireland, of Scotch parentage, came to America when a boy and settled near Baltimore, where he worked out by the month. When eighteen years of age he came to Cumberland County and followed agriculture. His family consisted of nine children, of whom William

is the fourth. Our subject was reared by his parents on the farm and acquired a common-school education, and from youth has been engaged in agricultural pursuits. At the age of twelve years he moved with his parents to Franklin County, near where he now resides, and now owns well improved farms, which he has acquired by industry and energy. In 1858 he married Mary, daughter of William and Rebecca Brown, of Scotch origin. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson are the parents of three children: William A., Robert G. and Mary E. Our subject and wife are members of the Presbyterian Church, of which he has been a trustee. He is a Republican in politics; has served as school director.

**BENJAMIN R. GEORGE**, farmer, P. O. Fayetteville, was born in Guilford Township, this county, the youngest child of Henry and Jane (Ross) George. Henry George was a native of County Derry, Ireland; immigrated to America in 1816, and married a daughter of Adam Ross, who settled, during or prior to the Revolution, on the place now owned by Benjamin R. George. Adam Ross was a pioneer, receiving his deed from John Penn, the elder, and John Penn, the younger, in 1789, probably settling on the place prior to that date, and there he lived and died. He married a daughter of the original Benjamin Chambers of Chambersburg in 1777, and died November 27, 1827. His daughter, Jane, married Henry George, and after marriage they located on the Ross home place, where they built their commodious family residence in 1844. They reared to maturity a family of two daughters and two sons. John, the eldest, engaged in mercantile business in Baltimore in 1853; Ruhamah R., Mary J. and Benjamin R. all reside on the home place. Henry George died June 22, 1874. His widow died May 8, 1876. Our subject was educated in the select schools in Fayetteville and at an academy in Baltimore. December 17, 1872, he married Lucy, daughter of Joseph Chambers. They have two children: Sallie Madeira and J. Chambers. Mr. George gives his attention to farming. An iron ore bed has been opened on the farm, which is now yielding largely. Mrs. George and other members of the family are members of Falling Spring Presbyterian Church.

**JEREMIAH W. GEORGE**, New Franklin P. O. One of the honorable and industrious pioneer families of Guilford Township was that of Matthias George, the progenitor of a numerous and respectable offspring and the forerunner and leading spirit in one of the oldest, if not the oldest Lutheran community in Franklin County, Grindstone Hill. On the 11th of August, 1750, the ship "Patience," Hugh Steel, captain, arrived in the port of Philadelphia from Rotterdam, bearing on it as immigrants desirous of establishing homes in the New World, 121 men with their wives and children. One of these passengers was Matthias George, great-great grandfather of the subject of this sketch. Matthias had four sons: Henry, Peter, Adam and Christopher. The first two settled on land in Philadelphia County, and worked out their destiny in that region. Matthias and the last two located in Franklin County, taking up a large tract in the Grindstone Hill region and forming its settlement. To Christopher and his wife, Louisa (Smith) George, grandparents of our subject, were born one daughter and three sons, viz.: Magdalene, Jacob, Frederick and Samuel. To Jacob and Hannah (Waldman) George, parents of our subject, were likewise born one daughter and three sons: Elizabeth, Jeremiah W., William and Jacob F., all living in Guilford Township at the present time. Jeremiah W. George, born July 11, 1826, was married, April 12, 1849, to Miss Margaret Gift, who was born July 3, 1826. The result of this union was the birth of four children: two sons, Edward Benjamin born February 11, 1850, and Jacob Martin born September 5, 1854, both living and married, and two daughters, Anna Mary, born April 5, 1853, died in 1859, and Hannah Jane,

born September 5, 1854, died in 1875. One of the sons, Jacob Martin, occupies the farm which was taken up by his maternal great-great-grandfather, Matthias Gift, near the middle of the last century. Mr. Jeremiah W. George lives on the farm originally owned by his great-grandfather, Matthias. He has retired from active farm life, which was his chosen occupation. His farm is a good one, having an excellent quality of land, well supplied with substantial buildings. During the retreat of Lee's army, in 1863, he sustained heavy losses, his home being on the line taken by the immense columns of rebel wounded and supply wagons escorted by Gen. Imboden's cavalry. Politically Mr. George is identified with the ranks of Democracy, and religiously, with the Grindstone Hill Evangelical Lutheran Church. He is one of the worthy descendants of an honored ancestry.

ALFRED HOOVER, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., March 10, 1848, a son of Samuel W. (a farmer), and Elizabeth (Gipe) Hoover, natives of Franklin County, and descended from the early German settlers of Pennsylvania. The male members of the family have generally been tillers of the soil, although some have been professional, and others successful business men. Our subject is the eldest in a family of four children, three of whom are now living. He received his education in the district school and from youth up has followed agricultural pursuits. He is the owner of a well improved farm of eighty acres, on which he resides. In 1872 he married Charlotte, daughter of Samuel Heinzelman, of German origin, and to this union one child has been born—Leah Emma, now (1886) ten years old. Politically Mr. Hoover is a Republican.

S. S. LEDY, merchant, Marion, was born in Franklin County, Penn., September 3, 1839, second son of Samuel and Catherine (Snider) Ledy. Samuel Ledy, a farmer by occupation, was born in Washington Township, this county, in 1804, and in early life moved to Guilford Township, later to Antrim Township, this county, where he resided for thirty years, returning to Guilford Township in 1886, where he still resides; he reared to maturity one daughter and two sons, of whom two survive: S. S., our subject, and Elizabeth, the widow of Samuel Hollinger, residing in Antrim Township, this county. S. S. Ledy received a fair education at the public schools of Guilford Township, and was engaged in farming on the home place until 1862, when he enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and took part in all the battles up to that of Fredericksburg, where he was disabled. He spent some time in the hospital at Washington, D. C., at which place he was discharged from the service on account of disability. He returned to Guilford Township, and again engaged in farming which he has since successfully followed. In the spring of 1885 he entered the mercantile business, purchasing the general store of Mannon & Statler, and is now doing an extensive trade. In 1863 Mr. Ledy married Sarah E., daughter of Joseph Hade, a former well-known resident of Antrim Township. Mr. and Mrs. Ledy are the parents of two children, one son and one daughter: J. H., now a member of the firm of S. S. & J. H. Ledy, and M. Belle, residing with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Ledy are members of the Reformed Church. In politics he is a Republican. He has been school director for many years, is postmaster at Marion, and J. H., his son and partner, is assistant postmaster. He is still superintending his farm situated a quarter of a mile south of Marion, at which place his family reside. Neither of his children is married, and J. H. boards with his parents.

JACOB B. NICKLAS, retired farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Germany, January 11, 1817, a son of Adam, a farmer, and Margaret (Getote)

Nicklas, also natives of Germany. Their family consisted of six children, of whom Jacob is the fourth. He grew to manhood in his native country, where he was also educated. In 1837 he came to America, and has since resided in Guilford Township, this county, the owner of a well improved farm, on which he lives. In 1840 he married Sarah, a daughter of John Yaukey, a native of Pennsylvania and a farmer. To Mr. and Mrs. Nicklas six children were born (five now living): Jeremiah, killed in the civil war, was a member of the One Hundred and Fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry; Charlotte, wife of John Fisher, of Illinois; Sarah, wife of O. D. Miller; Anna Eliza; Joseph, a farmer, and Jacob B., who farms the home place. Mr. Nicklas is a Republican, and he and wife are members of the United Brethren Church, of which he has been trustee. Their youngest son, Jacob B., was born December 6, 1855, on the farm where he now resides, and was educated in the district schools. He has made farming and cattle breeding his occupation, and has been very successful. February 18, 1886, he married Sadie, daughter of Henry B. Strock and of English descent. Like his father he is a Republican.

FREDERICK J. PFOUTZ, merchant, New Franklin, was born in Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn., June 15, 1837, and is the eldest child of Joseph and Rebecca (Tritle) Pfoutz. He was educated in the public schools of Chambersburg, and clerked in his father's store until the age of fourteen, when his father died and he engaged in farming for five or six years. About 1857 he commenced school-teaching, which profession he followed until enlisting in the Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry; was detailed at regimental headquarters, where he served as clerk until the close of the war and was mustered out at Harrisburg in July, 1865. He returned to civil life and resumed his former profession of teaching in the State of Maryland, teaching in two adjoining districts for nine years. In 1876 he returned to Guilford Township, and purchased the property where he still resides, and where he commenced mercantile business, which he has since continued, doing an extensive trade. He also devotes much time to acting as clerk at public vendues, and as surveyor, which profession he learned from Joseph Snively, Sr., in 1862. Mr. Pfoutz married in that year, Harriet Emma, a daughter of David Pike of Antrim Township, this county, and to this union nine children were born—two daughters and three sons now living. The family attend the Lutheran Church. Mr. Pfoutz is school director, which position he has held since 1878.

D. C. RHODES, blacksmith, Stoufferstown, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Franklin County, January 21, 1847, a son of Christian and Martha (Metz) Rhodes, natives of Pennsylvania, and of English and German origin, respectively. In early life Christian Rhodes was a miller, later a farmer; his family consisted of five sons and four daughters, of whom D. C. is the sixth child. Our subject grew to manhood in his native county, and was educated in the district school. At the age of seventeen he commenced to learn the blacksmith's trade, which he followed one year. In 1866 he enlisted in the United States Regular Army, and served three years, two and a half of which he was orderly sergeant of the company which served among the Indians in the West. At the close of his term of service he returned to Chambersburg, completed his apprenticeship, and has since worked at his trade in Stoufferstown. He does all the work on the wagons made here, also on farming implements manufactured in the town, and usually employs two blacksmiths. In 1870 he married Maggie, daughter of Samuel Disert, Sr., who was born in Cumberland County, Penn., September 16, 1812, a son of Samuel and Margaret (Au) Disert, who were also natives of Pennsylvania and of German and Irish origin. Mr. Disert is a prominent farmer in this township. Mr. and Mrs.

Rhodes have two children: D. Frank and H. Edgar. Mr. Rhodes is a member of the I. O. O. F., and an active and energetic Republican.

JACOB C. SNYDER, P. O. New Franklin. This gentleman is a son of Peter and Hanna (Cook) Snyder, and was born in Guilford Township, Franklin County, November 1, 1820. His paternal great-grandfather and grandfather were both named Peter, and his maternal great-grandfather and grandfather were also named Peter. April 3, 1845, Jacob C. Snyder was married by Peter Sahn, D. D., to Martha Tritle, and to this union have been born nine children, viz.: C. Newton, J. Milton, Frederick T., William A., J. Edward, J. Albert (died September 23, 1855, in infancy), Rebecca Kate, Martha Ann and George B. McClellan Snyder. Mr. Snyder has always resided in Guilford Township and, as an evidence of the esteem in which he is held by his fellow townsmen, it is only necessary to state that he has filled all, or nearly all its offices. He was three times assessor and collector of taxes; was school director, then auditor, and is now in his fourth term as justice of the peace, making a continuous public service of over twenty years. He also served one term as mercantile appraiser of Franklin County. His second son, Rev. J. Milton Snyder, is a graduate of the Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg; was also a student for three years in the Theological Seminary of the same place, and is now an active minister of the Lutheran Church in Frederick County, Md. Mr. Snyder's third son, Frederick T., is the present register and recorder of deeds of Franklin County, having been elected in the fall of 1884.

S. W. SOLENBERGER, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn., April 18, 1838, and is the second son of John W. and Elizabeth (Wingerd) Solenberger. He was educated in the schools of Guilford Township, and reared to the pursuits of the farm. November 17, 1863, he married Lizzie E., daughter of Jacob Deardorff, a former well known resident of Guilford Township. After marriage Mr. Solenberger settled on the home place, where he has since remained, occupying the residence built by John Wingerd in 1814. To Mr. and Mrs. Solenberger, three children were born, all of whom died in infancy. Our subject and wife are members of the United Brethren and Dunkard Churches respectively. In 1883 Mr. Solenberger erected a fine barn on his farm at a cost of \$4,000; it is 100 x 54 feet, has a slate roof and perfect ventilation. Mr. Solenberger is an extensive and successful breeder of Short-horn cattle.

JACOB S. STONER, farmer and stock raiser, P. O. Chambersburg, was born where he now resides, February 26, 1845, a son of Isaac and Martha (Stouffer) Stoner, the latter a daughter of Jacob Stouffer. Our subject's paternal and maternal ancestors were among the early German settlers of this State. Quite a number of the male members of the family have been farmers and millers. Isaac Stoner was a farmer, also operated a mill, and was a successful business man. At his death, which occurred in Guilford Township, this county, in 1850, and where he spent most of his life, he was the owner of 200 acres of valuable land in a high state of cultivation. His family consisted of five children, of whom Jacob S. is the fourth. The latter spent the early years of his life on the farm with his parents, and received his education in the schools of the district. At an early age he entered the Frick shops at Waynesboro, and learned the machinist trade, but liking country life better he returned to farming, and since then has devoted his time to that vocation, which has proved successful. He has been twice married: first in 1871, to Miss Christiana, daughter of Henry Good, she dying in 1875; he married in 1878 Miss Kate, daughter of Jacob Strickler. Mr. Stoner has two children by his first wife, Alice and Henry, and three by his second, Amos, Frank and Paul. In politics he is a Republican.

**JACOB STRICKLER**, farmer and stock grower, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn., January 23, 1815. His parents, Henry (a farmer) and Mary (Price) Strickler, were also natives of Pennsylvania and of German origin, and his paternal and maternal ancestors were among the early German settlers of Pennsylvania. His father's family consisted of nine children, all of whom grew to maturity. Our subject was reared on the farm and educated in the schools of Antrim Township, this county, and has since devoted himself to agricultural pursuits, at which he has been very successful. He owns the well improved, well stocked farm where he now resides, and has retired from the active duties of life, having passed the management of the farm into the hands of his son Amos, who is the eighth child in the family, is married, and makes farming his business. December 19, 1839, Mr. Strickler married Anna, daughter of Jacob Stouffer, a farmer and miller of Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn. Mrs. Strickler is also of German origin. She has borne her husband the following named children: Henry, a clerk in Waynesboro; Catherine, wife of Jacob Stoner; John, a farmer, residing in Frederick County, Va., married; Abraham, a farmer, residing in Peters Township, this county; Mary, at home; Jacob, a merchant in Illinois, married; Daniel, also a merchant in Illinois, married; Amos, and David, a medical man in Duluth, Minn.

**T. H. WEAGLY, M. D.**, P. O. Marion, was born near Greencastle, Franklin Co., Penn., a son of Jeremiah and Anna (Lippy) Weagly, also natives of Franklin County. His paternal and maternal ancestors were among the early German settlers of Pennsylvania. His father was a contractor and builder, also school-teacher, etc., and has been a magistrate for the past ten years; he now resides in Greencastle, Penn. His family consisted of two sons, of whom the Doctor is the younger. Our subject's youth was passed on the farm with his parents, and he received his early education in the county school; later he attended the high school, and then taught with marked success for four years. In 1878 he commenced the study of medicine in the office of Dr. Grubb, of Greencastle, and afterward attended the medical college at Baltimore for a short time; then practiced medicine for two years, and in 1881-82 attended the medical college at Baltimore, Md., graduating with honor in 1882. That year he came to Marion, where his personal accomplishments and professional skill soon won the regard of the community, and he rapidly acquired an extensive and lucrative practice, which embraces a large portion of the influential families of the town and surrounding country. The Doctor is a member of the A. L. of H. In politics he is a Democrat.

**JOHN W. WITHERSPOON**, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn., October 4, 1843, and is the youngest son of David and Massie Ann (Caruthers) Witherspoon. David Witherspoon was born in Guilford Township, July 19, 1798, and was the son of James Witherspoon, a carpenter by trade, who came to Franklin County about 1780, and resided in Greencastle, for a time engaged at his trade; James later (about 1782 or 1783) purchased and settled the farm which is now the home of his grandson, John W. He purchased the 125 acres as it now is, and which was partially improved, at a sheriff's sale, and here passed the remainder of his life. Here his son, David, also passed his life, and the greater part of the family residence was built by him (David) in 1843, and the large and commodious barn in 1866. David reared to maturity four sons and four daughters, the sons and three daughters now living. He was a justice of the peace for some years and a member of the Presbyterian Church for seventy years. He was a successful farmer and died November 18, 1884. John W. Witherspoon was

educated at the public schools of Guilford, and also attended the academy at Chambersburg for three sessions. He was reared to farming and remained on the home place until the spring of 1864, when he enlisted in the United States Signal Corps; was stationed with the middle military division under Gens. Sigel, Hunter and Sheridan, and participated in the battles at Winchester, Fisher's Hill and Cedar Creek, serving until the close of the war. He was mustered out with his corps, at Winchester, Va., in August, 1865, returned to civil life and engaged in school-teaching for three winter sessions, and in the spring of 1868 moved to West Virginia, where he was engaged in farming for some six years. In 1874 he returned to Guilford Township, and located on the farm where he has since resided. January 28, 1875, he married Mary E. Mickey, who bore him two daughters and four sons: Robert Ralph, John W., Mary E., Florence L., David Erskine and Quin M. Mr. and Mrs. Wither-spoon are members of Falling Spring Presbyterian Church; he is a member of Housum Post, No. 309, G. A. R.; has been school director for the township for six years. In politics he is a Republican.

JACOB G. ZUG, retired farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Lebanon County, Penn., September 7, 1830, a son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Geib) Zug, natives of Pennsylvania and of German origin. He is the second of five children; was educated in the country schools and chose the occupation of his father, that of farming, which in early life he followed in Lebanon County, dealing also in stock. In 1876 he sold his farm in Lebanon County for \$182 per acre, and bought his present farm for \$145 per acre. His land adjoins Stoufferstown and is highly prized, being considered one of the best farms in Guilford Township. In 1854 he was married to Elizabeth, daughter of John Doster, Lancaster County, Penn., and of German origin. Mrs. Zug bore her husband five children, four now living: Cassie, Anna, Daniel and Eli. Mrs. Zug died in 1884, a consistent member of the German Baptist Church, and Mr. Zug next married Sallie Pottier, also a member of the German Baptist Church. Mr. Zug is a Republican, and while a resident of Lebanon County held most of the township offices; he served six years as school director.

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## HAMILTON TOWNSHIP.

ANDREW BARD, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., March 27, 1823, and is a son of Andrew and Mary (Crider) Bard, natives of Franklin County and of German and English descent. His father, who was a farmer, died when our subject was six months old, and the latter remained with his mother four years, when he was put out among his relatives. He lived with an uncle and a sister until he was sixteen years of age, and then worked by the month until he was twenty-six. When he arrived at the age of twenty-one he went to Richland County, Ohio, and worked four years; then returned, married and located where he now resides, and owns eighty-five acres of land. He married, February 27, 1849, Margaret, daughter of Jacob and Margaret Deihl. Mr. and Mrs. Bard are the parents of ten children, four of whom are living: William F., Jacob A., John C. and Ella N., all married. The parents are members of the United Brethren Church. Mr. Bard has held the office of constable twenty-one years, and that of road supervisor three terms by election, and was appointed by the court once. He is an enterprising citizen of his township and county and is quite a prominent man.

PHILIP BERLIN, retired farmer, Chambersburg. was born in that place September 24, 1814, and is a son of Philip and Mary A. (Coover) Berlin, of German descent and natives of Pennsylvania. His father was a merchant in Chambersburg for about forty years, and operated three stores of dry goods and groceries. In 1827 he was nominated and elected a member of the Legislature by the Republican party; he was also director of the first railroad from Harrisburg to Chambersburg. About 1840 he sold out his stores and bought a grist-mill and farm adjoining Chambersburg, which he conducted until 1846, when he sold out and moved back to Chambersburg, where he died in 1864 at the advanced age of eighty-three. He was an active member of the Lutheran Church for about sixty years. Philip Berlin, Jr., was reared in Chambersburg, where he received his education. When his father bought the mill and farm he conducted both as long as he owned them. In 1846 he moved to where he now resides, and owns 150 acres of land, on which he made some fine improvements. He was married in April, 1842, to Miss Eliza Besore, and they are the parents of eight children, seven of whom are living—five daughters and two sons. Mrs. Berlin is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Berlin is a Republican in politics. He was an active farmer up to a few years ago, but is now living in retirement and his son is conducting the farm.

JOHN H. BLAIR, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Westmoreland County, Penn., May 18, 1844, and is a son of James and Jane (Humes) Blair, former a native of Ireland, latter of Pennsylvania and of Scotch-Irish descent. James Blair was a farmer, an occupation he followed in Westmoreland County until his death, which occurred in the fall of 1875. John H. Blair lived in Westmoreland County, Penn., and farmed until 1878. He taught school for five terms, and in the spring of 1878 moved to where he now resides, and where he owns 370 acres of land in two tracts, part of which was inherited by his wife. He visited the centennial at Philadelphia in 1876, remaining five days. Mr. Blair married, December 26, 1872, Anna E. Shields, who bore him six children, five of whom are living: Ida M., Sarah J., James S.; Ray and an infant daughter (Scott H. is deceased). Mr. and Mrs. Blair are members of the Central Presbyterian Church at Chambersburg. He has held the office of school director for several years; has been judge of election and inspector, assessor and director in Franklin creamery. He is quite an extensive stock raiser, making a specialty of Short-horn cattle, and horses. He has an interest in an imported Percheron horse, which is valued at \$2,000. Politically he is a Democrat.

GEORGE CHRIST, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Washington County, Md., December 10, 1849, and is a son of Peter and Louisa Christ, natives of Germany, and who came to Baltimore in 1840, and thence to Chambersburg, where they lived several years and Peter Christ followed his trade, that of shoemaking. He then moved to Washington County, Md., and lived five years; then to where George now resides, where he bought a farm of 214 acres, and remained here about eleven years. He is now living in Guilford Township, this county. Our subject was reared on a farm and remained with his parents until he was thirty years of age, when he purchased 150 acres of the home place, and has since lived here with the exception of a few years. He married, January 22, 1878, Margaret J. Hoffman, and to them six children were born, five now living: Louisa M., Anna M., Henry G., Sophia A. and Etha J. (Louis, the second born, is deceased.) Mr. and Mrs. Christ are members of the Catholic Church at Chambersburg. He has held the office of supervisor and also that of school director.

DAVID EBY, miller, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny Town-



ship, Franklin Co., Penn., December 1, 1830, and is a son of Jacob and Martha (Snider) Eby, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His great-grandfather was born in Germany. Jacob Eby, after his marriage, moved to Guilford Township and kept a hotel for seven years on the Baltimore and Chambersburg pike (when stages ran from Baltimore to Chambersburg), and he used to stable from twenty-five to thirty teams in one night. In 1840 he moved two miles west of Chambersburg, on the Bedford and Chambersburg pike, and kept hotel twenty-two years; bought 120 acres of land and lived there until 1853, when he moved to Chambersburg, where he bought property and here lived until his death, which occurred April 19, 1881. He was four times married; his first wife bore him seven children, his second, two, and his fourth one. David, the eldest, was reared on a farm and remained with his parents until twenty-seven years of age, when he was married; he went to St. Thomas Township and lived on the farm of his father-in-law, Jacob Detrick, four years. In 1863 he moved to his father's farm, where he remained until the spring of 1865, and in the spring of 1864 his barn was burned by the rebels, at the same time Chambersburg was burned, on pretext of his having hauled John Brown's goods to Sheppardstown and Hagerstown. He had six horses taken from him in 1862, and his father lost eight horses and a barn and all the grain that had been garnered. In 1863 David had taken from him eleven head of cattle and all his feed. He was drafted in 1865 and paid \$1,200 for a substitute. In 1870 he bought the grist-mill he is now running and has thirty-one acres of land, which he farms in connection with the running of the mill. In the fall of 1872 he built a large two-story brick house at a cost of \$3,700. He was married October 12, 1858, to Mary Detrick, and they are the parents of six children: Harry C., George D., Amos S., Howard S., Annie M. and Mattie. Mr. Eby has held the office of school director and school treasurer. He is one of the prominent men of Hamilton Township, and is a public-spirited citizen. In 1876 Mr. Eby was appointed chief marshal of Hamilton Township to represent the centennial of his district. Both he and his wife are generous and good, giving to the poor in time of need.

JOHN FOUTZ, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in St. Thomas Township, Franklin Co., Penn., February 19, 1836, and is a son of Jacob and Mary (Swigert) Foutz, natives of Franklin County, and of German descent. His father, who was a farmer by occupation, and which he followed in St. Thomas Township, died in 1848. Our subject was brought up on a farm, and was fourteen years of age when he began life for himself, and worked out by the month until he was married. He learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed for about five years; then bought a farm in St. Thomas Township and lived there about five years; then sold out and rented one year. In 1868 he bought the place where he now resides, consisting of seventy acres, and here he has since lived. He was drafted in Company C, One Hundred and Twelfth Pennsylvania Artillery, in 1862, and served nine months. He was married in 1854 to Leah, daughter of Jacob and Susanna (Miller) Etter, natives of this county. Mr. and Mrs. Foutz are the parents of seven children: Jacob, Susanna, Mary, John, Ellen, Harry and Charlie. Mrs. Foutz is a member of the United Brethren Church. In politics Mr. Foutz is a Democrat.

JOHN A. GROVE, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Franklin County, Penn., January 16, 1856, and is a son of John and Margaret (Linninger) Grove, natives of this county, and of English descent. His father, John, was a farmer, an occupation he followed until about four years ago, when he moved to Chambersburg, and is now living a retired life. Our subject was born and reared where he now lives, and remained with his parents

until twenty-four years of age, when he was married, April 27, 1880, to Luella, daughter of Solomon and Ann (Baker) Holler. After marriage he moved on one of his father's farms, a short distance below where he now resides. Mr. and Mrs. Grove have two children: Clarence E. and Verba E.

HENRY KEEFER, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Hamilton Township, Franklin Co., Penn., May 22, 1822, and is a son of Abraham and Susan (Price) Keefer, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German descent. His father was a farmer, an occupation he followed until his death, which occurred in March, 1864, on the farm adjoining where he was born. Our subject's grandfather was ninety-six years of age at the time of his death. Henry remained with his parents until he was twenty years of age, when he commenced for himself. He farmed with his father ten years on shares; then bought the farm, consisting of 140 acres, on which he lived until 1864. But during his residence here he bought another farm of seventy-three acres. In the spring of 1864 he bought 176 acres, on which he moved, and here has since lived. He now owns 452 acres; also a tract of seventeen acres of timber land, a house and lot in Sandy Hook; another tract of timber land of fifteen acres, and one of 224 acres, also of timber. He owns a half interest in a steam saw-mill, and a third interest in 1,200 acres of timber land. March 12, 1844, Mr. Keefer married Elizabeth Weist, and they are the parents of ten children, seven of whom are living: Jerome H., Levina, Henry D., C. W., Daniel H., Wesley G. and Emma V. Mr. and Mrs. Keefer are members of the German Reformed Church. Mr. Keefer is an intelligent and enterprising citizen.

WILLIAM B. KEEFER, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Cumberland County, Penn., November 27, 1837, and is a son of Samuel and Hannah (Martin) Keefer, natives of Pennsylvania. His father was a native of Berks County, Penn., and moved to Cumberland County when quite young, where he remained until 1840, when he removed to Franklin County and located in Guilford Township, where he rented a farm until the spring of 1849. He then moved to where our subject now lives, where he bought a small farm and lived until his death, which occurred December 11, 1875. William B. was reared on the farm, and remained with his parents most of their lives. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company A, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served nine months. He participated in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville, Va., and was mustered out at the expiration of his term of enlistment. He returned home and has been engaged in farming and carpentering ever since (the latter he learned when quite young). He was married October 1, 1863, to Margaret McDonald, and five children have been born to them: Mary, Ellen, Anna, Ida and William E. Mr. and Mrs. Keefer are members of the United Brethren Church.

WILLIAM KIMPEL, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Bavaria, Germany, February 14, 1830, and is a son of John and Catherine (Drep) Kimpel, natives of Germany. John Kimpel was a shoemaker by trade, which he followed until coming to the United States. In May, 1842, he with his family bade farewell to their fatherland, took passage at Bremen and, after a voyage of eight weeks, arrived at Baltimore; thence they moved to Adams County, Penn.; thence to Baltimore, Md.; lived there from spring to fall, and then, in 1848, moved into Franklin County and he bought a small farm near Chambersburg, where he lived until his death in November, 1884. William Kimpel was reared on a farm, and started in life for himself when twenty-two years of age. He worked out until 1864, spending one year in Ohio. In 1864 he bought the farm where he now lives, consisting of eighty-five acres, on which he has since resided. He married, May 17, 1854, Catherine Miller, who has

borne him ten children: Mary M., Catherine, Elizabeth, Martha, Louisa, John W., Edward, Ambrose, Elouises and George. Mr. and Mrs. Kimpel are members of the Catholic Church of Chambersburg.

JACOB KRIDER, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Hamilton Township, Franklin Co., Penn., November 1, 1811, and is a son of Henry and Fannie (Oner) Krider, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His great-grandfather came from Germany. His father was a farmer, an occupation he followed all his life. His grandfather located in Lebanon County, where Jacob's father was born. He came to Hamilton Township in an early day, where he bought a farm and lived until his death, which occurred in 1844. Our subject was reared on a farm, and remained with his parents until he was twenty-four years of age, when he married and located in St. Thomas Township, where his father had willed him a farm of 177 acres of land, and there he lived until 1863, when he moved to where he now resides. He built a grist-mill on his farm in St. Thomas Township, and operated it so long as he lived there. He owns twenty-five and a half acres of land where he now resides. He married, March 15, 1836, Christiana Howard, who bore him twelve children, only one now living, Fannie, married to J. W. McLeery. (They reside in St. Thomas Township, this county.) Mr. Krider has held the office of director of the poor and supervisor, and is one of the old pioneers of Franklin County. He has been an active business man, and is now enjoying the fruits of his industry. The Indians were still on the land when his grandfather settled in this county, and Mr. Krider says that he has heard his father say that it was not safe to be out alone.

FREDERICK MISH, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., October 11, 1810, and is a son of John and Margaret (Waller) Mish, natives of Pennsylvania. John Mish was a farmer by occupation, which he followed the greater part of his life. In 1812 he moved to St. Thomas Township, this county, where he bought 281 acres of cultivated land and eighty-one acres of mountain land; in 1827 he moved to Guilford Township, where he bought a farm and lived six years; then sold out and moved to his farm in St. Thomas Township, where he lived until his death in 1842. Our subject then farmed the old homestead until 1848, when he sold it to the heirs and moved to the northern part of Hamilton Township, and bought a farm where he resided until 1871; then moved to where he now resides, and where he owns 100 acres of land. He married, October 15, 1835, Mary A. Coble, and six children were born to them, five living: Charlotte E., Jeremiah L., George W., John F. and Jacob W. Mrs. Mish died in 1857, and in 1869 Mr. Mish married Prucilla (Newman) Knaue. He has held the offices of road supervisor and school director, and is numbered among the old pioneers now living in Franklin County. He is ranked among the prominent men; has been an active business man and a good farmer, and is esteemed by all who know him. He owns a tract in the northern part of Hamilton Township of 285 acres and fifteen acres of mountain land.

GEORGE REED (deceased) was born in Franklin County, Penn., April 9, 1819, and was a son of Casper and Barbara (Stake) Reed, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German descent. George was quite young when his father died, was reared on a farm and worked around on farms until he was married; he then cropped for his father-in-law for about four years; then entered the tannery of William McLean, where he worked for seventeen years in Amberson's Valley; he then worked at Doylesburg for the same party and here was foreman for eighteen years, being engaged in the tannery business for about thirty-five years. He also carried on a country store in Doylesburg for seven

ears, while he was working at the tannery business. In 1881 he moved to where his widow now lives, and there bought eighty-two acres, which Mrs. Reed still retains. He was married in December, 1842, to Barbara M. Stake, who bore him nine children: Margaret J., married to C. J. Eckenrode; Emaline, married to K. P. Rosenbury; George W., married to Lillian Farce, residing in Chicago; Howard C., married to Catherine Widney; Reuben, married to Elizabeth Long; Almira E., married to George B. Henderson; James E., married to Jennie Jeffries; William A., married to R. Eckenrode, and Morrow Mc., who operates a steam saw-mill, threshing machine and huller. Mr. Reed died May 14, 1883, a consistent member of the Methodist Protestant Church.

SAMUEL S. REISHER, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Franklin County, Penn., August 5, 1843, and is a son of Daniel S. and Nancy (Huber) Reisher, natives of this county, and of German descent. His great-grandfather, on his father's side, was of German descent, and his ancestors in this county are traced back a long way. His great-grandfather was the second inhabitant of Chambersburg. His grandfather served as justice of the peace in Chambersburg for about thirty years. His father attended Dickinson College, at Carlisle, until he was twenty years old, when he married and located on a farm in Hamilton Township, where he lived ten years; then moved to Greene Township where he remained five years; then moved to Chambersburg, where he is now living a retired life. Samuel S. was reared on a farm and remained with his parents until nineteen years of age; then enlisted in the service of his country, August 5, 1862, in Company D, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, served six months, and was discharged at Philadelphia on account of disability. On his return from the war he farmed the homestead for five years, then bought the farm of ninety-nine acres where he now resides. He was married March 9, 1865, to Sarah Miller, and they are the parents of twelve children, eight of whom are living: Daniel H., Minnie G., William S., Ella, Benjamin, George, Nancy A. and Mary E. Mrs. Reisher is a member of the Reformed Church. Mr. Reisher has held the offices of township auditor, inspector of elections, and has been school director for twelve years; has also served as census enumerator, and is now holding the office of county auditor. Mr. Reisher is one of the prominent men of Franklin County and a substantial and thrifty farmer. Politically he is a Democrat.

JOHN N. SNIDER, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Lurgan Township, Franklin Co., Penn., August 6, 1815, and is a son of Nicholas and Catherine (Howard) Snider, natives of Franklin County, and of German descent. His grandfather on his father's side came from Germany. Nicholas Snider was a scythe-maker by trade, which he followed until 1818, when he moved to Guilford Township, this county, and bought a saw and grist-mill, which he conducted until his death in 1838. Our subject was reared on a farm, remaining with his father until his death; he then rented the farm for one year afterward. His stepmother bought property in Marion where he moved and resided one year; then he married and located in Hamilton Township, where he bought 179 acres of land, on which he resided ten years. He then sold out and bought 116 acres, where he now lives, and on which he has made all the improvements, showing that Mr. Snider is an industrious and enterprising citizen. He married, February 3, 1842, Barbara, daughter of Jacob and Martha (Laman) Deihl, a native of Franklin County. Mr. and Mrs. Snider are the parents of ten children, eight of whom are living: Martha, married to Samuel West; Catherine; Margaret, married to Benjamin Gruner; Cyrenius,

married to Jacob C. Waggoner; Mary, married to Henry K. Baker; David C., married to Emma Baker; Laura J., married to Calvin Etter, and John M., married to Annie Kuhn. The parents are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Snider now holds the office of road supervisor. He is one of the active men of Franklin County, and has witnessed the development of improvements for seventy years. He is one of the oldest settlers in Hamilton Township, and is esteemed very highly by all who know him. Politically he is a Republican.

ZADOC WOLFE, miller, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn., April 28, 1832, and is a son of Henry H. and Rachael (Hood) Wolfe, natives of Maryland, and of English descent. His grandfather Hood participated in the Revolutionary war. His father, Henry H., came to Franklin County in 1832, and located in Antrim Township, where he followed milling for about sixteen years. He then moved back to Maryland, and operated in the milling business for one year, then returned to Franklin County, where he followed milling the remainder of his life, a business in which he was thoroughly practical; he died about 1865, the father of fourteen children, seven of whom are now living, four sons and three daughters: Tobthia, George, John, Jose, Zadoc, Catherine and Henrietta. Zadoc Wolfe was brought up to the miller's trade, and served under his father until twenty-one years of age, when he rented a mill at Mercersburg, and his father lived with him and worked for him until he died. He conducted the mill at Mercersburg about nine years, and then rented Rankin's mill, near Greencastle, which he operated two years; thence moved to McAuley's mill, which he operated eight years. In 1872 he bought the mill property he is now operating from H. M. White, for which he paid \$5,000. He also bought a small farm adjoining of forty acres, but has sold it, for which he paid \$2,200. He also owns a still-house in connection with his mill, but is not operating it at present, and in addition to his other business he carries a stock of groceries and notions. Mr. Wolfe is a practical miller, having been brought up in the mill from early youth, and is a thorough business man. His son, Jose E., has charge of the mill, and is also the miller. Mr. Wolfe was married August 21, 1856, to Mary O. Pensinger, a daughter of Jacob, Jr., and Mary Pensinger. Our subject and wife are the parents of seven children, five of whom are living: William F. (married to Nettie Over), Jose E., Mary E., Jacob S. and Emma G. Jacob Pensinger, Jr., father of Mrs. Wolfe, was one of the early settlers of Franklin County, and was the father of ten children, four of whom are living: William, John, Thomas and Mary C. He resided at Greencastle for many years, but later moved to Camp Hill. He was engaged in farming near Greencastle all his life. He died at the age of ninety-one years.

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## LETTERKENNY TOWNSHIP.

JOHN BESORE, farmer, P. O. Upper Strasburg, was born February 5, 1810, on the old homestead of his father. His great-grandfather, Peter Besore, was born in Switzerland, came to America when a young man, and settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where he farmed; his son, Peter, was born in Berlin, York Co., Penn., and married Rachel Likener, of French descent, who lived to be seventy years old and died in this county, where the husband had bought a farm in Letterkenny Township, on which he died. They were the parents of the following named children: Adam, William, Moses, George, Peter (father

of our subject), Balsler, Mrs. Rachael Wright, Mrs. Elizabeth Beard, Mrs. Peggy Dice and Mrs. Hannah Huber, the mother of Judge Huber. Peter Besore (father of this family) was first a member of the Lutheran Church, but later of the Methodist Episcopal, and the first Methodist meeting in the township was held at his house. He also served in several of the county offices, and was commissioner of the poor many years. Subject's father, Peter, was born in York County February, 9, 1779, and was but four years old when he came to Franklin County. He was a farmer, and owned the place where our subject now resides, and which consisted of 202 acres. He married Elizabeth, a daughter of John Schleichter, of an old pioneer family. She died at the age of sixty-six years, and her husband at the age of seventy-five. They were parents of the following named children, now living: John (our subject), Mrs. Elizabeth Berlin, Mrs. Lydia Oyler, Mrs. Leah Metz, Hannah, Mrs. Rebecca Huber, of Martinsburg, and George Besore. Rachel, Peter, William and Amos K. are deceased. The parents were members of the United Brethren Church. The father was a Democrat, and served as supervisor of his township. Our subject was educated in the early schools of the county, and has all his life been a successful man. He now has a farm of 202 acres, and owns half of 121 acres. He is a member of the United Brethren Church, a Democrat, politically, and cast his first vote for Andrew Jackson.

GEORGE W. BESORE, farmer, P. O. Upper Strasburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., May 4, 1829, a son of Peter and Elizabeth (Schlichter) Besore, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His paternal grandmother could speak both German and French. His great-grandfather came from Switzerland, and settled in York County, where he lived several years. He then came to Franklin County, and bought a farm in Letterkenny Township, where he lived until his death. Our subject's grandfather, Peter Besore, was born in York County, Penn.; moved to Franklin County, Penn., where he lived, engaged in agricultural pursuits until his death. Peter, subject's father, followed farming also, in Letterkenny Township, and owned before his death 526 acres, which has since been divided among his heirs. George W. was reared on the farm and remained with his parents until they both died. He and his brother, John, then operated the three farms until 1861, when our subject built on the farm where he now resides and moved to it. He married in December, 1859, Mary C., daughter of John and Elizabeth (Karper) Rife. Mr. and Mrs. Besore are the parents of three children: John R., William H. and Jennie E. Mr. and Mrs. Besore are members of the Lutheran Church at Upper Strasburg. He has served one term each as auditor, assessor and judge of elections. He owns 166 acres of well improved land, and a large two-story brick house and fine barn. In politics he is a Democrat.

LANDIS A. BESORE, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., May 22, 1848, a son of Peter and Magdalena (Landis) Besore, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His great-grandfather came from Switzerland. His grandfather, Peter, was a farmer and lived where John Besore now resides, he was also a slaveholder, and one of the early settlers of this county. Subject's father was born in 1812 and reared on his father's farm. He was a prominent man in the county; at the time of his death owned two farms aggregating 450 acres. Landis A. was reared on a farm and remained at home until he was twenty-four years old, when he married, located where he now resides and remained three years; then bought a property on the Green Village road, where he resided five years, during which time he was not engaged at anything particular on account of ill

health. In 1874 he moved back to his present place, and now owns 275 acres, of which sixty-five is in heavy timber. May 29, 1872, he married Mary, daughter of Henry Stouffer, and seven children have been born to them, six now living: Mamie E., Emma L., Kate A., Daisy B., George M. and Alice G. Mrs. Besore is a member of the United Brethren Church. Our subject also engages to some extent in stock raising.

JOHN S. BRAKE, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., December 13, 1825, and is a son of John and Catherine (Schlichter) Brake, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His grandfather, Christian, came to Franklin County at a very early day, the exact date not now known, but probably over 100 years ago. He settled where John S. now lives, and bought 110 acres of land, the greater part of which he cleared. The Indians were at that time very numerous, and he experienced all the hardships of the pioneer, but after years of hard work saved enough money to buy another farm (where Jacob Schlichter now resides) moved on it, and there remained until his death. Our subject's father, John, was born and reared where our subject now lives. He was a farmer, and commenced for himself when only seventeen years old, working hard until he saved enough money to purchase a farm; at one time he owned 320 acres. He was the father of five sons—John S., Solomon, Jacob (deceased), Jeremiah, Christian (deceased)—and two daughters, Magdelena and Catharine. John S., the fourth in the family, was born on the farm where he now lives. He remained with his parents until he was twenty-five years old, when he began to do for himself. He married and settled on his father's farm, but in 1852 moved on the homestead where he has since lived, and owns 104 acres. December 17, 1850, he married Malinda, daughter of Frederick and Catherine (Grove) Foltz, and four children have been born to this union, all of whom are now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Brake are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He has served as auditor two terms, and supervisor two terms. In politics he is a Democrat.

SOLOMON BRAKE, retired farmer, P. O. Keefers, was born in the house where he now lives, in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., April 23, 1828, a son of John and Catherine (Schlichter) Brake, natives of Letterkenny Township and of German descent, our subject's great-grandfather having come from Germany. Subject's grandfather, Christian, came to Franklin County some time in the eighteenth century and located in this township, where he owned two farms. Here he lived and followed agricultural pursuits until his death. John Brake, father of our subject, was born July 2, 1795, on the farm where Jacob Schlichter now lives. He was drafted in the war of 1812, but paid his fine, being then only seventeen years of age. When a young man he moved to where his son, Solomon, now lives and, in partnership with Frederick Deck, bought 300 acres of land, which they afterward divided, Mr. Brake taking the buildings and 100 acres of land. He lived here until his death, which occurred quite suddenly of apoplexy in 1858. He was one of the prominent men of the township. Solomon has always remained on the homestead, owns 400 acres of valuable land, and has made some fine improvements within the last few years. A part of the house in which he resides is built of hewed logs, and was erected by a Mr. McConnell over 100 years ago. It is very old fashioned, but perfectly sound and well constructed. August 22, 1882, Mr. Brake married Sarah B. Wineman, and one child has been born to them, Frank W. Mr. Brake has now retired from active business, has his work done by hired hands, and rents out on shares.

JOHN A. DICE, farmer, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny

Township, this county, October 5, 1833, a son of Michael and Sophia (Ashway) Dice, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German descent. His grandparents came to Franklin County in an early day and settled in Letterkenny Township, where the grandfather engaged in distilling until his death. Our subject's father, Michael, was a farmer (owning two farms), which occupation he followed until his death in May, 1870. His widow died in August, 1873. He was a strong Democrat, had held minor offices in the township, and was a prominent man. John A. was reared on the farm and remained at home until twenty-three years of age, when he went to Summit County, Ohio, and was absent one year engaged on a farm. On his return he remained four years, then married and located on his father's farm in Hamilton Township, where he remained one year. March 22, 1862, he moved to where he now lives and has since resided on this place; has made a great many improvements, and built a large barn and addition to his house. During the war he was troubled a great deal by the rebels, but succeeded in saving his horses from being taken by hiding them in the bushes. In January, 1861, he married Elizabeth (Snider) Musselman, and four children were born to this union: Martin S., John F., David and Eliza. Mrs. Dice died August 8, 1881. Mr. Dice owns 165 acres of land, where he now lives, 191 acres in Hamilton Township, also 128 acres, and seventy-two acres of mountain land. He has held the office of school director, assistant assessor, auditor, etc., and is an intelligent and enterprising citizen. He has erected good buildings on all his farms.

ABRAHAM R. HOOVER, farmer and dairyman, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., April 19, 1846, a son of Henry O. and Lydia (Rabuck) Hoover, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His grandfather, Christian Hoover, born in Lancaster County, Penn., came to Franklin County in an early day and settled in Letterkenny Township, where he purchased a farm and followed agricultural pursuits until his death in 1867. He was a minister and bishop of the River Brethren denomination for many years. Our subject's great-grandfather came from Germany to America when quite a young man, and his father was born near Pleasant Hall, where he remained with his parents some years after arriving at manhood. He then moved to Lurgan Township, where he still resides and owns a farm of 200 acres. Abraham R. was reared on the farm and remained with his parents until twenty-two years of age, when he married and settled on the homestead farm and remained ten years. In 1878 he moved to where he now lives, and owns 271 acres of clear land and sixty-six acres of mountain land, and has made all the improvements since living here, except building the house. In May, 1882, he engaged in the dairy business and has since conducted it. He keeps from twenty-five to thirty-five cows and young stock, manufactures butter, cheese, etc., and has a ready sale for all he can make for the home trade. He manufactures about 140 pounds of butter and 150 pounds of cheese a week, which is of the very best quality. He also deals in poultry, having a very extensive poultry house, getting from 125 to 135 eggs a day during the egg season. He also deals extensively in swine and stock of all kinds. Mr. Hoover married, August 22, 1867, Mary, daughter of Henry and Catherine Clippinger, and seven children were born to this union, five of whom are living: Abbie V., Annie I., Henry C., Isaac S. and Anthony H. Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Hoover, were married on a rainy day and took the early train at Shippensburg; thence to Monmouth, Ill.; thence to Burlington Iowa, and Indiana and were absent eight weeks. Returning home, Mr. Hoover settled down to work, at which he has since remained. Mr. and Mrs. Hoover are members of the United Brethren Church, of which he is superintendent of the Sunday-school, trustee and class leader.



HEILMAN S. HUBER, farmer and stock raiser, P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Lebanon County, Penn., April 10, 1837, a son of John and Mary (Heilman) Huber, natives of Lebanon County, and of German descent. His great-grandfather was the first of his ancestors to settle in Franklin County, over 100 years ago. The house is still standing which he erected, and bears date 1798. It is built of stone, two stories in height, with eight rooms. The barn is also standing, built of solid stone. He took up about 400 acres of land, and traded a gun to the Indians for the farm on which our subject now resides, because there was a spring of water on it. This farm next passed into the hands of our subject's grandfather, Benjamin, who married a Miss Risser, bought the property and lived on it until 1845, when he sold it to his son John, and moved to a small farm adjoining, where he resided until his death. Our subject's father lived on the farm until the spring of 1868, when he moved to Chambersburg, where he has since lived a retired life. He owned at one time 250 acres of good land. Heilman S. was reared in Lebanon County until eight years of age, when he moved with his parents to Franklin County, who settled where he now lives. He remained with them until he was thirty years of age, when his father moved to town, and our subject then took the place and farmed it on shares for eight years, but had previously bought one-half. He lived on the old homestead until the spring of 1876, when he moved to where he now resides, and where he had previously erected a large, two-story, brick building and barn at a cost of about \$5,000. It is beautifully located with neat surroundings. Mr. Huber owns 250 acres, and knows how to farm to make money. He employs four regular farm hands, and has three sets of buildings on the farm in which his employes live. He deals in fine graded stock very extensively, raising horses and cattle, selling off in the spring and buying again in the fall. He was married, February 28, 1868, to Amanda Plough, daughter of Jacob Plough, and four children were born to their union, one living, Harry H. The family attend the services of the United Brethren Church. Mr. Huber is one of the prominent men of the county, and a substantial farmer. In politics he is a Republican.

JOHN B. KAUFMAN. (See biography under Chambersburg, page 655.)

WILLIAM S. KEEFER, farmer, P. O. Keefers, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., December 22, 1825, a son of DeWalt and Rebecca (Beard) Keefer, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German and Scotch-Irish descent, respectively. Our subject's great-grandfather, Abraham Keefer, was born in Darmstadt, Germany, which country he left with four sons for America, arriving in Berks County, Penn., with three sons (one having died on the passage out), and there resided until his death. Subject's grandfather, Christian Keefer, was born in Berks County, Penn., but moved to this county when about twenty-one years of age. He and his brother, DeWalt, settled at Strasburg, which they named after the German city. He laid off the town, sold the lots, but followed farming himself. He also fought in the Revolution, having held some commission in the service. In 1811 he moved to where Cyrus T. Keefer now lives, and with his brother, Abraham, bought 1,000 acres of land, and as their sons grew up it was divided into six farms, which were given to the sons. Our subject's father, DeWalt, was given the homestead, where he lived until his death. He was quite a prominent man and held a number of the township offices, serving as county commissioner one term. He owned three farms, amounting to 800 acres, and died in 1866. William S. was born and reared on the farm where his brother Cyrus now lives. He was the eldest of the family, and remained at home until thirty years of age, when he moved to where he now resides, and purchased 214 acres of cleared land and 150

acres of timber. He now owns another farm of 138 acres, known as the Karper farm, in Letterkenny Township, and a tract of 10,000 acres in Hardy County, Va., nearly all timber of an excellent kind, principally pine; there are also some fine grazing fields. Mr. Keefer is one of the prominent men of the county, and served as enrolling officer for three years and a half. May 14, 1852, he married Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob and Hannah (Reed) Eberly. To this union four children were born, two now living: Jacob R., married to Miss Immell, and Anna E., wife of Clayton Keefer. Mrs. Keefer died in 1865, and in 1867 Mr. Keefer married Eliza Huber, who bore him four children, three of whom are now living: Elberta, Hileman and Moses. They are all members of the church. The Keefers were among the early settlers of Franklin County, the Indians being still numerous when the grandparents came here. In 1877 Mr. Keefer and his brother-in-law, H. S. Huber, began importing heavy draft horses. Their first was a Scotch Clydesdale, and soon after an English cart horse. In 1879 he imported a Suffolk Punch horse, which has taken the premium at the State fair held at Philadelphia and every other fair at which he was entered. The agricultural report of the State fair of 1884 says: "To the stallion 'Tip Top,' owned by W. S. Keefer, of Chambersburg, Penn., was awarded the first prize as well as the highest award for the best three colts on exhibition, under four years, the get of 'Tip Top.' This magnificent horse, brought over by Charles Board, of England, in 1879, and shown at the first exhibition of the society in the main Centennial Building in that year, now returns, after having received his development, to claim the first honors of his class."

CYRUS T. KEEFER, farmer, P. O. Keefers, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., on the place where he now resides, October 4, 1830, a son of De Walt Keefer. (For ancestral history, see sketch of W. S. Keefer.) He is the fourth in a family of nine children, five of whom are now living: William S., Mary J., Cyrus T., Isaac and Augustus. Our subject was reared on the homestead, where he remained until the age of twenty-seven years, when he married and bought the farm where F. Dice now lives, consisting of 154 acres, and on which he resided for six years. He then traded it for another farm, where his brother, William S., now lives, and resided on it three years. In the spring of 1866 he moved to the homestead farm, where he now lives and where he has since remained, and owns 184 acres of the tract. May 6, 1856, he married Lydia A. Britton, and six children have blessed this union: William B., Ida E. (wife of John S. Immell), Grant Dewalt, Mary J., Cyrus E. and Carrie G. Mr. and Mrs. Keefer and children are members of the Reformed Church. He has served as school director one term. During the civil war he was excused from service. He was elected as a member to the Legislature from the county of Franklin in 1886.

JAMES P. KELL, farmer, P. O. Upper Strasburg, was born in Letterkenny Township, this county, February 7, 1852, a son of James and Eliza (Shields) Kell, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. The grandfather, James, kept a hotel where our subject now resides, for a number of years, but later followed farming. Subject's father was born in Strasburg, this county, but moved to the farm when he was about three years old and lived on it all his life. James P. remained with his parents until his father's death. He then married and lived on the lower farm, now the property of William Zullinger, for three years. December 21, 1876, he married Martha Zullinger, who has borne him three children: Frederick, Alice and James R. Mr. and Mrs. Kell are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is at present school director of his district, and trustee, class leader and steward of the church in Strasburg. He owns 117 acres of land where he lives.

DAVID SCHLEICHTER (deceased) was born in Lancaster County, Penn., April 8, 1784, a son of John and Barbara Schleichter, of German descent. He was the eldest in a family of five children: David, Elizabeth, John, Catherine and Jacob, all of whom are deceased. When David was quite young his parents moved to this county and settled on the place now occupied by John Myers, where the father bought a farm, built a cabin and lived for some years. Indians were then very numerous, as also were wild animals, the howling of wolves being often heard around the cabin. The father served as a soldier in the Revolution under Washington, and died in 1802 on the farm now occupied by Jacob Lidig. His widow died in 1838 aged eighty years. He was one of the first settlers in this county, and endured all the privations of pioneer life. David, our subject, was a cooper, which trade he followed in early life, and was eighteen years of age at his father's death. In 1816 he bought the farm where his daughters now live, and built on and improved it until it is now one of the finest farms in Letterkenny Township. The land was patented and contained 278 acres, which was divided into three farms. He married Catharine, daughter of Nicklas Ashway (died in 1814), and she died April 21, 1837, aged forty-four years. He was the father of four sons and four daughters: William (deceased), John (married to Elizabeth Brubaker), Barbara, Catherine (deceased, her death being caused by injuries received in a runaway), David (deceased), Leah, George N. (deceased) and Mary J. Barbara, Leah and Mary J. all live together on the homestead and own 293 acres. These three sisters have made many improvements on the place, and have a fine house and barn, which they built since their father's death. Too much cannot be said in praise of their enterprise. They have accumulated quite a fortune and live in ease and comfort. Our subject died September 3, 1868, beloved by all who knew him. He was a large landholder, having owned four large farms in Letterkenny Township. He was drafted in the war of 1812, but paid a fine and did not enter the service. He remembered seeing, when a little boy, George Washington at Strasburg.

DAVID SLICHTER, JR. (deceased), was born November 25, 1814, in Letterkenny Township, this county. His father, David Slichter, Sr., was a representative citizen of the county and highly respected. Our subject was educated in his native county and followed farming. June 10, 1848, he married Miss Mary Jane Croft, a daughter of Abraham and Catherine (Ross) Croft, natives of this county. The grandfather, David Croft, was born on the 3d of August, 1765, and settled in Hamilton Township, this county, near Emanuel Church, where he died December 18, 1845, aged eighty years, four months and fifteen days. His son, Abraham Croft, was born on the same place, where he also died April 16, 1885. He was well known, and respected for his honesty; was eighty-three years old at the time of his death, and had never been on a moving train. To our subject and wife the following named children were born: William Croft, Edgar Franklin, Emma Catherine, Charlotte Rebecca and Minnie May. Two weeks after marriage Mr. Slichter moved to the farm where his widow now resides. The place where he died contained 160 acres, and he also owned thirty acres in another tract and 220 acres in Bear Valley; he died February 19, 1878. He was a contributing member of the United Brethren Church. Politically he was a Democrat, and was well and favorably known. Mrs. Mary Jane (Croft) Slichter is a member of the United Brethren denomination. One of the children, Charlotte R., is the wife of David J. Rife, who resides on the homestead, and carries on farming; they have one child, Edgar Brallier Rife.

DAVID B. WINEMAN, farmer, P. O. Upper Strasburg, was born in

Metal Township, Franklin Co., Penn., February 14, 1845, a son of Matthew and Catherine (Bock) Wineman, the former a native of Wittenberg, Germany, and the latter of Waynesboro, Penn. When Matthew was two years old he left Germany with his parents, and after a voyage of nine months arrived in America. They located in Path Valley, Metal Township, this county, where the father (our subject's grandfather) had a large vineyard. He died at the age of ninety-one years, and used to tell how, when a resident of Germany, he had seen Napoleon's army pass through his native town on its way to Moscow. Matthew was reared in Metal Township until 1864, when he moved to Letterkenny Township, where he lived until 1874, then moved to Cumberland County, where he still resides, now seventy-two years of age. He was the father of nine children, seven of whom are now living: Elizabeth, wife of Wilson Hockenberry; Catherine, wife of Abraham Kaufman; Mary; Nancy, wife of John McCallan; Maggie, wife of John Trot (they reside in Kansas); Sarah, wife of Solomon Brake, and David B. George was killed at Gettysburg, July 4, 1863. He had enlisted in 1861 for three years, and had participated in some of the hardest fought battles of the war. David B. was reared on the farm and remained with his parents until twenty-five years of age, when he married and settled on the farm of sixty-five acres where he has since lived. In October, 1869, his marriage took place with Sarah B. Kaufman, who has borne him five children, three living: John, Jacob and Jennie (twins). Maggie and Abraham are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Wineman are members of the German Baptist denomination. He is extensively engaged in gardening and also in trucking. He served as treasurer three terms, assessor one term, and school director three years; has been deacon of his church and is now minister, having been elected such by the voice of his church in May, 1879, and is still serving.

REV. GEORGE R. ZACHARIAS, farmer, P. O. Upper Strasburg, was born in the city of Reading, Penn., September 20, 1823, a son of George and Mary (Siedel) Zacharias, natives of Pennsylvania and of German-French descent. His great-grandfather was born in Alsace (then in France), immigrated to America when in the prime of life, and located near Reading, where he followed farming until his death. Our subject's grandfather also born in Reading, was a farmer, owning two farms, and died there in 1829 of lockjaw. Subject's father, George, was born in Reading and remained with his parents until he became of age, when he served two years at the miller's trade, at which he afterward worked three years. He then married Mary Siedel, moved to Reading and carried on distilling about four years; he then moved to Union Township, Berks County, near Mount Airy, where he was four years engaged in farming. He then bought a property along the mountain and engaged in the manufacture of iron for eighteen years; then moved back to Reading, where he resided two years; then to a farm near that city, where he died in 1862. He was the father of ten children, five living: George R.; John, a resident of Wisconsin; Henrietta, Elizabeth and Caroline. He and his wife were consistent members of the church, he of the German Reformed and she of the Lutheran. Our subject was about two years old when his parents moved from Reading and he remained with them until twenty-one years of age, when he started in life for himself. He attended Marshall College, Mercersburg, for six years, taking the regular course and graduating in 1852. He studied with a view of fitting himself for the ministry, but his health failed and he returned home, where he remained one year engaged in boat building. He then began to learn the trade of machinist, but the firm with which he was engaged, failed and he had to give up after six months. In 1854 he went west and after

traveling a good deal located in Hardin County, Iowa, and engaged for three years at the carpenter's trade and erected several buildings on the frontier. At that time he says game and wild animals were very numerous, and panthers used to howl around his house. This structure was 8x6 feet, six feet high, boarded on three sides with slabs, and having the fourth side made of prairie hay. Mr. Zacharias traveled in the West until he had no money left. Stopping one night at a place he got work, and when he left the State he owned 1,400 acres of land and thirty town lots, and had \$400 in money. Returning home he again entered the seminary at Mercersburg and remained eighteen months, but his health again failed and he returned home. In 1860 he was ordained in to ministry of the German Reformed Church, moved to Strasburg and preached two years; he then married and located where he now resides and where he bought 226 acres of land. May 7, 1863, he married Mary E. (Speck) Bigler, who has borne him two children, twins: Sarah E. and Rosa B. Mr. and Mrs. Zacharias and family are members of the German Reformed Church. He owned 180 acres adjoining Strasburg, which he sold. He now owns a house and lot in Strasburg; they live on a farm within a mile of that place. In politics he is a Republican.

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## LURGAN TOWNSHIP.

DAVID BEAM, farmer, P. O. Mowersville, was born December 11, 1828, in Adams County, Penn., eldest son of Samuel Beam, a native of Lancaster County, Penn., who married Christina Cashman, by whom he had eight children: David, Samuel, George P., Susan C., Mary J., Sarah, Rosana and Susana (twins). Our subject was reared on a farm and has since followed agricultural pursuits. October 12, 1854, he married Susan, born in Adams County, Penn., June 28, 1827, a daughter of Jacob and Susan (Patterson) Cashman, the former a son of William Cashman, and the latter a daughter of Samuel Patterson. The Cashmans are of German descent; the Pattersons of Scotch-Irish. After Mr. Beam's marriage he lived one year in that county, when he removed to Cumberland, where he farmed two years. He then came to this county, and followed agriculture seventeen years for Mrs. Reybuck, and in 1880 located on the farm he now owns, and which was formerly a part of the Daniel Snoke farm. Mr. Beam, by careful industry, has secured a good home. He is the father of five children: Sylvester E., Luther, Priscilla, Lillie B. and Maggie. Luther is a farmer in Cumberland County; Priscilla is the wife of John Kohn, residing in this township; Lillie B. resides in Path Valley, the wife of Thos. Hammond; Maggie is the wife of Jerry Clippinger of this county. Mr. Beam is a Republican and a member of the United Brethren Church.

JOHN BRECKENRIDGE, merchant, Roxbury, was born October 7, 1838, in Culbertson's Row, Southampton Township, this county, and was reared in this township. His father, Joseph, also a native of Southampton Township, was a son of John Breckenridge. Subject's mother's maiden name was Nancy Machon, and both sides of the family are of Scotch-Irish descent. John Breckenridge, a farmer by occupation, when a young man served in the Revolution, and was also a soldier in the war of 1812. He died in 1842. His children were as follows: Joseph, Martha, Elizabeth and Mary.

Martha became the wife of Hon. John Orr; Elizabeth became the wife of John Johnson; Mary became the wife of James Brown, of Cumberland County. John came to this township when three years of age, and was reared on a farm. September 16, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, Third Pennsylvania Cavalry, served three years and was honorably discharged December 16, 1864. He was in the following battles: First battle of Williamsburg; Savage Station, where he was orderly for Gen. Hooker on the seven days' fight; South Mountain, Antietam, Fredricksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wilderness, Spottsylvania, Cold Harbor and Petersburg. After his return home he engaged in butchering in Mowersville; then moved to Roxbury and served three years as constable. In the spring of 1868 he married Melinda C. Zellers, a native of Cincinnati, a daughter of Dr. Zellers, and afterward moved to Cincinnati, where he resided two years. He has three children: William, Zenia and Nora. Mrs. Breckenridge had one brother, Louis, who served in the civil war. Our subject returned to Mowersville in August, 1873, served as constable, and then removed to Roxbury in 1875, and carried the mail one year from Roxbury to Dry Run, serving as constable in the meantime. He then engaged in merchandising at this place until the spring of 1886. He is a Democrat; has served as auditor six years, constable five years and is now supervisor. He is a member of the A. F. & A. M., No. 262; I. O. O. F., No. 562; McAllister Encampment; K. of P., No. 262, Lockland, Ohio, and also of the American Mechanics.

HENRY CLIPPINGER, retired farmer, P. O. Mowersville, was born here on the homestead farm, now owned by Adam Reese, April 25, 1819. His father, Henry Clippinger, was born in Northampton County, and came to Shipensburg when sixteen years of age with his father, Anthony. The latter settled in Lurgan Township when his son, Henry, was about thirty years old. Our subject's father married Elizabeth Koontz, and by her had eight sons and two daughters, viz.: Margaret (deceased), Elias (deceased), Daniel (deceased), Solomon, residing in Newburg; Elizabeth, residing near Chambersburg, the wife of John Zook; Henry; Anthony (deceased); Peter, a resident of Florida; John in Hopewell Township, Cumberland County, and Jacob in Monmouth, Ill. Henry remained on the homestead until he was nineteen years of age, then removed with his father to the place he now owns, known as the Withrow farm. He was married here, in 1844, to Catherine Hollar, daughter of Henry and Catherine (Cormany) Hollar, the latter a daughter of Jacob C. Cormany. To Mr. and Mrs. Clippinger eight children were born, viz.: Mary C., wife of Abraham Hoover, residing near Chambersburg; Ann E., wife of John Mower of Mowersville; Martha J., wife of C. M. Fickes; Reuben T., a resident of this township; Josephine K., deceased wife of Samuel Fouse; Silas A., in this township; Emma M., wife of William Hefflefinger of Newville, and Samuel E., a traveling salesman. Mr. Clippinger was actively engaged in farming until 1873, when he made a sale and has since rented his farm. He is a director of the Lurgan Mutual Fire Insurance Company and was one of its charter members. He is a member of the Church of God in Newburg. Politically he is a Prohibitionist, though formerly a Republican. He has filled some offices of trust in the township.

DANIEL COVER, farmer, P. O. Lurgan, was born in Hopewell Township, Cumberland Co., Penn., February 1, 1825, the eldest son of John and Elizabeth (Null) Cover, latter of whom is now (1886) eighty-four years old. John Cover was born October 16, 1802, in this township; his father, Abram Cover, came from the lower counties and finally settled in this county. Mrs. Elizabeth (Null) Cover's father was Jacob Null, who married Elizabeth Mowery. They

reared four sons and two daughters: George, John, Jacob, William, Elizabeth and Jane, all of whom reared families. Abram Cover, the grandsire of Daniel, married Elizabeth Woods, of Scotch-Irish extraction; he and his wife reared six sons and two daughters: John, Abram, William, David, Jacob, Hugh, Polly and Elizabeth. John, the father of Daniel, followed distilling for many years, but finally gave his attention to farming. He removed to Cumberland County, where he lived a few years and then returned to this county and died during the war; his widow is yet living. He reared a family of seven sons and one daughter: Daniel, William, John, Jacob, Joseph, Hugh and Zachariah and Jane. When our subject was about ten years of age he came to this county with his parents; remained at home until the age of twenty-four years and taught school several years. He married, October 11, 1848, Elizabeth Grove, who was born in Southampton Township, Penn., July 20, 1830, a daughter of Abraham and Catherine (Gabel) Grove. After marriage Mr. Cover lived one year in Cumberland County, and then returned and has since been a constant resident of this township and Southampton; located on his present farm at the close of the war, near the Center Church, having 140 acres. The farm was formerly the Grove farm, and on it Mr. Cover has put many improvements. To him and his wife were born eleven children, eight of whom lived to be grown: Mary E., wife of John M. Michael, of Letterkenny Township; John A., who resides near South Bend, Ind.; William A., merchandising in Southampton; Sarah C., wife of W. A. Baer, partner with William A. in the store at Mongul; Daniel E., who resides in Jacksonville, Cumberland Co., a tinner; Joseph D., who carries on the homestead; George M., who met with a sad fate on June 12 near the homestead—he was frightfully mangled by a circular saw, resulting in his death the day following—he was a member of the United Brethren Church, highly esteemed in the community, and met his fate with resignation and fortitude; and Isaac B., the youngest. Mr. and Mrs. Cover are members of the United Brethren Church, of which he is one of the trustees, and superintendent of the Sabbath-school. In politics he is a Democrat.

HUGH C. COVER, proprietor of the Roxbury Hotel and mail agent, Roxbury, was born in this township, May 22, 1844, the seventh child and fifth son of John and Elizabeth (Null) Cover. August 8, 1861, he enlisted in Company H, Third Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served out the time of his enlistment—three years. He then re-enlisted, became a veteran, and served until the close of the war, participating in all the engagements of his regiment. He returned from the service without a scratch, and his comrades say of him that "he was as good a soldier as ever straddled a horse." On his return home he turned his attention to farming pursuits. In the fall of 1866 he married Anna M. Nickles, born in Letterkenny Township, this county, August 27, 1849, a daughter of William and Catherine (Myers) Nickles. William Nickles came from Germany to this county in 1827, and engaged in milling; afterward turned his attention to farming, and finally moved to Shippensburg. He was born August 25, 1803, and his wife, Catherine, March 7, 1813. She died in 1884. They reared a family of eight children. After marriage our subject moved to near Orrstown, Southampton Township, where he remained until the fall of 1876, when he came to Roxbury, where he has since resided. For sixteen years he has been mail agent. He took a contract in 1870 to run the mail between Shippensburg and Upper Strasburg, and this he continued to do for six years. In 1876, upon his arrival here, he ran the line from Shippensburg to Dry Run for four years; then took a contract from Roxbury to Dry Run, which he has since conducted. In 1879 he took charge of the Lurgan Hotel (licensed), which he has since conducted with credit to himself and

to the satisfaction of his guests. He has nine children: Clarietta, William H., Maggie C., Hugh A., Mary J., Izora E., John C., George R. and Malind E. Mr. Cover is a sound Democrat, a member of Pomeroy Post, G. A. R., No. 295. He served as constable at Strasburg. He and family are connected with the Lutheran Church.

JOSIAH FICKES, farmer, P. O. Roxbury, was born May 12, 1812, at York Springs, Huntington Township, Adams Co., Penn., a son of Daniel Fickes, whose father, John Fickes, Esquire, was the founder of York Springs. The Fickes family are of German descent. The great-grandfather of our subject came from Germany prior to the Revolutionary period, and settled in what is now Adams County. He was by trade a weaver, and later followed farming. He was shot by an Indian while plowing. His wife was out in the field and saw the murder of her husband. She had with her a little dog, and hid in a hollow log; fearing the dog would bark and reveal her hiding-place, she placed her apron over its head, and though the Indians passed over the log they failed to find her. Esquire Fickes reared a family of six sons and four daughters, all of whom settled in this portion of the State and reared large families. Josiah's mother, *nee* Margaret Albert, was a daughter of John Albert, and she and her husband reared seven children to maturity. Their names are John, Mary, Jacob, Moses, Josiah, George, Gibson—all now deceased except Josiah. All settled in Adams County, Penn., and engaged in farming, except Jacob, who was a blacksmith. Josiah was reared a farmer and remained at home until he was twenty-five years of age, working for his father. October 31, 1837, he married Elizabeth Ann, daughter of David and Ollie (Bercaw) Demaree, former a tanner by trade. Her grandfather came from France, and her grandmother Bercaw from Wales. After marriage he cropped for about ten years, and then purchased a farm at York Springs, and remained here until the spring of 1857, when he came to Lurgan Township, having here purchased a farm the fall previous. He has been quite successful in his business, now owning three large farms, two in this township and one in Letterkenny Township, and very desirable property in Orrstown, Southampton Township. He has reared a family of nine children, many of whom are widely scattered: David, resides in Iowa City; Calvin, in this township; Cidonia C., in Kansas, wife of Chas. Kinen; Anna, wife of James H. Maclay, in this township; William, in Chicago; Mary R., in Southampton Township, the wife of C. McCollough; Martha E., wife of T. J. McCollough, in Southampton Township; Alberta J., single, at home, and John A., in San Francisco, Cal. Mr. and Mrs. Fickes are members of the Presbyterian Church. He is a Democrat, and has served in nearly all the offices of the township. When the county stood 400 majority Republican, he was nominated for commissioner, and came within one vote of being elected. He also was nominated as director of the poor. He has never sought office, but suffered his name to be used under protest.

JAMES F. GEYER, merchant, Mowersville, was born in Horse Valley, in Letterkenny Township, this county, September 8, 1858, the second son of David and Leah (Leedy) Geyer, the latter born February 19, 1835, in this county, a daughter of Jacob Leedy, a soldier in the Mexican war. David Geyer was a native of Path Valley, this county, born October 25, 1811, a son of John Geyer, and died April 15, 1872. To Mr. and Mrs. David Geyer were born three sons and five daughters, now living: George W., James F., Ida M., Jacob A., Alice V., Anna B., Jennette C. and Lillie. Alice V. and Ida M. are deceased. Our subject was brought up on the farm, of which he and his brother George took charge after the death of their father. November 1, 1880, our subject opened up a store in the hotel building, and carried on the



business until April 1, 1885. He then sold the goods to his brother George, and removed to Strasburg, where he built a house. After a year's residence here he came to Mowersville in March, 1886, and engaged in business. He formed a partnership with McClellan Miller, under the firm name of Geyer & Miller (they succeeded Frehn & Colomon). They carry a stock of general merchandise, and are doing a good business. Mr. Geyer was commissioned postmaster in April, 1886. He is unmarried. In politics he is a Democrat and a member of the Lutheran Church.

**MACLAYS OF LURGAN.** "The history of the Maclays is one which we doubt if any family in the State can produce the like. They have been honored with high positions, but none of these were bestowed unworthily; their talents, transmitted from generation to generation, merited each. A list of all the offices to which they were appointed by Government or elected by the people can not be made but a partial one shows two members of the family were judges; two served terms in the United States Senate; two served three sessions in the House of Representatives of Congress; six were members of the Legislature of Pennsylvania for twelve years, and twelve and more county offices were filled by them. Three were soldiers; two fell while fighting bravely in the wars for the liberty of America, and one displayed the greatest heroism by contending desperately against the foe after being galled with fearful wounds. In all these preferments their course of action was determined by a high sense of patriotism and marked by the sternest principles of right and justice. Not the slightest discredit was ever cast upon one of them, either while serving as officers of government or as private citizens, and their descendants can reflect upon their lives and deeds with a pride not unjustified and stimulated not falsely. Tenure of office was not accompanied with vain glory, and they returned to private life with the unaffected simplicity of manner they had always maintained. By marriage they acquired an extensive connection with some of the most prominent families of the State, many of whose members were eminent as jurists and legislators. Their genealogical tree has many branches, and each has borne rich fruit, though none surpasses those bearing the Maclay name.

"The first member of the family of whom we have any record was Charles Maclay, Baron Fingal. Charles Maclay<sup>1</sup>, by his first marriage, had three sons. The name of his wife has not come down to us. By this wife their issue was: (I) Owen, an officer in the army of James II, followed the fortunes of that royal personage, remained a bachelor and died in France; (II) Charles, an officer in the same army (was killed in a duel with a French officer in Dublin); (III) Henry, also an officer in the royal army (fell in the battle of Boyne, 1690). Charles<sup>1</sup> by a second marriage with a Miss Hamilton, a Scotch Protestant, had but one child, a son called John. John<sup>1</sup> had three children: (I) Eleanor (married Mr. Johnston; they remained in Ireland); (II) Charles<sup>2</sup>, born in 1703 (married Eleanor Query), and (III) John<sup>2</sup>, born in 1707 (married Janet McDonald). Charles Maclay<sup>3</sup> (John<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born in 1703 in Ireland, married Eleanor Query in 1733. Charles and his brother John (married to Janet McDonald) sailed for America May 30, 1734. Both families had young children, one fourteen months old and the other twenty days. Both were sons, called John.

"It is stated that Owen Maclay, son of Charles Maclay, Baron Fingal (by his first wife), returning from France, desired to take Charles (his nephew), to that country and educate him, and let him know what estates belonged to him; in case of a revolution he could lay claim to estates and title. The father of Charles would not consent without a guarantee that his son would be brought up in the Protestant faith. To this Owen would not accede, returned to France

and dying, left estates, etc., to strangers. Among the earliest settlers of Hopewell Township, Chester County, now known as Lurgan Township, Franklin County, were the two brothers, Charles and John, both natives of Antrim County, Ireland, who, with their descendants, took an active and influential part in the executive councils of their State and Nation.

"Charles married in Ireland, in 1733, Eleanor Query, daughter of William Query of the County of Antrim, Ireland. They sailed for America May, 1734. Their children were (I) John, born in 1734, married Jane Dickson. (II) William, born in 1737, married Mary Harris. (III) Charles, born in 1739, married Mary Templeton. (IV) Samuel, born in 1741, married Elizabeth Plunket. (V) Eleanor, born in 1750, married John Maclay.

"John Maclay<sup>3</sup> (John<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born in 1707, in Ireland, married Janet McDonald. They came to America with Charles and his wife in 1734. They had issue: (I) Jno., born 1748, married Eleanor Maclay. (II) Charles, born 1750; went to the war in 1777 with one hundred men all six feet in height. At the battle of Crooked Billet, May, 1778, he was killed with most of his company, who refused to surrender. The killed and wounded were gathered by the enemy, thrown into a heap, covered with straw and fired. Thus perished some of the bravest spirits of the Cumberland Valley. (III) Elizabeth, born 1752, married Col. Samuel Culbertson. Their descendants include Rev. James Culbertson, of Zanesville, Ohio. Their daughter, Mrs. Jno. Rhea, the widow of Gen. Rhea, who was a member of Congress from Pennsylvania for several sessions.

"Jno. Maclay<sup>4</sup> (Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born 1734 in Ireland, just twenty days prior to the sailing of his parents for America. His parents first settled in New Garden, Chester County. After living eight or ten years there, moved to Lurgan, Franklin Co., Penn. Jno. married Jane Dickson, December, 1755, daughter of David Dickson and Catherine Greenlee. The Dickson family, also Greenlee's, came to America with the Maclays in 1734. Dicksons and Greenlees, after living some years in Lurgan, moved to North Carolina. Jno. Maclay<sup>4</sup> was appointed a provincial magistrate in 1760, and a member of the provincial conference held in Carpenter's Hall, Philadelphia, June 18, 1776. Afterward served as a member of the Pennsylvania Assembly for several terms. His ability is attested by the fact that he, one of the settlers in the extreme western part of Cumberland County, was chosen by the people of the more thickly populated eastern portion of the county to represent them also in that conference, which declared that they, on behalf of the people of Pennsylvania, were 'willing to concur in a vote of Congress declaring the United Colonies free and independent States.' Mr. Maclay's bearing on this occasion probably had much to do with his success in after life, in being appointed to positions of trust and honor. He was much respected for his religious views and manifested his great interest in the affairs of the church by officiating for a long time as a ruling elder in Dr. Cooper's church at Middle Spring. He died at his home, April 4, 1804." The children of Jno. Maclay and Jane Dickson were (I) Charles, born 1757; married Susannah Linn. (II) Catherine, born 1760; married William Irwin. (III) David, born 1762; married first, Eleanor Maclay; secondly, Eleanor Herron. (IV) William<sup>2</sup>, born 1765; married Margaret Culbertson. (V) Samuel<sup>2</sup>, born 1767; married Margaret Snodgrass. (VI) Eleanor, born 1769; married Capt. David McKnight. (VII) Jane, born 1774; died unmarried. (VIII) Jno., born 1776; married Hannah Reynolds.

"William Maclay<sup>1</sup> (Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born in 1737, married Mary Harris, daughter of Jno. Harris, founder of Harrisburg. They had issue.

“ William, the second son, was probably the most able of all the sons of Charles Maclay, and was certainly the most highly honored with official position and the widest known. He was born July 20, 1737, and received his early education from Rev. John Blair, mentioned before. He read law and was admitted to the bar, in York, April 28, 1760, but never practiced his profession, entering, instead, the service of the Penns as deputy surveyor of Bucks County, then embracing the whole northwestern portion of the State. In 1772, when Northumberland County was organized, he was made prothonotary and clerk of the courts, and after holding these offices for six years he was, in 1781, elected to the Assembly, and from that time forward, as member of the supreme executive council, Indian commissioner, etc, he was a controlling factor in molding the Legislature and settling the land titles of Pennsylvania. His extensive knowledge and great executive ability were fittingly acknowledged in his election, in 1788, to the United States Senate in company with Robert Morris, the great financier of the Revolution, these two being the first senators elected from Pennsylvania. Here, in the Senate, Mr. Maclay achieved a reputation which would have made his name a household word for succeeding generations had not the great Thomas Jefferson, by reason of his superior training in affairs of state, overshadowed it by the force of his mighty intellect. The principles upon which Jefferson based the political party which now honors him as its founder, were announced to his colleagues and to the country, John Blair Linn asserts, by the speeches and the votes of Mr. Maclay while in the Senate and before Jefferson had returned to this country from France. Although only two years in the Senate, so vigorously were his Democratic ideas propounded that one year after his retirement from that body the opposition element to the Federalists united under the party name Democracy. Mr. Maclay, firm in his Democratic opinions, frequently bewailed the troublesome etiquette and formality attendant upon the administration of President Washington, and his daily journal testifies to his abhorrence of the state dinners to which he was of necessity compelled to go, and to which he most strenuously objected because of the strict decorum to be observed and the restraint from conversation put upon all on such occasions. Besides indicating his total want of sympathy for the customs which ordained that a ‘dead silence’ almost should be observed at a dinner table, his journal conveys a good idea of the menu. In it he wrote, August 27, 1789, in reference to a dinner at the President’s: ‘It was a great dinner and the best of the kind I was ever at. The room, however was disagreeably warm. First were soup, fish, roasted and baked meats, gammon, fowl, etc. This was the dinner. The dessert was fruit, apple pies, puddings, etc.; then ice cream, jelly, etc.; then watermelons, muskmelons, apples, peaches and nuts. It was the most solemn dinner I was ever at.’ Mr. Maclay’s great ability and independence of spirit were demonstrated by the fact that only the ablest of the Federalist leaders dared measure swords with him in debate, and by his objection, plainly stated, to the presence of the President in the Senate during the transaction of business and his outspoken opposition to his policy in the immediate presence of Gen. Washington. Mr. Maclay after his retirement from the Senate served for a session, until his death, April 16, 1804, as a member of the Legislature from Dauphin, to which county he had removed after his marriage, in 1774, to Mary Harris, the daughter of the proprietor of Harrisburg.

“ The children of William Maclay and Mary Harris were (I) Jno. Harris, born in 1770. (II) Elizabeth, born in 1772. (III) Eleanor, born in 1774; married William Wallace. (IV) Mary, born in 1776; married Samuel Awl, (V) Esther, born in 1778; married Dr. Henry Hall. (VI) Sarah, born in 1781; married Jno. Irwin. (VII) Jean, born in 1783; married Jno. Lyon.

Charles Maclay<sup>4</sup> (Jno.<sup>4</sup>, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born 1739; married Mary Templeton; left no issue. "Mr. Maclay was very domestic, and enjoyed a quiet life in contrast with his brothers. He was no politician, but spent his time visiting the sick and in doing good. He was a great friend to the Indians. An incident shows the regard and esteem, or reverence it might be called, in which he was held by them. He was sitting one day on the steps of his home, in contemplation, with his Bible on his knee. Suddenly there emerged from the thick forest in front of him two Indians carrying guns in their hands. It was evident to him the Indians saw him, and it was too late to effect concealment; so, remaining seated, he watched their quiet approach until a spring thirty or forty yards distant was reached. There they halted, with evident signs of not knowing what to do. He beckoned them to approach. They did so, and partook of his hospitality joyously; after which, with signs demonstrative of their gratitude, they retired, and ever after lived on terms of friendship with the kind old gentleman, never allowing any of their tribe to commit depredations on his farm, whilst they were burning houses all around him. He died September 8, 1834, ninety-six years of age."

Samuel Maclay (Jno.<sup>4</sup>, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born in 1741; married Elizabeth Plunket, daughter of Dr. William Plunket, granddaughter of Jno. Harris, Sr. "After Mr. Maclay filled all the offices the people of Northumberland County could elect him to, he was sent to the United States Senate in 1802, from which he was retired only by his resignation in 1809. His sons, inheriting strongly of their father's greatness, became prominent men. Whilst Samuel Maclay was in the United States Senate he was elected speaker of the House, and signed his own certificate. He served several terms in Congress; also elected to the State Senate, of which body he was also chosen speaker in 1801, and again in 1802. He was a marksman of great local celebrity, and excelled all in the western part of the State, having won several prizes from Logan, the Mingo chief, hitting off-hand a mark the size of a Spanish dollar at the distance of 100 yards. He died in September, 1811."

Children of Samuel Maclay and Elizabeth Plunket: (I) William Plunket, born in 1774; married Jane Holmes and, secondly, Sallie Brown. (II) Eleanor<sup>2</sup>, born in 1777; married David Maclay. (III) Charles, born in 1779; died in 1807. (IV) Esther, born in 1782. (V) Jane, born in 1786; married Dr. Joseph Henderson, Lewistown. (VI) Jno., born in 1789; married Annie Dale. (VII) Samuel, born in 1792; married Margaret Johnston. (VIII) David, born in 1794; married Isabella Paterson. (IX) Robert Plunket, born in 1799; married Margaret Lashells.

Jno. Maclay<sup>5</sup> (son of Jno. Maclay<sup>3</sup> and Janet McDonald) married Eleanor Maclay, who was a daughter of Charles Maclay and Eleanor Query. They had issue: (I) Samuel, born 1762. (II) Charles, born 1764. (III) Elizabeth, born 1766; married William Reynolds. (IV) Mary, born 1769; married first David Edgar, Baltimore; second, Jno. Clendenin. (V) Eleanor, born 1782; married J. Smith. Their children reside in Peoria, Ill. (VI) Jane, born 1785; died unmarried. (VII) Catherine, born 1787; died unmarried. (VIII) Jno. M., born 1789; was in the war, and fought heroically in the battle of Chippewa in 1814 and Lundy's Lane, July 25, 1814. (IX) William, born 1791. (X) Robert, born 1793; had five sons in the ministry. Robert, the youngest son, formerly of the Chinese and now of Japan mission, married, in China, a lady who went from America to China as a missionary. They had issue. They sent their children to New York to be educated. After their education was completed they returned to Japan.

Charles Maclay<sup>5</sup> (Jno.<sup>4</sup>, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born 1757; married

Susanna Linn, daughter of William Linn and Jane McCormick, of Lurgan. Charles and his wife, soon after their marriage, moved to Urbana, Ohio. They had issue: (I) Charles, born 1789. (II) Jno., born 1791. (III) Elijah, born 1794. (IV) James Linn Dickson, born 1797; died 1816. (V) Jane.

Catherine Maclay (Jno.<sup>3</sup>, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born 1760, in Lurgan; married William Irwin; they removed to Lexington, Ky., 1784. They had two sons (surname Irwin): Jno., born 1785; Stephenson, born 1787.

David Maclay (Jno.<sup>4</sup>, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born 1762, in Lurgan; died 1839. He was a man of fine literary attainments, and found more pleasure in the perusal of his well selected library and in his home and family than in the political caldron of that period. He consented to serve two terms, from 1812 to 1814, in the Assembly or Legislature of this State; beyond this never could be induced to accept office. He was twice married; first to his cousin, Eleanor Maclay (daughter of Samuel Maclay and Elizabeth Plunket), in 1795. They had issue: (I) Samuel, born 1797; died in infancy. (II) Jane, born 1799; died in infancy. (III) Betty, born 1801; died in infancy.

David Maclay married secondly, 1806, Eleanor Herron, daughter of Jno. Herron and sister of Rev. Francis Herron, of Pittsburgh. Their issue: (I) Jno. Herron, married Margaret Hemphill. (II) David, unmarried; served two terms in the Legislature of Franklin County, from 1851 to 1852. (III) Jane Eleanor, first married Jno. McGinley, of Adams County; second, Judge Pomeroy, of Juniata County. (IV) Dr. Charles Templeton, of Green Village, Franklin County. (V) Francis Herron, resides in Missouri. (VI) James Herron, died unmarried. (VII) Mary E., married Samuel McClure; removed to the West.

Dr. Charles T. Maclay is still living in Green Village. His son, Dr. David Maclay, is married to a Miss Pomeroy, daughter of Judge Pomeroy, of Juniata County, Penn.

Lydia Maclay, daughter of Dr. Charles T. Maclay, is also residing with her father.

Annie married Rev. Mr. Shannen; resides in Mount Holly, Penn.

William Maclay<sup>2</sup>, fourth child of (Jno.<sup>4</sup>, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), was born in Lurgan Township, Franklin Co., Penn., March 22, 1765. "What might be called the family heritage of office descended unto William, for we find he was a member of Assembly in 1807 and 1808, and was afterward the representative of the district in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Congresses, sitting as a member of those bodies at the sessions from 1815 to 1819. He was subsequently appointed one of the associate judges for the district composed of Adams, Cumberland and Franklin. With the religious proclivities of his forefathers, he was eminent in the church and held the position of ruling elder for years. Whatever office he was nominated for, whether judge, Assembly, Congress, or any of the county offices, he was always elected. Mr. Maclay was a large, muscular man, six feet, two inches in height, but very pleasant and affable. He was married Dec. 22, 1789, by Rev. Jno. Craighead, to Margaret Culbertson, daughter of Alexander Culbertson, one of the best known families of the county. He died Jan. 4, 1825."

William Maclay and Margaret Culbertson. They had issue:

Mary Sharpe Maclay, born in 1790; married Jno. King, of Chambersburg, Penn., about 1816; died 1850. Jno. Maclay, born in 1792; married Jane Findlay Jane, born in 1794; married Gen. Samuel Dunn. Eliza C., born in 1796; married, first, John Dunn, second, Jno. Graham of Pittsburg, Penn.; died in 186-- Catherine, born in 1799; married Dr. Jno. Geddes. Alexander, born in 1801. married Mary McNaughton. William, born in 1803; married Mary Palmer;

Margaret, born in 1805; married James W. Burbridge, of Pittsburgh. James Ross, born in 1807; died in Pittsburgh. Charles S., born in 1809; died unmarried. Eleanor, born in 1812; married Cyrus D. Culbertson. David, born in 1814; died at Carrick Furnace.

Mary Sharpe Maclay and Jno. King. They had issue:

Samuel, died in infancy. Margaret, died in infancy. Sarah A., married J. Ellis Bonham, a prominent lawyer of Carlisle, Penn. (they had two children that died in infancy). Mary Eleanor is still living in Chambersburg. Louisa died unmarried. Emma L. married J. McDowell Sharpe, a prominent lawyer in Chambersburg. They had issue:

Jno. King, born 1858, died July, 1859; Rosa McDowell, born 1859, died in 1861; Jno. McDowell, died an infant; Walter King, born December 23, 1863, is still living.

Jno. Maclay<sup>7</sup> (William<sup>2</sup>, Jno.<sup>4</sup>, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born in Lurgan, Franklin County, 1792; married, in 1819, Jane Findlay, daughter of Col. Jno. Findlay, of Chambersburg. They had issue:

William Irwin, born in 1820; married Sarah Stackhouse.

Mr. Maclay married, secondly, Anna Maria Gleim. They had issue: (I) Annie, born in 1834; married Fisk Gore. (II) Jno. King, born in 1835; died in 1836. (III) Martha, born in 1836; died in 1854. (IV) Jno. Gleim, born in 1840. (V) Cyrus Culbertson, born in 1842; married Laura Miller. (VI) Edgar, born in 1844; married Blanche Murphy. They are living at Helena, Mont.

Catherine Maclay (sixth child of William Maclay and Margaret Culbertson), born in 1799; married Dr. Jno. Geddes, of Newville, Penn.; died in Williamsport, 1873. Their issue:

(I) Dr. Jno. Peebles, died in 1870. (II) William Maclay, married Eleanor Fisher; died in 1872. (III) Laura C., still living in Williamsport. (IV) Charles King, married Sarah Sproul, daughter of Henry Sproul, and niece of Chief Justice Grier. (V) Rev. Williamson Nevin, resides in Williamsport.

Samuel Maclay<sup>2</sup> (Jno.<sup>4</sup>, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born in 1767, in Lurgan Township; married Margaret Snodgrass. They had issue (surnamed Ewing, Willis and Smith).

Eleanor Maclay<sup>3</sup> (Jno.<sup>4</sup>, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born in Lurgan in 1769; married Capt. David McKnight. They had issue (surnamed McKnight). After the death of their parents the sons moved to eastern Tennessee.

Jno. Maclay<sup>6</sup> (Jno.<sup>4</sup>, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born in 1776; died in 1852, whilst on a visit to his son-in-law, Rev. Dr. Brownson, at Washington, Penn.; he was married to Hannah Reynolds. Mr. Maclay represented Cumberland County in the Legislature for several terms. They had issue: (I) Hannah, married Prof. William Nevin, of Franklin College, at Lancaster, one of the most thoroughly educated men in the State and a writer of unusual force. (II) Ellen, married Rev. James I. Brownson, D. D., of Washington College, Pennsylvania. (III) Abby Catherine, married Benjamin Sterrett, of Cincinnati. (IV) Levinia, married Alexander Plumer, resides in Peoria, Ill. (V) Charles B., married Sidney Irwin, of Mercersburg. They now reside in Peoria, and have issue:

Eleanor Maclay (William, Charles<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born in 1774; married William Wallace (a lawyer in Harrisburg), son of Benjamin Wallace and Elizabeth Culbertson.

Eleanor Maclay and William Wallace had issue (surname Wallace): (I) Mary Elizabeth, born in 1807; married the Rev. William R. Dewitt, of Harrisburg. (II) William Maclay, born in 1808, died in 1877. (III) Rev. Jno.,

born in 1810; married Sarah Cochran. (IV) Irwin Maclay, born in 1813; married Elizabeth Reed.

Esther Harris Maclay (William, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born in 1778; married Dr. Henry Hall. They had issue (surname Hall): (I) William Maclay, born in 1801; married Ellen Williams. (II) Mary, born in 1802; married George Washington Harris. (III) Catherine, born in 1804; married Judge Garrick Hall; they left but one child, Garrick Mallory.

Sallie Maclay (William, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), married Maj. Jno. Irwin. They had issue: (I) Mary Maclay, married Edmund Paterson, second Richard Bryson. (II) Henrietta, married Samuel Purviance. (III) Jane, married Robert McClelland. (IV) George, married Ann Bryson. (V) William Maclay, married Mary Edmonston. (VI) Ellen, married Dr. Caleb Brinton, of West Chester, and had issue. Some of their descendants (Dr. Brinton, Jr., and family) are living in West Chester.

William Maclay Hall (Esther, William, Charles<sup>3</sup>, Jno.<sup>2</sup>, Charles<sup>1</sup>), born in 1801; married Ellen Campbell Williams. They had issue: (I) William Maclay, born in 1828; married Ellen Cramer. (II) George, born 1831; married Louisa Miller; secondly, Lucretia Allen. (III) Louis, born 1833; married Eliza Warford. (IV) Catherine Julia, born in 1835, married Nathaniel B. Hogg, of Pittsburgh. (V) Mary, born in 1837; married Col. Francis Jordan; resides in Harrisburg. (VI) Ellen, born in 1846; married James Herron Crossman, living in New York City. They have issue:

William Maclay Hall (William Maclay Hall, Esther<sup>1</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>, Jno., Charles), was born November 3, 1828, in Lewistown, Penn. He received a thorough preparatory education, and graduated from Marshall College, Mercersburg, in 1846, being the valedictorian of his class. He read law with William Lyon, of Bedford, and was admitted to the bar in August, 1849; began practice at Bedford, and soon achieved honorable distinction in his profession. In January, 1865, he was appointed by President Lincoln judge advocate with the rank of major, and served one year. In 1868 he served on a commission to revise the statutes of the State of Pennsylvania, with Judge Derrickson and Wayne MacVeagh. Upon the death of Judge King, in January, 1871, Gov. Geary appointed him president judge of the Sixteenth Judicial District, then comprising the counties of Bedford, Somerset, Franklin and Fulton, and at the October election he was elected to the same position for the term of ten years. After declining a renomination, Judge Hall quitted the bench on the 1st of January, 1882. Throughout the entire term of Judge Hall, the business of the district was great, and an unusually large number of cases of importance was adjudicated. During his administration very few reversals of his decisions were made. Since leaving the bench he has not been actively engaged in his profession.

Judge Hall married Ellen Rowan Cramer, September 9, 1859, of Cumberland, Md. They had issue surnamed Hall: (I) Catherine Julia, born February 12, 1862. (II) William Maclay, born September, 1864. (III) George Louis, born 1867. (IV) Emily Rowan, born 1870. (V) Nathaniel B., born 1872. (VI) Eleanor Maclay, born 1874. (VII) Richard Cecil, born 1882.

Owing to the fact that this history of the Maclays was prepared for the history of Franklin County, we have confined ourselves to those born in the county and properly belong to it. If we have introduced any one living outside of the county we have been compelled to do so in order to make the genealogy clear.

For the remainder of the history and genealogy of the Maclays we refer to "Pennsylvania Genealogies," by Dr. William Egle, 1886.

JOSEPH MOWER, coachmaker, P. O. Mowersville, was born in that place December 28, 1814. John Mower, his father, the pioneer of the name in this county, was born in Cumberland County, Penn., a son of George Mower, a native of Germany. John was a wagon-maker, and came here in 1814; married Savena Souer, and by her had eleven children: Catherine, Polly, Joseph, Sallie, John, Simon, David, Henry, Lavina, Sabina and George. He died in March, 1865, in his seventy-fifth year. His wife died in the February previous, aged about seventy-four. Seven of the children above mentioned settled in this and Cumberland Counties. Henry resides in Kansas; Joseph learned the wagon-making trade with his father, and after he became of age began on his own account, starting in the coach-making business in 1837, and continuing until April, 1864. He then took as partners J. M. Deihl and J. H. Snoke, and did business under the name of Mower & Co. until 1866, when his son William, returning from the war, was taken into the company. In 1867 Mr. Deihl left the firm, the others remaining until July, 1868, when Mr. Snoke retired, and Andrew H. Rice took his place. In December Mr. Rice retired, and the firm became Joseph Mower & Son (William), and thus continued until 1873, when William retired, and our subject continued the business until 1874. He then associated with John Slichter, and the firm became Mower & Slichter, and so continued until 1877, when Mr. Slichter retiring, Mr. Mower's other son, Aquila, became a partner, and the business was known as Mower & Son until 1879, in which year Aquila died. Another son, Ford W., who had already been interested in the business, took his place, and the firm became once again Mower & Son. Mr. Mower, however, has lately retired, and John carries on the business. October 20, 1836, our subject married Mary, daughter of Adam Shoemaker, the well-known wagoner. Mrs. Mower died in 1853, the mother of six children: Keziah J., Nancy, John, William, Joseph R. and Mary E. Keziah and Joseph died young; Nancy is the wife of Michael Kohr; Emeline is the wife of Alfred Burkholder. Mr. Mower married for his second wife, Catherine, born in Perry County, Penn., January 17, 1830, a daughter of John and Barbara (Brandt) Rathfon; by this second marriage there were eight children, five living: Joanna, wife of John Slichter; Lizzie J., wife of Samuel Foust; Ida C., Ford W. and Ella N. Aquila died September 24, 1879, aged twenty-three years, four months and twenty-three days; two children died young, Alexander B. and Joseph D. Mr. Mower was prominent in the first movement toward founding the Lurgan Mutual Fire Insurance Company; was made president of the same, and has ever since been identified with it as president. He is a member of the United Brethren Church, of which he is a trustee. In politics he is a Democrat.

JOHN L. REBUCK, P. O. Roxbury, is the eldest son of Daniel Rebeck, who was born in Dauphin County, Penn., March 4, 1788, and who was a son of Henry Rebeck, a native of Germany. Henry came to this country when quite a young man, and to him and his wife, Barbara (Longenecker) Rebeck, were born the following named children: John, Peter, Henry, Daniel, Abram, Samuel, Jacob, Nancy, Eve and Barbara. Nancy married John Shuler and settled in Richland County, Ohio; Eve married John Lutz and settled in Middle Spring, Cumberland County, Penn.; Barbara married John Whistler; all the boys settled in this county except John and Peter. Daniel married Hannah, a daughter of Abram and Mary (Landis) Grove, the latter a daughter of John Landis. After Daniel's marriage he located on a farm now on Paxton's Run, nearly two miles east of Roxbury, near the State road. He remained on this farm until his death, December 9, 1859. He and his wife reared six children to maturity, viz.: John L. (subject), Abraham, Mary J., Barbara A., Henry



C. and David, all residents of this township except Henry, who resides in Houston, Tex. Mary J. is the wife of Solomon Sentman, and Barbara is the wife of Cyrus E. Stach. John L. remained on the farm until he was nineteen years of age and for nine years engaged in clerical labor, a portion of the time in Ohio. He located on the homestead farm on Paxton Run in 1856, and has since had charge of the homestead interests. He is a member of the A. F. & A. M. and of the I. O. R. M., and has been township auditor. In politics he is a Democrat. The family attend the services of different churches.

SAMUEL LAWRENCE SENTMAN, retired farmer, Roxbury, was born in Montgomery County, Penn., June 29, 1803, and removed with his parents to Chester County when an infant. His father, Lawrence Sentman, was a native of Wurtemberg, Germany. When sixteen years of age he entered the Revolutionary Army in the place of his father who was drafted; served out his time of enlistment and went a second time as a substitute. When eighteen years old he was drafted, again entered the service, participated in six campaigns, and remained until the end of the war. After the war he bought a farm in New London Township, Chester County, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was twice married and by his first wife had five children; by his second, *nee* Mary Henry, a native of Pennsylvania and a daughter of Peter Henry, he had seven, all of whom lived to be men and women: Samuel L., David, Solomon, Robert, Charles, Sarah A. and Rachel. David was a farmer and settled in Wooster, Ohio; Solomon was a Lutheran minister; Robert, a farmer, settled in Lancaster County; Charles settled in Drake County, Ohio; Sarah A. married Matthew Guy and moved to Darke County, Ohio; Samuel L., at the age of twelve, hired out at 20 cents a day, and worked at whatever he could find to do. He obtained a fair education for the time, and when sixteen years of age began teaching, which he followed five years, in the meantime improving his own education. He was a great and very successful hunter. While in Perry County he married Elizabeth Eckert, a native of Cumberland County, Penn., and a daughter of Jonas Eckert, a farmer. About 1825 he bought a farm in Cumberland County, Penn., which he conducted until 1835, when he removed to Carlisle, and here remained two years. His reason for leaving Cumberland County was that he had built a good barn which he a second time filled, and this was struck by lightning. Mr. Sentman's business plans being thus disarranged, and Carlisle having adopted the free school system, he concluded to move there in order to give his children advantageous educations, and leave the farm in charge of a trusty old laborer. A year later our subject sold this farm for over double first cost. While in Carlisle he clerked in a store with a view to learning the business. In the spring of 1838 he went to Newville, purchased a stock of goods and engaged in merchandising for some two years. He then sold out to his partner and went to Newburg, where he built one of the best residences in the place and remained about ten years. While there, in 1846, he purchased property at Roxbury, a tannery, and started it in order to get his son, Solomon, into business. Soon after the tannery was accidentally fired and destroyed. Mr. Sentman rebuilt it and made it a success. He moved here about 1849 and brought a large stock of fine goods with him, and engaged in business for about five years. In the meantime he purchased a farm which needed improving, and as the store business became dull he closed out and gave his attention to farming. Mr. Sentman speculated considerably and most successfully in buying, improving and then selling farms. In 1865 he bought a farm in good order near Dover, in Delaware, containing 317½ acres, which in the summer of 1886 he sold, taking nine brick houses in West Philadelphia in part payment. His wife died March 16, 1872, leaving nine children, viz.:

Mary A., Elizabeth, Solomon, Samuel, Andrew, Catharine, Henrietta, Sarah A. and Emma J. Mary A. married Samuel Taylor and located in this township; Elizabeth married Adam Shoemaker of this county; Solomon settled in Roxbury; Samuel in Altoona, he served in the late war; Andrew died in 1838; Henrietta is the second wife of Adam Shoemaker; Emma J. is the wife of Henry Cryder. Mr. Sentman married for his second wife Mrs. Elizabeth Zearfoss *nee* Elm. Politically Mr. Sentman is rather liberal, though inclining to Republican ideas, and in religion affiliates with the Reformed Church. Through life he has been very persevering, and never allowed himself to be discouraged by any loss, taking the view, "it was so ordered; Thy will be done." He is vigorous and hearty and attends to his farm duties personally.

SOLOMON SENTMAN, tanner, P. O. Roxbury, was born in North Middleton Township, Cumberland Co., Penn., March 14, 1829, eldest son of Samuel L. Sentman, one of the well-known business men of this county whose sketch appears in this volume. Our subject came to this township in the spring of 1847, and engaged in the tanning business, which he still follows to some extent. He married, November 6, 1862, Mary J. Rebeck, a daughter of Daniel and Hannah Rebeck, the latter a daughter of Abraham Groves. Mr. Sentman has two children living, William D. and Daniel L.; two died in infancy. Our subject is not a church member nor a sectarian, but contributes to the support of the gospel. Politically he is a Republican. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., No. 419, also of McAllister Encampment, No. 267, I. O. O. F., the I. O. R. M., and also the R. C. T., No. 150; he has passed all the chairs, and has been secretary for thirty years. He owns the land for five miles in Gunter's Valley, with a beautiful stream, well stocked with trout, passing lengthwise through it, and the portals of the Twin Tunnels of the Southern Pennsylvania Railroad are on his land. He was not drafted during the war of the Rebellion, but sent a substitute for three years.

MORROW R. SKINNER, farmer, P. O. Roxbury, was born in Roxbury, this county, January 5, 1848, the third son and fourth child of M. R. Skinner, one of the descendants of Stephen Skinner, of Path Valley, this county, and Elizabeth (Shoemaker) Skinner, one of the descendants of Philip Shoemaker, of this township. He was reared in the village, and in the spring of 1872 began for himself in the mercantile business. In 1874 he took in J. A. Stitt as partner, who conducted the store while our subject carried on the stock business, and for several years was engaged in bringing stock from Kentucky, being among the first to make a business of importing stock from that State, continuing in that line until 1884, and has not entirely given up the business yet. October 26, 1871, he married Emma C. Tritt, a native of Cumberland County, Penn., and a daughter of Samuel and Juliana (Heagy) Tritt, the latter a daughter of John and Polly (Hemming) Heagy, all of Cumberland County. (The Heagys were natives of Adams County.) Mr. and Mrs. Skinner have three children living: Cora Ann, Daniel Bruce J. and Effie C. (Minnie died in infancy.) Mr. Skinner conducts his farm and mill, and is connected with stock raising. He was a candidate for sheriff of the county, and has been supervisor for some years. Mrs. Skinner is a Presbyterian, while Mr. Skinner leans toward the faith of his father, that of the Methodist Protestant denomination.

A. F. SNOKE, secretary of the Lurgan Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Mowersville, was born March 4, 1844, in Newton Township, Cumberland Co., Penn.; his father, Christian Snoke, was born in the same county January 22, 1811, a son of John and Hannah (Whistler) Snoke, the latter a native of Lykens Valley, Penn. John Snoke was of German descent and a bishop in the Dunkard Church. The mother of our subject was Anna, daugh-

ter of John and Doratha (Landis) High, natives of Berks County, Penn., the former a son of John High, and the latter a daughter of Michael Landis. Mrs. Snoke was born June 4, 1813, in Mifflin Township, Cumberland County. Christian Snoke had the following brothers: Andrew, Samuel, Emanuel, John, David, and one sister, Hannah. Our subject, Aaron F., was reared at home until eighteen years of age; then came to Mowersville and worked for Joseph Mower, with whom he learned the coach-making business and remained until he was thirty years of age. In the winter of 1874 he was elected director of the Lurgan Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and was also made secretary of the same, which position he has since held. He has been twice married; first, December 24, 1867, to Sarah Shoemaker, a native of this township and a daughter of David and Elizabeth (Baker) Shoemaker. She died April 12, 1881, leaving six children: Charles B., Lulu L., William B., Clarence H., Nellie M. and Mary A. His second marriage was with Lizzie Foglesonger, daughter of David and Catherine (Noftsker) Foglesonger. This union has been blessed with one child—Errol F. Mr. Snoke is a member of the United Brethren Church, and his wife of the Presbyterian. Politically he is a Democrat.

CYRUS E. STACH, farmer, P. O. Lurgan, now located at the Center, was born March 14, 1835, in the southeast part of this township. His father, Gideon Stach, born near Strasburg, this county, a carpenter by trade, was a son of Michael Stach, an early resident of Letterkenny Township, this county. Gideon married Catherine, daughter of John Rhone, whose wife's name was Magdalena Gezerman. Cyrus E. was a mere lad when he moved with his parents to Letterkenny Township and worked with his father at his trade, which he thoroughly learned, and after attaining his majority carried on business on his own account, taking contracts, etc., continuing in the same line for several years. He assisted in rebuilding Chambersburg after the fire, being employed on some of the prominent structures in that city. In the spring of 1868 he came to Center, and purchased a part of the Michael Reed farm, upon which there were no buildings, and the land of which was impoverished and run down. He has erected all the buildings, planted the orchard, and the land is now in an excellent state of cultivation. Mr. Stach is prosperous and happy. February 21, 1860, he married Barbara Ann, a native of this township, born May 8, 1836, a daughter of Daniel and Hannah (Grove) Reback. Mr. Stach has two children: Wilson M. C., an adventurer in the far West, prospecting in mines, and Howard Lester, at home on the farm. Mr. Stach has three brothers and two sisters living and located as follows: Stephen, a real estate and loan agent, in South Bend, Ind.; Isaac, a farmer, in Huntingdon County, Penn.; Amanda, in the northern part of the State, the wife of Edward Bowen; Gideon, in Knox County, Neb., and Susan, a resident of Southampton Township, this county, the wife of John Killinger. McGinley, another brother (now deceased), located in the township, in October, 1862, and left a family of children.

O. P. STOEY, M. D., Roxbury, comes of a family of physicians. His great-grandfather, William, who spelled his name "Stoy," was a native of Germany, a highly educated man, a minister, and settled in Lebanon, Lebanon Co., Penn. Later he returned to Germany, where he spent seven years as a student. On his return to America he became quite eminent in the science of medicine. He had a son also named William, who became a physician, and two of his sons became physicians. One of the latter also had a son, a physician, who is now practicing his profession in Chicago, Ill. Our subject was born in Middlesex Township, Cumberland Co., Penn., March 7, 1856, the

fourth son and sixth child born to George W. and Rachel (Ritner) Stoej, the latter of niece of Gov. Ritner. Our subject received good school advantages, and when about nineteen years of age began studying medicine, read with Dr. Hiram McGowan, of Harrisburg, graduated from Jefferson Medical College in June, 1880, and received his diploma in the spring following. He also has several certificates of excellence and of graduation in other courses. After his graduation he came to Roxbury, where he has since remained, and built up an excellent practice. He was married in 1879, to Anna Long, a native of Cumberland County, and to them have been born four children: John Eskridge, Oliver Paul, Clara Mabel and George Wilbur.

ELIAS STOUFFER, retired farmer, P. O. Mowersville, was born December 20, 1821, in Hopewell Township, Cumberland Co., Penn., and when about two years old removed with his parents to this county, where he has since resided. His father, Jacob Stouffer, is a native of Cumberland County, and a son of Jacob, who came from Lancaster County and made a settlement in Hopewell Township; he reared the following named children: Abraham, Christian, Jacob, Peter, John, Nancy, Betsey, Barbara, Catherine and Fannie. About 1823, Jacob Stouffer, father of our subject, moved to this township and made a settlement in the eastern part thereof, where he remained about twenty-five years. He then moved to the western part of the township, where he still resides, aged ninety-three years. His wife was Sarah Bullinger, a native of Lancaster County, Penn., who died in August, 1871. He reared the following named children: Elias, Peter, a carpenter in Hopewell Township; Henry, a farmer in Ohio, near Youngstown; Jacob, on the homestead in this township; Elizabeth, wife of Joseph Harshey of this county; Barbara A., wife of Joshua Hoffman of Cumberland County; Margaret, wife of Samuel Laughlin of this county; Nancy, Catherine, wife of John Rhone in Southampton Township, and Fannie, deceased wife of George Henry of Cumberland County. Elias was reared on the homestead farm, where he lived continuously until the spring of 1883, when he abandoned farming and built a residence on the southwestern part of the farm, where he has since resided, renting the farm. March 8, 1849, he married Barbara A., a native of Hopewell Township, Cumberland Co., Penn., and a daughter of David and Barbara (Over) Leshner. Mrs. Stouffer died December 23, 1881, the mother of the following named children: Mary A., wife of Willis Hafer, in Southampton Township; John, a farmer, in Wisconsin; Emma, deceased wife of John Keeny; David, Lincoln, Charles, and Andrew in Wisconsin; Isaiah, in Southampton, farming; and Flora, at home. Mr. Stouffer married for his second wife Margery Rhoades, of Cumberland County, eldest daughter of Mathias and Sarah (Finkey) Rhoades, the latter a daughter of William Finkey. By this last union, Mr. Stouffer has one child, Harry M. Mr. and Mrs. Stouffer are members of the United Brethren Church. Politically he is a Republican. He is the owner of 110 acres of land.

D. D. SWANGER, merchant and justice of the peace, Lurgan, was born in Letterkenny Township, this county, September 16, 1838. He was reared to agricultural pursuits and at the age of twenty-one commenced teaching, which he followed successfully for twenty winters, farming during the summer seasons. In 1868 he purchased land in this township, and since 1879 has been continuously engaged in agriculture. February 19, 1863, he married Mary E. Long, born November 23, 1843, in Lurgan Township, daughter of David and Catherine (Shoemaker) Long. Mr. and Mrs. Swanger have six children: David B., Harry D., William E., Anna N., D. Wilbur and John D. Mr. Swanger was elected justice of the peace in 1872, and has since served. He has also served as constable, and assessor of the township, and as

director in the Lurgan Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Since 1879 he has been engaged in merchandising (farming at the same time). Mrs. Swanger is postmistress at Lurgan, having been commissioned April 26, 1886, when the office was instituted. Our subject's father, Henry Swanger, born in Lurgan Township, April 1, 1816, married Malinda Barnhart, who was born in Amberson's Valley, this county, June 18, 1818, a daughter of Daniel and Nancy (Taylor) Barnhart. Mr. and Mrs. Swanger reared a family of eight children: Daniel D., Mary A., Elizabeth A., Nancy C., Margaret M., Susan C., John P. and Sarah J. The family attend the services of the United Brethren Church. In politics our subject is an ardent Democrat.

SAMUEL TAYLOR, farmer, P. O. Mowersville, was born at Sulphur Springs, in Amberson's Valley, this county, November 7, 1819, the youngest of five boys and two girls of Casper and Isabella (Matthews) Taylor. At the age of seventeen, he went to Strasburg, this county, where he clerked four years for Mr. McClellan. After leaving the store he went to Amberson's Valley, and worked two years in the factory with his brother George. He then clerked two years at Dry Run for William Piper; then one year in a large store in Springfield, Ohio. In the spring of 1846 he returned to his parents and commenced farming in the Valley. He kept a boarding-house at Sulphur Springs for two years during the summer months. November 14, 1851, he married Mary Ann, eldest daughter of S. L. Sentman of Roxbury, this county. After marriage he continued keeping the boarding-house until 1856, when he moved to Southampton Township, where he farmed until 1861 on Adam Shoemaker's farm. He then purchased his present farm, formerly owned by P. M. and J. Huffman, and was engaged in agricultural pursuits actively until 1882. Mrs. Taylor died May 31, 1876, the mother of five sons and three daughters: Samuel W., now an attorney in Springfield, Ohio; John M., a farmer; Robert H., a graduate of Lafayette College, preparing for the ministry; George E., in Iowa; Franklin E., a teacher in the high school at Springfield, Ohio; Clara I., wife of Jacob F. De Haven of this township; Mary E., wife of A. O. Bishop in Greene Township, this county, and Emma, wife of John Goachenauer. Mr. Taylor is a member of the Presbyterian Church at Middle Spring; is director and general agent of the Lurgan Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and has served as postmaster for three years under Republican administration, and served five years as county auditor.

ESROM D. WEAVER, tailor and justice of the peace, Roxbury, was born June 10, 1828, in Upper Allen Township, Cumberland Co., Penn. His father Dr. Benjamin Weaver, born in Lancaster County, Penn., was a son of Moses Weaver who came from Germany and settled in Lancaster County. The maiden name of Dr. Benjamin Weaver's wife was Nancy Hull; she was a native of Frederick City, Md.; to her and her husband twelve children were born, few of whom reared families. Jacob served in the civil war, going out from Ohio. Dr. Benjamin, who was a physician, followed his profession in Cumberland County, near Churchtown, and died many years ago. Esrom D. is the youngest of the family. He left home at the age of eleven years, and worked out on a farm. At sixteen he learned the tailor's trade at Churchtown, Cumberland County, and then went to Mechanicsburg, where he worked at his trade until the spring of 1850, when he came to Roxbury and set up a business here, which he has since continued. He was elected justice of the peace in the spring of 1850, when he came to Roxbury and set up in business here, which he has since continued. He was elected justice of the peace in the spring of 1867 and served continuously since. July 30, 1849, he married Susan Franklin, a native of Mechanicsburg and a daughter of John and Catherine (Longs-

dorff) Franklin. To this union eleven children were born, seven living, viz.: Albert, William, Edgar, Samuel, Charles, Katie, Martha. All of the boys are tailors; Albert, Charles and Samuel are in Shippensburg; the other two in Newville, Cumberland County. For thirty-four years, Mr. Weaver has been connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church, having held official relations with the same during that time; was steward, class leader and Sunday-school superintendent. Politically he is a Democrat. He is a member of Path Valley Lodge, No. 419, I. O. O. F. On the Weaver side of the family there are \$75,000,000 due them in Holland, which they are now litigating for, and hope soon to come into possession of.

HON. JOHN F. WOODS, merchant, Roxbury, is a native of Cumberland County, Penn., born in Mechanicsburg. He came to this county in 1853, and for four years engaged in the confectionery business on a small scale. He then conducted a general store under the firm name of J. F. Woods & Co. for five years. In 1877 he associated with J. Bleckenridge under the firm name of Woods & Bleckenridge. Mr. Woods was married November 1, 1868, to Mary, daughter of Robert and Mary Hamilton. Our subject and wife have five children living: Clara J., Lydia, John, Josephine and Blanche. In politics Mr. Woods is a Democrat; in 1883 he represented the county in the State Legislature. He has also held several township offices. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., No. 419, and of the I. O. R. M., No. 150.

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## METAL TOWNSHIP.

R. M. ALEXANDER, M. D., Fannettsburg, was born in Shirleysburg, Huntingdon Co., Penn., March 12, 1846, a son of Randall Alexander and grandson of Col. William Alexander, a former resident of this county. At the age of twenty he began the study of medicine with Dr. William P. McKnight; attended his first course of lectures at Jefferson Medical College, graduating at the University of New York, and in 1870 located at Fannettsburg as the successor to Dr. John Campbell. He married, in 1871, Mary J., daughter of James X. McGaughy, of Fairfield, Adams Co., Penn., and three children have been born to this union: James N., Frank and William A. Dr. Alexander and family are members of the Presbyterian Church in Lower Path Valley. He is a very successful physician; is a member of the school board, and in politics a Democrat.

JOSEPH B. ALEXANDER, farmer and trader, P. O. Willow Hill, was born December 18, 1848, in this township, the eldest son of Watson Alexander, who was born in this county in 1824, and married Elizabeth Brown, whose parents were Joseph and Elizabeth (Cramer) Brown. Watson Alexander died January 1, 1879, his widow April 9, 1882. Three sons and three daughters were born to this union, viz.: Joseph B., Nancy E., Mary S., Martha J., John S. and James K. Nancy E. is now Mrs. C. McDonald, of Bradford, Penn. Mary S. resides in Fannett Township, this county, the wife of John Stewart. Joseph B. married, in February, 1874, Paulina T., daughter of Michael and Elizabeth (Pomeroy) Gamble, and shortly after marriage moved to Clarion County, Penn., in the oil region, where he operated successfully for two years in the products of that locality, and afterward located where he now resides, being engaged in farming and stock raising. The children of our subject and

wife are Carrie E., Matthew G., Jessie M., Mary E., Bertha Frances and Joseph Case. The family attend the services of the Presbyterian Church. In politics Mr. Alexander is a Democrat.

MICHAEL CROMER, conductor on the Southern Pennsylvania R. R., P. O. Chambersburg, was born in Peters Township, this county, April 24, 1828, the fourth son and seventh child of Samuel and Elizabeth (Reed) Cromer, the former a son of John Cromer, and a native of Lancaster County, the latter a daughter of Michael Reed. Our subject at the age of eighteen left home and went to Mercersburg, where he learned the carpenter's trade and followed the same until he was thirty-five years of age. At that time he began rail-roading on the Cumberland Valley Railroad, and has since continued the business. He began as a brakeman; then became conductor on a freight train, and finally received the post of conductor on a passenger train, and as such has served for fifteen years. In January, 1850, he married Sarah J. Shafer, a native of Mercersburg, and a daughter of Daniel and Sarah (Ensminger) Shafer. She died September 8, 1880, the mother of the following named children: Kate, wife of Charles McKinstry; Ella, wife of Samuel Snyder, residents of Chicago; Jennie, wife of Frank Shirk, of Lancaster County, Penn., and Sue, wife of Harry Weidlich, of Mercersburg. It can be said, and truthfully too, of Mr. Cromer, that he was, in his time, the best manipulator of the old Armstrong reaper or grain cradle who has ever made a record in the United States. In the summer of 1858 he, near Mercersburg, from sun to sun, cut twelve and one-half acres of wheat, making 365 dozen and 262 bushels of wheat. This was done in the presence of a vast crowd of interested spectators. The ground was measured by a regular surveyor and sworn to by twelve men. Mr. Cromer attends the services of the Lutheran Church.

JEROME DETRICH, farmer and merchant, P. O. Willow Hill, was born December 4, 1834, in Antrim Township, this county, a son of John and Catherine (Tolhelm) Detrich. Our subject was thirty-four years of age before he left the parental roof. About that time, December 24, 1868, he married Sarah A., daughter of George and Sarah (Harman) Sarbaugh. After one year's residence in Antrim Township subsequent to his marriage, he moved to his present place of residence, Willow Hill, and engaged in farming, which he has since followed. In 1880 he formed a copartnership with Charles Fleming, and engaged in merchandising. After four years, this partnership was dissolved and he then associated with his present partner, Mr. Bock, under the firm name of Bock & Detrich. Mr. Detrich is collector of the township; is a member of the Reformed Church. In politics he is a Republican. He is the father of five children: Harry W., Morris N., George E. and Sarah C. (twins), and John H. Mr. Detrich's parents are still living, as are also their thirteen children.

FRANK W. ELLIOTT, farmer, P. O. Metal, is the only surviving male representative of the Elliott family, who were, with the exception of the Walker family, the earliest residents of Path Valley. Francis Elliott, his grandfather, came here, and in November, 1761, bought out a squatter's claim, for which he paid £500 English money. Here he stopped and located, but was twice driven off by the Indians; the first time he returned to Chester County, Penn., where he had come from; the second time he was driven to Fort Loudon, whence he returned, and was not again molested. Archibald Elliott, brother of Francis Elliott, served as first lieutenant in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary war, and some of the Continental money, in which he was paid, is still in the possession of our subject. Francis Elliott, the pioneer, married Joanna Wallace, a daughter of William Wallace, who had a son, a sea captain.

Our subject's mother was Isabella Hall Beatty, formerly of Chambersburg, of Irish descent. She had three sisters: Mary, Catharine and Margaret, and one brother named James, who removed to Tennessee. Her father's name was Henry Beatty, and her mother's maiden name was Isabella Hall. They came here from Ireland. James Elliott was the father of our subject, and his brothers were Archibald, William and John, who died bachelors. James continued a permanent resident of the homestead until his death. He died in 1878, at the age of eighty-nine years and seven months. He was an excellent citizen, and an exemplary Christian of the Presbyterian denomination, of which he was for many years an official member. He was a soldier in the war of 1812, and died a pensioner of the same. Politically he was first a Whig, and later a Republican, and though a man of firm convictions he was not a partisan. Frank W. was born May 26, 1838, and has always been a resident of the old homestead. July 5, 1859, he married Margaret Witherow, a daughter of John Witherow. Mrs. Elliott died in August, 1879, leaving four children: Samuel B., James B., Mary F. and Maggie W. June 16, 1880, our subject married Maude, a daughter of William Hewitt, and has three children: Isabella E., William H. and Archibald W. Mr. Elliott is a Presbyterian.

JOHN S. FLICKINGER, M. D., P. O. Fannettsburg, was born in the old mansion house situated two miles north of Fannettsburg, the youngest but one of seven children, and only son of Joseph Flickinger, who was born near Lancaster, Penn., in 1789, his father, John Flickinger, having emigrated from that county to Franklin County, and after residing a few years near Geencastle, located in Path Valley. They were of German descent. The Doctor's mother's name was Nancy Statler, said to be of French extraction, and a lady of rare Christian virtues, as all testify who knew her. Our subject, after pursuing his studies for several years at Marshall College, Mercersburg, Penn., commenced the study of medicine with Dr. John C. Richards, of Chambersburg, where he remained three years, graduating in medicine at Pennsylvania College, Philadelphia, March 8, 1850. Though inclined to go South the Doctor yielded to the wishes of his father and sisters (now all deceased), and located at his father's house in Path Valley, where he built up a large and lucrative practice. Dr. Flickinger was married, October 16, 1867, to Miss Jennie McAllen, whose ancestors were Scotch-Irish (Presbyterians), a people noted for energy, force of character, etc., and to our subject and wife have been born two children: Joseph M. and Edith S. "Centrebroom" is the name of Dr. J. S. Flickinger's very desirable home, situated in Metal Township, two miles north of Fannettsburg and ten miles north of Richmond, the terminus of the Southern Pennsylvania R. R. It is in the center of Path Valley, one of the loveliest spots of that beautiful vale. The farm on which the home stands was surveyed in pursuance of a warrant dated May 14, 1755. The old mansion house was frame, and is near to, and east of the Doctor's present residence. The house was on the property when John Flickinger, the grandfather of the Doctor, purchased it. The land is limestone, adapted to wheat and corn, surface generally level, though more or less hilly toward the creek. Three lovely springs come gushing up here and there from the fields; and one beautiful stream called "Marsh Run" flows gracefully through the entire farm, and finds repose in the grand old (west) Conococheague. From 225 acres the farm has produced in one year as much as 1,200 bushels of wheat and 1,500 bushels of corn. The property has come down in regular descent from John Flickinger (grandfather of the Doctor), who purchased it from one Mr. Chillison, in 1797, and by whom it was originally taken up.



JACOB FLICKINGER (deceased), was born June 26, 1816, on the same farm he died on, near Willow Hill; a son of John and Polly (Alexander) Flickinger, whose sons were Alexander and Jacob. Jacob was reared on a farm. He kept hotel in Fannettsburg four years, kept store in Fannettsburg four years and during the remainder of his life he was engaged in farming. March 21, 1839, he married Lavina Klippinger, who was born June 6, 1818, youngest daughter of Anthony and Mary (Hess) Klippinger, natives of Berks County, Penn. Mr. Flickinger was highly esteemed in the community in which he resided. He was an upright citizen, an accommodating neighbor, and a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church. He passed away November 11, 1884. His widow still resides on the farm, which contains 160 acres and which is under her supervision and management. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Flickinger: Edgar M., Mary E., William, Anna M., Albert A. and Clara S. Albert A. and Clara S. are at home; Mary E. is the wife of McGinley Wilhelm; Anna is the wife of George Shearer, and all are residents of this township.

DAVID FLICKINGER, farmer, P. O. Fannettsburg, was born in October, 1829, on the homestead farm, the eldest son of Henry and Elizabeth (Snively) Flickinger; the former, born May 21, 1792, died March 12, 1851; the latter born December 16, 1797, died July 14, 1873. Our subject removed to the farm he now owns in 1862, and the same year married Elizabeth, daughter of James and Eilza (Clippinger) McCurdy, both members of old families of this county. Mr. Flickinger has 158 acres of land.

JOHNE E. JONES, farmer, P. O. Richmond Furnace, is descended from John Jones, who came from England as a soldier in the service of the British Government. He finally deserted that army and joined the Continental, with which he served until the close of the struggle which resulted in American independence. He bought 200 acres near Cowan's Gap, and there lived until his death at the age of one hundred and four years. He reared a family of sons as follows: John, James, Jacob, Joseph, Jesse and Samuel. John and Samuel settled here, in Path Valley. John A., the father of our subject, was born in what is known as Culbertson Row, and married Sarah McElvey, a daughter of William McElvey, of Scotch-Irish descent. He died in 1868 aged eighty-three years, the father of twenty-four children. Our subject, a resident of this county, was born in September, 1820, and grew up on the farm. December 23, 1843, he married Elizabeth A., daughter of David and Mary (Plunkard) Little, and by her has ten children—seven sons and three daughters: George E., a Presbyterian minister, residing in Baltimore; David, on a part of the old homestead; John H., a resident of Chicago; Mary J., wife of Oliver Yeater; Agnes, wife of Robert G. Jones; Oliver F. and Harvey W., in Kansas City, Mo. (Oliver is a physician and practices his profession in that city, and Harvey W. is practicing law); Carrie B., married to James McCormick; James M., a postal clerk; Lincoln, a farmer. Mr. Jones owns about 350 acres of land, a part of the old homestead. In politics he is a Republican. The family attend the services of the Presbyterian Church.

THE McALLENS. "The family belonged to the old Scotch clan Campbell, and the meaning of the name is 'son of Campbell,' or rather 'son of Colin.' The leader or captain of the clan was McCallen or McCallum, and at the breaking up of the clan they all took the name of McAllen, omitting, some of them the one 'c', except one who took the name of the clan 'Campbell.' He became the Duke of Argyle in Scotland, and Lord Lorne, the present duke's son, is the son-in-law of Queen Victoria, his wife being the Princess Louise. The family took a prominent part in military affairs, and for

their services in suppressing the Irish were given an estate at Down Hill, seven miles from Londonderry. This was just after the battle of Boyne Water, which occurred July 1, 1690. Some of them removed to Ireland and took possession of the estate and brought with them their old body guard, whom they kept as long as they lived and were able to support them. They were very clannish, and as long as they remained in Ireland they kept the Scotch blood pure, going back to Scotland to get wives when they wished to marry. After about forty years' residence in Ireland some of them came to America and settled near Harrisburg, Penn., in about the year 1730, and the farm now occupied by Hon. Simon Cameron is thought to have been originally taken up by these McAllens. Robert McAllen and wife took up the first land, it is believed; his name, besides being found in the land office at Harrisburg, is on an old record of a Presbyterian Church that was located at or near Derry, a few miles from Harrisburg. From here the descendants of the family scattered to Adams, perhaps then or soon after York, County, near Gettysburg, some remaining at Harrisburg. From the family that came to near Gettysburg the Franklin County, as well as the Butler County McAllens descended. John McAllen, the writer's grandfather, was a son of John McAllen of near Gettysburg. He located in Fannettsburg, Metal Township, Franklin County, about the year 1794, and bought large tracts of land and set about improving it at once by erecting houses and barns upon it. He built and burned brick kilns, from which he constructed a number of large brick houses, one of which was erected for and kept as a hotel for many years and enjoyed a large patronage. This house is and has been occupied for the past twenty-one years by his oldest son, John Franklin McAllen; another brick edifice adjoining the above is occupied by his youngest son, William S. McAllen; both these houses are equal and superior to many of the modern buildings of to-day. He also erected four mills, two saw-mills and two flouring-mills, all of which are in successful operation at the present day. Thus it will be seen that he gave great impetus to the spirit of improvement at that early day. In addition to the improvement of large bodies of land, he had in an adjacent valley (Horse Valley) about 1,200 acres of land valuable for its bark timber, on which he was about to erect a large steam tannery, but about this time, July, 1840, he took suddenly sick and died. Thus ended the life of a good and useful man who did more to develop the resources of his neighborhood than any other score of men in his day. He was married twice, first to a Miss Margaret Geddis, and second to a Miss Sarah Skinner, my grandmother, and left living within my recollection, John F. McAllen, Thomas W. McAllen, Robert W. McAllen, William S. McAllen and Sarah Jane McAllen (now the wife of Dr. J. S. Flickinger).

"John F. McAllen, the eldest child, inherited his father's business ability, and to the present day is what his father was to his day and generation. He is a considerable land owner, and raises great numbers of fine stock, and has invested a large fortune in the way of improving his lands and mill properties. He has been a public benefactor, giving employment to the workmen of his neighborhood. He married Miss Elizabeth Moody Nimmon (my mother, one of the best of women, and, to my mind, the best of all women; but God took her at the age of fifty, and her children shall never cease to mourn their loss of her). The names of their children are John Adams, Thomas Franklin and Robert Franklin (both of whom died in infancy), Margaret Jane (now Mrs. Geo. W. Park), Sarah Lillias (now Mrs. Wm. E. Harris), Eliza Bell and Elizabeth Nimmon (both of whom died in infancy), Anna Mary (now Mrs. S. A. Walker), Wm. West and Grace Nimmon. He married for a second time Nancy J. Wine-

man; children: Frank, Archibald and Donald. The oldest son in the 'John' branch of the family, has been called John for several generations. The writer's (John A. McAllen's) mother once told him that his grandmother McAllen had told her that he was either the fifth or seventh generation in which the oldest son was called John, and I think she said in this country. The writer now has a son John three years old November 17, 1886.

"Robert W. McAllen was my father's next eldest brother. He was a brigadier-general of militia before the war of the Rebellion, and during the war was a lieutenant-colonel of the One Hundred and Seventh Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was a very popular man, and kind to the needy; he died about 1867 from disease contracted in the service. He married twice. His first wife was Miss Isabella Campbell of Fannettsburg; his second wife was Miss Isabella Wilhelm of Metal Township. He left four sons: by the first wife, John Howard and Thos. Campbell, and by the second wife Robert W. and William.

"Thomas Wilson McAllen, the third son, is married to Mrs. Margaret McGaughey, formerly a Miss Horner, of near Gettysburg, Adams Co., Penn. His only living child is Robertta M. McAllen, a graduate of Wilson College, Chambersburg, Penn. He resides on a farm of upward of 400 acres adjoining the town of Fannettsburg. This farm was once the property of his father, John McAllen.

"Wm. S. McAllen, the youngest son, was married to Miss Clementine Kyle, December 26, 1860, the eldest daughter of David Kyle, who in his day was a prominent business man of Fannettsburg, Penn. Mrs. Clementine McAllen died August 24, 1881, leaving her husband and five children to mourn her loss. The oldest of the children is Margaret Kyle McAllen, a graduate of Wilson College, Chambersburg, Penn.; the second daughter, Sadie Maud McAllen, is now (January, 1887,) in her senior year at Wilson College. Jno. W. Kyle McAllen is the oldest son, and Norman W. is the youngest of the two boys; Jean Clementine is the youngest of the family. Father and children all live together in the old homestead. From about the years 1858 to 1865 he was engaged in merchandising, but for a number of years past has been engaged in superintending his farm, etc.

"Mrs. Sarah Jane McAllen Flickinger, the only living daughter of Jno. McAllen, is the wife of Dr. John S. Flickinger. They reside two miles north of Fannettsburg. They live privately in the midst of their farms in elegant ease, dispensing the hospitality of their home to their friends and all comers. The Doctor is a retired physician who has enjoyed a large and successful practice. They have two children: Joseph McAllen, who is in attendance at Chambersburg Academy, and Edith S., a student of Metzgar Seminary, at Carlisle, Penn. They all have been Presbyterians from the earliest days until recently. John F. McAllen withdrew from that denomination and joined the Methodists. John A. McAllen, the writer of this sketch, withdrew from the Presbyterian Church and became an Episcopalian about three years ago—soon after marrying a Miss Blanchie M. Crawford, of Virginia, whose father, William H. Crawford, now of Knoxville, Tenn., is a full cousin of the late Mrs. Frank Crawford Vanderbilt, second wife of the late Commodore Cornelius Vanderbilt. Dr. Arthur, the father of the late ex-President Chester A. Arthur, and the McAllens, of Counties Down and Tyrone, Ireland, are cousins. The members of the family have always been well-to-do, and generally take a leading place in their neighborhoods.

"John A. McAllen is a graduate of Union University Law School, Albany, N. Y., and a lawyer. He is the founder of the *Path Valley News*, at Fan-

nettsburg, Penn., a paper which, considering its location, has met with phenomenal success, much due to his wife's assistance as an adviser."

WILLIAM H. McCORMICK, farmer, P. O. Fannettsburg, was born December 31, 1826, the eldest son of Robert and Elizabeth (Harvey) McCormick. His grandfather came from the North of Ireland, and settled in Path Valley prior to the Revolution. Our subject moved with his parents when he was three years old to Indiana County, Penn., where he lived until 1850, in which year his father died. William Harvey, the maternal grandfather of our subject, settled on the farm now owned by the latter, who inherited the place. In December, 1851, he married Margaret Parks, a native of Path Valley, and a daughter of John and Margaret (Witherspoon) Parks. Mr. McCormick has 240 acres here, upon which he has erected the best of buildings, etc., and has a farm of 163 acres two miles from Chambersburg. He has three sons living: Robert H., James W. and William B. (three children died young). Mr. and Mrs. McCormick are members of the Presbyterian Church. He gives his attention to farming and stock raising.

MAJ. JAMES McCURDY, farmer, P. O. Willow Hill, was born in this township on the farm he now owns, December 4, 1807. His great-grandfather, Arthur McCurdy, a Scotchman by birth, moved from the land of his nativity to County Antrim, Ireland, and immigrated to America prior to the Revolution. He settled in Pennsylvania, and from him are descended four of the name: John, James, Robert and Hugh. James and Hugh settled in this county, John in Virginia, and Robert in Adams County, Penn. The subject of this sketch is of the third generation in America of the same name, James being the name of his father as well as that of his grandsire. His father was born in this township in 1770, and married Mary Brown, a daughter of Allen Brown. He died in 1822 aged fifty-two years. The following are the names of his children: Anna, Margaret, James, Jane and Stephen O., all of whom reared families. Stephen O. located in Fannettsburg, this county; Anna married John Alexander; Margaret married James Rankin, and settled in Clarion County, and Jane married John Casey. James, our subject, located on the homestead, where he has remained up to the present writing, having engaged in farming. He married Elizabeth Klippinger, daughter of Anthony and Mary (Hess) Klippinger. For several years Maj. McCurdy was employed in the mill which his grandfather built, and afterward engaged in farming. During the days of militia and general training he held important positions in the State militia, was brigade inspector of the Second Brigade of the Eleventh Division of Pennsylvania Militia. Five children have been born to him: Margaret, wife of John Wolf of Fannett Township, this county; Stephen O., Anthony K.; Elizabeth and Mary, wives of David and A. S. Flickinger, respectively. Anthony K. and Stephen served in the civil war, returned home unscathed, and are now residents of the township. Mr. McCurdy has for many years been identified with the Presbyterian Church, and is an official member of the same, as was his father before him. In politics he is a Republican.

MAJ. J. S. NIMMON, farmer, P. O. Fannettsburg, was born in Shippensburg, Cumberland Co., Penn., the eldest son of Adam Nimmon, also a native of Cumberland County, a son of George Nimmon, a soldier in the Revolution and a native of Belfast, Ireland. The latter's wife's name was Adams, and she was of Quaker stock. He was a farmer, and reared two sons, Adam and John; the former settled in Cumberland County, Penn.; the latter in Crawford County, Ohio. Adam Nimmon, our subject's father, married Mary Morris Skinner, by whom he had four children, only one now living; he was a

farmer, but in his younger days followed wagoning, and finally settled in Shipensburg, where he died in 1843, aged sixty-seven years; his widow died several years after. Our subject left home and began working for his uncle, a tanner, at \$4 per month; learned the tanner's trade, and subsequently carried on the business for himself for several years. When the civil war broke out he was among the first to volunteer, and enlisted in Company B, Capt. Deobler, Second Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served three months; then entered the Eleventh Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served a short term, when he was promoted to first sergeant, and subsequently to first lieutenant; later was commissioned captain, and at the battle of Five Forks was commissioned major. He served until September, 1865, being detained after the close of the war to settle up the affairs of the regiment. That same fall (September, 1865,) he came to Fannettsburg and engaged in merchandising, at which he continued for five years; then sold out to Mr. Wineman and located where he now resides, and has since been engaged in farming. His wife, Sarah, daughter of Joseph Flickinger, died in 1876, leaving one child, John S. Maj. Nimmon is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

WILLIAM NOBLE (deceased) was descended from the family of that name that has been identified with the history of Path Valley since 1773. In that year his grandfather, John Noble, and Elenor, his wife, removed from a farm, which he had owned contiguous to the borough of Chambersburg, to Path Valley, and purchased and lived upon the farm on which Carrick Furnace stands, until his death, which occurred March 30, 1799. His wife was a Miss Patterson and bore him four sons and two daughters. The sons were Johnston, Joseph, Solomon and John; Joseph and Solomon served a term in the Revolutionary Army; the latter died of camp fever. The daughters were Elenor and Mary. Elenor married Samuel Witherow; Mary married Alexander Walker. Joseph Noble, the father of the subject of this sketch, settled on this farm in the spring of 1787, and William was born here in September of the same year. Joseph Noble married Susanah McClelland, who bore him the following children: Johnston, Ruth, John, William, Joseph, Mary and Susanah. John and Joseph both served during the entire war of 1812. William, the subject of this sketch, died September, 1874. He was the father of six children, all of whom are still living; four of them still occupy the paternal estate. The children are Martha B., Ruth, Lucy, Augustus J., William R. and Mary Susan. Ruth Noble married John McClelland of Westmoreland County. Lucy married John H. Blair of Huntingdon County. William R. married Miss Sarah Wilhelm, and has one son, Samuel, and two daughters, Myra and Lucy. His children bid fair to inherit the ancestral acres. William Noble was a remarkable man in many respects, remarkable for his memory, for his love of reading and for the kind of reading that particularly interested him. Among these were "Locke on the Understanding," "Dick's Theory of a Future State," etc. The Nobles were Scotch-Irish, and John Noble, Sr., was a native of Ireland. The subject of this sketch, as well as his brothers and sisters, were remarkable for their conservatism, even to the retaining of the provincialisms and pronunciations of their forefathers.

GEORGE W. SHEARER, farmer, P. O. Willow Hill, was born October 23, 1851, on the old homestead, where he now resides one-quarter of a mile north of Willow Hill. His father, Jacob Shearer, was born January 1, 1801, a son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Buzzard) Shearer. He married Agnes, a daughter of William Campbell, and located on the farm now owned by George W., where he died October 5, 1867; his widow died January 12, 1881. They reared five children to maturity: Maria E., Josephine, Anna, Jacob F. and George W.,

all residing in the county. Our subject has remained on the homestead, which he took charge of at the time of his father's death, and February 10, 1876, married Annie, daughter of Jacob and Lavina Flickinger. Mr. Shearer is a member of the school board, and a member of and elder in the Presbyterian Church (elected in 1885), in which his father was elder. Politically he is a Republican, with which party his father was also identified, and though firm in his convictions was no partisan. Mr. Shearer owns 120 acres of land. They live on the property which once belonged to Mrs. Shearer's great-grandfather, Alexander, who sold his farm to Mr. Shearer's paternal grandfather.

JOHN E. SPECK, hotel-keeper and farmer, P. O. Fannettsburg, was born July 27, 1843, in Letterkenny Township, this county, a son of Joseph and Mary Ann (Early) Speck, both reared near Strasburg, this county. The former, born in 1812, died in 1880; the latter, born in 1821, died in 1882. The grandfather was Adam Speck. Our subject in early life was thrown upon his own resources, and at the age of eighteen began driving stage on the Chambersburg and Mt. Union line, and continued thus until 1863, when he enlisted in Company D, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry, and after his discharge, in June, 1865, resumed stage-driving on the same old route, until the following year. Later he went to St. Louis, where for several years he engaged in railroading, running as express checkman. In 1869 he came to Clearfield County, Penn., and after a short period he engaged in the lumber district, subsequently in farming on shares. He then purchased 100 acres, which, after several years' successful cultivation, he sold advantageously, and, for two years, engaged in the hotel business at Burnt Cabins. In 1885 he purchased the "Isaac Taylor farm" of 140 acres, two and one-half miles from Shade Gap and in 1886, took charge of the Mansion Hotel at Fannettsburg. In January, 1866, he married Matilda Laird, who was born June 21, 1843, in Shade Valley, a daughter of William and Bridget (Maloy) Laird, the former a son of Hugh Laird of Ireland. To Mr. and Mrs. Speck six children were born: Laura, Jennie, Mary A., Ralph, Edith and Jessie (twins). Mrs. Speck died after a short illness, June 20, 1886. She was a good Christian, full of faith and hope, and her charity had no equal. She took great pains in the welfare of her family. In politics Mr. Speck is a Democrat. The family attend the services of the Catholic Church.

WALKER FAMILY. Among the early settlers of Path Valley, whose descendants are still residents there, are the Walkers. Alexander Walker, with his family, came from the North of Ireland in 1737, and settled in Chester County, Penn., remaining there until 1761, when they removed to Path Valley and settled on the land still owned by John D. Walker, Esq., including, at that time, the farm of W. J. Park and lands of W. S. Harris. Alexander Walker had five sons: John, Robert, Samuel, James and David. In the summer of 1762, the Indians began to be troublesome. James, while on his way home from the fort at Loudon, was taken prisoner by them (an account of which is found elsewhere in this history). On the night of March 22, 1763, the Indians burned their barn and shot their horses after they escaped from the burning building. In the barn when burned was a quantity of threshed wheat, and their descendants in the valley still have some of this burned and blackened wheat in their possession. During the Revolution one of the sons, Samuel, served as a lieutenant in Capt. Noah Abrams' company, and Robert was a private in the same company, while the other boys served various terms of enlistment. Alexander, the father of the family, died May 1, 1775, his wife, Mary, having died the previous year. Of the sons, Samuel married Mary Noble, and remained on the mansion farm. John married a Miss Mc-

Guire, and David a Miss Elliott. Both families moved to Huntingdon County, near Burnt Cabins. James and Robert were not married. Robert died in 1778 and James in 1788. The family of Samuel (the grandfather of the present families of Walkers living there) were Mary, who was married to Robert Walker, a cousin, and moved to Indiana County, Penn.; John who never married; Alexander married to Mary Connell; Eleanor, married to Robert Ramsey; Margaret, married to James McConnell; Samuel, married to Martha McConnell; and James, married to Ann Skinner. John D. Walker, Esq. (son of Samuel), now living on the mansion farm, was married to Miss Emma Campbell of Illinois. Capt. John H. Walker, a son of James Walker, carries on the tannery built by his father in Fannettsburg, in 1822. The descendants of Alexander Walker live in Fountain Green, Ill., while other branches of the family live in Indiana and Washington Counties and in the Western States.

HON. JOHN H. WALKER, proprietor of the tannery and captain in the late war, was born in Fannettsburg, Penn., April 27, 1834, and learned the tanner's trade with his father, attending the public schools and a select school at Fannettsburg. His father, James Walker, had learned his trade in the same town, with Judge Maclay. When his father died, our subject was but fifteen years old, but at that early age he took charge of his father's business and settled up the estate. At the breaking out of the rebellion he was captain of a military company called the Washington Blues. This was the oldest company in this part of the State, being the succession of the one that went to Canada in the war of 1812, under Capt. Samuel Dunn, who afterward became a brigadier-general. The Washington Blues tendered their services under the President's first call for three months' men, our subject being captain of the company. At the expiration of their term, Capt. Walker returned home, and at the organization of the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, he raised Company H, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He was wounded by a musket ball in the right shoulder at the battle of Fredericksburg, Va.; was also struck by a piece of shell in the right arm at Chancellorsville. He was in all the engagements in which his regiment participated in the Army of the Potomac during its term. The captain's company was mustered out with the regiment in the last of May, 1863, and he returned to Fannettsburg where he resumed his business of tanning. During the rebel raids that followed, he, at the suggestion of the military commander of this department, Gen. Couch, enrolled a company of "rangers" which the General desired should be held in readiness to blockade and defend the mountain passes, and promptly, on the arrival of a messenger sent by the General, they proceeded with their rifles and axes and blockaded the passes at the top of the Kittatiny Mountain, overlooking the Cumberland Valley, and held their position until the rebels left the county. Part of the company at the same time, under command of Captain Sam Walker, went for the same purpose to the defense of the narrow defile, then known as the "Dug Road," near Fort Loudon. In 1868 he was nominated and elected Republican representative to the Legislature by the people of Perry and Franklin Counties. Capt. Walker was not a candidate, having refused to accept the nomination, but after that event, at the request of his friends, he accepted. Our subject was married, December 11, 1856, to Miss Caroline Elliott, a native of near Ickesburg, Perry Co., Penn., a daughter of Robert and Mary (Linn) Elliott, also natives of Perry County. Robert Elliott was associate judge of Perry County and a man of more than ordinary ability. He was nominated by the Republicans for Con-

gress, but the district being Democratic he was defeated. Mr. and Mrs. Walker have five children: James A., a jeweler in Valparaiso, Ind.; Mary C., wife of A. W. Pomeroy, of Pomeroy & Mackey, merchants, Chambersburg; William H., Charles L. and Samuel E., assisting their father in business. Capt. Walker is commander of Robert Elliott Post, No. 526, G. A. R., Spring Run. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church, as are their daughter Mary C., and sons, James A. and William H. The Captain has been an elder in this church a number of years.

ROBERT WENTZ, P. O. Richmond Furnace, is the trustworthy engineer who runs on the Southern Pennsylvania Railroad from Chambersburg to Richmond, and in which calling he has had an experience of twenty-one years. He was born October 16, 1844, in the city of Lancaster, Penn., a son of Henry and Hannah (Wisner) Wentz. At the age of nineteen he began to learn engineering, commencing as a fireman, and after three years' arduous application he was promoted to the position of engineer, which he has since held. His present run is from Richmond Furnace to Chambersburg, making two trips each day and having his home in Richmond. In 1874 he married Lizzie Mullan, daughter of John and Elizabeth (McGuire) Mullan. Mr. Wentz is a member of Monterey Lodge, No. 242, I. O. O. F., and of Washington Encampment.

JACOB B. WINEMAN, merchant, Fannettsburg, is a grandson of George Wineman, who was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, in 1772. In 1817 this George Wineman came with his family to America, and settled in Fannettsburg, subsequently locating farther up the valley, where he died aged ninety-one years. His son, Henry Wineman, father of Jacob B., was born in 1811. His mother's maiden name was Christina Waggoner. Henry Wineman married Catherine Hite, and located on the farm he owns in 1849, being a portion of what is known as the "Riddle Tract." Our subject was born January 1, 1843, the third son of his parents, with whom he remained until maturity, his boyhood being spent on the farm. Being clever and adroit with the use of tools he took up the carpenter's trade, at which he worked for about four years. He came to Fannettsburg in January, 1873, and began merchandising, which he has carried on successfully, keeping a general stock of goods and also a livery in connection with his other business. In January, 1866, he took charge of the office as postmaster. His wife, Etta, is the daughter of John and Adaline (Kearsey) Ramsey. Her paternal grandfather was Robert Ramsey, whose wife was Eleanor Walker, all of this county. Jacob Kearsey was her maternal grandsire and his wife was Jane Bigler, of Newville, Cumberland Co., Penn. Mr. Wineman has two children, Warren and John N.

E. J. ZOOK, M. D., Fannettsburg, was born in Mifflin County, Penn., March 6, 1841, a son of David M. (a farmer) and Rebecca (Byler) Zook, also natives of Pennsylvania. He was reared on his father's farm and later attended the National Normal School, Ohio, where he graduated in 1874. He then began the study of medicine and subsequently attended the medical college at Philadelphia, receiving his diploma from that institution in the spring of 1878. After practicing one year in his native county he came to Fannettsburg as the successor of Dr. Flickinger, and here has since enjoyed a good practice. He was married, in January, 1880, to Rebecca J., daughter of William and Ann (Cook) Huey, and a native of Mifflin County, Penn. Two children have been born to this union: Grace A. and William D. Dr. Zook is a member of the Presbyterian Church; in politics a Republican.



**MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP AND BOROUGH OF MERCERSBURG.**

GEORGE W. ATHERTON, lawyer, Mercersburg, was born in Antrim Township, this county, April 18, 1857. His education was obtained at Zeigler's Academy, Greencastle, and at Millersville State Normal School. He studied law with the well known firm of Brewer & Winger of Greencastle and Chambersburg, and was admitted to the bar May 5, 1883. In October of that year he came to Mercersburg and established himself in business, and has since had an enviable practice for so young a lawyer. His paternal grandsire, Thomas Atherton, was born in Cumberland County, Penn., and came to this county in 1819, settling first at Waynesboro; six years later he bought a farm in Antrim Township on which he lived fifty-three years; he was married to Catharine Guitner, who bore him two sons: Caleb and John. Of these John married Mary E. Lenherr, who became the mother of three children: George W., David T. and Mollie D. John Atherton was one of the brave soldiers who lost their lives in defense of their country, a rebel bullet laying him low at the recapture of Fort Steadman. The Atherton family have been noted educators, and our subject is the third generation engaged in teaching. In politics he is a Republican.

REV. GEORGE W. AUGHINBAUGH, D.D., is a native of Chambersburg. In the spring of 1841 he entered Marshall College, Mercersburg, and graduated in 1844. He was valedictorian on that occasion—the highest honor then conferred upon the student. The late Rev. John W. Nevin, D.D., LL. D., was president of the college, and at his hands the class of 1844 received their first degree in the liberal arts. Soon after his graduation, Mr. Aughinbaugh accepted a position tendered him in the preparatory department. Here he taught four hours a day and at the same time pursued his theological studies. In 1846 he was unanimously called to the vacant pastorate of Emmitsburg, Md., and after consultation with Dr. Nevin, he resigned his position in the preparatory department and entered upon pastoral work. After serving the people of Emmitsburg acceptably for a period of ten years, he resigned and opened a classical school in Bedford, Penn. In 1859, he removed to the valley of Virginia, where he preached the gospel for a time, and then assumed the charge of a female seminary at Orkney Springs. In 1861, when Virginia seceded from the Union, he seceded from Virginia and returned to his native State. Here he again entered upon pastoral work. In 1864, impelled by a sense of duty, he resigned his pastoral charge on the banks of the Delaware, and accepted the presidency of Heidelberg College, Tiffin, Ohio; but after a year's residence there, consideration for the health of his wife and family induced him to return once more to his native State. Unanimously recalled to the field he had left vacant in 1864, he again settled down to pastoral work, hoping to end his days in the midst of the kind people he was then serving. In this, however, he was disappointed. In December, 1872, he was called to the presidency of Palatinate College, Myerstown, Penn., and such was the pressure brought to bear upon him to accept, that he could not resist the call. In the spring of 1873 he removed to Myerstown where he labored until June, 1881, when he resigned the presidency of Palatinate College, removed to Mercersburg, and reopened Mercersburg College. All things considered, he has

here met with encouraging success, and there is good reason to hope that the day is not far distant when the lecture rooms, once occupied by some of Pennsylvania's most gifted sons, will again be filled with students. Dr. Aughinbaugh was married twice. His first wife was Miss Mary L. Higbee, of Burlington, Vt., sister of Rev. Dr. E. E. Higbee, the present State superintendent of public instruction in Pennsylvania. She died in September, 1867. His second wife, to whom he was married in November, 1872, was Miss Emma K. Keely, of Rosedale, Penn.

**WILLIAM D. BOYD**, farmer, P. O. Mercersburg. Joseph Boyd, the great-grandfather of this gentleman, came from Scotland prior to the Revolutionary war, and located at Lancaster County, Penn. Becoming tired of the monotony and lack of business which prevailed there at that time, he moved to Dauphin County, Penn., where he relinquished an idea he had formed of returning to his native land, and bought land in that county. It is related that when he expressed his determination to return to Scotland, that one of his neighbors offered him in exchange for his overcoat 600 acres of choice land, which he declined. Our subject has a musket which belonged to this great-grandfather, and which was carried during the Revolutionary war by one of the neighbors, and which was loaned to the State of Pennsylvania, he receiving a bond of £5 3s; which was to be paid in case the gun was lost. Joseph Boyd's initials were carved on the cartridge box ornamenting the lock, to identify it, and after being carried through the whole war, the gun was returned to the owner and the bond surrendered. Joseph Boyd died soon after the war. His son, William, born January 5, 1778, came with his wife Martha (Cowden), whom he had married March 6, 1802, to Cumberland County, settling one mile and a half southwest of Newville, and there they lived and died. They were the parents of five sons and three daughters: Elizabeth, James C., Joseph, Edward C., William, Matthew B., Mary and Martha, of whom four survive. William (father of our subject) was born February 27, 1815, and came to this county in company with his brother James, in 1834, and purchased the present farm and adjoining tract in partnership with him. At that date one could ride from his farm to Mercersburg shaded by forest trees even on the sunniest days. William Boyd was an energetic, enterprising man; his elegant farm was cleared, and the fine buildings were all erected by himself; he erected a spacious brick residence in 1852, and the next year was united in marriage to Catharine Lackens. Their domestic life was commenced and continued under the most favorable circumstances, and they lived and died in the mansion which was one of the finest in its day. This couple reared a family of three children: Jennie D., William D. and James L., all of whom reside under the roof which has been hallowed by so many successes and pleasures. The eldest son died in infancy.

**MRS. MARY A. BRADLEY**, Mercersburg. The early history of the Bradley family will be found in the sketch of John A. Witherspoon, who married Hetty, a daughter of Samuel Bradley. His father settled where Johnston Bradley now resides, in 1804, and a part of the old mansion, still habitable, was used as a block-house when the Indians were yet troublesome. John Bradley wedded Jane McCurdy, whose father, James McCurdy, came to this country prior to the Revolutionary war, and whose lands were purchased direct from the English Government. Mrs. Mary A. Bradley is a daughter of William Metcalfe, one of the pioneer merchants of Mercersburg, who during his lifetime was one of the most enterprising men of the borough. Tom Scott, the celebrated railroad king, was for a number of months clerk in his store. Mr. Metcalfe was a native of Yorkshire, England, and was the architect of his

own fortunes, accumulated in this country. He built the Baltimore and Pittsburg pike, and was otherwise engaged in public improvements. The wedding of his daughter, Mary Agnes Metcalfe, with Samuel A. Bradley was celebrated December 17, 1860. Ten years later Mr. Bradley's death was caused by the accidental discharge of a gun while he was hunting; four sons are left to inherit his name: John L., Edgar M., William A. and James W. The first named will devote his attention to veterinary surgery; Edgar M. is a dealer in stock in Nebraska.

DAVID CARSON and JEAN (OLIVER) CARSON were of Scotch ancestry, but both born in the North of Ireland, he in 1750, she in 1760. In 1784 he emigrated to America and immediately settled at Greencastle, Penn. He afterward visited Ireland, and on July 28, 1788, there married Jean Oliver. The same year he returned with his bride to Greencastle, where both continued to reside until death. He died September 10, 1823, and she died August 5, 1839.

The quaint certificate of good character brought to this country in 1784 by Mr. Carson, and signed by the "dissenting clergyman and other inhabitants of the Parish of Donaghadee and neighborhood of Londonderry, Ireland," and the equally quaint marriage certificate of David Carson and Jean Oliver certify that they "were bred and born of honest dissenting parents devoted to ye covenanted work of ye Reformation." Hence their piety, both by inheritance and by reason of their own convictions, was of that earnest, sturdy sort which characterized the followers of John Knox. They were covenanters "after the most straightest Sect" of that religion, but at Greencastle placed themselves under the pastoral care of the Rev. John Young, of the Associate Presbyterian Church, whose death occurring in 1803, he was succeeded by the Rev. John Lind. Under the care of these earnest and learned divines, the family of David and Jean (Oliver) Carson received not only ministerial instruction, but decided educational advantages. Their intelligence and moral worth commanded the highest respect and confidence of the community in which they lived. They were not in affluent circumstances, but by industry and frugality prospered sufficiently to educate and qualify their children for positions of usefulness and influence in life.

WILLIAM CARSON, eldest child of David and Jean (Oliver) Carson, was born at Greencastle, Penn., in 1789, and died at Chillicothe, Ohio, January 31, 1840. When a youth he was trained to mercantile pursuits at Greencastle. He was a soldier in the war of 1812, enlisting in Capt. Roberson's company of Pennsylvania militia; for a short period associated with James Watson, under the firm name of Carson & Watson; he engaged in mercantile business at Greencastle. In 1816 he settled at Chillicothe, Ross Co., Ohio, where he soon became an honored, influential citizen and successful merchant. By reason of his superior intelligence and sterling honesty, no man in Ross County in his day was held in higher esteem. It is well authenticated that his neighbors so confided in his integrity and fairness of judgment as frequently to cease litigation, submit to him points at issue between them, and settle them in accordance with his decision.

On November 30, 1824, he married at Chillicothe, Eliza Faulkner Claypool, a lady of refined tastes, and of whom much good is reported. She survived her husband for many years.

In vigorous, matured manhood, when deeply interested and taking influential part in public matters, social, political and commercial, at the flood tide of a successful business career, Mr. Carson was cut off from this life by a shocking accident, On January 31, 1840, when returning from Frankfort,

Ohio, where he had established a branch in connection with his Chillicothe business, his horse took fright; he was thrown from his carriage and his skull fractured, causing his death in a few hours.

The record of the children of William and Eliza (Faulkner) Carson is as follows: Abraham, born February 10, 1826; died October 7, 1827. . . . William, born November 25, 1827; he is a graduate of Oxford College, Ohio, and of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia; now a leading physician of Cincinnati, Ohio. . . . Eliza F., born August 27, 1829; died February 25, 1863. . . . David, born August 19, 1831; now a resident of Missouri; an iron manufacturer. . . . James C., born in February, 1834, graduated from Oxford College, Ohio; he was an attorney at law at Omaha, Neb., where he died August 21, 1859. . . . Jane Oliver, born July 30, 1836; now wife of Hon. Samuel F. McCoy, Chillicothe, Ohio. . . . Erskin, born April 16, 1838, was a soldier in the war of the Rebellion, a member of the Seventy-third Regiment, Ohio Volunteers; he was seriously wounded at second Bull Run battle, August 30, 1862, from which he has yet a suppurating wound; he was elected clerk of Ross County, Ohio, in 1863, and served three years; he is now a resident of Hillsboro, Ohio, and agent of the C., W. & B. Railroad. . . . Mary Alice, born October 1840; now resides at Washington, D. C.

THOMAS CARSON, second son of David and Jean (Oliver) Carson, was born at Greencastle, Penn., August 6, 1791, and died at Mercersburg, Penn., April 26, 1857. His education was not classical, but was so thorough in the English branches as to qualify him to become an instructor of others, and it was in this capacity that he was first employed. After teaching school for some years, he learned the business of hat manufacturing, and subsequently engaged in mercantile pursuits, at Mercersburg. Afterward he was elected magistrate, at which he served for many years, with great acceptance to the people. His most valuable service to the public, however, was as a legislator, he having served ten years in the Senate and House of Representatives, of Pennsylvania. He was a member of the House, four years in 1834-35, and again in 1843-44. He was twice elected to the Senate for terms of three years each. His first term, covering the years 1845-47, and his second term the years 1851-53, and during his last term as senator, he was elected speaker of the senate. In regard to his career as a legislator, the following has been publicly said: "His sterling integrity and uniform fidelity to all official duties intrusted to him stamp him as one of the few public men in our commonwealth, who are proof against all the seductive influences of public life—one whose large abilities and clear perceptions are overshadowed by his modest demeanor, and freedom from the arts of the popular politician." In public life he was distinguished as an earnest advocate of the doctrine of protection to American industry, and of a system of free schools. He was an admirer and strong supporter of Henry Clay, and was devoted to the principles of the old Whig party.

On March 23, 1815, he was married to Agnes King at Mercersburg, Penn. She was born and reared there, and was a niece of the Revolutionary patriot, Rev. Dr. King, long known and honored in connection with the early history of the Presbyterian Churches of the Cumberland Valley. She died in the summer of 1862, having survived her husband five years. The children of Thomas and Agnes (King) Carson are as follows: Eliza Jane, born at Mercersburg, Penn., March 23, 1816; married Richard Bard; died at Allegheny City, Penn., in winter of 1860-61. . . . Washington King, born at Mercersburg, Penn., July 4, 1817; married Mary C. Johnston; was trained to mercantile pursuits in the store of his uncle, James O. Carson, at Mercersburg; settled in Baltimore,

Md., in April, 1844, where he is still a prominent merchant; he was well known there as an active Abolitionist and "Black Republican," so much so, that he was warned by secession acquaintances, to leave the city, after the riot of April 19, 1861, when the Union troops were fired on during their passage through Baltimore on their way to the capitol. . . . Thomas, born at Mercersburg, Penn., January 26, 1819; married Sarah J. Leiper, of Philadelphia, in 1844; for some years was a merchant in Chillicothe, Ohio; removed to Philadelphia about 1853, where he still resides. . . . William, born at Mercersburg, Penn., November 7, 1820; married Louisa Ward of Philadelphia, died at Chillicothe, Ohio, October, 1877. . . . Margaret Emeline, born at Mercersburg, Penn., January 26, 1822; married Thomas Johnston; now living in Lawrence County, Penn. . . . David Erskine, born at Mercersburg, Penn., March 18, 1827; died at Baltimore, Md., May 3, 1862. . . . Rosannah Mary, born at Mercersburg, Penn., November 9, 1828; married William Maxwell Wood, of the United States Navy; died at Owings Mills, Md., June 22, 1885.

ELIZABETH CARSON, only daughter of David and Jean (Oliver) Carson, was born at Greencastle, Penn., in 1793; died November 26, 1851.

JAMES OLIVER CARSON, third son of David and Jean (Oliver) Carson, was born at Greencastle, Penn., on February 4, 1796, and died at Mercersburg, Penn., on June 14, 1870. During a long and active life he was prominent in the business and industrial life and development of southern Pennsylvania. He was for many years an associate judge of Franklin County, and a man of influence and power in the section of the county in which he resided. He was a man of stern but sterling qualities of character, of strong convictions and decided opinions, of unflinching moral courage, of excellent executive ability, and as a disciplinarian in the family and in business he had few superiors. His education was such as the schools of his native town afforded. At about the age of seventeen or eighteen he left his home and entered the service of John and Hugh Kennedy, at Hagerstown, Md., as a clerk. This firm's business operations, which included mercantile, milling and other interests were the most extensive in the State of Maryland, at that time outside the city of Baltimore. The Messrs. Kennedy were not only enterprising business men of marked ability, but were highly cultured Christian gentlemen, one of them, John, being an accomplished Latin, Greek and Hebrew scholar. It was in this school, with such men as instructors, that Mr. Carson received his business training. He always esteemed it a kind providence which cast his lot with them upon leaving the parental home. Until married, his home at Hagerstown was in the family of Mr. John Kennedy, by whom he was taught to speak Pennsylvania German with fluency, as if "to the manor born," an acquirement which through life proved to be of great value to him in his business. Soon after reaching his majority he was admitted to an interest in the mercantile branch of the business of John & Hugh Kennedy, and continued in business with them until 1826, when he moved to Mercersburg, where he resided the remaining forty-four years of his life.

The considerations which suggested and induced his leaving Hagerstown at that time, may at this period be regarded as unique. His business was prosperous, his social relations satisfactory, but his church connection (Associate Reformed Presbyterian) did not satisfy his mind and conscience. He believed that church was growing lax in doctrine, not "contending for the truth once delivered to the saints," and for that reason decided to remove from Hagerstown and locate where he could enjoy church privileges in connection with a communion whose testimony for the truth accorded with his own views. In these days of rationalism and the "new religion," he will be regarded by

many as a very narrow minded man upon questions of religious doctrine, but there can be no doubt of the conscientious sincerity of his belief. Since he always had the courage of his convictions upon issues both secular and religious, his decision to leave Hagerstown and the reasons therefore, were entirely consistent with his character. After deciding to make a change, he for some time balanced in his mind between making Baltimore City or Mercersburg his future home. The scale was turned in favor of the latter by the fact that an Associate Presbyterian Church was established there, and that he would be within easy reach of his widowed mother, then still living, at Greencastle. On the 2d of January, 1821, he was married to Rosanna Marshall White, by the Rev. John Lind, at Hagerstown. Her great-grandfather, John White, who was an Englishman, came to this country about 1725 and settled in New Jersey. Her grandfather, Peter White, in early manhood settled in Washington (then Frederick) County, Md., and took up a large body of land then known by the names of "End the Strife," "Whiskee," and "Toddy," and situated on both banks of the now historic Antietam Creek.

There he married Margaret Stull, by whom he had eight children. The oldest, Sarah, married John Wagoner, and was the mother of Mrs. John Kennedy. Another daughter was the mother of Rev. Edward Geary—a Presbyterian divine, who for many years lived and recently died in Oregon—and of John White Geary, a soldier in the war with Mexico, the first mayor of San Francisco, a general in the Union Army in the war of the Rebellion, and for two terms governor of Pennsylvania. Another daughter was Mrs. Dursilla Holt, for many years a bed-ridden cripple, who made her home with Mrs. Wagoner at "End the Strife." And still another was Mrs. Watts, who moved "west to Pittsburgh." The sons of Peter White were Isaac Stull—who married Miss Rench of Washington County, Md., and was for two terms high sheriff of that county; two other sons who died single after "sowing a crop of wild oats," and John White. The latter was a soldier in the war of the Revolution, and the father of Mrs. James O. Carson. He married Ellen Williams, who was of Welsh ancestry, and settled in the Ligonier Valley, Westmoreland County, Penn., where Mrs. Carson was born on May 2, 1791. She died at Mercersburg on September 24, 1879. About 1805 or 1806 she traveled on horseback from Westmoreland County to Hagerstown to make her home with her aunt, Mrs. Sarah White, widow of John Wagoner, who lived at the old homestead of Peter White ("End the Strife"). She lived with this aunt until May, 1818, when upon the death of her cousin, Mrs. Margaret Wagner, wife of John Kennedy, she entered his family and took charge of his house. Thus she and Mr. Carson became members of the same household.

On the 15th of November, 1817, an Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church was organized at Hagerstown under the pastorate of Rev. John Lind. On the roll of those joining that organization and uniting with the church upon profession of their faith, are the names of Rosanna Marshall White and James O. Carson. Of the communion service the next day, November 16, it is recorded that it was the first ever held and celebrated there in the English language. Mrs. Carson was equally a friend to the rich and the poor. To know that others were in distress or need quickened her pulse and gave outward action to her sympathy. She was a Christian wife and mother in the most comprehensive meaning of those endearing titles. In her eighty-ninth year she was gathered to her fathers, and until within two hours of her entrance into heavenly rest her intellect was clear and bright as in the prime of womanhood.

The field of Mr. Carson's business operations was not one that offered oppor-

tunity for colossal transactions, yet his energy and sagacity created business of no mean proportions, when his surroundings and the period of his activity are considered. After leaving Hagerstown, in 1826, the center of his business operations was his country store at Mercersburg, the stock of which embraced everything from needles and grindstones to silks and satins, from jews-harps and fiddle-strings to fine laces and broadcloth. This business, multiform in its details, and probably as extensive as any of a mercantile character in the county at that period, was the center but not the limit of his operations. While managing it he owned and conducted a paper-mill at Cove Gap, established a branch store, owned farms, built and operated a flour-mill in Well's Valley, Fulton County; was a large dealer in agricultural real estate, buying, improving and selling many farms; was executor and administrator of numerous estates, and later owned and, in connection with his son David, operated a steam flour-mill at Mercersburg. In the midst of his enterprising, earnest business life he did not forget or neglect his duty to his family, to his church, or to the community in which he lived. In his family, in the training of his children during their earlier years, he practiced the same exacting discipline which characterized his business methods. He was especially diligent in personally instructing them in that system of worship and faith set forth in the "Westminster Confession and Catechism," which, with his whole soul and mind, he believed to be the very essence of divine, infallible truth. Under such discipline his children during childhood and youth respected and loved him, but experienced restraint in his presence. When they reached years of discretion he became their congenial companion and confidant. The rigid rules of his household relaxed and the sterner features of his character softened as he grew cheerfully and gracefully old. These changes were manifest to the outside world, but were most marked in his own home. His devotion and liberality to the church of his choice, his sincere belief in divine authority for her doctrine, and his love for her ordinances, may be inferred from the considerations already noticed, which prompted and induced him to change his home and business from Hagerstown to Mercersburg.

All public enterprises, especially educational, which aimed to promote the general welfare of the community in which he lived, he advocated with characteristic energy, and contributed largely to their success. One of the helpful ways in which he served that community was by promptly recognizing the industry, energy and honesty of worthy young men outside of his own family connection, and aiding them with money and by counsel to establish themselves in business. One of those thus helped thirty-five years ago, when interrogated sixteen years after the death of Mr. Carson with a view to learning some facts for this sketch, closed the interview, the tears trickling down his cheeks, with this expression: "I just tell you, you can't say too much that is good about Mr. Jimmie O. Carson. He took hold of me and made a man of me. When I wasn't worth 50 cents he loaned me \$300, and gave me a letter of credit to Philadelphia, that got me all the iron and other material to start my little machine shop." This is but one of many instances in which it was Mr. Carson's delight to make the rough places smooth for those who were honest and industrious but needing help. He aimed to aid such, not by that charity which begets dependency and beggary, but to aid them to help themselves, and thus develop in them self-reliance and true manhood.

Mr. Carson had little taste for public life or ambition for political preferment. He, however, took an active interest in all political and other issues whether to be settled by the ballot or otherwise. When such issues had a moral phase he became especially active and earnest. He was an ardent anti-Mason,

and exerted all his powers in opposition to Masonry during the years this question played so large a part in Pennsylvania politics. This was the period commencing about 1829, and continuing until after the election of Ritner as governor and the legislative investigation of Masonry. He was equally as ardent an anti-slavery man, taking a most active and decided part in opposition thereto. As an instance of this, about the year 1838, an anti-slavery lecturer named Blanchard came to Mercersburg, but failed to secure a room in which to speak. Upon coming out of one of the churches he was mobbed by a crowd composed largely of Southern students of Marshall College, then located at Mercersburg. Mr. Carson, with others, without weapons, faced the mob, and by force of character and moral courage quelled it and rescued its victim. The community was for some time afterward much excited over this occurrence, and much bitter feeling was engendered by it. Mr. Carson lost no opportunity of denouncing the mob and those who sympathized with it. He continued a Whig until that party ceased to exist, and then became a Republican. During the Rebellion he was active in raising troops and furnishing supplies for the Union Army. When the rebels were in southern Pennsylvania three of their pickets rode one day into Mercersburg. They were fired upon by three Union soldiers, who were concealed in the Diamond of the town. One of the rebels was killed, and the horse of another was shot from under him. The dismounted rebel ran and turned the corner at which Mr. Carson's house was situated. Mr. Carson at once gave chase, calling lustily "surrender, surrender!" The rebel finding himself hotly and closely pursued, stopped, threw up his hands and surrendered himself, his carbine and sword to the old gentleman whose only weapon was a walking stick.

In 1856 Mr. Carson was nominated by the Republican party for associate judge. The election resulting in a tie vote in the county, he was appointed to that position by Gov. Pollock. He was afterward elected to it in 1861, serving until 1866. He was offered the nomination as candidate of the Republican party for the State Legislature, but he declined it on the ground that he could spend his time more pleasantly and profitably with his family, and that there were others quite as well qualified to serve the public.

The record of the children of James O. and Rosanna M. Carson is as follows: Ebenezer Erskin, born at Hagerstown, Md., November 4, 1822; died at Hagerstown, Md., February 1, 1823. . . . David, born at Hagerstown, Md., March 23, 1824; married Mary E. Patterson in September, 1845; died at Baltimore, Md., September 13, 1862; at the time of his death he was a soldier in the Union Army, Company C, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. . . . Ellen Jane, born at Hagerstown, Md., April 12, 1826; married Duncan James McNaughton in September, 1845; died at Mercersburg, October 1, 1881. . . . Elizabeth Erskin, born at Mercersburg, Penn., March 18, 1828; married Thomas Clarkson Grove in 1852; died at Mercersburg, July 1, 1869. . . . James White, born at Mercersburg, Penn., February 12, 1830; married Rebecca M. Darrah, December 15, 1857; settled in Philadelphia in 1849, where he has since resided, engaged in mercantile and manufacturing pursuits. . . . John Lind, born at Mercersburg, August 30, 1832; married Mary Masters Ruely; settled in Nebraska in 1856, where he established the first banking house in that (then Territory) State, and has since resided and been engaged at banking there.

REV. DAVID CARSON, fourth son of David and Jean (Oliver) Carson, was born at Greencastle, Penn., October 25, 1799, and died at Canonsburg, Penn., September 25, 1834. Largely through the influence of Rev. John Lind, under whose pastoral care he spent his youth, he decided to devote his life to



the work of a Christian minister, and it was under his instruction that he prepared himself for entering Jefferson College, at Cannonsburg, Penn., where he graduated in 1819. During his college life he made public profession of his faith in connection with the Associate Reformed Church. About that time, Mr. Carson experienced great perplexity and distress of mind by reason of the bitter controversy in the church of his choice, on the subject of open communion, a controversy which resulted in the withdrawal of a large portion of it, which united with the General Assembly Presbyterian Church. This state of mind seems to have caused him to hesitate for a time in carrying out his purpose to enter the ministry. He, however, entered upon a course of theological study, which he prosecuted at the seminary of the Associate Reformed Church at New York, during the winters of 1820-22. The following winter, 1822-23, he continued his studies at the seminary of the Associate Presbyterian Church at Philadelphia, under Rev. Dr. Banks, chiefly with a view to perfecting himself in Hebrew, Dr. Banks being at that time esteemed one of the most eminent Hebrew scholars in America. During the latter year, after a long and severe mental conflict, he decided to connect himself with the Associate Presbyterian Church, better known as Seceders. After passing through the usual trials he was licensed to preach the Gospel, October 8, 1823, by the Associate Presbyterian Presbytery of Philadelphia. Under the rules of that church, licentiatees on probation for the office of the ministry were required to itinerate as missionaries for at least one year. This service he seems to have performed with great acceptance, as during the year of his itineracy he received five or six calls from parishes scattered through nearly as many States. He accepted that from the parish composed of the congregations of Big Spring, Pistol Creek and Munroe, Blount Co., Tenn., giving these congregations the preference, because he believed them less likely to secure a pastor by reason of their isolated position. He was ordained to the work of the ministry and installed pastor of those congregations, October, 1824, where he labored for about ten years. In 1827 he was married to Jane, daughter of James and Elenor (Corran) Gillespie, who were connected with one of his congregations. Her family was one of great respectability, her father being a man of superior intelligence and of commanding influence in Blount County.

Mr. Carson was a man of fervent piety and attained high rank as a scholar. His intellectual endowments were of a high order and in respect to mental and moral qualities he was distinguished among his associates at college and among his ministerial brethren. In his public ministrations he displayed marked ability. His delivery was not rapid but distinct and emphatic. He had a noble voice, strong, clear, but not harsh, which he modulated according to his own will, now lowering it to a whisper distinctly audible throughout the church, however large, and in an instant raising it to ringing trumpet tones. In October, 1833, the Associate Presbyterian Synod of North America elected him professor of Hebrew, Biblical antiquities, chronology and church history in the seminary of that church, then located at Cannonsburg, Penn. This position he accepted, resigned his pastoral charge in East Tennessee, and in the spring of 1834 removed with his family to his expected field of labor. There he received a call from the Associate Presbyterian Congregation of Washington, Penn. and accepted intending to discharge the duties of both professor and pastor. He did not live to enter upon the duties of his professorship. His excessive labor in his widely scattered charge in East Tennessee; the journey with his family of over 600 miles by private conveyance which brought him to Cannonsburg—the fatigue of which was greatly increased by the care of a number of negroes who had been manumitted by their master and committed to his

charge to be settled in the free States—enfeebled his naturally robust and vigorous constitution. Soon after reaching his new field of labor he was prostrated by disease and medical skill proved unavailing. In the prime of manhood, in the zenith of his usefulness he passed away from earth, his death being in every way worthy of the devoted Christian life which had preceded it.

The record of the children of Rev. David and Jane (Gillespie) Carson is as follows: Rev. David Walker Carson, D. D., born in Blount County, E. Tenn., October 21, 1830, graduated from Jefferson College in 1847, was licensed January 7, 1851, and ordained October 5, 1852. He was pastor at Service, Beaver Co., Penn., from 1852 to 1877; now and since 1877, pastor at Burgettstown, Washington Co., Penn. Rev. James Gillespie Carson, D. D., born in Blount County, E. Tenn., February 11, 1833, graduated from Jefferson College in 1848, licensed in June, 1855, ordained in November, 1856. He was pastor at Buffalo and Cannonsburg, Penn., until 1869; now pastor and professor of homiletics and pastoral theology in the seminary of the United Presbyterian Church, at Xenia, Ohio.

H. G. CHRITZMAN, M. D., Welsh Run, was born in Harrisburg, Penn., in 1835; son of Henry and Margaret (Ziegler) Chritzman. He received an academic education and studied the languages under a private preceptor. Under the tutelage of Dr. William Grubb of Greencastle, Penn., he acquired considerable knowledge of medicine and in the autumn of 1857 matriculated at the medical college, Philadelphia, Penn., graduating from there in 1859. He began practice at Keedysville, Washington Co., Md., remaining until the late war of the Rebellion, when he became contract surgeon in charge of the sick and wounded of Best's United States Battery, on the Potomac, continuing until after the battle of Antietam. In November, 1863, he was commissioned assistant surgeon of the Eighth Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, and in October, 1864, was commissioned surgeon, with rank of major, of the Fifty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and the same year was assigned brigade surgeon of the Second Brigade, Third Division of the Second Army Corps, Maj.-Gen. A. A. Humphries commanding, continuing in that position until the close of the war. During the time of his service as assistant surgeon he was assigned to duty in the District of Columbia, in charge of Geesboro Point camp of dismounted cavalry, which formed the nucleus of what afterward became the noted Geesboro General Hospital. During his term of service, in 1863, he married Miss Emma A., daughter of Joseph Newcomer, of Baltimore, Md. Although possessing all the skill and education necessary to place him at the head of the profession in a large city, Dr. Chritzman, at the solicitation of his wife, who desired a home in the country, in 1865 located at Welsh Run, this county. Success has attended his efforts and he has not only established a large and lucrative practice but has gained a meritorious position in the social and political world. He is ex-president of the Franklin County Medical Society, a permanent member of the American association, likewise of the State association. In 1874 Dr. Chritzman was chosen by the Republicans to represent them in the State Legislature, but was defeated by a majority of seven votes in Franklin County. In 1884 he was again a candidate and elected, and his record has given him a most enviable prominence in the Republican party in his county and State. To Dr. Chritzman and wife were born four children of whom three are living: Nellie, wife of John S. Brewer; Harry Brant and Clarence Armor. The eldest two obtained a classical education in Mercersburg College, and Harry completed his at Lafayette College, of Easton, Penn., is now reading medicine with his father and will complete his medical education in the near future. The Doctor has his home in one of the most fertile

regions of the State, and is living in a style suitable to the true country gentleman of modern times, surrounded by books, music and a social family; and the delights of his home are appreciated by the many city friends who find there a cordial host and hostess to make them welcome. Hon. H. G. Chritzman was again nominated by the Republican party as their candidate for Legislative honors in May, 1886, and was re-elected by a largely increased majority in the November following.

JACOB B. CUSHWA, farmer, Mercersburg. In 1827 John Cushwa, a native of Washington County, Md., was united in marriage with Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob and Mary M. (Angle) Brewer. Jacob Brewer, Sr., was one of the pioneers of Montgomery Township and his land was carefully selected by Botzyergoll, an Englishman, who lived where Jacob Freeze now resides. A patent for part of the present Cushwa farm was obtained by Jacob Brewer, who was not only one of the first settlers but also one of the most enterprising men of his day. Many relics, such as arrow-heads, stone hatchets, etc., have been found on this farm, which show it to have been one of the favorite hunting grounds of the Indians. It is well watered with a never-failing spring. Jacob Brewer reared eleven children, who became people of note. By marriage the Brewers are related to the Camerons. In 1846 John Cushwa purchased the farm from Jacob Brewer, and for many years was a prominent man in this township; he was a firm friend of the celebrated Dr. Philip Schaff, the noted Biblical authority, who spent many of his leisure hours on the old farm. John Cushwa died in February, 1886, his wife in 1883. They reared five children, four living: Mrs. Amanda Martin, D. Oscar, Jacob B., Eliza J., Anne (married to Simon Crambaugh, died leaving no issue). Our subject was married to Laura Brener, of Knox County, Ill., and by her has one son and two daughters: John, a medical student, Alice and Mabel. Mr. Cushwa enlisted in 1862 in Company C, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was in Humphrey's division; he received a wound at the battle of Fredericksburg which is a perpetual reminder of his gallantry while on the field. The Cushwa family have been noted for their Union sentiment, and for liberality to all projects that advanced the best interests of the community.

REV. WM. M. DEATRICK, was born January 22, 1823, in Adams County, Penn. His parents were Nicholas and Margaret (Miller) Deatrlick. He entered the preparatory department of Marshall College at Mercersburg, Penn., in 1842. Two years later he was admitted into the Freshman Class and graduated from said college in September, 1848. In 1851 he graduated from the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States, then located at Mercersburg. He was regularly licensed to preach the gospel in August, 1852, and on the following Christmas was ordained to the work of the Christian ministry and installed pastor of the Huntingdon charge, Pennsylvania. In 1856, he became pastor of the Yellow Creek charge in Bedford County, Penn., which he served with acceptance for almost seven years. In December, 1862, he was called to the Friend's Cove pastorate, in which he labored successfully for upward of twelve years. In April, 1875, he moved to Mercersburg, and entered upon his duties as financial agent of Mercersburg College, to which he had been called. In 1880 he was chosen President of the Board of Regents of Mercersburg College, which position he has since held and continues to occupy. He is also President of "The Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States," which was chartered in 1810. He has served as the Stated Clerk of the Synod of the Potomac since its organization in April, 1873, and likewise of the Mer-

cersburg Classis for the period of thirty consecutive years. Since 1875, he has also been the treasurer of the Board of Education of said Synod and also of the said Classis from 1872 to this time. These positions of trust show the esteem and confidence in which he is held by his fellow churchmen. In 1852 Rev. Deatrick was united in holy wedlock with Miss Harriet Peyton Sohn, daughter of J. Conrad and Ann (Ranson) Sohn. She was a native of Virginia, her maternal ancestry being related by marriage to Gen. George Washington, the first President of the United States. Mrs. Deatrick died August 3, 1884. Three children have blessed the union of our subject and wife: William Wilberforce, Edward Ranson and Anna Margaret. The sons are graduates of Mercersburg College, and the daughter of the female department of the same institution. Both sons are likewise graduates of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church at Lancaster, Penn., and have been ordained to the work of the holy ministry. Rev. W. W. Deatrick, the elder of the two, and intermarried with Emma J. Balliet, of Milton, Penn., is Principal of the Clarion Collegiate Institute, at Rimersburg, Clarion Co., Penn., with which he has been connected since January, 1884. Rev. E. R. Deatrick is the efficient pastor of the Woodberry Mission, Baltimore, Md.

JOHN ECKERT, coachmaker, Mercersburg, was born January 29, 1837, in Kreuznach, Prussia. In 1855 he came to America, landing in New York City January 27 of that year. His brothers, Charles and Jacob, and sisters, Mrs. Mary Shaffer and Mrs. Catharine Mosser, had preceded him, and were engaged in business at Mercersburg, Penn. Our subject at once apprenticed himself to Cornelius Louderbaugh, who carried on an extensive coach shop, and so attentive was he to business, and so expert did he become, that Mr. Louderbaugh employed him for thirteen consecutive years. In 1862 Mr. Eckert enlisted in Company C, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. Soon after his return from service he was drafted, but was excused. A short time after this he re-enlisted, this time in Company D, Twenty-first Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry, and served until the close of the war. He is one of the heroes who fought at Chancellorsville, Antietam, Fredericksburg, and in numerous other engagements. After peace was declared he returned to Mercersburg, Penn., formed a partnership with his former employer, and four years later purchased the shop and good will of William Guyer, and has continued alone to this date. Mr. Eckert is one of Mercersburg's self-made men and owns one of the live business enterprises of the place. June 27, 1861, he was wedded to Mary E., daughter of Robert and Mary A. (Duncan) Parker. Robert Parker is living with his daughter (Mrs. Eckert) and has reached the ripe age of eighty-three years. Mr. Eckert has been for a number of years a member of the Reformed Church. He has served as a member of the town council.

REV. JOSEPH H. FLEMING, Welsh Run, was born in Belleville, Mifflin Co., Penn., June 18, 1841; son of James and Betsey E. (Wills) Fleming. He was reared on a farm and received his classical education at Jefferson College, from which he graduated in 1865. The next year he entered the Allegheny City Theological Seminary, graduating in 1869. The following year he was ordained evangelist by the Northumberland Presbytery and placed in charge of the Presbyterian Church at Centralia, Columbia Co., Penn. Two years later he received a call from the Robert Kennedy Memorial Presbyterian Church, at Welsh Run, which was accepted, and for thirteen years he has been the beloved pastor of that charge. This is one of the early churches of the county, and the pioneer Christians used to worship in it, coming for miles on foot or horseback for the purpose, and carrying their guns to protect them from the

attacks of Indians who were troublesome at that period. (A history of this church from its organization will be found elsewhere in this volume.) In May, 1874, our subject was married to Maggie F. Boyle of Pottsville, Penn., and the young couple commenced their domestic life in the parsonage on Welsh Run, where many happy days have been spent, and where their hearts have been gladdened by the birth of five children. The opportunity for education is good even in this small village. Kennedy Academy, erected in 1875 by Elias D. Kennedy and presented by him to the church, was managed for several years by Rev. Fleming, but the patronage decreased by reason of removals, etc., and the school is now temporarily suspended. Our subject has been an indefatigable worker, and during his pastorate has increased the membership of the church from twelve to sixty odd members exclusive of deaths and removals.

**BANNER GRAVES**, farmer, P. O. Mercersburg. The great-grandfather of this gentleman came from New Jersey and settled in Bedford, now a part of Fulton County, Penn. About 1786 his son, John, was twice married and by his first wife had the following named children: Samuel, Joseph, Banner and Mary. His second marriage was with Annie Mann, who bore him one son, Denton. This couple resided on the paternal homestead, and what is something remarkable, the father, grandfather and great-grandfather are all buried in that hallowed ground which is now owned by Col. Chestnut, near Mason and Dickson's line. The son of John Graves, Samuel, born November 28, 1796, was married September 16, 1827, to Mary Swigart who was born February 10, 1802, a daughter of George Swigart who came from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, about 1800. George Swigart purchased the farm, called "Pleasant Hill," now owned by our subject, and with his young wife made all the improvements, and here reared and educated a family of seven children. To-day none of the name of this family reside in the State. Mrs Mary Graves was born, reared, married, lived, died, (aged seventy-one) and is buried on this farm; she was the mother of five children, of whom two passed the age of childhood: George S., who died at the age of seventeen, and Banner, who was born May 23, 1842. July 25, 1863, our subject enlisted in Company K, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry serving mostly in Pennsylvania. After his return from service he engaged in farming and fruit growing. January 1, 1866, he wedded Mary J. Swigart of St. Thomas Township, this county, a great-granddaughter of Christian Swigart, who came originally from Germany and was remotely related to the mother of our subject. Five children graced this union: Harry, Clara, Mac, Bert and Dick, all of whom are living. January 11, 1874, the first Mrs. Graves passed away, and June 26, 1884, our subject married Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob and Susan (Nazer) Buterbaugh; of Welsh Run, this county. To this union were born two children: Mamie R., who died when five months old, and Jacob Russel. Banner Graves is a member of Mt. Pisgah Lodge, No. 443, A. F. & A. M., and Marshall Lodge, No. 333, I. O. O. F. He is a man of enterprise and culture. In politics he is a staunch Democrat. The family are members of the Reformed Church in Mercersburg.

**REV. HENRY HARBAUGH**, D. D., was born October 28, 1817, at the foot of South Mountain, in the northeastern part of Franklin County, Penn., near the boundary of Maryland. His birthplace is a substantial two-story, double-front stone house, at the old Hagerstown and Gettysburg road. Yost Harbaugh, the great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, was a Swiss, who, with his family, came to America in 1736, and first settled in Maxatawny Valley in Berks County, Penn. midway between Reading and

Allenton. They were members of the Reformed Church in Switzerland, and they and their descendants continued in her communion. In 1743 they moved to York County, on Kreutz Creek, as you go from Columbia to York. Jacob, the third son of Yost Harbaugh, on his marriage in 1761, moved to the north-western part of Frederick County, Md., into a small valley, which, because he was one of the first settlers, took the name of "Harbaugh's Valley," which it still bears. Jacob's son George, being the tenth child, on his marriage, settled in Franklin County, Penn., on what is known now as the "Harbaugh Home," as above located. He is the father of Henry Harbaugh. Henry Harbaugh's mother was of German descent, born in Lancaster County. Her paternal name was Snyder, originally spelled Schneider. Her parents moved to Washington County, Md., when she was six years old. Harbaugh was a Pennsylvania German by birth. His parents were Christians, members of the Reformed Church. Their children were baptized in infancy and received religious training. When Henry was yet a boy, Rev. F. A. Scholl, then pastor of the family, on giving good-bye at the front door after a pastoral visit, laid his hand on Henry's head and said to his father, "This boy ought to become a minister of the gospel." That remark had the effect of a call from God to the boy; from that day forward he was obedient to the call. When about fifteen years old he was instructed in the Christian faith by Rev. G. W. Glessner, then his pastor, in the use of the Heidelberg Catechism, and in due time was received into full communion with the Reformed Church at Waynesboro by a public profession of his faith in the rite of confirmation. Until in his nineteenth year he continued on the farm at home, though he felt a strong impulse to study, and he availed himself of every opportunity to cultivate his mind. Fond of working in wood he, for a time, wrought at the trade of a millwright. But his desires lay entirely in another direction. He wished to go to school, to take a college course, to prepare for the ministry. But his father did not comprehend the aspirations that were struggling in his bosom, and gave him no encouragement. By and by the youth got his parents' consent to visit some relatives in Ohio, and to seek work there. He soon found employment. He wrought at building mills. Meanwhile he kept one object steadily in view, a college course, the ministry. He turned every chance to account for study. While working at a mill he selected a bolting-chest for a study, secured candles, shut himself in it, and while his fellow workmen were spending their evenings in idleness and folly he pored over his books. When he had earned nearly \$200 his employer failed, and he lost all. But he kept right on. He worked, taught school, gave lessons in singing, husbanded his savings for three years, and, in 1840, with some funds in his pocket, he applied for admission into the freshman class in Marshall College, then at Mercersburg, Penn. He passed through the freshman and sophomore classes, and spent the third year in studying theology. Meanwhile his father saw the bent of his son's mind and came to his help. In 1843 Mr. Harbaugh was licensed to preach, and settled at Lewisburg, Penn., where he labored seven years, serving a number of congregations and building a new church. Just before entering on his work here he was married to Miss Louisa Goodrich, of Carroll County, Ohio, who died in the spring of 1847, as also did a child a few weeks old, thus leaving him and a little daughter alone. In the fall of 1848 he married Miss Mary Louisa, daughter of James F. Linn Esq., of Lewisburg, Penn., who still survives him. Ten children were born to them, four of whom preceded their father to the heavenly home. At Lewisburg Mr. Harbaugh began his career as a writer for theological reviews, church papers, etc., and as an author. In 1849 he published his first book, "The Sainted Dead." In 1850 he founded the "Guard-

ian," a monthly magazine devoted to the young, "without funds and without patronage;" edited it himself for seventeen years, and it is still published. In 1850 he accepted a call to the First Reformed Church at Lancaster, Penn., where he labored for ten years, and built one of the finest churches at that time in the denomination. In 1851 he published a second book, "The Heavenly Recognition," and in 1853 the third volume, "The Heavenly Home." Other books followed as, "The Lord's Portion;" in 1855, "Union with the Church," "The Birds of the Bible," beautifully illustrated; in 1857, "Schlatter's Life and Travels," and "The Fathers of the Reformed Church," two volumes; in 1858, "The True Glory of Woman," "A Book of Poems;" in 1860, "The Golden Censer." During these ten years he had a large charge to look after, with all the duties this involves. In 1860 he accepted a call to St. John's Reformed Church, Lebanon, Penn. In 1861 he issued another book, "Hymns and Chants." In October, 1863, he was elected by the synod to the office of professor of systematic and practical theology, in the seminary of the Reformed Church then at Mercersburg, Penn. He entered on his duties January 1, 1864. He died at the end of 1867. His inaugural address on Christological theology was published in book form. As professor in the seminary he wrought out a full course of lectures on dogmatics, itself a work of immense labor; and a full course lectures on practical theology, and on catechetics, and on cultus, and on the pastoral work. These lectures contained matter enough for a good sized octavo volume in each case. Then he prepared lectures on homiletics, on symbolics, on the history of reformed dogmatics, and on the "Heidelberg catechism." The mere mention of these topics gives no adequate conception at all of the labor involved. During this time he preached almost every Sunday, wrote for various periodicals, and edited the *Guardian* until January, 1867, when he undertook to revive and edit the *Mercersburg Review*. In 1867 he published "The Child's Catechism," and "Youth in Earnest."

He received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Union College, New York, in 1860. During the last fifteen years of his life his Synod and Classis made constant demands on him for special work, which he cheerfully did. He was associated with almost all the important boards and committees. He was the prime mover in the celebration by the whole church, in 1863, in Philadelphia, of the 300th anniversary of the formation and adoption of the Heidelberg catechism, and was chiefly instrumental in making the jubilee a success. He originated the first Reformed Church almanac, and afterward annually prepared the reading matter for it. Harbaugh was a poet. Much of his prose has a rich poetical vein pervading it. He wrote some hymns that will live on in the worship of the church. He is the first Pennsylvania German poet of abiding merit. As Hebel, the Alemannian bard, embodied the patois of his country in immortal verse, so Dr. Harbaugh embodied the Pennsylvania German in poems that will not die. After his death they were gathered up and published in book form. As a preacher, Dr. Harbaugh was fresh, instructive, sympathetic, full of unction and power. In his pastoral work he was a faithful shepherd to the sheep, and he folded the lambs in his arms. As an author, his books were well received, passing through many editions, and they are still eagerly read. In the summer and fall of 1867 a shadow gathered over his brain and gradually prostrated him. But he trusted in God and was not afraid. He awaited his Master's good pleasure. One day, toward the end of his life, when invited to take some nourishment, he said: "You have called me back from the golden gates." On the 28th of December, 1867, he fell asleep in Jesus aged fifty years and two months. His body lies buried in the yard of the Reformed Church at Mercersburg, Penn., where

an appropriate monument marks his grave. There has been no death in the Reformed Church in this country that caused such universal sorrow.

LEWIS H. HENKELL, farmer, P. O. Clay Lick. In 1834 John W. Henkell, with his wife, Mary (Hisey), came from Hesse Cassel, Germany, to America, landing in New York. Subsequently they came to Baltimore, and in 1837 settled in Guilford Township, this county, near Mt. Alto, and about two years later purchased a tract of mountain land, which Mr. Henkell sold in 1841 to his brother Jonas, remaining on William Beyer's farm, however, until 1845, when they moved to the Chambers farm near the old Irvin mill, which he purchased four years later together with the farm adjacent. The mill now standing was erected in 1856, the old one having burned down the previous year. John W. Henkell was an enterprising man and purchased other property. In 1864 he secured the woolen-mill now owned by William Adams, but in a short time thereafter moved to Carroll County, Ill., where he yet lives at the advanced age of seventy-nine years, the only survivor of eight brothers, five of whom came to America. The death of Mrs. Mary Henkell occurred at the Hayes farm in 1847; she was the mother of four children: Lewis H., Elizabeth, Catharine and Mary. In 1849 John W. Henkell was again married, this time to the widow of Samuel Byers, by whom there was no issue. Lewis H. Henkell was born February 9, 1835, near the Maryland line in Virginia, at a fishery on Pope Creek, where his parents were then employed. He was married March 30, 1858, to Catharine, daughter of William and Catharine (Zook) Angle, who are representatives of one of the first families in Montgomery Township, and whose coming here dates back more than a century. Nine children have graced this union: William, a graduate of Lafayette College; Mary C. (deceased); Clara V., wife of George W. Bohrer; George B. Mc., boiler-maker in Omaha, Neb.; Ella, milliner in Greencastle, this county; Blanche, a teacher in the public schools; Lewis E.; Nettie and Henrietta, at home. Our subject served as lieutenant of cavalry of the Twenty-first Pennsylvania during the Rebellion; is one of the jury commissioners and has filled numerous township offices. He is a Democrat by instinct, and a man of repute in his township.

REV. J. WILLIAM KNAPPENBERGER, Mercersburg, was born in Westmoreland County, Penn., July 31, 1848; son of S. Knappenberger, Sr., a member of one of the old families of Westmoreland County. Our subject's early education was obtained in the academy at Delmont, Penn., which he attended in the summers, and in the vicinity of which he taught during the winters. At that time he had no thought of becoming a minister. Having completed his preparatory course in the autumn of 1869, he entered Franklin and Marshall College, at Lancaster, Penn., graduating in 1873. The same year, he entered the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States, at the same place. During the summer vacation of 1874 he taught in the Livermore Academy, and in 1875 at Sewickly Academy. He graduated from the Theological Seminary in May, 1876, was then examined and licensed to preach by the Westmoreland Classis of the Reformed Church, at Mount Pleasant, in June of that year, and the following July received a call from the Salem charge, near his birthplace. Owing to ill health, his ordination and installation were deferred until November 9, 1876. Ten months later he received and accepted an invitation to occupy the vice-principal's chair of the Greensburg Female Seminary. After remaining there one year he determined to visit the Old World, and in June, 1878, started on his voyage to Europe, visiting England, Belgium, Holland, Germany, Switzerland and France. Returning to America in September, he received and accepted a call from Zion Reformed Mission Church, at East End, Pittsburgh, Penn., enter-



ing on his pastoral duties January 1, 1879, and where he remained until November 1, 1883. He married Miss Ellen L. Smith, of Meriden, Conn., on June 11, 1879. He entered upon the duties of the Mercersburg charge, in Franklin County, November 1, 1883, to which he had been called the previous September. Our subject is a talented gentleman and has added largely to the church membership. He is universally respected and esteemed by his people.

**WILLIAM LACKENS**, farmer, P. O. Welsh Run. The grandfather of this gentleman came from Ireland at a very early date, bringing his wife with him. Although born in Ireland the Lackens were of pure Scotch blood and firm adherents of the Presbyterian faith. They settled near Chambersburg, Penn., about 1760, and reared several children. Of these children John Lackens, who was born in Franklin County, Penn., in 1784, married Anna M., second daughter of Jacob Shaffer, of German descent, but a native of this county. The young couple settled near where our subject now resides. John Lackens' education was acquired in the schoolhouse in which Enoch Brown and ten children were massacred by the Indians. John operated a mill, now owned by Fred Speck, in 1809, and later several other mills. John Lackens was liberal in all things, advocating whatever advanced public interests. He was an honest, industrious man, a leader among the people and a staunch member of the Presbyterian Church. He and his wife reared a family of nine children—six daughters and three sons—of whom John R., who resides in Lexington, Ky., and our subject alone survive. John Lackens' first wife died in 1827, and he subsequently married Mrs. Rebecca (Smith) Angle, who bore him one son, George, now residing at Waynesboro, Penn. In 1841 the death of John Lackens occurred, his second wife having preceded him March 17, 1838. William Lackens was born December 13, 1811, in Welsh Run. He was at first a miller, then learned the shoemaker's trade, and since January 2, 1828, has been one of the leading shoemakers here, and although seventy-five years of age still works at the bench. He was married November 15, 1838, to Eleanor J. Mackey, and since then they have resided on the run near his birthplace. They have five children living and four deceased: John W., married to Amanda Metz, residing at Fostoria, Ohio (have five children); Mary C., wife of John M. Stahl (have two children); Mrs. Sarah E., wife of David Hayes (have five children); Annie R. and George, both unmarried. All have been well educated and the deceased were persons of acknowledged repute. Fourteen grandchildren greet the coming of their grandparents, who are yet full of energy and life.

**WILLIAM C. LANE**, M. D., Mercersburg, was born on the site of the First National Bank, at Chambersburg, Penn., in 1825, son of Dr. Nicholas B. and Eliza (Hetich) Lane. His ancestors came from Holland at an early date and settled near Lititz, Lancaster Co., Penn. Samuel Lane, grand-grand sire of our subject (by trade a millwright), was the first of this name to settle in Franklin County, locating near Funkstown, where he farmed and for many years operated a mill which still stands. Samuel Lane was married to Barbara Bittinger, who bore him four children: Nicholas B., Mary, Julia A. and Elizabeth, none of whom now survive. Nicholas Bittinger, father of Mrs. Lane, signalized himself during the Revolutionary war by his arduousness as a member of the Whig party; was a soldier belonging to a Cumberland County regiment, and was captured by the British at Fort Washington. Samuel Lane was the first superintendent of the Mont Alto Iron Works, and under his management they were erected in 1808. His only son, Nicholas B., was taught surveying by John Flanagan, one of the noted civil engineers of his day.

When sixteen years of age Nicholas B., in 1818, commenced the study of medicine under Dr. S. D. Culbertson, of Chambersburg, with whom he remained until he entered the University of Pennsylvania, from which he graduated in 1822. In 1824 he formed a partnership with Dr. Alexander T. Dean, then located at Chambersburg; and, later, with Drs. Bane and Culbertson. By reason of removal, the partnership was dissolved and Dr. Lane continued in practice alone in that city for twenty years, or, until his death, April 15, 1853. As a physician, surgeon, a gentleman and a Christian, his life was characterized by modesty and courteous demeanor. He contributed largely to the leading medical journals, and advocated with liberality every advance toward reform and progress in the healing art. There were a number of children born to Dr. Nicholas B. Lane, and his wife, seven of whom reached mature years: William C., Samuel G., Thomas H., Augustus H., Catharine A., Sarah H. and Maria E. The eldest two sons were pupils of their father and graduates of the University of Pennsylvania, Samuel G. graduating in 1849 and William C. in 1851. The other sons are now engaged in mercantile business at Pittsburg. In the fall of 1851 William C. Lane went to Greensburg, Westmoreland County, and four years later to Mendon, Adams Co., Ill., at which place he met and was afterward married, in 1857, to Miss C. A. Wakeman, a native of Wheeling, W. Va. Two years later he returned to Pennsylvania, and has since practiced his profession in his native county. Of the eight children born to the Doctor and wife, five are living: Thomas W., on the staff of the Philadelphia *Public Ledger*; George H., a clerk in the Cumberland Valley Railroad office at Chambersburg; William A., clerk for Messrs. J. W. Bearick & Co.; Samuel H. and Cornelia A., completing a classical education at Mercersburg College. Dr. William C. Lane was surgeon in the One Hundred and Twenty-second Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, during the war of the Rebellion, and afterward served as surgeon of the board of enrollment of the Sixteenth District of Pennsylvania the last year of the war. In politics he is Republican.

THOMAS McAFEE, Mercersburg. Mark McAfee, the grandfather of our subject, came from the northern part of Ireland accompanied by his brother Thomas, far back in the eighteenth century, but the exact date cannot be ascertained, settled at Irishtown, near Campbellstown, St. Thomas Township, this county, and was married to a lady who bore him ten children. By trade a mason, he left behind him numerous evidences of his skill, among which may be mentioned all the stone bridges on the Conococheague between Fannettsburg and Williamsport, Md.; the bridges on the National pike between Hancock and Cumberland; the old stone Presbyterian Church at Church Hill, of which the old cemetery is all that remains to show where once a congregation worshiped, and who were one by one laid to rest beneath its sacred soil. He also built the Reformed and Lutheran Churches at Mercersburg. The children born to Mark McAfee and wife were as follows; Mark, William, James, John, Thomas, Margaret, Mary, Rachael, Jane and Eliza. Of these, Mark, born in 1804, married Susan Snyder of this county, and had ten children: Thomas, Mary E., Nancy A., James, John and Jennie, all born in Peters Township; John, William and Thomas, born in St. Thomas Township, and M. Scott (the youngest son), born in the old hotel in Mercersburg. Mark McAfee was engaged for some time in teaching; was afterward elected constable of St. Thomas Township; later was manager of Pott & Beaver's Iron Works at Valley Forge, in Peters Township; then managed the iron works for Col. James Bard, the purchaser, remaining with him as manager until the furnace was closed. October 1, 1846, Mark McAfee rented the old brick hotel, which

was destroyed by fire April 29, 1884, when he began business in Mercersburg, and conducted a popular hotel there until his death in 1865. In 1860 the hotel property was purchased by Thomas McAfee and his mother, and, until its destruction by fire, was the popular hotel of the borough. In the autumn the sons of Mark McAfee purchased the fine property (erected and owned by James Buchanan, Sr., father of President James Buchanan, and later owned by Hon. James O. Carson), which had been handsomely fitted up, and stands to-day second to no hotel in Franklin County in the elegance of its appointments or courtesy of its proprietors. The brothers rank among the wealthy bachelors of Montgomery Township. They own over 800 acres of land, and are all domiciled beneath the same roof, living comfortably, making money, and feasting their guests on the best viands afforded in the markets. In politics the McAfees may justly claim to be leaders in Montgomery Township; are lifelong Republicans, and since the birth of the party have been at the front in every campaign. Thomas McAfee was elected burgess in 1871, and re-elected two consecutive terms; has been a member of the council for years, and in 1882 was elected a member of the school board, and from 1883 to June 1, 1886, served as president of the board. Thomas and James McAfee are dentists by profession, which for a number of years they followed. M. Scott is a practical coachmaker, and for several years did business in Mercersburg, Penn. He married Louisa Hofley, who bore him two sons, John M. and Thomas A.

WILLIAM McKINSTRY, a native of the city of Belfast, Ireland, was the progenitor of the McKinstry family, of Mercersburg. In 1792, when about eighteen years of age, he immigrated to America, and landed at New Castle, Del. Remaining in that town for a short time, he proceeded to the city of Philadelphia, in which he designed permanently to reside. His residence there was, however, of short duration, for he was driven away by the epidemic of yellow fever, which raged with unexampled violence and fatality during the following year. He sought refuge in Lititz, Lancaster Co., Penn., in which his abode was also very brief. He next moved to Frederick City, Md., but, meeting with little encouragement to remain there, he soon began a weary walk to one of the distant Western States. Mercersburg lay on his route, and to it he came, with all his worldly possessions tied in a handkerchief, which was suspended from a stout hickory staff resting on his shoulder. But, if his share of this world's goods was small, he had almost a superabundance of what was of infinitely greater value—a stout heart and indomitable perseverance. He remained over night in Mercersburg, lodging at a hotel kept by Peter Whiteside, in the house on the northwest corner of the public square, now owned and occupied by Mr. Charles H. Fallon, intending, on the next morning, to resume his journey. He chanced, however, to meet at Whiteside's hostelry, a couple of residents of "The Corner" also named McKinstry, but in nowise related to himself. The strangers became interested in the ingenuous youth, and finally induced him to remain in Mercersburg. This event occurred about 1796. His first occupation in his new and permanent home was that of a clerk in a country store. He was faithful, industrious and economical, and was thus enabled to save something from his humble earnings. This money he judiciously invested in real estate, which, at that date, was comparatively low in price, but which gradually appreciated sufficiently to enable him to embark in mercantile business. He did this by purchasing the store of James Buchanan, the father of the late President Buchanan. It may be said incidentally that, to the end of his life Mr. McKinstry found in President Buchanan a warm and sincere friend. During the war of 1812 he removed the store, which he bought from the elder Buchanan, to Uniontown, Fayette Co., Penn. But, preferring

to live in Mercersburg, he returned to that place and resumed business in the stone house, on the northeast corner of the public square, which he had previously built about 1810, and in which he successfully conducted a large business until 1822, when he retired from all mercantile pursuits. He then bought a tract of land about a half mile south of Mercersburg, known as the "Shannon Farm," to which he added an adjacent farm, east of the town, belonging to Dr. William Magaw, a citizen of Mercersburg, and who was in 1775 surgeon of "Col. William Thompson's battalion of riflemen" in the army of the Revolution. On this large farm of some 330 acres, he built a large and imposing mansion house, barn and other necessary farm buildings, to which he gave the somewhat unique name of "Lastly Hall." He resided on this farm until 1841, and brought it into a high state of cultivation, and finally sold it to the late Adam Hoke for the sum of \$32,000. In the year just mentioned, Mr. McKinstry moved into Mercersburg, and began the improvement of the town by the erection of the large brick buildings on the northeast corner of the public square, as well as many other brick houses in different localities. In 1851 he bought a part of the "Judge Smith farm," west of the town, adjoining the borough limits, on which he also erected large and substantial buildings, and which he highly improved by intelligent cultivation. This fine farm is now owned by his son, William D. McKinstry. Mr. McKinstry had a passion for building, and during his life erected more buildings than probably any other individual in Franklin County.

About 1815 he was appointed justice of the peace by the governor of Pennsylvania. He filled that position creditably and acceptably until his resignation of the office in 1840. He contributed largely in money and influence to building the macadamized road from Waynesboro, by way of Mercersburg, to McConnellsburg, in Fulton County. In 1814, during the last war with England, he was a member of a company of cavalry commanded by Capt. Patton, and marched with it to Baltimore to aid in the defense of that city. In 1832, in company with Col. James Reeside, the great mail contractor of that day, he established a four-horse coach line from Frederick City, Md., then the termination of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, by way of Hagerstown, Mercersburg and Bedford, to Wheeling, Va. This project was in opposition to the lines of stages run on the National road.

In 1834 Mr. McKinstry saw a statement in a newspaper that the Theological Seminary of the German Reformed Church and the High School of the same denomination located at York, Penn., desired to change their location, provided the new place was eligible and held out sufficient inducements in the shape of money to purchase land and erect suitable buildings to warrant the removal. Always an earnest friend of education, he promptly wrote to the trustees of these institutions and urged their removal to Mercersburg, and offered inducements for such removal that ultimately proved satisfactory to the church. His own contribution toward the permanent establishment of Marshall College, in Mercersburg, was large, and freely given. After many years of usefulness and renown, those in authority, with a strange exemplification of Punic faith, removed the famous school, which he was largely instrumental in establishing, to the city of Lancaster. In 1842 Mr. McKinstry established the first newspaper published in Mercersburg. It was called the *Visitor*, and is still published under the name of the *Weekly Journal*. Mr. McKinstry represented Franklin County during two terms, from 1838 to 1840, in the Legislature of Pennsylvania. His term of service embraced that exciting episode in our political history called the "Buckshot war," in which the Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, Charles B. Penrose and other prominent gentlemen

were conspicuous. Politically, Mr. McKinstry was a Democrat of the strictest sect. He was active and prominent in his party, and was deeply interested in the general politics of the day. He was long a member of the Presbyterian Church, and continued in that faith until the end of life. He was a man of singular decision of character. Temperate, prudent, industrious and self-reliant, he was wholly the architect of his own fortune. In his long and useful life he sought counsel solely from his Creator and his own accurate judgment. Finally, after a brief illness, he died at Mercersburg on the 23d of April, 1861, after reaching the patriarchal age of ninety-one years.

In 1798 William McKinstry was married to Miss Mary McGinly, of Franklin County, Penn. After sharing her husband's early struggles with fickle fortune, and, likewise, his successful triumphs over the oppositions and obstacles of early life, for a period nearly equaling that allotted by the Book of Life to human existence, this beloved wife and affectionate mother soon followed her husband to a higher and holier existence. Mrs. McKinstry only survived her lifelong partner a few weeks, and died, in the full hope of a blessed immortality, on July 14, 1861, aged eighty-five years. William and Mary McKinstry had seven children who reached the age of maturity—five sons and two daughters, all of whom were born in Mercersburg. Robert, the eldest, born June 19, 1800; John born February 4, 1802; Eliza, born April 18, 1806; Maria, born November 3, 1808; William D., born December 11, 1812; James W., born August 28, 1814; and Alexander, born March 10, 1817. Robert McKinstry received the ordinary education of the day, and was brought up to mercantile business in his father's store. John McKinstry received a classical education, and was a student of Cannonsburg College. He and his brother Robert were associated in the dry goods business; first at Chambersburg, Penn., in 1827, and, at a later date, at Mercersburg. Subsequently, they moved to Pittsburgh and engaged in business in that city. Attracted by the business advantages of the South, they moved to Florence, Ala., and, about the year 1831, they located in Yazoo County, Miss. They now engaged largely in merchandising and in the purchase of cotton and in cotton planting, and had stores at Benton and Yazoo City. They were prosperous and successful in their business and amassed considerable wealth, which, unfortunately, was nearly all lost in the great financial crash of 1837-38. John McKinstry's health now being seriously impaired by the climate of the South, he determined to return to Pennsylvania, and accordingly started for home. He proceeded only as far as the city of Natchez, Miss., where, after a short illness, he died January 29, 1839.

His brother, Robert McKinstry, re-embarked in business in Missouri. He went to New York to purchase goods in 1849, and was taken sick and died July 6, of that year. James W. McKinstry was a student of Princeton College, New Jersey, and was graduated from that institution in 1835. Choosing law as his profession, he began its study in the office of the Hon. John Sargeant, of Philadelphia. He was admitted to the bar in 1837, and, following the example of his brothers, he also went to the South and located in Yazoo County, Miss. Here he remained in the successful practice of his profession until failing health also drove him northward. He traveled by steamboat to the city of Pittsburgh. Ill and exhausted, he left the boat, and died there, May 26, 1840, a strange fatality with a remarkable concurrence of circumstances thus similarly ending the lives of three brothers.

Alexander McKinstry learned the art of printing, and was editor and publisher of the *Mercersburg Visitor*. He was a soldier in the Mexican war, and, after his return spent the remaining years of his life in farming. He died August 26, 1860.

Eliza McKinstry was married, November 30, 1839, to the Rev. Leander Ker, a chaplain in the United States Army, who was stationed at Fort Leavenworth for seventeen years, finally resigning his commission in 1858, and returning to Pennsylvania. He was a chaplain in the Confederate Army during the Rebellion, and died in South Carolina in July, 1873. Mrs. Ker died suddenly in Mercersburg, on April 8, 1882.

Maria McKinstry was married to Henry Shafer, of Washington County, Md., who died in 1840, leaving two sons, Henry and Robert, now residing in Illinois. Mrs. Maria Shafer died at Macomb, Ill., on May 15, 1882.

WILLIAM D. MCKINSTRY, the subject proper of this sketch, received a classical education under the instruction of the Rev. Robert Kennedy, a popular and efficient instructor, and was also a student at Hagerstown Academy. He entered into mercantile business in 1831, at Frederick City, Md. In 1833, after disposing of his store in Maryland, he was induced by his brothers to go to Mississippi, and assist them in the management of their extensive business operations. Soon, however, he launched into mercantile life on his own account. Returning to Hagerstown he was married, on the 11th of August, 1836, to Miss Margaret Schnebly, daughter of Daniel Schnebly, of Hagerstown, Washington Co., Md. In the fall of the same year he returned to Mississippi with his wife, and remained there until the spring of 1842, when impaired health compelled him also to return to Pennsylvania, resigning his position as cashier of the Benton & Manchester Railroad and Banking Company. On his return to his native town he engaged in merchandising in 1845, and continued in active business until 1874. During these years he had other vocations, among which were his duties as cashier of the Mercersburg Saving Fund, in 1854. In 1857 he was elected treasurer of Franklin County by the Democratic party, by which party he was often nominated for various offices. Mr. McKinstry is now, as he has ever been, one of Franklin County's most useful and honored citizens. His acquirements are varied and extensive, and he is fully apace with the progress of the age. He is an omnivorous and indefatigable reader, and makes extensive incursions in the wide realm of general knowledge. He is, of course, a most public-spirited man, and is always zealous in all efforts for the improvement of his native town and the welfare of its people. As a kind friend, a genial and hospitable gentleman, of the old school, if you please, Mr. McKinstry is unsurpassed, if equaled, either here or elsewhere. His sound judgment makes him a wise and judicious counselor, and while his advice is never obtruded, neither is it withheld from those who desire to profit by it. Mr. McKinstry has seven children who have arrived at years of maturity—six sons and one daughter. William E., born in Yazoo County, Miss., December 4, 1841, received a mercantile education, and assisted in conducting his father's business until the latter retired, and then continued in the agency of the Adams Express Company, at Mercersburg. James W. was born in Hagerstown, Md., September 22, 1842, and was educated in part at Franklin and Marshall Colleges, at Lancaster, Penn., and Princeton College, New Jersey. He engaged in mercantile business, and was married, at Mercersburg, in September, 1872, to Miss Caroline Hurst. Soon after his marriage he moved to Canton, Fulton Co., Ill. Claudius B. was born in Mercersburg April 13, 1845. He graduated at Princeton College, in 1865, and read law in the office of Hon. John McDowell Sharpe, of Chambersburg. He was admitted to the bar in 1867, and in 1868 located in St. Louis for the practice of his profession. In 1873 he removed to Chicago, Ill., and from there went to Goodhue County, Minn., where he now resides. Howard L. McKinstry was born in Mercersburg, June 14, 1847. He received a classica-

education, and read medicine in the offices of Dr. A. H. Senseny, of Chambersburg, and Dr. H. Lenox Hodge, of Philadelphia. He graduated at the University of Pennsylvania in 1870, and practiced his profession for a short time in Mercersburg. He then located in Chicago, Ill., in September, 1871. He did not remain long in that city, but moved to South Evanston, Ill. In 1873 he settled in Zumbrota, Goodhue Co., Minn., and has succeeded to a large and lucrative practice. He was married, in Baltimore, Md., in December, 1871, to Miss Mary Broderick. Charles R. McKinstry was born November 8, 1849, and was educated at the high schools of his native town. For several years he was employed as a salesman in a dry goods store, and moved from Mercersburg to Chicago, in 1884, and is now engaged in merchandising on his own account in that city. Edward P. McKinstry was born at Mercersburg April 28, 1851, and received his education at the high schools of the town. For some years he engaged in farming, but is now in the grocery business in Lancaster, Penn., in which city he located in 1883. Mary McKinstry, only daughter of William D. McKinstry, was born in Mercersburg, and received her education at Wilson Female College, of which she is a graduate.

Mrs. Margaret McKinstry, wife of William D. McKinstry, was stricken with apoplexy in the spring of 1881. Although she measurably recovered from the attack, yet the accompanying paralysis continued. She remained an invalid, confined to her room, with more or less suffering, which she bore with Christian resignation and uncomplaining submission to her Master's will, until He released her from her sufferings and took her to her home in heaven on the 1st of April, 1885.

GEORGE W. MILLER, farmer, P. O. Clay Lick. Jacob Miller was born in Berks County, Penn., and came to what is now known as "the Corners," in this county, when twenty years of age. His father, who came from Germany, reared a number of children in Berks County, Jacob and his brother William being the only ones of which any information can be obtained. Jacob Miller was born in 1791, and after coming to this township learned blacksmithing, becoming one of the best known smiths in the county. For sixty years he was an active business man. His (Jacob's) wife was Catharine, daughter of George Swigart of this county, and their family, who have since nearly all immigrated to the West (principally to Illinois), was composed of three daughters and four sons: Daniel D., Catharine, May, George W., Samuel S., Jacob F. and Elizabeth. The two remaining in this county are Mrs. Catharine Pensinger and our subject. The father died in 1880, at the ripe age of eighty-nine. The mother died in 1865. George W. Miller was born in 1829, and from choice has engaged in farming. In 1852 he was united in marriage with Elizabeth Hawbecker, and their married life was commenced on a farm adjacent to his present home. One year later they removed to Maryland, and six years after returned to this township and purchased a nice farm near Clay Lick. Sarah C., the oldest daughter was born where her parents began housekeeping. Mary A., Calvin H. and William T. were born in Maryland, and Annie E., Emma S., Samuel S. and Harry H. on the old mansion farm. Sarah C. is now the wife of Clayton Angle; Mary A. married Samuel Elliott; Emma is Mrs. Jacob Royer, and Calvin wedded Clara Shoemaker, of Fulton County, Ill. Our subject during his business life has been honored with nearly every official position that could be conferred by his township—served three terms as assessor, one as supervisor, one as auditor, and frequently as judge and inspector of elections. He is an old school Democrat and his sons follow in his footsteps. Mr. Miller's first wife died September 28, 1881, and April 27, 1886, he was again married, this time to Miss Annie, daughter of Jacob Bohrer, one of the oldest and most prominent men in the valley.

JOHN F. PENSINGER, miller, Mercersburg, is a grandson of Jacob Pensinger, Sr., who came from Lancaster County, Penn., about 1810, and settled on a farm near Greencastle, this county. He was at that date married, but his children, Jacob, John, Henry, George, David, Nancy, Elizabeth and Rosannah, were born in this county; four are living. Of these George married Christiana Ruthrauff, whose parents also resided near Greencastle, this county, and who came from Germany about the same time that the Pensingers arrived from Lancaster County. George Pensinger enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteers, in 1862. By trade a miller, he operated the Martin mills for thirty years, after which his son William succeeded him. He and his wife were parents of twelve children: William and Mary, born near Greencastle; Catharine, Margaret, Elizabeth, Maria, George, Jacob, John, Luther, Abram and Emma, born at the old mill. Jacob, John F. and William volunteered in the spring of 1863 in Company K, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry. All participated in the battles fought at Cold Harbor, Petersburg, Weldon Railroad, Reams Station, Dinwiddie Court House, Farmerville, Appomattox, and in many other engagements. John T. Pensinger was born October 5, 1848, in this township. He learned the miller's trade of his father, and that of millwright with M. Hays of Mercersburg. Since 1870 he has given especial attention to the millwright business, erecting the grist-mills for Everhart & Bro., of Newport, Penn.; Abram Reams at Fort Hunter, Dauphin Co., Penn.; and four in Chambersburg for C. Burkharts, Kerlin & Zullinger, W. F. Eyster & Bro., and M. C. Stoner & Co., respectively. In 1874 he married Louisa, daughter of Christian and Maria Shaffer, by whom he has five children: Hays, Mary, Ida, John and George. In February, 1886, Mr. Pensinger was elected burgess of Mercersburg. He has filled other offices of trust serving three years as director in the public schools, and in 1884 as auditor of Franklin County. He is a prominent local politician, Republican, and one of the best known men of his age in Franklin County. He is a member of McCollough Post, No. 497, G. A. R.; also member of Brownson Camp, No. 132, S. V. The family attend the services of the Lutheran Church.

S. JOHNSTON RANKIN, farmer, P. O. Mercersburg. Jeremiah Rankin, the great-grandfather of our subject, came from Scotland, or Belfast, Ireland, (just when cannot correctly be ascertained, but it was long prior to the war of the Revolution). He obtained patents for about 800 acres of land, which property was afterward divided into four farms and inherited by his four sons: Jeremiah, David, James and Archie. Jeremiah (grandfather of our subject) was born in the stone mansion erected more than a century ago, and which is to-day one of the most imposing residences in the valley. He married Mary Clark, born in this township, and they began their domestic life on the paternal homestead, which by his father had been converted from forests to quite a nice farm, but which he himself much improved. Jeremiah and Mary Rankin had four children: Maria, Nancy, Esther and Clark. Maria became the wife of Samuel Johnston, who was born and reared in this county, and had no peer in business or socially; Nancy is the wife of John Imbrie, of Beaver County, Penn.; Esther is the wife of Alexander Johnston. Clark Rankin was born in 1800, received a practical education, and then learned civil engineering, in which profession he became one of the experts of the day. He also transacted a great deal of business for his neighbors, who came to him on account of his superior judgment and education. He married, March 27, 1828, Elizabeth Watson, of Greencastle, Penn., and three sons and three daughters graced this union: Mary J., Rebecca V., S. Johnston, John W., Esther and Jeremiah C. The death of Clark Rankin occurred in June, 1866, and that of his widow in



April, 1875. Only the heirs of two of Clark Rankin's children are now living. Jeremiah, married Annie, daughter of Dr. Huber, of Gettysburg, Penn., who bore two children: Maria L. and Mary J. S. Johnston, our subject, was born June 5, 1833, in this township. He was married, March 17, 1868, to Miss Elizabeth H., daughter of Samuel and Margaret (Witherow) Knox of Adams County, Penn. She graduated from Sunnyside Seminary and from the State normal school, Millersville, and then taught school until her marriage. To this union were born two children: Elizabeth Watson and an infant daughter (deceased). Elizabeth W., who will complete her education in the near future, is now attending Mercersburg College. The Knox family originally came either from Belfast, Ireland, or Scotland. Samuel Knox (the great-grandfather of Mrs. Rankin) married Polly Hopkins, and their son, Dr. Samuel Knox, was born while they were crossing the ocean. Dr. Knox, wedded Margaret Hodge, who bore him three children: Rev. John Knox, D. D., Rebecca and Samuel, the father of Mrs. Rankin. Mr. and Mrs. S. Johnston Rankin commenced their married life under the most favorable auspices, and he is now the inheritor of the original Rankin estate, possessing the same business enterprise and cordiality of manner that have always made the name famous in the county.

WILLIAM REED, farmer, P. O. Welsh Run. John Reed was born in Berks County, Penn., in 1780, came to Franklin County, Penn., about 1798, and for ten years lived at the old mill now owned by Z. David and William Hays. During this time he had formed the acquaintance of and married Mary Seibert, also a native of Berks County. To this union were born eleven children, of whom Mary (wife of David Niswenger), William, Samuel (residing in California, unmarried), Sarah (widow of Jacob Sword), Catharine (wife of John Whitmer) and George (married to Miss Newcomer) are living. In 1808 John Reed came to Mercersburg, this county, where he engaged in his trade (mason), and the material for the large stone house now used as a hardware store by Mr. Riesner was quarried from the hills and the building was erected by him during this time. Three years later he purchased the farm recently bought by his son from Buterbaugh's assignees. John Reed built a stone barn in 1820 which was destroyed by fire, and in 1885 this structure was rebuilt by his son. He subsequently bought a farm (in 1821) on "Locust Level" near the Maryland line. Here his first wife died in 1833, and he subsequently married Mary Creigh, a widow with seven children. John Reed died in 1848, and his remains are interred in Stecks Cemetery. William Reed was born in this township, February 15, 1817. He commenced farming on his present farm March 1, 1839, and has been very successful financially. He was married to Sarah Niswenger, by whom he has six children: Mary, widow of John Sword; Eliza; William, married to Mary Fetters; John, married to a Holmes; Catherine, wife of David M. Negley, and Christian W., married to Anna Shartle. Our subject has filled numerous township offices. He is a staunch Democrat, and has considerable influence in his party.

JOHN A. RHOADS, farmer, P. O. Clay Lick. William Rhoads was born in Lancaster County, Penn., in 1779, and was married March 16, 1815, to Jane Rutter, who was born May 10, 1799. They remained in Lancaster County until 1837; when they moved to the farm, now the property of their son, in this township, then known as the "George Chambers farm," and which was formerly owned by a Mr. Huston. The house, a substantial double log structure, built more than a century ago, is still standing, and in it is the old-fashioned chimney place in which the blazing logs crackled and burned for so many years. By its side sits the old grandmother, who, in her eighty-

seventh year is still hale and cordial and possessed of an astute memory which verifies many important facts contained in this history. Eight children were born to Mr. Rhoads and his wife: James, married to Elizabeth Rankin; Hanford, who died unmarried; George, married to Mary, daughter of James Patterson; Hetty, who died unmarried; D. Clemson, who died unmarried; John; Frances J., married to Baker McClellan; and Jacob R., a gallant soldier during the late civil war, captured at the battle of the Wilderness, and died in the prison pen at Andersonville. All are now deceased but John, born in this township September 14, 1831. He was drafted in 1865, in Company K, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served until close of the war. In 1869 John Rhoads was married to Miss Elizabeth E., daughter of Daniel and Rebecca (Keefover) Young, of Upton, this county. Their domestic life was commenced in the old mansion which has been hallowed by so many pleasant associations, and there were born William H., John R., Mary J., George W., Adam G., David Z., Fanny G. Our subject has ranked among the foremost business men of this township for integrity and industry since his business life began. He has been three years connected with the public schools as director, and has always been foremost in promoting educational and social interests. He inherits the mansion farm, and his aged mother finds a pleasant home with him. An old arm chair, long past its hundredth anniversary, graces the spacious sitting-room in which a happy and intelligent family of children congregate when the work of the day is done.

MARTIN L. STECK, coachmaker, Welsh Run, was born in Montgomery Township, this county, near Welsh Run, January 10, 1835, son of George and Nancy (Whitmore) Steck, the latter probably born near the birthplace of her son in 1794. George Steck for many years carried on a blacksmith shop near Welsh Run, and was one of the most enterprising men of the place. Six children were reared at the old smithy: Philip R., Elizabeth, Nancy, Susanna, Martin L. and Mary. Our subject learned his trade with Jacob Hightman at Fairview, Washington Co., Md., and then entered into a partnership with that gentleman. After about ten years spent in this business at Fairview and at the old homestead in this county, Mr. Steck engaged in farming in Maryland for a few years, after which he came to Welsh Run and purchased lands on the site of the old smithy which had flourished several years prior to his coming. He erected new buildings, and for the past thirteen years has engaged quite extensively in the manufacture of buggies, wagons, etc., and has also one forge devoted to general blacksmithing. He manufactures about forty buggies, a number of other wagons and carriages, annually, and usually employs six workmen. This is the chief manufacturing enterprise of Welsh Run, and has won for Mr. Steck a merited reputation. In 1856 he married Lydia T., daughter of John and Catharine (Lantz) Payne, natives of Middleton, Frederick Co., Md. Of the ten children born to this union eight are living: Ida A. C.; Florence A.; Luther R., married to May R. Keyser; Alda E., wife of John K. Graham; Lillie F.; L. Ella; W. Clarence and Nellie B. All the children have received classical educations at Kennedy Academy. Lillie F. is now completing a course at the State normal school in Millersville; Ida A. C. finished at Shippensburg Normal School, and has taught several terms in the public schools. They form an interesting family, and are an honor to the old families from whom they are descended.

JOSEPH WINGER (retired), Clay Lick. Joseph Winger, one of the best known men of this township, came from Lancaster, Penn., and settled in this county in 1839, purchasing the woolen factory now owned by William Adams, and the next year a farm two miles distant; a few years later he disposed of

these interests and purchased a part of the Bradley farm near the Mercersburg turnpike. He married Esther Buckwalter, born in Lancaster County, Penn., in 1812, who bore him sixteen children, nine of whom married and had families of their own, and four still reside in this county: Sarah; Elizabeth, wife of Jacob Lewis (they live in Frederick, Md.); Anna M., married to John Stover (they live in Pleasanton, Cal.); Benjamin F., an attorney, married to Maggie Byer; and Elam B., married to Elizabeth Stover (he is connected with the Freeport machine shops, in Freeport, Ill., where he resides), were born in Lancaster County, Penn. Catharine, Joseph W., married Margaret Irwin (he resides in Lincoln, Neb., is a heavy land owner, and, at present, a real estate agent); Lydia; Esther A., wife of J. H. Angle; David; Emma C., widow of J. B. Seacrest; John N.; Lucy, wife of W. Rush Gillin, an attorney; Calvin W.; Jacob Melville and Albert C., were born in Montgomery Township, this county. Darius Buckwalter and Karl Michael Winger, the maternal and paternal grandfathers, were born in Zurich, Switzerland, the former of whom immigrated to Lancaster County, Penn., in 1725, the later in 1736. In 1853 Joseph Winger came to Clay Lick, having purchased a farm adjoining the village the previous year, and engaged in mercantile business. Though numerous changes have been made in the ownership of the store up to this date (1886), the Wingers have always been whole or part proprietors. Jacob Melville Winger purchased his brother's interest in 1876, and in August, 1884, took as a partner J. Frank Angle, and the firm is now Winger & Angle. Mrs. Esther (Buckwalter) Winger died September 17, 1868. Mr. Winger has been for many years one of the most enterprising men of this township; he was a large dealer in stock, and has amassed a competence; is very sprightly, though now in his eightieth year. To the Wingers is due the establishment of the postoffice here about 1858. In politics our subject is a Republican. During the late war of the Rebellion, Joseph Winger was captured by the Confederate troops under "Jeb" Stuart, and conveyed to Libby prison, where he was held as hostage for six weeks. The rebels at that date also captured a lot of his stock, and helped themselves to what they wished of the goods in his store. Having some money in his pocket he fared somewhat better than many other prisoners in that vile pen, and a number of men who are living to-day have him to thank for bread purchased and distributed by him at that time.

JACOB MELVILLE WINGER, postmaster and merchant, Clay Lick, was born in 1852 on the old Bradley farm near the Mercersburg turnpike; he was united in marriage in 1879 with Catharine Lesher, and to this union have been born three children: Mary (deceased), Eva K. and Jacob Melville, Jr.

JOHN A. WITHERSPOON, farmer, P. O. Upton. The early history of the Witherspoon family may be read in the sketch of James Witherspoon. Our subject was born in 1842 on his grandfather Little's farm. He was prepared for college at Mercersburg Academy, but after spending a year in the West returned to his native State and engaged in farming. In 1866 his father purchased the Irwin farm, and John A. came with him, remaining there until his marriage, February 26, 1874, with Hetty E., daughter of Samuel and Mary H. (Johnston) Bradley, when he assumed the management of the farm, which he has since continued. The Bradleys have quite an interesting history in this township. Samuel Bradley, a native of Ireland, came to Dauphin County more than a century ago; he was married in that county to Hetty Armstrong, and several children were born to them there, and before they came to Franklin County. Samuel Bradley was born in 1802, and his parents moved to Montgomery Township, this county, settling on the farm now owned by Johnston Bradley, in 1804. Samuel Bradley and wife were parents of

seven children: Johnston, Van F., Hetty E., T. Oswald, Kerie A., Matthew H. and S. Chalmers (deceased). All reside in the county but Rev. Matthew H. Bradley, who has charge of Mount Pleasant Church, Westmoreland County, Penn. To our subject and wife five children have been born: Mary G., S. Bradley, J. Edgar, Frederick W. and James R. Mr. Witherspoon has served the township and county in official positions, and is at present director of the poor, elected in 1884. He takes delight in agriculture, and is one of the most prosperous farmers of his neighborhood. He and his wife are Presbyterians of the strictest type, and are representatives of the original family faith (on both sides). They are descendants of the earliest settlers in this valley. In politics Mr. Witherspoon is a Republican.

JAMES W. WITHERSPOON, bank cashier, Mercersburg, was born March 18, 1844. His father, James Witherspoon, was the son of John Witherspoon whose father was the first of this name to settle in Franklin County and lived near Chambersburg more than a century ago. He (John) married Nancy Scott and their children, four in number, were James, Eliza, Mary and Margaret, all born on the old farm in this township, where their parents lived a long lifetime. James, the son of John and Nancy (Scott) Witherspoon, married Mary Little, who was born in County Armagh, Ireland, daughter of John Little, also a native of the Emerald Isle, and who came with her parents to America when eighteen years old. The parents of our subject were both descended from old Scotch-Irish stock and were firm believers in the Presbyterian faith, the tenets of which were religiously observed by them through life, and their children still remain true to the faith of their ancestors. James and Mary (Little) Witherspoon had two sons: John A., married to Hetty Bradley, resides on the paternal homestead, and James W. Our subject's education was received at the Mercersburg Academy. Then for a number of years he remained on a farm prior to making Mercersburg his permanent location. In April, 1878, he accepted the position of cashier of the Farmers Bank of Mercersburg, which he has creditably filled, and under his able management what was formerly a poorly paying investment now returns good dividends. As a business man Mr. Witherspoon has proved himself a success. He was married December 8, 1886, to Carrie, daughter of Mariot Hays, of Mercersburg, Penn. In politics Mr. Witherspoon is a Republican. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church.

GEORGE W. WOLFE, farmer, P. O. Mercersburg, was born in Maryland, in 1815, and came to Franklin County, Penn., in 1825, with his parents, who settled near Mercersburg at what was then the John McDowell mill, now owned by Adam Rider. Henry H. Wolfe, his father, was by trade a miller and for a dozen years operated the mill. Our subject learned the trade of his father and when twenty-one years of age went to Antrim Township, this county, where he rented Worley's mill; four years later he was elected constable, and the following year moved to Middleburg, Penn., where he managed a general store for five years, and also a smithy and butcher shop, besides attending to his official duties. In 1846 he came to Mercersburg, having already secured quite a competence by industry and frugality. He made several judicious investments in the borough and has also desirable property in Chambersburg, Penn., and Hagerstown, Md. He is owner of thirty houses and lots in Mercersburg, five farms in Montgomery Township, two farms in Antrim Township, two farms in Peters Township, 500 acres of timber land in Warren and Peters Townships, and a fine house and lot in Chambersburg, all in Franklin County, Penn., and two houses and lots in Hagerstown, Md., and his income from all sources ranks him among its wealthiest men. He suffered severe losses during the late war

of the Rebellion, losing twenty-seven horses and three fine mules besides cattle. Jeb Stuart took his first lot of horses from his farm during his memorable raid through the valley. During the war he was a staunch Union man. He did a great deal of scouting and was one of the bravest in defense of this neighborhood. He is the hero of the celebrated incident in which a rebel soldier and his horse were killed and another made prisoner in this borough, and during Imboden's raid he saved the lives of ten colored men by secreting them in his loft. Democratic to the core, he has, in a Republican township, filled numerous official positions in all of which he has served faithfully and with increased honor to his name.

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### PETERS TOWNSHIP.

APPLETON BERGER, machinist and wood worker, P. O. Foltz, was born in Franklin County, Penn., February 19, 1853, a son of David and Sarah Jane (Shepler) Berger, also natives of this county, the former of whom died May 13, 1885; the latter is still living at Cove Gap. In the last named place our subject was reared, and his father being a millwright by trade, he commenced to learn the same, but soon drifted into other lines of mechanical work, until he has acquired a general knowledge of mechanism which has given him a wide reputation for being an expert workman in wood and all kinds of metals. He opened a shop in 1880 for the repair and manufacture of machinery, which he has since conducted. An engine, built by him, is now used in the shop of Poffenberger Bros., and machinery is brought to him to be repaired from as far as ten miles around. Mr. Berger was married, in Franklin County, June 7, 1883, to Miss Emma S. Greenawalt, a native of Franklin County, a daughter of John and Susan Greenawalt. They are both living in Franklin County. Mr. and Mrs. Berger are the parents of one child, Edna. Mr. Berger is a member of the Reformed Church, Mrs. Berger of the Lutheran. In politics he is a Republican.

HENRY BLACK, farmer, P. O. Lemasters, the second son and third child of the Hon. J. Black, was born in Somerset, Penn., in 1842. His early life was passed in the city schools, where he obtained the rudiments of his education, which he completed by a course of study at the Morgantown Academy in West Virginia. He studied law with Mr. Chapman, an attorney of York, and after being admitted to the bar he practiced at Salt Lake City, and afterward at Chambersburg for a time. When a boy he spent some time in Europe, and attended school at Frankfort-on-the-Main. He settled on the place where he now resides in 1870; his farm of 247 acres is the one formerly owned by President James Buchanan. Mr. Black was married, in 1879, to Mary Van Tries, who has borne him two children: Henry Van Tries and Mary F. The family do not attend the services of any particular church. In politics Mr. Black is a Democrat.

CAPT. R. J. BOYD, of the firm of Boyd & Frye, dealers in general merchandise, Upton, was born in Adams County, Penn., January 4, 1834, and is a son of John and Catherine (Catren) Boyd, the former of whom, a native of England, died in 1834; the latter, a native of Ireland, is yet living, in the eighty-fifth year of her age. The boyhood of our subject was passed in the district schools, where he received the rudiments of his education, after which he entered the preparatory department of Marshall College, Mercersburg, and

completed the preparatory course. He then engaged as clerk in Mercersburg for a short time, and in 1853 located in Upton, establishing himself in a general mercantile business, forming a partnership with George Cook, with whom he did business until 1859; from the latter date until 1861 he was associated in business with John B. Cook. In 1861 the first partner retired and the firm continued under the name of Cook & Boyd until 1867. In 1863 Mr. Boyd enlisted in Company K, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry, and was immediately chosen to command the company. He served a month longer than his enlisted time (six months), and was honorably discharged. Upon his return to civil life he resumed his former business relations. In 1867 his present partner came into the firm, and the name became Cook, Boyd & Co., and from 1871 to the present time, Boyd & Frye. Capt. Boyd was elected commissioner of the county in 1871 and served three years. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., Marshall Lodge, Mercersburg. He married, May 29, 1856, Susan C. White, who has borne him eight children, six now living: E. M., Mary J., Bessie K., Robert C., John U. and Estella W.; Thomas A. and Anna are deceased. The Captain and Mrs. Boyd are exemplary members of the Reformed Church. In politics he is a Republican.

JACOB B. BRUMBAUGH, farmer, P. O. Williamson, was born in Washington County, Md., June 23, 1818, a son of David and Eva (Kisecker) Brumbaugh, both natives of the same county and State. When Jacob B. was nine years of age his parents moved to Franklin County, Penn., and settled in Antrim Township, where they resided until their death, the father dying in 1843 and the mother in 1845. Our subject was reared to manhood in Franklin County, which has since been his home, and where he has followed agricultural pursuits. January 1, 1856, he married Miss Rebecca Clopper, a native of Washington County, Md., and a daughter of Samuel Clopper. To this union seven children were born, six of whom are living: Mary Catharine, wife of Hamilton Shrader, resident of Franklin County; Snively S., residing in Rockford, Ill.; Ida Louisa; Elias Guilford; Annie Eve and Eliza Jane. George Washington Andrew Jackson Brumbaugh died September 4, 1884. Mr. Brumbaugh purchased his present farm in the spring of 1873 and moved on it. He has 170 acres, over 150 of which are under cultivation. Politically he is a Democrat. Mrs. Brumbaugh and family are members of the German Reformed Church.

J. H. DEVOR, physician and surgeon, Fort Loudon, is a native of Fannett Township, this county, and a son of Amos M. Devor, a member of one of the old representative families of this county. In his boyhood his parents removed to Metal Township, where his early life was passed. In the district schools he obtained the rudiments of his education, which was afterward developed by a course of study at Shippensburg Normal School, where he took a scientific course, and graduated in 1880. Previous to going to, and while at the college, he taught six years in the schools of St. Thomas, Montgomery and Metal Townships, this county. His last teaching was at Mercersburg, where he was principal of the public schools. As an educator the Doctor has won laurels. In 1882 he entered the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Baltimore, Md., took the full course of lectures, and graduated in 1885. In April of that year, he located in Fort Loudon, where he has devoted himself to the demands of an increasing and remunerative practice. The Doctor is a genial gentleman, a favorite, professionally and socially. In politics he is a Republican.

HENRY ETTER, farmer, P. O. Lemasters, was born in Peters Township, Franklin Co., Penn., on the place where he now resides, March 2, 1835, a son

of George and Sarah (Miller) Etter, also natives of this county, the ancestors of Mr. Etter having come to the county in 1792. The place where his grandfather settled was the site of an old fort which had been used in times of Indian warfare for the protection of the whites. George Etter (father of our subject) died March 12, 1864; his wife, April 1, 1837; both were buried in Etter's cemetery, near the home farm. Our subject was reared in Franklin County, which has always been his home. April 6, 1858, he married Miss Anna Glaser, also a native of this county, daughter of Adam and Catharine (Glee) Glaser, both of whom were born in Germany, where they married, and then came to the United States. They settled in this county, where the mother died; the father is still a resident of the county, living at Lemasters. Mr. and Mrs. Etter are the parents of five children: George M., William Henry, Sarah Catharine, James Calvin and Benjamin Franklin, all of whom are now living except George M., who died December 21, 1875. Sarah Catharine married A. B. Ramsey, a teacher at Lemasters. Mr. and Mrs. Etter are both members of the Lutheran Church. In politics he is a Republican. The farm owned by Mr. Etter, and on which he now resides, contains about 220 acres all under cultivation.

DANIEL GLASER, farmer, P. O. Lemasters, was born in Peters Township, Franklin Co., Penn., April 4, 1847, a son of Adam and Catharine (Glee) Glaser, both natives of Werfritz, District of Schlichtern, Hesse-Nassau, Prussia, when they were married. Later they immigrated to America, and settled in Franklin County, Penn. Here the father still resides at Lemasters Station; the mother died June 5, 1886, aged seventy years, four months and eleven days, and was buried at Waddell Cemetery, east of Mercersburg. Our subject was reared in Franklin County, and has always made it his home. He was married in same county, January 30, 1868, to Miss Mary E. Lehmaster, who died September 11, 1880. By this marriage there were six children, three now living: David Rush, Anna Belle and Charles B.; the deceased are Sarah E., Mary C. and Elizabeth R. Mr. Glaser married for his second wife, December 21, 1882, Miss Emma R. Greenawalt, a native of Franklin County, and a daughter of Jacob and Henrietta (Swigert) Greenawalt, both born in Franklin County, the former of whom died in 1879; the latter is living in this township. Mr. and Mrs. Glaser are the parents of one child—Cora E. Mr. Glaser has 169 acres of the home place, of which about 125 are under cultivation. He and his wife are members of the Lutheran Church. He served in the Ninety-fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Infantry during the last year of the war.

CONRAD HARTMANN, farmer, P. O. Williamson, was born near Slickster Starfritz, near Hesse Cassel, Germany, December 20, 1830, a son of Conrad and Elizabeth (Claeser) Hartmann. He was reared to farm life and resided in his native place until he was twenty years of age, when he embarked at Bremen on the ship *Angusta*, for America, and after a stormy passage of six weeks and two days, arrived at Baltimore, in April, 1852. He there engaged to work by the month for a man who lived outside the city, and with whom he remained two months. He then came to Pennsylvania and located in Franklin County. The first three years he worked by the month, and the next three by the day. March 28, 1858, he married Miss Mary Long, a native of Fulton County, Penn., a daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Wright) Long, also from Starfritz, landing in America in 1835. He then bought four acres in Antrim Township, and farmed for four years, also working by the day. He next bought seventy-two acres of land in Peters Township, which was covered with timber and underbrush, but which he commenced improving, and to-day there is no better cultivated farm

in Franklin County. It is divided into eight fields, each separated by a substantial stone fence, and the entire farm surrounded by a fence of the same description. In August, 1864, Mr. Hartmann enlisted in Company D, Two Hundred and Ninth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was assigned to the Army of the Cumberland, in Gen. Hartranft's division. He was in the operations which resulted in the fall of Richmond, his principal engagement being Hedge's Run and the capture of Petersburg. On May 21, 1865, he participated in the grand review at Washington, D. C. As an incident of his military career, it may be stated that when Gen. Grant gave the order for one man in each brigade to be sent home on a complimentary furlough of twenty-five days with pay and rations, Mr. Hartmann was the one selected from his brigade out of 3,000 men. He was discharged at Harrisburg, June 5, 1865, and returned to his family. He and his wife are the parents of ten children as follows: Lizzie, wife of Aaron Hawk of Peters Township; Moses, married to Catharine Ommert, and residing at Lemaster Station; John Peter, Annie Mary, William McCoy, Henrietta, Ida May and Forence Irene. They had also two children who died: Nettie Jane and Carrie Alverna. Mr. and Mrs. Hartmann and their oldest five children are members of the Reformed Church at Upton: Moses, John P. and William McCoy, are members of Brownson Camp, No. 132, at Mercersburg. Mr. Hartmann is a member of McCollough's Post, No. 497, Mercersburg. In politics he is a Democrat.

JACOB HASSLER (deceased) was born May 13, 1788, in York County, Penn.; and is a son of Joseph and Anna Mary Hassler *nee* Roemer, the latter name distantly connected with Count Roemer of one of the cantons of Switzerland. Joseph settled with his family near St. Thomas, this county, when Jacob, Sr. was a small boy. There the latter was reared and learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed in connection with cabinet-making during life. He married, April 11, 1815, Elizabeth, daughter of Peter and Hannah Kieffer, an old family of Letterkenny Township, of whom mention is made elsewhere. Mrs. Hassler was born March 17, 1798, and bore her husband ten children—seven now living: Mrs. Frances Ann, wife of Abraham Kieffer; Rev. J. Hassler, of Fort Loudon; Hannah Mary, widow of Prof. G. W. Ruby, of York, Penn.; Charlotte, wife of Rev. P. C. Prugh, Butler, Penn.; Jane E., wife of N. Ohmer, of Dayton, Ohio; Etta M., wife of Rev. James Wilson, Erie, Penn.; Daniel Kieffer Hassler, Dayton, Ohio, John P. Hassler, the eldest son, died in Carlisle in 1877; two children died in childhood—George Washington and Joseph. Mr. and Mrs. Hassler were members of the Reformed Church, in which he was an active elder. He was an energetic man, a good mechanic, built many of the largest houses in Mercersburg, and was universally beloved and respected by all who knew him. To his church he was liberal, and was one of the four men who gave \$500 each in raising the \$10,000 pledged by the town toward the erection of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church, at Mercersburg, in 1835. He died July 29, 1848, and his widow in August, 1856.

REV. JACOB HASSLER, pastor of St. Peter's Reformed Church, Fort Loudon, was born in Mercersburg, August 25, 1824, and is the fifth child and third son of Jacob Hassler, Sr. His boyhood was passed in his native village, and in its schools he obtained the rudiments of his education. In 1840 he entered Marshall College at Mercersburg, from which he graduated in 1845, after which he was tutor in a private family in Maryland for a year. He entered the Theological Seminary in 1846, from which he graduated in the fall of 1849. For six months he traveled as agent for the church's publication board; in August, 1850, he became pastor of the St. Thomas and Loudon



charge, and the following December was ordained a minister, and for eight years, until August, 1858, labored in this charge. He then accepted a call from the Reformed Church, at Martinsburg, Penn., where he labored five years, and during that time St. John's Reformed Church was erected, together with Blair County Institute, a seminary of learning of which Mr. Hassler was for a time principal. In October, 1863, he removed to Shippensburg, where he labored in the ministry until 1868; thence went to Boonesboro, Md., where he remained until September 1, 1873. During his ministry there the church membership greatly increased, and a new church building was erected at a cost of \$16,000. In 1873 he removed to Mercersburg and organized the Mercersburg Female Seminary, which was conducted successfully until April, 1881. During the same time he was pastor of the Loudon and Fannettsburg churches, his place of residence being at Mercersburg until November, 1884, at which time he removed to his present place of residence, the old home-stead of his father-in-law, P. Stenger, at Loudon. He is possessed of good literary ability, and has contributed largely to magazines and church papers. December 25, 1855, Mr. Hassler married Matilda, second daughter of P. Stenger of Conrad, who has borne him three children: Rev. Edgar Schaff Hassler, St. Clairsville, Penn., of the Reformed Church; Wm. Stenger, and Miriam Adelaide. Blanche L. Ault, the daughter of Rev. John Ault, once a pastor of Loudon, and chaplain of the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry makes her home with Mr. Hassler.

JOHN HAWK, farmer, P. O. Williamson, was born near Myerstown, Lebanon Co., Penn., February 5, 1811, a son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Walborn) Hawk, also natives of Lebanon County. When our subject was four years of age his parents moved to Franklin County and here resided until their death. The father died December 23, 1826, and the mother in 1857; the former is buried at Greencastle, and the latter in the German Reformed churchyard in St. Thomas Township. Our subject was reared in Franklin County, and well remembers the time when the fine farm land in the vicinity was covered with a large growth of timber. January 17, 1843, he was married in Greencastle, this county, to Miss Mary Hege, a native of Franklin County, and a daughter of John and Maria (Leshner) Hege. To Mr. and Mrs. Hawk seven children were born, three now living: John, who married Miss Ida Brewer (resides in Peters Township, this county); Aaron, who married Miss Lizzie Hartman (also resides in this township), and Fannie, wife of David Coble (resides in St. Thomas Township). The deceased children are as follows: Elizabeth, Sarah, Anna Maria, and an infant unnamed. Mrs. Hawk departed this life in April, 1877, and was buried in the family burying-ground, where her parents also lie. Mr. Hawk is a Republican politically, a member of the German Reformed Church. He has led an active life, and for nearly three-quarters of a century has been identified with Franklin County, of which he is a highly respected citizen. He has 460 acres of land, two-thirds of which is under cultivation.

JOHN HILL, cooper and farmer, P. O. Foltz, was born at St. Thomas, Franklin Co., Penn., August 27, 1836, a son of John and Susan (Newcomer) Hill, former of whom, also a native of this county, resides at St. Thomas; the latter died February 24, 1867, and is buried in the graveyard of the Reformed Church at St. Thomas, St. Thomas Township. Our subject was reared in this county and has always made it his home. At the age of sixteen years he commenced to learn the cooper's trade at Loudon with Joseph Allsip, and finished under him. In 1859 he started a cooper shop at Charlestown, this county, and has continued in the business there ever since. In 1881 he erected a saw-mill near Cove Gap, and has conducted it since. He has shipped large quan-

ties of bark to Lancaster and other points. He was married at Mount Parnell, this county, December 3, 1857, to Miss Susan Jane Seylar, a native of Franklin County, and daughter of Frederick and Sarah Seylar, who both died in this county. To Mr. and Mrs. Hill eight children were born, six of whom are living: Ida; John Frederick, who married Susan Truax, and resides at Charlestown, this county; Laura Virginia, wife of Calvin Houpt, resides in Charlestown; Carrie; Albert Clinton, married Mary Keefer, also resides at Charlestown; and Bruce. The deceased are Ellsworth and Ralph. Mr. Hill has about 785 acres of land lying in Peters and Warren Townships, and is probably the largest landholding farmer in this township. In politics he is a Democrat. Mrs. Hill is a member of the Presbyterian Church at Mercersburg.

ISAAC HOLLENSHEAD, distiller, P. O. Foltz, was born in Belfast Township, Fulton Co., Penn., August 11, 1830, a son of James and Mary (Millott) Hollenshead, who were also born in Belfast Township, where the father died and where the mother still resides on the old homestead. Isaac was reared in Fulton County, and there resided until 1863, when he entered the service of his country in Company H, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, serving ten months. He then returned home but soon again enlisted in the Two Hundred and Ninth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, Company D, and served until the close of the war. He was in the engagements at Fort Steadman and in the operations about Petersburg and vicinity that resulted in the fall of Richmond and the surrender of Gen. Lee. He was discharged at Harrisburg, and returned to Fulton County. He worked by the day one year, and in 1867 moved to Cove Gap, and two years later started in the distillery business in partnership with A. J. Unger. Six years later this partnership was dissolved, and since then Mr. Hollenshead has continued alone. The daily capacity of the distillery is twelve bushels and thirty-three pounds, and the ordinary run is up to that limit. Mr. Hollenshead married, in Fulton County, October 11, 1853, Miss Matilda Correll, and they have two children living: Sylvester and Joseph, latter married to Clara McFadden, residing in Franklin County. Mr. Hollenshead has eighty-four acres of land, but does no farming himself.

SAMUEL HOOVER, farmer, P. O. Lemasters, was born in Franklin County, Penn., June 24, 1850, a son of Michael and Susan (Etter) Hoover, also natives of this county, with the interests of which the Hoover family have been identified for three generations. His father is still a resident of Franklin County, but his mother died about 1880. Here our subject was reared and has always resided. He was married in May, 1875, to Miss Fannie Lehmaster, a native of this county, and a daughter of David and Nancy Lehmaster. Mr. and Mrs. Hoover are the parents of five children: David L., Lizzie Susan, Mary Frances, Henry L. and Samuel. Mr. Hoover has 147 acres of land, and all but ten acres of it is improved. Politically he is a Republican.

THOMAS C. JOHNSTON, farmer, P. O. Mercersburg, was born in Peters Township, Franklin Co., Penn., October 9, 1829. His parents, Alexander M. and Esther R. (Rankin) Johnston, were born in Franklin County; both died in the spring of 1870, and are buried in Fairview Cemetery. His ancestors came from Scotland, and settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where some are buried; others removed in 1794 to lands in Franklin County, Penn., which had been purchased many years previous. Their remains rest in Slate Hill Graveyard, about two miles east of Mercersburg. Thomas C. has always made his home in Franklin County. He was married in Cannonsburg, Washington Co., Penn., November 19, 1857, to Miss Margaretta R. Templeton, a native of that place, and a daughter of David and Eliza M. Templeton. Mr. and Mrs. John-

ston were reared in and are still adherents of the Associate Presbyterian Church. In politics he is a Republican. They are the parents of two children: A. Moncrieff and Ella E. Mr. Johnston has about 300 acres of land, of which 160 are under cultivation. He has retired from active pursuits, but still resides on the farm property. The patent of the property was given in 1740 by the Penns, John, Thomas and Richard, then proprietors of the province of Pennsylvania. Quality Run, which flows between Peters and Montgomery Townships, has its source near, and several of the springs from which it commences, are on Mr. Johnston's farm.

SAMUEL H. JOHNSTON, farmer, P. O. Lemasters, was born in Adams County, Penn., December 27, 1837, a son of James and Nancy (Rankin) Johnston, natives of this county, former of whom died January, 2, 1878; the latter is yet living in Fulton County. Our subject is the seventh in a family of eight children; was reared to manhood in Fulton County, and there resided until 1877. He then moved to this county, and purchased the property on which he now resides. He was married, in Franklin County, January 10, 1870, to Miss Elizabeth McDowell, a native of this county, and a daughter of Alexander and Margaret (Bard) McDowell, her ancestors having been among the early settlers of Franklin County. Her great-grandmother was captured by the Indians in the early days of the county. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston are the parents of four children: Nannie and Maggie (twins), James McDowell and Mary. Mr. Johnston has about 200 acres of land, nearly all under cultivation. He enlisted in 1863 in Company H, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry; was assigned to the Army of the Potomac, and served one year in the service in the Schuylkill coal regions, where his company were assigned. In 1864 he was mustered out at Harrisburg, and returned home. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston are members of the Presbyterian Church. In politics he is a Republican.

JOHN KRINER, farmer, P. O. Lemasters, was born January 20, 1836, in Franklin County, Penn., on the farm where he now resides, a son of Jacob and Barbara (Over) Kriner, former of whom was born in Lancaster County, latter in Franklin County. They were married in Franklin County, and here the father died in February, 1858; the mother is still living in this county. Here our subject was reared to manhood, and November 1, 1860, married Miss Catharine Rebecca Haulman, a native of Franklin County, and a daughter of Jacob and Mary (Alleman) Haulman, latter deceased, former a resident of this county. To Mr. and Mrs. Kriner eight children were born, six of whom are living: Barbara Ellen (married to Jackson Gerhardt; they reside in Franklin County), Catharine Elizabeth (married to Andrew Miller, of the same county), Oma Frances, Keziah Rebecca, Hannah Mary and Jacob Wesley. The deceased are John Ramsey and an infant. Mr. Kriner has 123 acres of land, of which all but fifteen acres are under cultivation. Mr. and Mrs. Kriner are members of the Reformed Church.

JACOB KRINER (deceased) was born in Franklin County, Penn., May 26, 1843, a son of Jacob and Barbara (Over) Kriner, both natives of this county, where the mother still resides; the father died about 1856. Jacob was reared to manhood in Franklin County, where he was married December 23, 1869, to Miss Kezia Stinger, also a native of this county, a daughter of Jacob and Margaret (McCutchen) Stinger, the former of whom, a native of Berks County, died about 1868; and the latter, a native of Franklin County, died in March, 1879; both are buried in Loudon Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Kriner were the parents of two children: Margaret Catharine and Barbara Ellen. Mr. Kriner departed this life at his home, December 7, 1881, and is buried in St. Thomas. Mrs. Kriner has 116 acres of land, nearly all of which is under cultivation.

Mr. Kriner was a member of the Reformed Church, of which his widow is still a member.

JACOB R. LAMASTER, farmer, P. O. Lemasters, was born in Franklin County, Penn., July 5, 1842, a son of John and Jane E. (McCurdy) Lamaster, both natives of Franklin County, where they were married, and where the father died June 5, 1857 (he is buried in the graveyard of the Reformed Church at Ft. Loudon); the mother resides in Loudon. Our subject was reared in Franklin County, and February 6, 1864, married Miss Mary Jane Beaver, a native of this county, a daughter of John Beaver. Her parents died in this county. Mr. and Mrs. Lamaster were the parents of four children, two of whom are living: Seth and Mamie; the deceased are Myrtle and Jennie. Mr. Lamaster has 151 acres of land, nearly all of which is under cultivation. Mrs. Lamaster died February 12, 1877, and is buried in the graveyard of the Reformed Church at Loudon. Mr. Lamaster married, the second time, November 10, 1886, Miss Sadie E. Little of Clay Centre, Clay Co., Kas., a native of Concord, this county, born May 23, 1851. In politics our subject is a Democrat; is also a member of the Presbyterian Church.

W. O. LANTZ, physician and surgeon, Lemasters, was born in Marion, Franklin Co., Penn., in 1856, and is a son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Myers) Lantz, old settlers of this county. His boyhood was passed in a manner common with the sons of farmers. In the district schools he obtained the rudiments of his education, which was afterward supplemented by a course of study in the select schools. At the age of sixteen years he began teaching, which he followed eight years, principally in Franklin County. He began reading medicine under Dr. George R. Kauffman (at Kauffman Station), who was his preceptor for some time. He entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, in 1879, which institute conferred on him its diploma of graduation in 1882. Immediately after he located at Lemasters, where he has since devoted himself to the demands of an increasing and remunerative practice. The Doctor is a member of Franklin County Medical Society; is a member of the I. O. O. F., Marshall Lodge, No. 233; in politics a Republican. He was married in 1882, to Miss Rebecca Shull, daughter of George S. Shull of Guilford Township, this county, and has one child, Bessie Shull. The family attend the services of the Lutheran Church.

DAVID LEMASTER (deceased) was born in Franklin County, Penn., a son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Reidenower) Lemaster, both natives of this county. He was reared in Franklin County, which was always his home, and March 25, 1847, he married Miss Nancy Meyers, also a native of Franklin County, a daughter of Jacob and Polly (Sniveley) Meyers, natives of Cumberland and Franklin Counties, respectively, and both of whom died in this county. To Mr. and Mrs. Lemaster were born five children, two of whom are living: Clara Anna, wife of J. Monroe Light, married October 10, 1882 (they reside in Peters Township, and have one child living—Sadie May; another, Samuel Lemaster, died); Fannie, who married Samuel Hoover, and lives at Church Hill. The deceased children are Mary, wife of Daniel Glazer; Jacob and Samuel (twins). Mr. Lemaster died in March, 1876, and is buried at Etter's Cemetery, near Lehmaster's Station. Mrs. Lemaster has seventeen acres of land. She is a member of the Hoover Church.

BENJAMIN LESHER, retired farmer, P. O. Williamson, was born in Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn., April 2, 1815, a son of Joseph and Franie (Lehman) Leshar. The former was born in Manheim Township, Lancaster Co., Penn., and the latter in Greene Township, this county. Both died in this county, the former on November 12, 1857, and the latter on December

30, 1827. Our subject was reared in this county, and the only time he spent out of it was one year in Ohio. He was married in Chambersburg, Penn., January 7, 1841, to Miss Elizabeth Hege, a native of Peters Township, Franklin County, and a daughter of John and Maria (Hege) Leshner, both of whom died in this county. Mr. and Mrs. Leshner are the parents of four children, two of whom are living: Isaac, who married Lillie Porter, and lives at Chambersburg, Penn., and is in the hardware business; Jeremiah, who married Elizabeth Haller, and lives with Mr. Leshner (he carries on farming operations). The deceased are Katie, who died December 22, 1880, aged nearly twenty-five years, and an infant, who died July 14, 1842. Mr. Leshner has 200 acres of land, about 150 of which are under cultivation. He is now seventy-one years of age, and has a distinct recollection of dates of events occurring half a century ago. He was ordained a minister of the old Mennonite Church June 8, 1850, at the church north of Chambersburg, by Bishop Abraham Roth. In politics he is neutral. Mr. Leshner's great-grandfather, Casper Leshner, and his brother, Balshaser, were miners in Switzerland, and were brought to America when young lads by some of their friends. Balshaser was lost, it was supposed captured by the Indians; Casper, in process of time, was married to Miss Buchanan, by whom he had two sons, Michael and John, and died in 1760, when John was four weeks old; Michael Leshner lived in Lebanon County, Penn., and died in 1830 without issue; John Leshner married Elizabeth Basler, of Lancaster County, Penn., by whom he had three sons: Joseph, John and Michael. In 1804 he moved to Franklin County, and settled on a tract of land of 280 acres one and a half miles south of Chambersburg, which is still in the possession of some of his descendants. His wife died in 1823, he surviving her sixteen years. Joseph had six sons by his first wife: John, Daniel, David, Benjamin, Joseph and Samuel, all deceased except Benjamin and Samuel. His second wife was Mrs. Mary Miller (Smith), by whom he had one daughter, Anna (deceased), and one son, Abraham. Our subject's great-grandfather, John Lehman, came from Switzerland via Schaffhausen on the Rhine, in early years, and settled in Lancaster County, Penn. His son Daniel married a Miss Shelley, by whom he had two sons: John and Daniel, and five daughters: Anna, Susie, Maria, Barbara and Elizabeth. His wife died, and he then married Maria Newcommer, by whom he had four sons: Christian, Peter, Abraham and Samuel, and three daughters: Magdalena, Ester and Franz. Daniel moved to Franklin County, Penn. in 1778, and settled on the farm now owned by his granddaughter, Mrs. Sollonia Horst, one and a half miles northwest of Chambersburg, along the creek, where he built a fulling-mill, and carried on farming and fulling home-made cloth for the settlers. He died in 1804, and is buried in what is called the Wingerd graveyard, a short distance northwest of the present toll-gate. He was a minister of the old Mennonite Church, and with others was instrumental in building a house of worship on the site where the Mennonite Church now stands, north of Chambersburg, on the Philadelphia pike. His widow survived him sixteen years, and is buried at his side.

ARCHIBALD B. McDOWELL (deceased) was born October 20, 1837, in this county, a son of Alexander and Margaret (Bard) McDowell, both natives of Franklin County, where they also died. Our subject was reared in this county, and here he always resided. April 28, 1859, he married Miss Margaretta McKinnie, a native of Franklin County, and a daughter of Robert and Eliza (Waddell) McKinnie, both natives of this county, where they spent their lives and died, the former about 1882, and the latter about 1854. Mr. and Mrs. McDowell were the parents of eight children, six of whom are liv-

ing: Alexander Bard, Anna Belle, Robert Smith, Mary Jane, William Beatty and Thomas Creigh. James Dunlap and an infant are deceased. Mr. McDowell died November 12, 1884, and is buried in the Waddell Cemetery. He was an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and Mrs. McDowell is a member of the same denomination at Mercersburg, as are all her children except the youngest. She has about 130 acres of land, all of which is under cultivation. In politics Mr. McDowell was a Republican.

**DANIEL D. MEYERS**, farmer, P. O. Lemasters, was born in this county May 22, 1850, a son of John S. and Mary (Hollinger) Meyers. John S. was a native of Adams County, Penn., and came to Franklin County when he had reached the age of about twenty-seven years; his wife was born near Waynesboro, Franklin County, and they are now living near Welsh Run, Montgomery Township, this county. Our subject was reared in his birthplace, and has always made Franklin County his home. At the age of eighteen years he began learning the milling trade with his father, at which he worked for several years. In the spring of 1876 he gave up milling and began farming, which he has since followed. He was married in Franklin County, near Clay Lick Hall, November 7, 1872, to Miss Susan Hoover, a native of Franklin County, and a daughter of John and Nancy Hoover. Her parents both died in this county. Mr. and Mrs. Meyers were the parents of nine children, of whom eight are living: John, Elam, Anna Mary, Emma, Amos, Aaron, Fannie and Ida; Ezra died in 1875. Mr. Meyers has 160 acres of land, 140 of which are under cultivation, with substantial buildings, etc. He is a member of the York Brethren Church.

**MELCHI MEYERS**, farmer, P. O. Lemasters, was born in this county, September 7, 1858, a son of Abraham and Eliza (Shartle) Meyers. His father was a native of Adams County, and died in Franklin County, August 20, 1881. His mother is still living in Franklin County. Our subject was reared in this county, where he received his education, and has always made his home. He was married, September 23, 1879, to Miss Katie Breechbill, a native of Franklin County, and a daughter of Christian and Nancy Breechbill, the latter deceased, the former residing in this county, a preacher of the York Brethren denomination. Mr. and Mrs. Meyers are the parents of three children: Norman, Elmer and Enos. Mr. Meyers has 161 acres of land in Peters Township, all under cultivation. He and his family are members of the York Brethren Church.

**W. P. NOBLE**, physician and surgeon, Upton, was born in Fannettsburg, Franklin Co., Penn., in 1845, and is a son of William and Elizabeth (Aikins) Noble, natives, the former of Franklin County, the latter of Adams County, Penn. His early life was spent in the district schools, in which he obtained the rudiments of an education, and afterward entered the Tuscarora Academy at Academia, Penn., where he completed his literary course in a few years of study, and also taught one year. Leaving school temporarily, he enlisted, in 1862, in Company D, One Hundred and Fifty-first Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served his enlistment of nine months. He was in the battles of Chancellorsville and Gettysburg, receiving in the latter engagement two slight wounds, one in the left eye and the other in the right foot. He was honorably discharged in 1863, and, upon his return to civil life, resumed his studies, which he completed in 1866. He then read medicine under Dr. A. H. Senseny, a prominent physician of Chambersburg, who was his preceptor until after graduating. In the fall of 1867 he entered Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, which institution conferred on him its diploma of graduation in 1869. In June of the same year he began practicing at Greencastle, where he re-

mained until December 27, 1871, the time of his location at Upton, where he has since devoted himself to the demands of an increasing and lucrative practice. The Doctor served three years as school director; was elected coroner, but did not qualify. He is a member of the Franklin County Medical Society, also of the State medical society, also a life member of the alumni association of Jefferson Medical College. He married, November 24, 1870, Alice S. Fleming, and they have three children: Howard F., Anna Belle and Sarah Maude. In politics the Doctor is a Democrat. The family attend the services of the Methodist and Lutheran Churches.

JOHN P. OVER, farmer, P. O. Lemasters, was born in Peters Township, Franklin Co., Penn., August 12, 1838, a son of Christian and Eliza (Pheil) Over, former of whom, a native of Franklin County, died August 19, 1883; the latter, a native of Dauphin County, died April 12, 1875. Our subject was reared in Franklin County, and has always made it his home. November 22, 1860, he married Miss Mary Schneider, also a native of this county, a daughter of Jacob and Nancy Schneider. Her parents removed to Illinois from this county, and there her mother died; her father is still living in that State. Mr. and Mrs. Over are the parents of ten children, nine of whom are living: Christian Elmer, lives in Carroll County, Ill.; Anna Rebecca, married to William Gilbert, and resides in Pennsylvania; Emma, wife of John Clark, lives in Peters Township; Jacob; John Calvin; Abraham Oliver; George Willard; Mary Catherine and James Garfield (Eliza Jane is deceased). Mr. Over has 100 acres of land, of which about ninety are in cultivation. Mrs. Over is a member of the Lutheran Church. In politics Mr. Over is a Republican.

CAPT. JAMES PATTON (deceased) was the progenitor of the Patton family in this county. He was Scotch-Irish by birth, and settled on 299 acres of land in this township, which came into his possession by two warrants, one dated 1744, the other 1786. This tract of land is the site of Fort Loudon; the land at that time was in Antrim Township, Lancaster County, and is now the property of J. H. Hoerner. About the time of the issue of the warrant, in 1744, Mr. Patton settled on the land, and there he lived and died. He had five children: Robert, James, Rebecca, Elizabeth, and Matthew. Matthew Patton was born on the old homestead, where he was reared, and where he lived during his life. He was twice married; first to Anna McFarland, who bore him five children: James (deceased), Robert, John, Jane C., and Mary Ann (deceased). His second wife was Susan Seaburn, who bore him three children: Elias, Andrew J. (deceased) and Rebecca M. He was an associate judge of the county a number of years, and besides held the office of justice of the peace. He was a gentleman of good executive ability, sound judgment and good business tact. He raised a company of cavalry for the war of 1812, but owing to a disagreement in regard to dismounting the men and making foot soldiers of them, the company was disbanded and returned home. Mr. Patton was successful in business, and accumulated considerable property; in politics he was a Democrat. He died June 25, 1845; his widow, October 1, 1863, aged sixty-three years. Both were members of the Presbyterian Church, and took an active interest in religious works. During the latter years of their lives they were connected with the Reformed church, because there was no Presbyterian organization or privileges of worship.

ELIAS PATTON, retired farmer, was born on the old homestead, March 26, 1823, and is a son of Matthew Patton. He was reared on the farm, and in the subscription schools received a practical education. At the age of twenty three he began life for himself. In April, 1846, he married Ellen,

daughter of George and Jane (McClellan) Cason, old settlers. After his marriage he located on the homestead where he lived for many years. (He has resided in the township all his life.) He retired to private life in 1878, settling in Fort Loudon, where he resides surrounded by all the comforts of life. He and his wife are members of the Reformed Church, to which they have been devoted for many years, and take an active interest in religious matters. Mr. Patton owns 160 acres of good land well improved and in a good state of cultivation, and has also fine village properties. He has been eminently successful in life and is one of the wealthy and influential men of the township. To him and his wife have been born six children, five now living: George C., Susan Ann., Rebecca M., James and Ella H.; Jane is deceased. Mr. Patton is a Democrat in politics.

JACOB POFFENBERGER, blacksmith, P. O. Foltz, was born in Frederick County, Md., November 8, 1850. His parents, Jacob H. and Barbara (Reidnour) Poffenberger, were born in the same county and State, where they were also married. In 1862 they came to Franklin County, and here remained four years, then moved to Fulton County, and thence, after two years, came back to Franklin County, locating at Cove Gap, where the father died June 15, 1873. He is buried in Mercersburg Cemetery; the mother still resides at Cove Gap. Our subject is the seventh of nine children. When the family lived in Fulton County he commenced to work at the blacksmith trade, which, after coming to Cove Gap, he adopted as a business. His father being a blacksmith, from him our subject learned the trade. After his father's death, Jacob and his brother, George F., continued the business, and they still conduct it. They have a foundry and general repair shop, where they employ five or six hands. They do all kinds of casting and repair work and handle agricultural implements. They have about 248 acres of mountain land and about six acres which they farm. November 7, 1878, Jacob Poffenberger married Miss Della Berger, a native of Cove Gap, and a daughter of David and Sarah J. Berger. Our subject and wife are members of the Lutheran Church at Mercersburg.

MICHAEL RYDER, SR., retired carpenter and farmer, Fort Loudon, was born in Lancaster County, Penn., May 13, 1798, and is a son of Michael, Sr., and Saloma (Wortz) Ryder, natives of Pennsylvania. His boyhood was passed on the farm, and he had little or no opportunity for securing an education. In the seventeenth year of his age he was bound out to serve an apprenticeship at the carpenter's trade, which he followed eight years. In 1824 he married Mary, daughter of Adam and Elizabeth (Longenecker) Ryder, and after his marriage resided in Peters Township for two years, then removed to Fannett Township, where he purchased a farm on which he lived fourteen years, after which he purchased a farm near Loudon, on which he settled and lived until 1875, when he removed to town, and has since lived a life of retirement in the enjoyment of the fruits of his hard earned labor. He began life with small means, only about \$2,000 in all, and has been eminently successful, prosperity attending his every effort. He is yet the owner of 139 acres of cultivated land, and has given his children a good start in life. The children, eight in number, are named as follows: Joseph, Elizabeth, Mary A., Adam N., John A., Anna, Michael W. and Catherine. All are married and gone from the parental home except the youngest, Catherine, who still resides with her aged parents. Mr. and Mrs. Ryder in early life were members of the Reformed Church, but when they located in Fannett Township there was no organized Reformed Church there, and they united with the Presbyterians. After settling here they became connected with the Reformed Mennonite Church. Mrs. Ryder was



born near Greencastle, Franklin County, August 26, 1804. Adam Ryder, father of Mrs. Ryder, was born in Lancaster County, Penn., and settled in Antrim Township, this county, in 1803, where he followed his trade, smithing, for a number of years; later he purchased a farm in Peters Township, where he lived the remainder of his life. He was a hardworking man, universally respected by all who knew him. He was the father of seven children: Mary, Anna, Eliza, Michael, Leah, Catherine and Benjamin L. He died in 1857, aged seventy-eight years; his widow died in 1864 at about the same age.

MICHAEL RYDER of A, a farmer and stock raiser, P. O. Lemasters, was born in this county, August 6, 1831, to Adam W. and Catherine (Schenck) Ryder, both natives of Lancaster County, Penn., the former of whom died April 27, 1884, the latter July 6, 1877, and both are buried in the Mennonite graveyard, near Upton. Our subject was reared in this county, and here has passed his life. He was married in Chambersburg, this county, December 29, 1863, to Miss Jennie Fritz, a daughter of Jacob and Jane (Cressap) Fritz, the former of whom died in this county in May, 1874, and the latter in October, 1868. Both are buried in the Little Cove churchyard. In the fall of 1884 Mr. Ryder purchased his present home farm about a mile south of Lemasters, and moved on it in the spring following. To him and his wife four children were born, two living: Ella May and William Emmert. The deceased were both infants. Mr. and Mrs. Ryder are members of the Lutheran Church at Mercersburg. Mr. Ryder owns over fifty-eight acres of land in Peters Township, all improved, and he raises cattle and horses. Politically he is a Republican.

PETER STENGER, of Conrad, was born in Peters Township, this county, March 18, 1795. His father was of German birth and settled with his family in this locality some time previous to the birth of Peter; he had two daughters and six sons; he died in 1831; by occupation he was a farmer and tavern-keeper; his first wife was Martha Rhodarmer, the mother of his children; his second wife was Mrs. Christiana Shearer, *nee* Markle. John, a son of Conrad, served in the war of 1812. Peter Stenger lived in Peters Township all his days, and in early and middle life followed farming, but in 1836 he established himself in a store at Loudon until 1852. He served as assessor of the township; was a member of the Reformed Church. In business he succeeded admirably. He married Christiana Shearer, who bore him six children, who grew to manhood and womanhood, viz.: Harriet, wife of H. E. Hoke of Chambersburg, Penn.; Matilda, wife of Rev. Jacob Hassler, Loudon, this county; George M.; William S., secretary of State; Martha Ann, deceased wife of John H. Hoerner; and Hannah Mary, wife of John A. Diehl, Marion, Penn. Mr. Stenger died in 1885; his wife in 1875, aged sixty-nine years and two months. Both were members of the Reformed Church. George M. Stenger was born in Peters Township, this county, July 1, 1837, and received the rudiments of his education in the district schools, entering Franklin and Marshall College, at Lancaster, Penn., in 1854, and taking the full course, graduated in 1857. After that he studied law under Reilly & Sharpe, of Chambersburg, and was admitted to the bar in 1859. He practiced a few years and then devoted himself to mercantile business in Chambersburg for two years and a half, and since then has resided in the vicinity of Loudon, where he leads a retired life. He has held some of the township offices. He married Charlotte Hassler, and both are members of the Reformed Church. In politics he is a Democrat.

W. A. TROGLER, farmer, P. O. Mercersburg, was born in Franklin County, Penn., January 28, 1840, a son of Gottlieb and Christine (Kopp) Trogler, natives of Schondorff, Wurtemberg, Germany, where they were mar-

ried; in 1832 they came to America, settling in Franklin County, Penn. The former was born August 4, 1802, and died here March 1, 1871; the latter was born September 4, 1798, and died December 17, 1884. Both are buried in the Lutheran Church graveyard at Loudon. Our subject was reared in Franklin County, and has always made it his home. He was married in this county, January 6, 1870, to Miss Susannah Martin, native of Franklin County, and a daughter of Jacob and Nancy (Butterbaugh) Martin. Her parents are both living; her grandparents on her mother's side are dead; her grandfather, Jacob Martin, is also dead, and all are buried in the same graveyard at Welsh Run, this county. To Mr. and Mrs. Trogler nine children were born, six of whom are living. They are Harvey Ellis, Ida May, William Elmer, John Calvin, David Edgar and Mary. The deceased are Milton Ellsworth, Minnie Grace and an infant unnamed. Mr. Trogler has about 645 acres of land and is the largest landholding farmer in Peters Township. He first enlisted in August, 1862, in the nine months' service, in company D, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was assigned to the Fifth Army Corps, Gen. Meade. At the expiration of his term of enlistment he was transferred to the One Hundred and Second Regiment Infantry, Sixth Army Corps, Gen. Wright; served through the war, and was discharged in July, 1865. He was in the battle of Fredericksburg, was wounded at Burnside's mud march, etc., participated in the movements which resulted in the fall of Richmond and the surrender of Gen. Lee, and also took part in many minor engagements and skirmishes. Mr. Trogler was reared in the Lutheran faith.

AARON J. UNGER, distiller, P. O. Foltz, was born near Smithsburg, Washington Co., Md., December 21, 1841, a son of David and Mary (Oswald) Unger, also born in that county and State, where they were married. When Aaron J. was in his fifth year they moved to Franklin County, first locating about three-quarters of a mile from Waynesboro, and in October, 1853, they moved to Cove Gap, where the father died August 28, 1862; he was buried in Mercersburg Cemetery. The mother resides at Mercersburg. Aaron J. was reared in Franklin County. His great-grandfather was a distiller, and his direct ancestors down to and including his father were also distillers, so he naturally embarked in that line of business himself. In 1866 he entered into partnership with George W. Smith, with whom he continued until 1867. In 1873 he engaged in the same business with Isaac Hollenshead, with whom he remained until the fall of 1879, when our subject erected a plant of his own, which he now operates at Cove Gap. Its capacity is nine bushels and twenty-one pounds per day. December 20, 1866, Mr. Unger was married, in Ohio, to Miss Barbara Ellen Hoke, a native of this county, and a daughter of William and Mary Hoke, both deceased, the former having died in Kansas, the latter in Ohio. To Mr. and Mrs. Unger eight children have been born: D. W., Mary V., John E., Benjamin E., Anna J., Blanch E., A. J., Jr., and Barbara E. Mr. Unger has about twenty-four acres around the distillery, besides property in Mercersburg. This distillery makes four gallons and one pint to the bushel, which is probably the highest record made by any hand-mash distillery in this county, and this record has been kept up in the month of June, which is probably the least advantageous month to make a test satisfactory to the proprietors. The importance of this large output to the bushel may be better appreciated when it is noted that there are many distilleries which do not come up to two and one-half gallons to the bushel. This large return is due to the care used in selecting the grain, and the books of the internal revenue service bear this fact out.

DAVID ZOOK (deceased) was a native of Lancaster County, Penn.; born

in January, 1809, a son of Christian and Annie Zook, both natives of that county. Our subject was reared in Lancaster County, and there, on October 16, 1840, he married Miss Susan Resh, also a native of Lancaster County, daughter of Christian and Barbara Resh; the former was born in Lancaster County, the latter in Franklin County. After marriage Mr. and Mrs. Zook removed to Cumberland County, Penn., where he died December 29, 1859. Mrs. Zook resided in Cumberland County until 1877, when she removed with her family to this county, and located in Peters Township, where she still resides. To her and her husband were born seven children, of whom three are living: Elizabeth, Mary and Rebecca, the latter of whom married George Moore. The deceased are Annie, Abram, Jacob and an infant. Jacob was married to Annie Bumbarger June 12, 1877, and died September 4, 1880, leaving three children: Elsie M., David and Jacob. Mrs. Zook is a member of the Reformed Mennonite Church. She has 100 acres of land, all under cultivation.

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## QUINCY TOWNSHIP.

JESSE BAER, miller, P. O. Five Forks, was born in Washington Township, this county, May 9, 1832, the third son of Gabriel Baer, who was born in Lancaster County, Penn., and died in 1859, aged about sixty-two years. He was a cabinet-maker and for several years also carried on a woolen-mill at Waynesboro. Our subject was reared at home with his parents and spent his boyhood in the woolen factory. In 1849 he commenced to learn the miller's trade, which he has since followed. In 1868 he began milling on his own account at the mill in which he now owns a one-half interest. He was married in the fall of 1860 to Rachel Whitmore, a native of the county and a daughter of Peter and Rebecca (Frederick) Whitmore. To this union three daughters were born: Rebecca, Charlotte and Anna E. The maternal grandparents of our subject were Jesse and Charlotte Spangler, the former an early settler of York and the latter a native of Little York, Penn. His father was a Republican and a member of the Mennonite Church. Mr. Baer takes little interest in politics. He is a member of the German Baptist Church.

DR. H. X. BONEBRAKE, Mont Alto, was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., March 31, 1843, the sixth son in the family of eight children of Daniel and Margaret (Stoner) Bonebrake, four of whom are physicians. Conrad Bonebrake, the grandfather of our subject, a farmer by occupation, of German stock, became one of the early settlers of this county. Daniel Bonebrake died in 1849, his widow in 1854. Their children now living and residing in this county are David S., Louis X., Mrs. Elizabeth Snively, Dr. H. X. and Dr. Andrew S. Emma married Dr. J. A. Royer and removed to Ohio. Dr. Daniel W. resides in Blair County, Penn. Dr. Melchor is in Taylorville, Ill. Our subject was reared on the farm, received a good English education at Mercersburg and subsequently engaged in the study of medicine with Dr. Oellig of Waynesboro, this county, with whom he remained two years; afterward with Dr. James Brotherton until the latter's decease. Then he graduated in February, 1865, at Bellevue Hospital Medical College, subsequently locating at Leitersburg, Washington Co., Md., where he engaged in the practice of his profession for some time. Afterward he practiced at Alto Dale, this county, until 1869, when he removed to Mont Alto, and has here since been

superintendent of the forge at the iron works. The doctor married, in 1862, Miss Agnes, daughter of Dr. George S. and Josephine (Wolf) Fouke. Dr. and Mrs. Bonebrake are parents of eight children, five living: Fordyce, George, Irene, Anna A. and Gussie. The family are members of the German Reformed Church. In politics the Doctor is a Republican.

MELCHOR ELDEN, merchant, P. O. Mont Alto, was born in Washington Township, this county, January 12, 1840, the second son of Joseph Elden, whose antecedents came from the south of Ireland and located at an early day in Adams County, Penn. Joseph was born in 1802, and about 1836 married Mary Ann, daughter of Jacob and Margaret Stouffer, to whom were born nine children, of whom Mary Ann was the eldest. Joseph was a miller, which business he followed many years, but later embarked in merchandising, which he followed until his death, in the fall of 1878. His widow is now seventy years old. They reared a family of five children, all of whom attained to manhood and womanhood. Their names are as follows: Margaret (deceased), Ezekiel, Melchor, Elizabeth and James. Melchor was reared at home and assisted his father in the mill, and remained with him until his nineteenth year. He then engaged in teaching in Quincy Township, and after four terms as teacher he in 1863, embarked in merchandising at Alto Dale in partnership with David Knepper, under the firm name of Knepper & Elden, which association has since continued. December 26, 1863, he married Elizabeth Knepper, daughter of George Knepper, merchant, and six children have blessed this union: George, Anna May, Corwin, Jennie, Adelaide and Clara B. Since his eighteenth year, Mr. Elden has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he is one of the officers.

H. M. FRITZ, M. D., P. O. Quincy, was born November 30, 1852, in Berks County, Penn. He received the advantages of the common schools, and subsequently took a business course at Pottstown, Penn. He then entered the normal school at Kutztown, Penn., intending to remain until he graduated, but about this time he was importuned by an old friend, Dr. T. J. B. Rhoads, of Boyertown, to study medicine with him. He acceded to this proposition, and entered the office of his preceptor, with whom he remained until March 12, 1879, when he received his diploma from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. The following May he came to this township, began the practice of his profession, has since met with success, and has never had cause to regret having adopted the medical profession. January 8, 1881, he married Miss Clara O., daughter of Isaac and Sarah (Crause) Stauffer. They have one daughter—Virgie Blanche. The Doctor is a member of the Lutheran Church; of Lodge No. 213, P. O. S. of A.; of Waynesboro Academy of Medicine, Franklin County Medical Society and the State medical society. In politics he is a Democrat.

UPTON FUNK, farmer and manufacturer, P. O. Quincy, was born in this township October 15, 1843, the eldest son of Jacob Funk. Jacob's father, John, built the first house in Alto Dale, or Funkstown; he was the father of five children—three sons and two daughters. Those now living are Samuel, Jacob, John and Harriet (wife of Frederick Thompson). Upton Funk remained with his parents until he became of age, and was reared to the milling business which he followed for two years after leaving home; later taught four terms of school and for eleven years worked in the blast department of the Mont Alto Iron Works. In the spring of 1879 he located on the place where he now resides, and has since been engaged in farming. Since May 1 he has been running a knitting-mill, of which he is making a success. October 2, 1865, he married Amanda E. Dull, a native of this county, and a daughter of Isaac and

Eliza (Donnelly) Dull. To Mr. and Mrs. Funk nine children were born: Harvey E., Carrie E., Annie D., Edgar A., Arthur (deceased), Charles S., Maud A., Estella M. and Clarence R. Mr. Funk is an official member of the school board, and ranks among the progressive and intelligent men of the day. Politically he is a Democrat. The family is connected with the German Reformed Church.

A. B. GINGRICH, M. D., was born in Dauphin County, Penn., May 18, 1843, and was the youngest son of Peter and Anna (Balsbaugh) Gingrich. The Gingrich family were first represented in America by three brothers, who came from Switzerland several years prior to the Revolution, two of whom settled in Pennsylvania, the third in Tennessee, and his descendants were all noted for their loyalty to the Union cause and their fidelity to the "stars and stripes." Peter Gingrich, the Doctor's father, was born March 4, 1796, and died in 1863; he was a son of Christian Gingrich. The subject of this sketch received the advantages of the common schools, and for several years, from the spring of 1863 to early in 1870, was employed as a clerk in stores. In the last mentioned year he began reading medicine under Dr. J. H. Steahley, and finally graduated at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, March 10, 1876. From that time he was engaged in the practice of his profession at Alto Dale, this township, where his merits were appreciated by the people, who regarded him as a competent and reliable physician. December 8, 1868, he married Mary A. Cassel, daughter of David Cassel, of Dauphin County, Penn., and seven children were born to this union, of whom three are now living: John S., David C. and Mamie B. The Doctor was a member of the German Reformed Church; a Republican in politics.

HENRY GOOD, retired farmer, P. O. Quincy, was born February 6, 1815, in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn. His ancestors emigrated from Switzerland to this country and settled in Washington County, Md., many years before the Revolution. In religion they were members of the Mennonite faith. The pioneer of the family in Quincy Township, this county, was Christian Good, who was born in Washington County, Md., in 1783, locating in Washington Township about 1812. He was a son of Christian Good, Sr. who and grand Sr., were citizens of Washington County, Md. Christian Good, the father of our subject, located at Midvale, where he died in December, 1862; his wife was Elizabeth Stover, a descendant of one of the earliest settlers in this county, and a daughter of Michael Stover, whose wife was a Hess. Mrs. Good died in 1851, aged sixty-eight years. She and her husband were the parents of the following named children: David M., Henry, Jacob S., Rev. Daniel F., Christeann (wife of Jacob Funk), and Sarah (wife of Samuel Welty), all of whom settled in this county, except Mrs. Funk, who located in Maryland. Henry was reared on the farm, and at the age of twenty-three left home and engaged in the leather and tanning business, which he followed for eight years. In 1847 he began farming near Waynesboro, in which occupation he remained ten years; then located on his present place, where he has since resided. He was married in 1839 to Mary Welty, who died in 1880, a daughter of Jacob Welty, and to them were born thirteen children, four of whom are now living: Christian W., Henry A., Aaron B. and Susan E. Benedict, all of whom reside in this immediate neighborhood. Mr. Good married for his second wife Catharine Price. He has been connected for years with the "old order" of the German Baptist Church. He was elected and served as county commissioner three years, from 1863 to 1866. He is a Republican in principle. For the last eight years he has lived retired.

JAMES HARVEY GORDON, farmer, P. O. Waynesboro, was born in

Waynesboro, Penn., January 8, 1823, the fifth son of Samuel Gordon, who came from Londonderry, Ireland, when five years old with Hans Gordon, whose name appears in the general history of Waynesboro. Samuel was born in Ireland in 1786; his wife, *nee* Matilda Summerville, bore him nine children, all of whom lived to be grown. He was a chairmaker and wheelwright, and followed the business until his death at his home in Waynesboro, in February, 1862; his wife died in October, 1836. They were respectively members of the German Reformed Church and Covenanters. Our subject in early life learned the carpenter's trade, which he completed at the age of twenty years. After one year's journey work, he began business for himself, which he carried on for twenty-two years; then for two years engaged in butchering. He then began farming in Washington Township, where he remained one year. In the fall of 1866 he located where he now resides, in Quincy Township, and has since been engaged in farming and stock raising. In December, 1846, he married Juliana Bonebrake, who was born in Washington Township, this county, in December, 1818, a daughter of John Bonebrake, one of the early settlers of this county. Four sons and two daughters were born to this union: Henry A., John B., James Harvey, George F., Marion E. and Eliza J., all of whom reside in this county, except Dr. John B., who resides in Tiffin, Ohio, engaged in the practice of his profession. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon are members of the German Reformed Church. In politics he is a Republican, formerly an old line Whig.

DAVID KNEPPER, merchant, Alto Dale, P. O. Mont Alto, was born in Funkstown, Quincy Township, this county, March 16, 1844, a son of George and Mary (McFerren) Knepper, both natives of the county. His grandfather was named David. Our subject was reared on the home farm, and remained with his parents until he began for himself in 1871. In that year he engaged in business with Mr. M. Elden, in Funkstown, and has been merchandising ever since. He was married, March 16, 1881, to Nettie Kuhn, daughter of John and Nancy Kuhn. Mr. Knepper is a Republican. His father, who for many years was engaged in merchandising and farming, died in 1873.

DAVID MILEY LOWRY, miller, P. O. Five Forks, was born in Quincy Township, this county, October 16, 1837, and is the fourth of the ten children of George Lowry, who was born in 1802, in Berks County, Penn., a son of John Lowry of German-Irish ancestry. The mother of our subject, *nee* Catherine Morter, was born August 3, 1811, and died June 14, 1884. She was a daughter of David and Christina (Morter) Morter, both supposed to have been of German descent. George Lowry came to this county from Berks County, Penn., about 1803 or 1804 with his father, and located in this township, where he died May 11, 1875. To John and Elizabeth Lowry were born nine children: Polly, Elizabeth, George, Hannah, Caroline, John, Curtis, Lucy A. and Jacob. All are now deceased. The father of our subject carried on merchandising at Mont Alto, and then located on the farm, where he died, and which was taken up by George Adam Cook in 1753; it was bought from Cook in 1818. David M. remained at home until after attaining his majority, and engaged in farming until 1866. In 1873 he took charge of the old Smalls mill, later of this mill, and since 1873 has given his entire attention to milling. He bought the mill in 1880. He also owns the homestead farm of 152 acres. In 1860 he married Mary, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Small, and by this marriage four children have been born: Emma, Jesse, Elizabeth and David A. Emma is the wife of Daniel Brown. The family are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Lowry is a Democrat; he served last term, 1882 to 1885, as jury commissioner.

J. C. MARTIN, the only merchant in Tomstown, P. O. Quincy, was born near Fountaindale, Adams Co., Penn., December 4, 1840, and is the eldest in a family of six children born to Samuel and Susan (Boone) Martin. Samuel Martin, a miller by occupation, was born in 1808 in Adams County, Penn., a son of John Martin, whose antecedents, it is thought, came several years prior to the Revolution, from Switzerland to Lancaster County, Penn., where they engaged in agricultural pursuits. Samuel died October 10, 1884. His wife was a daughter of Daniel Boone, who was a son of William Boone. William and his brother, George, first took up land at Boonesboro, Washington Co., Md., and from them the place derived its name; they belonged to the same branch of the Boone family as the historic Daniel Boone of Kentucky. John C. remained at home with his parents until he grew to manhood, spending his time in the mill and in the store which his father carried on. In the second year of the war he became a member of the State guard, and October 10, 1862, was taken prisoner by Gen. J. E. B. Stuart's cavalry; was taken south, spent five and a half months in Libby Prison, and was exchanged the following March. In September, 1864, he enlisted in Company I, Two Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, served until the close of the war, during which time he participated in several battles and skirmishes, and was discharged in June, 1865. He also had two brothers in the service, William H. and David Newton; the latter died in the hospital of Nashville, Tenn., and was a member of Company A, Seventy-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. William H. was a member of Company I, Two Hundred and Tenth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and was wounded at White Oak Road, Va. March 31, 1865, Mr. Martin entered mercantile business at Tomstown, this township, and has since continued; he carries a general stock, such as is most needed by his patrons. In September, 1864, he married Cornelia A., a daughter of Samuel and Mary (Gordon) Buhrman. Mr. and Mrs. Martin have one daughter, who is now the wife of Logan Dyson of York, Penn. Mr. Martin is a staunch Republican.

GEORGE W. McCLEARY, farmer, P. O. Mont Alto. The McCleary family trace their ancestry to Scotland, from which country they came to Pennsylvania prior to the Revolution, and about 1776 two brothers located in what is now known as Quincy Township, where several of their descendants yet remain. John McCleary, so far as is known, was the pioneer of the name that came to this country. His direct descendants were Alexander, William, Robert and John; the daughters, so far as remembered, being Mary, Nancy and Katie. John, mentioned above, the father of Geo. W., married Nancy, the daughter of James McCoy, and was engaged in agricultural pursuits, which business he carried on the greater part of his life. He was a good citizen, highly esteemed in the community in which he lived, and was never known to sue or be sued, or have a case in court. He died in 1873 at the advanced age of eighty-three years, a consistent Christian. In politics he was Democratic. Our subject was born in this township January 20, 1840, and his father being engaged in farming pursuits, was brought up in the same line of business, which he has since followed continuously, except for about three years, during which he engaged in mercantile business at Alto Dale with C. H. Smith. Politically he has always been a staunch Democrat, and in addition to filling township offices of trust, was urged as a candidate by his party to head the ticket as sheriff at the fall election of 1886. In 1861 he married Caroline, only child of Jacob Knepper, one of the old residents of the county. He is a member of the Reformed Church, also of the K. of P.

J. T. METCALFE, machinist, P. O. Quincy, was born in this township June 20, 1854, the eldest son of J. L. Metcalfe, a millwright and machinist,

with whom our subject worked for several years when not engaged in the shops at Waynesboro. He commenced business for himself in the spring of 1880, first doing repair work. His business, however, continued to grow, and he now employs several men in his foundry and machine shop, doing an excellent trade with prospects of a prosperous future. In 1876 he married Miss Nancy Fahrney, daughter of John and Lucy (Ann) Fahrney. They have two children: Laura B. and Ira G. Mr. Metcalfe is the inventor and manufacturer of the Metcalfe engine, which is meeting with flattering success, being admirably adapted for various purposes where steam power is required, such as driving printing presses for small factories, or for domestic use. The boilers are of the vertical, tubular type, made of the best material, no cast iron being used in their construction. The boiler has large steaming capacity, the engine being attached to the base plate of the boiler in a vertical manner, and can readily be detached whenever necessary for stationary purposes. The engine is finely balanced in all its parts, and, in short, it is complete in every way, and needs only to be examined to be fully appreciated. Mr. Metcalfe manufactures severer sizes of engines at his shops and foundry in Quincy. They are from one and one-half to forty horse-power; are semi-portable, but he contemplates the manufacture of portable ones.

JACOB MIDDOUR, farmer, P. O. Waynesboro. Among the representative families of this township is that of Middour, who came to this county in the year 1822. Jacob Middour, the father of our subject, came here from Washington County, Md., settled in this township, engaged in farming, and died here on the farm in May, 1862, at the advanced age of eighty-two years. Mrs. Barbara (Hess) Middour, the mother of our subject, was the daughter of John Hess, who died in 1818. To Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Middour were born six sons and two daughters, all now living: John, Jacob (our subject), George, Joseph, Samuel, David, Lizzie and Catherine. Lizzie is the wife of Hiram Wertz, and resides in Quincy Township, this county; Catherine is the widow of Dr. Newcomer, and resided in Mount Morris, Ogle Co., Ill. In February, 1855, our subject married Mary Shank, daughter of David and Susan (Carbaugh) Shank. After his marriage Mr. Middour removed to Antrim Township, this county, where he remained ten years, and in the spring of 1864 returned to the homestead, which he bought. It consists of 165 acres well improved, and here he has since resided. Politically he has always been a staunch Republican; has filled several minor offices in the township, and in the fall of 1883 was elected commissioner of the county, which position he is filling to the satisfaction of his friends and constituents. Mr. and Mrs. Middour have seven children living: Joseph C., Alice, wife of Simon Hullinger in Washington Township, this county, Clara Annie, Mary E., David S., Harry J. and Nellie K. The family attend the services of the Lutheran Church.

ISAAC T. RILEY, farmer, P. O. Quincy, was born August 8, 1840, and is the sixth child and second son born to Barnabas and Mary (Sheets) Riley. In 1863 he left home and enlisted in the service of his country in Company C, One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, with which he remained nine months; returning home, he re-enlisted, this time in Company G, Two Hundred and Ninth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and after nearly a year's service returned home without injury. In 1864 he married Malinda Sprenkle of Adams County, Penn., a daughter of William Sprenkle, and to this union were born the following named children, who are now living: Irene A., Oscar S., Willis S., Charles T., Cora M., Horace and Earl. Mr. Riley is an enterprising farmer, and has worked his way over obstacles almost insurmountable; at one time he lost all his property by fire, but



with redoubled energy, and in the firm belief that "God helps those who help themselves," he pushed ahead, retrieved his losses, and has since made life a success. He is a member of the Reformed Mennonite Church.

ANDREW S. SHANK, hotel-keeper, P. O. Mont Alto, was born in Washington County, Md., in 1825, and is the third child and second son of John A. and Catherine (Royer) Shank, the former born in Smithsburg, Md., a son of Andrew Shank, whose antecedents came from Germany and settled in Maryland in an early day. To Andrew Shank were born three sons—John A., Daniel and Andrew S.; the daughters were Sarah, Betsy, Polly and Mrs. Hoover. Our subject removed to this county with his parents when he was about one year old, located near Greencastle and remained here about five years, when he removed near Five Forks, Quincy Township, and here the father of our subject died in 1864; his widow survived him several years. To them were born twelve children, eleven of whom attained their majority; nine of them are living, viz.: Andrew, Hezekiah, John, Benjamin, Samuel, Isaac, Elizabeth, Catherine and Sarah, all residents of the county, save Isaac, who removed to Dakota, and John and Benjamin, who both reside in Ohio. A. S. Shank remained at home until his marriage, which occurred January 18, 1847, with Catherine Tecumseth, who was born in Frederick County, Md., daughter of William and Hannah (Covel) Tecumseth. After his marriage Mr. Shank located in Guilford Township, near Chambersburg, this county, where he engaged in farming and remained ten years; then located at Alto Dale (Funks-town) in 1859, where he has since remained engaged in the hotel business principally; he also trades in horses. Mrs. Shank died October 13, 1884, the mother of nine children, four living: Margaret, wife of Frank Snyder, of Chambersburg; Andrew J., also of Chambersburg; Anna, residing in Lancaster, wife of Charles Lohar, and John, at home. Politically Mr. Shank has been a Republican for the last twenty years. He has been successful in his business career, and has obtained a competence for his declining years.

JACOB R. SMALL, farmer, P. O. Mont Alto, is the great-grandson of Adam Small, whose wife was Magdalena Cook, daughter of John Adam and Mary (Harmony) Cook. The families of Cook and Small were among the pioneers, who came to this county at an early period of this country's history, and after locating here became quite extensive land holders and reared families, whose descendants are now residents of this county and township. The sons of Adam Small were Henry, Peter, John, Daniel, Jacob and George, all of whom settled in this county and reared families. Henry Small, the grandsire of Jacob R., had seven sons: Adam, John, Henry, George C., Lazarus B., Benjamin C. and Ephraim J. John Small, subject's father, was born in February, 1808; his wife, *nee* Rebecca Knepper, July 16, 1827. She was a daughter of Jonathan Knepper, whose wife was Mattie McFerren. To John Small and his wife were born Benjamin, H. M., Jacob R., John S. and Agnes, wife of Millard Thompson. Jacob R. was born January 9, 1850, in the village of Alto Dale, but now resides on Locust Grove farm, part of a tract of land called the "Laneton estate" (owned at one time by Samuel Lane). In 1877 he married Mary E., a daughter of James and Mary E. (Ritter) Everly, and they have three children: Charles, Emery and Nellie. Mr. Small is a successful farmer; is serving as school director. Politically he is a Democrat. The family attend the services of the United Brethren Church.

GEORGE SMITH, farmer, P. O. Mont Alto, was born in Huntington Township, Adams Co., Penn., February 16, 1818, the youngest of the family of Jacob (a farmer) and Margaret (Fleeger) Smith, former of whom, a son of Balcher Smith, died about 1856, at the advanced age of eighty years. Of the

Fleeger family but little is known, save that Mrs. Margaret (Fleeger) Smith was born near York. At the age of fifteen our subject left home and began for himself, first working for \$5 per month; the next year he received \$7 per month, and the third \$100 per year, for which he worked three years. He then learned the tanner's trade, which he followed for about eight years. He then bought a farm along with his brother, and for three years conducted the business. October 2, 1847, he married Martha Duncan, who was born in Cash-town, Adams Co., Penn., a daughter of Adam Duncan. After marriage he resided two years in Adams County; then sold his interest to his brother and rented two years. In 1852 he located on the farm he now owns near Mont Alto, where he has since resided, and is numbered among the successful men of the valley, having acquired three farms and the Falling Spring mill property, four miles from Chambersburg. He erected the mill in 1856. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have three children living: Mary Ann L., wife of John R. Avery; Clara D., and Lunetta M., wife of James Zug. Mr. Smith is a Republican. He and his wife are members of the Reformed Church.

C. H. SMITH, merchant, P. O. Mont Alto, one of the rising young men of Franklin County, was born January 31, 1857, in Washington Township, this county, to Frederick and Catherine (Morganthall) Smith, the latter a daughter of John Morganthall. Our subject was brought up among strangers and laboured industriously until attaining his majority. August 1, 1880, he commenced business for himself at Alto Dale, conducting a small store mostly in the confectionery line. In April of the following year he changed his place of business to the building he now occupies, and took in George W. McCleary as partner. They carried a general stock of goods and did business under the firm name of McCleary & Smith until the spring of 1884, when Mr. McCleary withdrew from the firm, and Mr. Smith has since conducted the business. Having seen the evils attending the old credit system, both to buyer and seller, he has, since January, 1886, adopted the cash system, and proposes to give his patrons the benefits of the same in prices. In politics Mr. Smith is a Democrat. He is a member of the United Brethren Church.

HIRAM EMERICK WERTZ, farmer, P. O. Quincy, was born on the homestead, September 25, 1829, the youngest child of David and Elizabeth (Emerick) Wertz. David was born in this township, on the farm now owned by Hiram E., about 1780. He was a son of George Wertz, who was brought by his father, Jacob, from Switzerland, landing in Philadelphia on the 26th of September, 1732, and settling in what is now York County. Jacob's sons were John, George and Conrad. George was the grandsire of our subject and the father of George, David, Jacob, Elizabeth (wife of Michael Emminger), Barbara (wife of Henry Kyler), Catherine (wife of Frederick Fisher), Eve (wife of John Bushman), Mary (wife of Henry Cordel), all of whom lived and died in Franklin County except Mrs. Emminger, who died in Butler County, Penn. In 1840 George moved to Ogle County, Ill., where he lived and died. He reared eleven children: George, Lanah (wife of John Snyder), Peter, Louis, Henry, David, William, Charles, Susan, Augustus and James, all of whom remained here except George, who went to California in 1849 and there died. Peter died in Iowa; Henry resides in Missouri; James in Minnesota; Jacob lived and died in this county, leaving three descendants: John, Augustus and Susan, wife of George Kneff. Jacob Wertz, the great-grandfather of our subject, settled on the farm now occupied by the latter about 1747, coming here from York County by the mountain road by way of Monterey Springs. The grandfather of our subject, George, was twelve years old at the time of settling here. David, father of Hiram E., remained on the homestead where he was

born, until his death, which occurred September 17, 1866. June 6, 1820, he married Elizabeth, daughter of Ludwick and Susan Emerick. The Emericks were of German stock and came from Lebanon County, Penn., to this county about 1816, locating on a farm near Middleburg, Antrim Township. Ludwick Emerick died and was buried in the cemetery at Greencastle; his widow lived with her daughter Elizabeth on the Wertz farm, where she died in the spring of 1848. Three sons and two daughters were born to our subject's parents: Matilda, married to Dr. Henry Rosenburg, formerly of New York, now of Knoxville, Ill.; David, unmarried, for several years has been employed in the mint at Philadelphia; Catherine, wife of Jerome Wertz, now of Springfield, Ohio, and Hiram E. February 4, 1862, our subject married Elizabeth Middour, who was born on the Middour homestead October 25, 1840, a daughter of Jacob and Barbara (Hess) Middour. Mr. Wertz has been engaged in farming pursuits all his life; was elected justice of the peace in 1880, and has since held that position. Since 1879 he has been freight and express agent of the Mont Alto Railroad Company at this place. He has always been a Republican, his family were, from time to time, the friend of the bondman, and rejoiced at the epoch when his shackles were removed. Mr. Wertz is a member of the Lutheran Church, of which his ancestors on both sides have also been members. To him and his wife were born six children, of whom four are living: David Maurice, Minnie Kate, Hermie Elizabeth and Edith Barbara.

COL. GEO. B. WIESTLING, iron manufacturer, and engineer and superintendent of the Mont Alto Railroad, P. O. Mont Alto, was born January 28, 1836, in Harrisburg, Dauphin Co., Penn. His grandfather, Samuel C. Wiestling, came from Upper Saxony, Germany, this country, prior to the Revolution. He was a noted physician and linguist, being master of seven languages, and had been a surgeon in the German navy. While making a tour of the American colonies, he visited "The Trappe" in Montgomery County, Penn., where he met and married Anna Marie Bucher, a lady of Swiss descent. He subsequently located in Harrisburg, Penn., where he built up a large medical practice, and accumulated considerable wealth. One of his sons, George Philip Wiestling, the father of our subject, married Margaret C. Berryhill, of Scotch-Irish descent, by whom he had seven children. Our subject had excellent school advantages, which he improved, and became by profession a civil engineer. At the age of seventeen, he entered the engineer corps of the Sunbury & Erie Railroad, now known as the Philadelphia & Erie Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad. He assisted in the preliminary surveys, location and construction of that road. As assistant engineer, he was afterward engaged on the Pennsylvania Railroad in inspecting railroad iron, and on the Lancaster, Lebanon & Pinegrove Railroad on preliminary surveys and location. Subsequently he became engineer of a construction company, which undertook heavy railroad work in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, and on the dissolution of that company, he became a member of the contracting firm of McAllister & Wiestling, and built the large tunnel at Oxford Furnace, New Jersey, on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad, besides miles of heavy open cut work. In March, 1862, at the solicitation of Gens. Franklin and Philip Kearney, he invented and built for the Government an attachment designed to enable the movement of heavy artillery through the deep muds of Virginia. He was with Kearney's brigade during the advance from Burk's Station to Bull Run and Centreville. As staff officer, he had charge of the shipment of organized troops from Harrisburg, Penn., and, in recognition of his service, he received, unsolicited from Gov. Curtin, three separate commissions as colonel, at as many different times—the first, as

colonel commanding the Twenty-third Regiment of emergency men. When its term expired, he received the second, as colonel in the organization of the drafted men of the border counties, with headquarters at Chambersburg, Penn.; the third, as colonel commanding the One hundred and Seventy-seventh Regiment, Pennsylvania Infantry, which was assigned to duty in the department of Virginia, under command of Maj.-Gen. Dix. Col. Wiestling and his regiment participated in all the engagements between Norfolk and Blackwater River. For several months, Col. Wiestling was commandant at Deep Creek, Va., having both infantry and cavalry under him. The territory under his charge extended from Great Bridge, on the Albemarle Canal, to Suffolk, Va., and from the city lines of Norfolk, Va., to South Mills, N. C., including both the Albemarle Canal and Dismal Swamp Canal. This region was infested with guerrillas, and embraced the most partrized thoroughfares over which contraband mail and merchandise was carried between the North and South. One of the scouting parties sent out by Col. Wiestling, in command of his brother, Adjt. John G. Wiestling, captured the rebel mail, which contained advice of the intended movement of Longstreet's corps upon Norfolk, and which resulted in the concentration of 30,000 Union troops in Suffolk, where Longstreet's advance was checked. During the battle of Gettysburg, Col. Wiestling was ordered north from Deep Creek, Va., with his command, via Fortress Monroe, to join the Army of the Potomac, which they reached in time to participate in the pursuit after Lee's army, having been assigned to Geary's brigade, of which Col. Wiestling was the senior colonel. Subsequently he was assigned to the command of Maryland Heights, opposite Harper's Ferry, and remained there until the term of service of his regiment expired, when he was mustered out with his men. Ill health prevented his re-entering the army, and on February 27, 1864, he became interested in the Mont Alto Iron Works, Franklin County, Penn., and took charge of its active management. He improved and enlarged the works, increasing their output over fourfold, and still continues at their head. In 1872 he built the Mont Alto Railroad. In 1877 he added to his labors, by taking charge of the Rochester & State Line Railroad in New York. In 1879 he extended the Mont Alto Railroad to Waynesboro, and is still its engineer and superintendent. He originated the idea of having a large park at Mont Alto, and was the prime mover and main spirit in laying out the grounds of Mont Alto Park in 1875. He was the first president of the United States Association of Charcoal Iron Workers. He is a trustee of Wilson Female College; a member of the American Institute of Mining Engineers; a member of the council of the Pennsylvania Forestry Association; a member of the American Micrological Society; a member of the Reformed Church and a zealous Sunday-school worker. In politics he is a staunch Republican. He was a member of the Electoral College in 1880, and cast his vote for Garfield. He received next to the highest popular vote in the State, given any elector. He has invented and taken out a number of patents in the line of his business, and has made decided improvements in the manufacture of the best qualities of iron. He "banks up" his blast furnace over Sunday and allows no unnecessary labor to be performed on that day, always keeping the Sabbath inviolate.

SAMUEL S. WINGERT, farmer and grain dealer, P. O. Five Forks, was born near Fayetteville, this county, May 28, 1836, the second son of Abram B. Wingert. He has one brother and three sisters, viz.: George S.; Anna, wife of Abram Dull, of Guilford; Susan, wife of Isaac Shank; Maria, wife of Israel Sollenberger—all residents of this county. Our subject left home and began farming where he now resides, an occupation he has since followed. In 1882

he erected a warehouse at Five Forks, buys grain, and is also express and ticket agent. He married in 1859 Rebecca Sollenberger, a native of this county, and a daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Hart. They have had eleven children, eight of whom are now living, viz.: Abram L., Maria F., Susan A., Mary C., Emsey M., Bertha J., Israel I. and Harvey G. Annie E. died at the age of twenty-one; Martha E. at the age of nine years and nine months; Lillie May died at the age of two and one-half years. The father was an old line Whig, but the family are Republicans; are members of the River Brethren denomination.

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## ST. THOMAS TOWNSHIP.

WILLIAM V. ARCHIBALD, farmer, P. O. St. Thomas, was born in St. Thomas Township, Franklin Co., Penn., and is the son of William and Eliza (Van Lear) Archibald, natives of Franklin County, and of Scotch-Irish descent. They had seven children: Mary A., James, Margaret C., Elizabeth, William V., Thomas T. (deceased) and Martha J. (deceased). The five living children are all single and reside on one of the finest farms in Franklin County, having one of the best farm houses in the county. Their grandfather, William Gillielmus Archibald, came from County Derry, Ireland, in 1774. The following is a receipt for his passage: "18th June, 1774. Received of Will Archibald fifty shillings in full for his passage on board the 'Alexander' and two gallons rum. James Crawford, Capt." He landed here September 8, 1774, and an arithmetic he brought with him gives the date of his leaving and of his arrival. He was married to Margaret Thompson, of Cumberland County, on February 13, 1778. The Thompsons at that time owned the tract of land on which the Archibald brothers now reside, and owned a square mile (640 acres). The grandfather was the next to take possession of this farm after his marriage, but it is not likely that he owned the whole tract. He took up sixty acres himself, which was patented. He was a man of good qualities, and an exceptionally fine farmer; was constable of Hamilton Township for a number of years; died in May, 1831, and is buried on the farm. There was a cemetery on the farm in 1782, and a number of the Thompson family and others were buried there before that time. William G. and Margaret (Thompson) Archibald had ten children: Martha, born May 15, 1778; David, born October 29, 1780; Thomas, born December 8, 1782; Isabella, born November 7, 1783; Mary, born September 9, 1786; William, born February 20, 1788; Margaret, born April 24, 1791; Daniel, born June 12, 1794; James, born September 26, 1797, and Rubannah, born December 20, 1799. Some of these lived to raise families; some died young. William Archibald was born on this farm, February 20, 1788, and when yet young went to Washington County, Ohio, where he remained seven years. At the end of that time his father wrote him a letter to come home and take possession of the farm. He complied with the request and remained on the farm until his death, which occurred December 9, 1863. He was one of the prominent men of Franklin County in his day and a man of intelligence and enterprise. The Archibald family is one of the most noted in the county, and among the first settlers. James, William V. and their three sisters own the farm, which now consists of a little over 200 acres. In the last few years they have made a good many improvements, and have built a fine new brick house and barn, at a cost of about

\$5,000. These gentlemen are thorough, active business men, full of energy and integrity, and too much cannot be said in approval of their enterprise. The three sisters are members of the church. They have the logs of the first house erected on the farm in 1767, made into a pig-pen. They have also letters written from Ireland which were sent before postage stamps were introduced; the postage on a letter was 1s sterling (about 25 cents). One letter was only folded up and sealed with wax, addressed to William Archibald, in care of Patrick Campbell, Chambersburg, dated 1775. They have a great many curiosities in their possession which are over 100 years old, and which belong to their grandfather. The mother of the late Vice-President Hendricks was a relative of their grandfather.

JOHN N. BAKER, farmer, P. O. Edenville, was born in St. Thomas Township, Franklin Co., Penn., February 15, 1858, and is a son of George and Mary J. (Bingeman) Baker, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His paternal grandparents came from Germany in 1830, and settled where John N. now resides; bought a farm in 1845 and built a house and barn, which are yet standing just as when first put up. The grandfather (John Baker) died in 1859, and the farm was next bought by George Baker in 1861, who owned it until his death, which occurred September 13, 1876. He was a carpenter by trade, which he followed to the day of his death, the boys doing the farming. Our subject was reared on a farm and has always resided on the homestead, which he bought in 1882 and now owns, and which is in the hands of the third generation. He pays the most of his attention to his farm crops. Mr. Baker is a good agriculturist, and has a small farm well cultivated. He taught school for five years in his immediate vicinity. He married, February 15, 1883, Viola Shatzer, and they are the parents of one child—Daisy, born January 29, 1885. Mrs. Baker is a member of the United Presbyterian Church. Politically Mr. Baker is a Democrat.

DAVID BENDER, wagon-maker, Williamson, was born in York County, Penn., March 8, 1829, and is a son of Michael and Catherine (Mumper) Bender, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His grandfather, Michael, was born in Lancaster County, but moved to York County, and followed farming. He built a large brick mill at Dillsboro, which was conducted by our subject's father, who went into the mill when but sixteen years old. The grandfather, Michael, divided the property and gave the mill and forty acres of land to Michael (subject's father) and his brother, who operated it a number of years. David's father then sold out, moved into Cumberland County, Penn., conducted a grist-mill one year, and then operated the Moore mill four years. He next moved to Chambersburg and operated the Brough mill four years, then bought a property on the Warm Spring road, where he resided a number of years, when he sold out and bought property in Cash-town, and there resided until his death in 1871. David was brought up in York County until eight years of age, when his parents moved away. He remained at home until twelve years of age, when he hired on a farm for one year and went to school during the winter. The next spring he hired again, and in the fall he went home to attend school, but did not remain long; then went to live with a man to do the feeding and also attend school. On one occasion, while in the overshoot on the straw mow, he fell through, broke his right leg, and was laid up for considerable time, after which he again attended school. When eighteen years of age he turned his attention to wagon-making, which he learned at the stone tavern in Cumberland County. He worked there two years, then went to Chambersburg and worked for a time. In 1851 he moved with his eldest sister to Williams County, Ohio, and remained one year

working at his trade, and on his return worked one winter in Mercersburg. In the spring he and his brother, George C., then went to Ohio again, remained about two years and worked on a farm. Our subject then came back, worked at millwrighting two years, and in the fall of 1855 came to Williamson and worked at the grist-mill about eighteen months; later farmed about four years. He then bought a piece of land, improved it and lived on it until 1876. In the spring of 1877 he bought a lot and erected a house, and built his shop in 1878. He erected all his buildings himself—house, barn and shop. He now carries on wagon-making and does all kinds of repairing. January 2, 1864, he enlisted in Company B, Second Heavy Artillery, One Hundred and Twelfth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, and served two years and one month; was at the siege of Petersburg from June 8 until August 25, and was under constant fire. He was mustered out at City Point, Va., and discharged at Philadelphia. In March, 1856, he married Elizabeth Stoner, by whom he had six children, only one of whom is now living—Susan A., wife of James Dentler. Mrs. Bender died in 1864, and in 1865 Mr. Bender married Nancy Stoner, who bore him five children, three now living: William A., Laura and Sadie. Mrs. Nancy Bender died in 1875, and June 26, 1876, he married as his third wife Lydia (Decker) Davis, and she is the mother of five living children: Henry, George, Mary A., Elizabeth and Addie. Mr. and Mrs. Bender are members of the German Baptist Church. His business increased to such proportions that, in February, 1885, he put in a three horse-power engine which he uses for his woodwork.

ISRAEL BRAKE, farmer, P. O. Edenville, was born in St. Thomas Township, Franklin Co., Penn., March 31, 1843, and is a son of John C. and Christiana (Jones) Brake, natives of Franklin County and of German descent, the former of whom, who has always followed farming, is now living at the age of about seventy-five years on Back Creek, where he owns a farm and saw-mill. Our subject was reared on a farm and remained with his parents until twenty-two years of age, when he married and farmed on shares for his father for fourteen years. In the spring of 1880 he moved to where he now resides and purchased for himself 130 acres of land and a saw-mill, which is run by water-power. He bought the farm and mill from John Heckman. He saws all kinds of lumber for the home trade, and is kept busy during the fall and winter seasons. He saws about 50,000 feet annually. Mr. Brake married, November 21, 1865, Louisa, daughter of John and Clara (Swartz) Gelwicks, and they are the parents of seven children, six of whom are living: Laura, Franklin, Charles, Harney, Herbert and Bessie. Mr. and Mrs. Brake are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Brake is one of the substantial farmers of St. Thomas Township, and a prominent citizen.

JOHN W. BRYSON, blacksmith, St. Thomas, was born in this township, September 29, 1842, and is a son of John and Elizabeth (Ault) Bryson, natives of Franklin County, Penn., of Scotch-Irish descent on the father's side, and German on the mother's. His grandfather came to Franklin County about 1810 or 1812, and probably first located in Hamilton Township, this county, near Cheesetown. John, our subject's father, was born in Hamilton Township, near Cheesetown, in 1817, and lived there until he was eighteen years of age, when he learned the blacksmith's trade under Capt. Coble, which he followed until his death, which occurred July 10, 1882, near the Gelwicks schoolhouse, at what is known as the Adam Traher property. John W. was put on a farm at nine years of age; lived among farmers until he had reached the age of eighteen. At that time the war of the Rebellion broke out, and he was the first to enlist out of the town of Quincy in Company B, Second Penn-

sylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served three months, at the expiration of which time he enlisted again in Company A, Seventy-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, under Capt. McKisson, and served three years. He was in the battles of Clayville, Ky., Luverne, Tenn., Triune, Stone River, Liberty Gap, Chickamauga, and at the last named place was taken prisoner by Longstreet's corps and surrendered to the Twenty-fourth Georgias. He was taken to Libby Prison, where they kept him forty-eight hours; thence to the Royster Building, and there detained six weeks; was then removed to Scott Prison, where he was taken sick and was sent to the Alabama Hospital, No. 21, where he was kept two weeks. There were seventy-five enlisted men taken prisoners, and he issued rations to fifty-one of his comrades while in prison, and was the only one that returned to the regiment out of the seventy-five who carried a gun. He was kept a prisoner six months; was so reduced in weight when released that he could not rejoin his regiment until June 27, 1864, while it was participating in the battle of Kenesaw Mountain; was sick at the time with intermittent fever, and being unable to do duty, was sent back to the field hospital. He again joined the regiment August 5, 1864, and served until his discharge. He was in the Atlanta campaign, Jonesboro, Flint River, Lovejoy and Corinth, and was discharged October 11, 1864, after participating in about twelve battles and skirmishes. After the battle of Stone River he was promoted to second lieutenant, but when he received his commission the numerical strength was too slow to allow him to be mustered. After he returned from prison in June, 1864, the company still being short of the required number, and being in great need of commissioned officers in the regiment, Col. Rose offered to transfer more so that our subject could be mustered, but Mr. Bryson refused, being prostrate at this time with intermittent fever. After his second return, August 5, 1864, that day his captain, John E. Walker, was killed, and again Col. Rose offered to promote him to first lieutenant, but again he refused, still being much reduced. Ranking as first sergeant, Mr. Bryson assisted First-Lieut. A. G. Stark in commanding the company till the campaign was over. He came back to his father's home and remained a short time. In 1865 he went to Waynesboro, learned the blacksmith's trade, and worked two years with Wash McGinly. He then came to St. Thomas Township, and lived with his father until the spring of 1869, when he moved to Charles Gillan's hotel and worked at blacksmithing three years. He then moved his family to Five Forks, went to Altoona and worked in the railroad shop five months. November 7, 1872, he moved to St. Thomas, bought property and two lots, and has since lived here and carried on blacksmithing. He married, January 2, 1868, Barbara A. Row, who has borne him four children: John R., Lillie A. M., Carrie C. and William D. D. Mr. Bryson is a member of the G. A. R. of Chambersburg, and he and his wife and children, John R. and Lillie A. M., are members of the Lutheran Church.

WILLIAM BYERS, farmer, P. O. Edenville, was born in Lancaster County, Penn., November 2, 1823, and is a son of Philip and Susan (Keisel) Byers, natives of Lancaster and of German descent. His grandfather, Fred, was a great military man and had organized companies in Lancaster County, but during the service he cried because they did not draft him as he wished. Philip Byers, father of our subject, was a tailor by trade, which he followed the greater part of his life; in 1830 he moved to Franklin County, settled in St. Thomas Township and rented property; he died in 1876. Our subject was reared on a farm and remained with his parents until fifteen years of age; he then worked out up to the time of his marriage. He rented a farm on the Loudon road near St. Thomas, and lived there ten years. In 1854 he bought



the farm where he now lives, and commenced in the woods, cleared it all off and built a house and other improvements, and can now enjoy the remainder of his life. He has worked hard to obtain what he possesses, and reared a large family of children. He married May 2, 1844, Elizabeth Wertz, who bore him twelve children, of whom ten are living: John, who served eighteen months in the late war, Susan, Anna, Katie, Rachel, Hiram, William, Charles, Wertz and Jacob. Mr. and Mrs. Byers are members of the United Brethren Church. Mr. Byers is an industrious citizen.

CAPT. JAMES CAMPBELL, a refugee from Scotland after the Stuart Rebellion of 1745, was a captain of horse belonging to the house of Argyle. Joining the fortunes of the Pretender, his lot was cast with him, and after many escapes, succeeded in making his way to America. He settled among the Indians at the spring on the turnpike road leading to Bedford, near Campbelltown, erected the same stone house that stands there now upon the rocks above the spring. (This was about the year 1750, the date of the deed from Thomas Penn and Richard Penn to James Campbell.) His son, James Campbell, was a captain of the Pennsylvania line during the Revolutionary war. [His brother Thomas was also a captain, and was taken prisoner at Fort Washington; he laid out the town of St. Thomas, or Campbelltown, as it was generally called.] His son, James C., of first James Campbell, the father of Charles T. Campbell, was a soldier in Davis' mounted rifles under Gen. Harrison at the battle of Tippecanoe and the Thames; was also a member of Capt. Culbertson's company at Baltimore. The three James Campbells all died on the old farm on Campbell's Run, and were buried in the old Presbyterian graveyard near Mercersburg. The great-grandfather of Gen. C. T. Campbell, on his mother's side and his grandmother Poe's side, was Gen. James Potter of the Revolutionary war, his grandfather, Capt. James Poe, being married to Gen. Potter's daughter. James Poe was captain of the Third Company of Col. Abram Smith's battalion of Franklin County. Lieut. Thomas Poe, son of Capt. James Poe, and uncle of Gen. Campbell, was killed at Lundy's Lane; was adjutant of the regiment which went from Franklin and Cumberland Counties in the war of 1812 under Col. Fenton. He was buried on the American side somewhere by his comrades, but no monument marks his grave. Gen. Charley T. Campbell was born August 10, 1823, on the Campbell farm near St. Thomas, Franklin Co., Penn.; was educated at the Chambersburg Academy, the military school at Bedford, and lastly at Marshall College, Mercersburg. At the breaking out of the Mexican war he entered the service at Washington, D. C.; was appointed a lieutenant of infantry, United States Army, and assigned to the Eleventh Regiment; was ordered on recruiting service to Chambersburg, Penn., and went with the regiment to Mexico, first lieutenant Company B. In August, 1847, he was promoted captain of Company A, same regiment; this regiment was disbanded, after the war, at Fort Hamilton N. Y. When news came to Chambersburg of the firing upon Fort Sumter, the first train to Harrisburg took with it Gen. Campbell and several other patriotic citizens to urge upon the governor of Pennsylvania the necessity of immediate organization of volunteer troops for our own protection. The governor authorized Gen. Campbell to organize and equip a battery of horse artillery, which was successfully done in about ten days. (This battery was the same commanded by Capt. H. Easton on so many bloody fields during the war.) The Legislature authorized the recruiting of a regiment of eight batteries which Gen. Campbell superintended at Harrisburg, Penn., when complete, on the 4th day of August, 1861. The regiment was mustered into the United States service

and ordered to join the Army of the Potomac at Washington, D. C. At about this time Gen. Campbell was commissioned colonel of the regiment. The batteries were scattered and only three out of the eight were together in McCall's division. Gen. Campbell served in this division as chief of artillery until March, 1862, when he was appointed colonel of the Fifty-seventh Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry—a rifle regiment in the Third Corps, First Division, or better known as "Kearney's Division," which had a character for never going back or getting out of ammunition. Campbell was severely wounded at the battle of Fair Oaks, left on the field for dead, and until brought into camp late at night, it was so reported. November 29, 1862, he was appointed brigadier-general, by special request of Gen. Hooker, Gen. Berry, Gen. Birney, and Gen. Sickels, the corps division officers of Hooker's grand division. He was severely wounded in the battle of Fredericksburg, December 13, which unfitted him entirely for field service, having received during this campaign in the Peninsula seven severe wounds. After partially recovering from his wounds he was ordered by Gen. Halleck, commander-in-chief, to the department of the Northwest, where he remained on duty until the final muster out of the general officers in January, 1866. He now resides in Dakota, and has made it his home for the last twenty years.

MORRIS CARL, merchant, Edenville, was born in Berks County, Penn., January 15, 1857, and is a son of Daniel and Hannah (Gruber) Carl, natives of Berks County and of German descent. His grandfather came from Germany and landed in America September 14, 1819; he settled in Berks County, Penn., where he resided until his death. Our subject's father is a shoemaker by trade, which he has followed all his life, and is now living in Boyertown, Berks County, where he is engaged in business. Morris Carl commenced to learn the shoemaker's trade when about ten years of age, and worked at it until about seventeen years of age. He then went on a farm; worked two years and earned some money; then engaged as a clerk for John W. Dotterer, of Hill Church, with whom he remained one year and a half; then went to Logston and clerked one year. In the spring of 1879 he came to Franklin County and was engaged as clerk in Hunter & Springer's store, Franklin Furnace, remaining with them six years. In the spring of 1885 he bought the property he is now occupying, and started in business for himself. He has a good building and a fine stock of general merchandise valued at \$3,000, on which and the building he carries an insurance of \$2,000. He was assistant postmaster for Hunter & Springer for some time. Mr. Carl is a bright young man, full of energy and integrity. He started in life without a cent, but by the economy and good management practiced by himself and wife, has acquired a competence. He married, January 26, 1878, Susanna, daughter of Aaron and Catherine (Drey) Springer, and they are the parents of four children, three of whom are living: Lila, Louisa and Sarah. Mr. and Mrs. Carl are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Carl has in his possession his grandfather's German Bible.

ABRAHAM CRIDER, farmer, P. O. St. Thomas, was born in St. Thomas Township, Franklin Co., Penn., April 11, 1811, and is a son of Christley and Mary (Burkholder) Crider, both natives of Pennsylvania but of German descent. His grandfather came from the old country when quite a small boy, and was, no doubt, among the early settlers of Franklin County. Our subject was born and reared on a farm, and now owns 140 acres on which he lives. He has been an active farmer all his life, and although now seventy-five years of age, is stout and hearty and does a great deal of work on his farm. He was married October 8, 1836, to Margaret, daughter of William and Eve (Bone-

brake) Hamilton. They are the parents of eight children now living—four sons and four daughters. The names of the sons are as follows: Daniel, William, Frank and J. C., a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church and now stationed in Ohio. He was educated at Dayton, Ohio; preached for a time in Baltimore and different points; married in Greenville, Ohio, Martha Markwith. He has devoted his time to the cause of Christianity from boyhood. Mr. Crider is a good farmer, and has been one of the most active men in St. Thomas Township, and his surroundings and improvements show his enterprise and industry. He has been a Republican all his life, as was also his father.

JOHN W. DEFENDERFER, farmer, Williamson, was born in St. Thomas Township, this county, August 23, 1844, and is a son of Samuel and Mary (Carson) Defenderfer, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent, the former of whom, a shoe-maker by trade, is at present farming and has been for several years past. Our subject was reared on a farm and remained with his parents until twenty-one years of age. In 1864 he enlisted in Company D, Two Hundred and Ninth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served one year. He was in the closing battles of Fort Steadman on March 22, and at the capture of Petersburg when Lee surrendered. He was mustered out at Alexandria, Va., and paid off at Harrisburg; came home and lived with his parents a short time; then married and located north of St. Thomas, where he remained two years; then moved to St. Thomas, where he lived eight years. He remained in the vicinity of St. Thomas until the spring of 1886, when he moved to Williamson, where he owns a farm of eighty-seven acres of good land. Mr. Defenderfer was married February 1, 1867, to Mary J. Martin, and they are the parents of eight children, six of whom are living: Elmer C., Howard, Florence, Jennie, Rhoda A. and Alice. He was elected supervisor of his district in the spring of 1886, and is now filling the duties of that office; he has held the office four terms. He is an industrious, intelligent and enterprising citizen.

COL. WILLIAM D. DIXON, farmer, P. O. St. Thomas, was born in this township, December 11, 1833, and is a son of David and Catherine (Jeffrey) Dixon, natives of St. Thomas Township. The colonel's father and grandfather were born on the farm he now owns. His great-grandfather came from Scotland when quite young with a man named John Campbell, in 1690. He arrived in Franklin County in 1735, and located where William D. resided in 1737, entered some land and bought a tract of 226 acres. His grandfather, William, was taken prisoner by the Indians when nine years of age, and kept eleven weeks in a cave on the adjoining farm. A squaw stuck feathers in his head and brought him home to his mother and notified the family that the braves of the tribe she belonged to were going to a great dance outside, and would return in two moons and kill all the whites. His grandfather died at the age of eighty years. David, the colonel's father, settled on a farm adjoining his father's and lived there until his death, January 9, 1849. Col. W. D. Dixon was reared on a farm and remained with his mother until her death. His father died when he was quite a youth. April 18, 1861, our subject recruited Company D, Sixth Pennsylvania Reserve Corps, and served until June 11, 1864, when his regiment was mustered out. He was in the battles of Dranesville, Va., December 19, 1861; Antietam, September 16 and 17, 1862; Fredericksburg, December 13, 1862; Gettysburg, Penn., July 2, 3 and 4, 1863, where he was slightly wounded; all through the Wilderness with Grant in 1864; Bethesda Church, Va., where he was wounded by two spent balls striking him, one in the left breast and one in the groin; seriously injured in the head July 2, 1862, near Harrison's Landing, Va. April 24, 1861, he was commissioned as cap-

tain of his regiment, and May 23, 1863, was commissioned lieutenant-colonel; in 1864 he held the commission of brevet colonel and brevet brigadier-general for gallant conduct at the battle of Spottsylvania Court House, Va., commission signed by A. Johnson. He had his knee sprained at the battle of Dranesville, December 19, 1861. At the close of the war he returned to St. Thomas, where he resided until 1872, when he bought the old homestead consisting of 269 acres of good land, where he has since continued to reside. He also owns a farm of 325 acres of land. He was married on the 14th of June, 1855, to Martha Gillan. They are the parents of three children—two living: David J. and Sarah C. Mr. Dixon is a member of the Presbyterian Church. His grandfather served through the Revolutionary war as an ensign in the Pennsylvania line, but was a sergeant in Col. Boquet's command; was with Maj. Dunwoodie in the massacre, and was one of the three that escaped to Fort Loudoun, from where they had started on a scout with nineteen men; all the others were killed and scalped, including Maj. Dunwoodie. He never wanted any commission. His certificate is dated October 5, 1805, sworn to by Patrick Jack, who was a colonel in the Revolutionary war and commanded a company in Col. Boquet's command. During the late war, in 1863 and 1864, Col. Dixon's effects were destroyed by the rebels. He was at that time in mercantile business in St. Thomas, but resumed business in a short time. Col. Dixon was a brave soldier and has as clear a record as any man in his regiment. He and family are members of the Presbyterian Church.

JOHN R. EBERLY, farmer, P. O. St. Thomas, was born in Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn., February 17, 1835, and is a son of Jacob and Hannah (Reed) Eberly, natives of Franklin County, and of Swiss-German descent. His great-great-grandfather came from Switzerland and settled in Lancaster County under a big oak tree, and lived there until his death. He left Switzerland the time of the great trouble between the Protestants and Catholics. His grandfather, Peter, came to Franklin County when quite young, settled in Chambersburg, and was among the first settlers in that borough. Our subject's father, Jacob, was a farmer, and is now living in Guilford Township at the age of seventy-five. He has been living a retired life for about thirty years. He owned about the first steam saw-mill that was operated in this county, and was engaged in the lumber business for about ten years. John R. was reared on a Campbell farm until about twelve years of age, when his parents moved to Chambersburg, Penn., where they lived two years, and John R. attended school. When twenty-four years old he started out for himself, and farmed for his father on shares for six years. In 1866 he moved to St. Thomas Township and bought the Campbell farm where he now resides, and owns 162 acres of valuable land. He has made a great many improvements on his place since coming here. He was drawn in the first draft, but paid a liberal sum to a substitute for three years. Mr. Eberly has been on the school board for a term of three years. He married, December 1, 1859, Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob Deatrich, and by this union there were ten children, six now living: Florence E., Mary E., John J., Daisy B., Harry S. and Walter R. Mrs. Eberly died August 15, 1879, and Mr. Eberly married, March 13, 1883, Emma F., daughter of Abraham Kieffer, of Rock Dale, Penn. Mr. and Mrs. Eberly and two daughters are members of the Reformed Church. In politics he is a Republican.

ISAAC FOREMAN, farmer, P. O. Edenville, was born in Berks County, Penn., July 12, 1833, and is a son of Frederick and Catherine (Trate) Foreman, of German-English descent. His grandfather came from Germany when quite young, and settled in Berks County, Penn., where he resided

until his death. He served in the Revolutionary war, and was imprisoned in a church by the Hessians, who nailed it up securely, and kept him until he was almost starved. Subject's father was a blacksmith by trade, which he followed several years; then went into the furnace business, and was foreman of a foundry in Berks County until his death, which occurred in 1846. Isaac Foreman was brought up to learn the furnace business, and was foreman of several different furnaces. He was only thirteen years of age when his father died, and he was left to do for himself. He worked at the Mount Payne furnace two years, and was foreman of the foundry. He then went to Lebanon County, and was there engaged as foreman; thence to Sheridan furnace, and served seven years; thence to Schuylkill County, where he was foreman of Auburn furnace one year. He then came to Franklin County, and was employed as superintendent for sixteen years; then went to Cumberland County and superintended Shaley Run furnace two years. In 1879 he bought the farm he now lives on, consisting of sixty acres, and moved to where he has since lived, and has been engaged in farming. He was married, December 30, 1853, to Priscilla Burkholder. They are the parents of twelve children, nine living: Augustus, John, Isaac, William, Charles, Clinton, Caserow, Elmira and Frederick. Mr. and Mrs. Foreman are members of the United Brethren Church. Mr. Foreman is one of Franklin County's substantial farmers and business men. He is a self-made man; all he has he made himself by his own labor.

HENRY FOUTZ, farmer, P. O. St. Thomas, was born in St. Thomas Township, Franklin Co., Penn., March 26, 1829, and is a son of Jacob and Mary (Swigert) Foutz, natives of Pennsylvania. His grandfather, Michael Swigert, came from Lancaster County to this county when quite young, settled in St. Thomas Township, bought a farm of about 300 acres of land and afterward divided it and gave his son Christley a part. It is supposed the grandfather came from "the old country," and it is said that there are now \$5,000,000 awaiting the Swigert heirs, but it cannot be traced whence the grandfather came. He lived on the farm where he first settled until his death, and followed agricultural pursuits all his life; was one of the most successful farmers in Franklin County, and had accumulated a good fortune. Our subject's father, Jacob Foutz, was taken to Ohio by his stepfather and there lived until he was sixteen years old, when he ran away and came back to Franklin County, and for a few years worked for Christley Swigert. He worked by the day until he was married, and then rented, from the Wilsons, the farm on which John Croft now lives. He also bought the farm of 236 acres, where Mr. Detwiler now lives, and built the brick house which is still on the premises. He died in January, 1850, on the fiftieth anniversary of his birth. Henry Foutz was reared on the farm, and remained with his father until his death; then hired out two years, and after marriage rented land in different places for about sixteen years. In 1864 he bought a farm near Cashtown and sold it the same year. In 1875 he bought the farm where he now lives, consisting of ninety-six acres, and has made a great many improvements. December 13, 1853, he married Sarah Wagoner, who bore him six children, three of whom are living: Emma C., married to John High; Laura M.; Lydia I., married to Jacob Holman. Mr. and Mrs. Foutz are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Foutz is one of the substantial farmers of St. Thomas Township.

JOSEPH FRYMIRE, section foreman, P. O. Williamson, was born in Cumberland County, Penn., August 17, 1842, and is a son of Henry and Julia A. (Lower) Frymire, and of German descent. His grandparents were born in Pennsylvania. His father was born in Dauphin County, but after he was

married moved to Newville, and was employed by the Cumberland Valley R. R. Company as section foreman for thirty-five years; he now lives in retirement at Mechanicsburg. Our subject was reared in Cumberland County, and went to school until fifteen years old, when he was engaged by the Cumberland Valley Railroad and worked for ten years. He was employed by the Government one year during the war, and was then employed by J. Johnson & Sons, grain merchants, for six years in Mechanicsburg. In the fall of 1883 he moved to Williamson, and has been employed as section foreman by the Southern Pennsylvania Railroad for six years. He married, in July, 1863, Elizabeth Hughes, and to them four children have been born, of whom three are now living: Anna O. (married to S. N. Hagerman), William H. and Fannie. Mr. Frymore owns a house and lot in Mechanicsburg valued at \$1,100. He is thoroughly familiar with the railroad business, having followed it nearly all his life. He is a member of the Cumberland Valley Association.

JOHN F. GELWICKS, farmer, P. O. Edenville, was born on the old homestead, in St. Thomas Township, this county, February 5, 1853, and is the youngest of the family of ten children of John and Clara (Swartz) Gelwicks, and of German descent. His grandfather, Frederick, was in the Cumberland Valley to protect the settlers from the Indians while they were gathering crops. John Gelwicks, subject's father, was born in 1797 and came with his parents to where John F. now resides. April 6, 1819, he bought a tract of about 400 acres from Col. Armstrong, and settled on it. From this place four tracts have been sold, leaving 233 acres still in the homestead farm. His father lived here until his death, which occurred December 5, 1876, and his mother still lives on the farm, at the age of seventy-seven years; this farm originally belonged to Col. Armstrong, and is probably one of the oldest farms in this section of the country; it next passed into the hands of his two sons, John and Frederick, and next into the hands of John Gelwicks in 1856, who bought it. John F. Gelwicks was reared on a farm and remained with his father until his death; he then took charge of the old home place and has since been living here. His mother moved to the house that her husband had built a few months previous to his death, which is one of the most beautiful places in the county for a farm house. It is located near the mountain, in a valley nicely surrounded by trees, etc. John F. was married December 23, 1875, to Emma V., daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Keefer, and they are the parents of three children, two living: Carrie M. and Nellie V.; Clyde R. is deceased. Mrs. Gelwicks is a member of the German Reformed Church. Mr. Gelwicks farms the whole of the homestead; also deals in stock, making a specialty of fine graded Percheron horses and Durham cattle. He has held the office of judge of elections for three terms; in the spring of 1886 he was elected justice of the peace, which office he now holds. Mr. Gelwicks is one of the good, substantial farmers of St. Thomas Township; he has the rifle that his grandfather owned while he was in the valley guarding the settlers; he has also the clock which his great-grandfather brought from Germany. The first deed of this farm dates May 1, 1813, between Edward Crawford and Dr. Samuel Culbertson of Chambersburg. Mrs. Gelwicks still retains the homestead.

GEORGE L. GROVE, carriage-maker, St. Thomas, was born in Hamilton Township, Franklin Co., Penn., September 5, 1850, and is a son of John and Margaret (Lininger) Grove, natives of Franklin County and of German descent. His great-grandparents first settled in Lancaster County, at an early day. John Grove, a farmer, is now living in retirement at Chambersburg. Our subject, the eldest of a family of eleven children, remained with his par-

ents until nineteen years of age; then went to learn the carriage-maker's trade under McCune & Deihl, for whom he worked for three years. After working a year for this firm, McCune & Deihl dissolved partnership, and George L. went into partnership with Deihl, buying a half interest; the firm was known as Deihl & Grove, and continued for two years when it sold out. Mr. Grove then went to Altoona and worked about three months, took sick, was brought home and did nothing all summer. After his recovery he came back to St. Thomas, was engaged by McCune & McLeery, and worked for five or six years. In 1880 he went into business for himself, and has since continued, being the only carriage-maker in St. Thomas. He makes all kinds of carriages, does all kinds of repairing and has a good trade. He was first married January 12, 1873, to Mary L. Keefer, by whom he had three children, one of whom is living, Floyd. Mrs. Grove dying in 1877, Mr. Grove then married, November 12, 1879, Catherine D. Grove. They are the parents of two children: Pearl and Charles. Mr. Grove is a member of the I. O. O. F., Lodge No. 950, of St. Thomas. Mr. and Mrs. Grove are members of the Lutheran Church. In 1883 he was elected justice of the peace and has since held the office.

E. HARRISON HAGERMAN, Sr., merchant, Williamson, was born in Adams County, Penn., April 10, 1826, and is a son of Thomas and Hannah (Craig) Hagerman, natives of Pennsylvania and of German-Irish descent. His grandfather, Aaron, was born in New Jersey, where he resided a good many years, but moved to Adams County, and there lived several years. He died in Ohio. Thomas Hagerman, father of our subject was born in Adams County, Penn., in 1785, and lived to be sixty-nine years old; he moved to Hagerstown, Md., when our subject was only six years of age. He was a brick-maker by trade, but during his later days followed farming. E. Harrison (our subject) was reared on a farm, but followed brick-making until he was twenty-four years of age. He carried on farming from that time up to 1870; then engaged in mercantile business in Hagerstown, Md., for eighteen months. In December, 1871, he moved to Williamson, this township, bringing his stock of merchandise with him, and opened a store. He had built a store building the summer before he came, of solid stone, at a cost of about \$12,000, for store, building and residence. He has the only store in Williamson, carries a stock of general merchandise of about \$4,000, and does a good business. While working in the brickyard he sprained his leg, and though he suffered from it for four or five years, did not regard it seriously; the bones, however, began to decay and the leg had to be amputated just below the knee. Mr. Hagerman married December 25, 1855, having four children, three of whom are living: Edward H., Carrie E., married to Harry Diehl, residing in Kansas, and William H. Mrs. Hagerman died in March, 1865, and in April, 1866, he married Sarah Butterbaugh, by whom he has six children: Samuel, Charles, Elizabeth, Franklin, Anna, Irene. Mr. and Mrs. Hagerman are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Hagerman has an interest in a creamery that is owned by a stock company. He is a prominent citizen of the county and a thorough business man. His son, Edward H., is a partner in the store, the partnership having been formed January 1, 1886, under the firm name of E. H. Hagerman & Son. The junior partner is a thorough gentleman, with a good knowledge of business. Mr. Hagerman was appointed postmaster of Williamson from the time it was established, under Grant's administration, until October, 1885, when he was removed, and was succeeded by U. G. Hawbecker, under the new administration.

WILLIAM C. HARTMAN, postmaster, Edenville, was born in St. Thomas Township, Franklin Co., Penn., August 15, 1863, and is a son of Benjamin

and Catherine (Diffenderfer) Hartman, natives of Franklin County, and of German descent, the former of whom was a butcher, which occupation he followed the greater part of his life; he also kept store at Edenville, and died in January, 1882. Our subject was reared on a farm and remained with his parents until fourteen years of age, when he commenced to work out, and so continued until the fall of 1885, when he was appointed postmaster at Edenville, succeeding L. L. Springer, under the Democratic administration of Grover Cleveland, and still holds the office. His brother, Henry, has conducted the store in which the postoffice is kept, for about three years, and carries a general line; his father owned this store before his death.

WILLIAM C. HASHINGER, blacksmith, Williamson, was born in Fannett Township, Franklin Co., Penn., December 26, 1857, and is a son of Henry and Margaret (Ziegman) Hashinger, natives of Germany. They left the old country in 1854, taking passage at Havre on a sailing vessel, and after a voyage of sixty-two days landed at New York. From there they came to Fannett Township, Franklin Co., Penn., and remained several years; then moved into Metal Township, where Henry bought a farm on which he resided until his death, May 9, 1875; his widow resides on the homestead in Metal Township. Our subject was reared in Metal Township and when nineteen years old commenced to learn the blacksmith's trade at Fairview, Md., where he worked five years. In the spring of 1881 he went to Waynesboro and worked three years; then went to Metal Township and remained with his mother one year, working on the farm. In the spring of 1886 he moved to Williamson, bought a blacksmith shop and has since been engaged in that business. He is a practical workman and does all kinds of repairing and carriage work. November 24, 1881, he married Sarah Recker, a native of Frederick County, Md., and to them were born three children: John H., Bruce M. and Mabel. Mr. and Mrs. Hashinger are members of the Reformed Church. Mr. Hashinger owns a house and lot in Williamson. He is a member of the I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 219, and Uncas tribe No. 101 of the I. O. R. M., both of Waynesboro. Politically he is a Democrat.

SAMUEL Z. HAWBECKER, miller, Williamson, was born in Peters Township, Franklin Co., Penn., May 11, 1841, and is a son of David and Lydia (Zentmeyer) Hawbecker, who were natives of Lancaster County, Penn., and of German descent. His great-grandfather, Hawbecker, a native of Germany, immigrated to Berks County, Penn., when young and was one of the early settlers of that county. He moved to Lancaster County, Penn., and lived there until his death. His grandfather came from Lancaster County to Franklin County in 1813, and settled at Upton, where he followed his trade, blacksmithing, for a short time, then bought a farm adjoining Upton on which he spent the remainder of his days. His father, David, was in his fifth year when he came to Franklin County. He was a blacksmith by trade but did not follow that for a livelihood. He spent the most of his time on the farm which adjoined Upton. He was the father of eight children, three of whom are now living: Sarah, married to E. H. Hagerman; Elizabeth, married to Adam Kuhn, and Samuel Z. Our subject was reared on a farm and remained with his parents until twenty-four years of age, when he started out for himself. January 3, 1865, he came to Stitzell's mill (now Williamson), and learned the miller's trade under William Stitzell, and in March, 1865, with Adam Kuhn as a partner, bought the mill and operated it one year. Mr. Hawbecker then bought his partner's interest and conducted the mill until 1872; then his father, David, purchased it, and it was run by different parties until 1877; then Samuel Z. bought it again and has since owned and operated it. The mill is a large stone



building run by both steam and water-power; is equipped with all the necessary machinery and is run with the new roller process, which Mr. Hawbecker added to it in October, 1885, and taking out all the old machinery he replaced it by new. The building is 36½x60 feet. He makes as good flour as can be had in the State, and the mill is in constant use. It seems impossible for one man to look after all the business done by Mr. Hawbecker, but with the assistance of his son, Upton G., he manages it all. He owns and operates two large stone quarries, which he started on a small scale in 1869, but his business kept increasing so rapidly that he had to hire more men, and now employs twenty-five. One quarry is used for building stone, the other for lime, in connection with which he also has a large lime-kiln, and burns lime which is pronounced by the State geologist to be of the best quality in the State. He also owns a stone crusher, and the stone is used for ballasting. The quarry is one of the largest stone quarries in the State, located on the Southern Pennsylvania Branch Railroad, where he is constantly shipping. He is also connected with a large creamery establishment at Williamson which is operated by a company of stockholders and was organized June 1, 1882, with thirty-nine stockholders. The officers are Abram Strickler, president; S. Z. Hawbecker, secretary; E. H. Hagerman, treasurer; Benjamin S. Frantz, superintendent. The board of directors are Abram Strickler, S. Z. Hawbecker, E. H. Hagerman, John H. Hawk, Peter A. Margal, Andrew Coffee and Jacob W. Hage. They manufacture and ship about 1,000 pounds of butter per day. They have a contract to ship 275 pounds per week to the State lunatic asylum at Harrisburg. Mr. Hawbecker is also interested in the Franklin Electric Telegraph Company. They have a charter for twelve counties in the State of Pennsylvania; the object was to build telephone lines, but on account of not being able to secure telephones from the Bell Telephone Company at such rates as they desired, they abandoned that system and adopted the telegraph system, which they are now running. Mr. Hawbecker is ticket, freight and express agent for the Southern Pennsylvania Branch Railroad at Williamson. His son, Upton C., is the present postmaster; was appointed by Grover Cleveland, and is a very bright young man. Mr. Hawbecker has been twice married: first, January 1, 1861, to Anna M. Grove, and by this union two children were born, one living, Upton G. Mrs. Hawbecker died in February, 1865; and Mr. Hawbecker next married in October, 1868, Mary E. Williamson, of Sheppardstown, W. Va. They are the parents of four children: Lida, Nettie, Carrie and Bessie. Mr. and Mrs. Hawbecker are members of the Reformed Church. Much credit is due Mr. Hawbecker from the citizens of Williamson and the vicinity; there were but two houses at this point when he came, and he bought a tract of seventy-four acres, started up his quarry and in a short time the railroad came through and the people began to flock in, until now it is a flourishing little village of fourteen dwellings, one grist and saw mill, a creamery, two stone quarries, four lime-kilns, a wagon-making shop, coach-making shop, blacksmith shop, store, shoe shop, etc. The town was regularly laid out and platted by him in 1871, and named in honor of his second wife's maiden name. Mr. Hawbecker is one of the prominent men of the county and a man of enterprise and intelligence.

DANIEL G. HOOVER, school-teacher, St. Thomas, was born in Letterkenny Township, Franklin Co., Penn., May 12, 1860, and is a son of Samuel and Eliza (Gipe) Hoover, natives of Franklin County, and of German descent. His father was a farmer and owned a farm in Letterkenny Township, on which he lived until his death in July, 1860. Daniel G. was only nine weeks old when his father died, and but three days old when his mother died. He was, therefore, reared by his grandparents; and at the age of eighteen he

started out for himself, and engaged in school-teaching. He taught one term and then went into mercantile business in Keefer's store, where he was engaged one year. He then learned telegraphing, which he followed eighteen months. In the spring of 1885 he bought the property he now owns, and moved here in the spring of 1883. He is now engaged at teaching in the common schools of the township, and is employed by Smith Bros. of Geneva, N. Y., a salesman in the fruit and ornamental business. He was married December 22, 1883, to Alice S. Sellers, and they are the parents of two children: Bertha M. and Edgar W. Mr. and Mrs. Hoover are members of Trinity Reformed Church. Mr. Hoover was elected justice of the peace in 1884, but refused to serve. He is a young man of good business qualities, intelligent and enterprising and has gained a host of friends. Politically he is a Jeffersonian Democrat.

PETER KERLIN, retired farmer, of St. Thomas, was born in Exeter, Berks Co., Penn., in 1831, and is a son of John and Elizabeth (Haines) Kerlin, natives of Berks County, Penn., the latter of whom died April 6, 1880. The Kerlin family were of Irish descent, and the Haines family of Dutch extraction, our subject's great-grandfather Haines being a native of Amsterdam, Holland. His grandfather, Peter, was born in Kilkenny, Ireland, and immigrated to New Jersey, thence moved to Berks County, Penn., where he remained until his death. John Kerlin was a farmer, and owned a farm in Berks County, which he sold, and then came to Franklin County in 1849. He bought 172 acres of land about three miles east of St. Thomas, and lived there until his death, which occurred in August, 1863. Our subject was reared on a farm, and in his fifteenth year started in life for himself. He was engaged as clerk in Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Penn., one year; then learned the printer's trade, and worked one year at the same place; then went to Reading, Penn., to learn mercantile business, and was employed by Kerper & Co. for four years. In 1851 he came to this county, and remained with his father until after the latter's death in 1863. In the spring of 1864 he went to Shippensburg, Cumberland County, and bought out a drug store, which he conducted two years. In 1866 he moved to Chambersburg, this county, where he lived one year, and made a study of music, giving instruction to others. In 1867 he moved to St. Thomas Township and bought a farm of 142 acres, three-quarters of a mile from St. Thomas, resided there fourteen years, and in 1881 came to the village where he has since lived, still retaining the farm. He and his sister, Hannah, live together on property which she owns in St. Thomas. They are members of the Reformed Church. He has also a brother, Richard, living with him. Mr. Kerlin has been quite an active business man, and his life has been an eventful one. He has served as assistant assessor; also school director for six years. Politically he is a Democrat.

JACOB KLOCK, blacksmith, Williamson, was born in St. Thomas Township, Franklin Co., Penn., November 20, 1845, and is a son of Peter and Elizabeth (Deck) Klock; the former a native of Germany and the latter of Pennsylvania. Peter Klock, father of our subject, left the old country when quite young, came to America and worked at day labor for several years. He was married to Elizabeth Deck, by whom he had seven children, three of whom are now living: John, Jacob and Daniel. In 1859 he bought a small property where his son, Jacob, now resides, built on it and there lived until his death in 1874. He became a naturalized citizen of America by a certificate made out by F. M. Kimmell, President, John Huber and John Orr, Esqs., August 8, 1859. Our subject was reared on a farm and remained with his parents until he was nineteen years of age, when he worked out and served an apprentice-

ship at his trade, that of a blacksmith, which he learned in Peters Township. In 1868 he built a blacksmith shop, where he now resides, and has since followed his trade at this place. He also owns here eighty-nine acres of good land, and carries on farming and blacksmithing. He is a practical workman and does a good business. Mr. Klock married December 28, 1869, Hannah M. Scully, and to them have been born five children: Carrie M., Eleanor C., John H., David W. and Charles E. He raises stock of good grades. Mr. Klock is a Republican in politics, an intelligent and enterprising citizen.

ADAM KUHN, carpenter, Williamson, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn., December 16, 1836, and is a son of George and Catherine (Zarker) Kuhn, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His grandfather came from Germany when about twenty-one years of age and located in Antrim Township, this county, where his father bought a farm, and remained there until his death. His son, George (subject's father), then bought the farm. The farm first bought was divided into three tracts and has been in the Kuhn family for 115 years; it is now owned by John J. and Russell S. Kuhn. Adam Kuhn's grandfather was one of the first settlers of Antrim Township. When our subject was twenty-one years old he took up the miller's trade, worked for William Stitzell about six months, and at Keefer's mill, near Greencastle, for about nine months. He then returned home and worked at different times at farming, carpentering and masonry. In 1864 he moved to Cashtown, this county, and farmed one year. In 1865 he and S. Z. Hawbecker bought a grist-mill at Williamson, and operated it one year; then sold his interest, and moved to Montgomery Township and bought the Henkle mill, and with Jeremiah Witter ran it for three and a half years. He then moved back near Upton, Peters Township, and worked at carpentering and stone quarrying for about two years; then moved to Upton and resided two years; thence back to the homestead farm, bought a portion of it and lived there eight years. In the fall of 1883 he moved to Williamson and has since lived there, following carpentering and milling. Mr. Kuhn married, September 17, 1862, Elizabeth Hawbecker, and they are the parents of six children: Jennie K., wife of George W. Atherton, residing at Mercersburg, Lillie C., Minnie E., Sallie E., Nettie M. and Alwin B. Our subject is one of the prominent men of the township, and quite a genial gentleman. He was drafted in 1862, and was also into the three years' service but furnished substitutes.

DANIEL KUNKLE, farmer. P. O. St. Thomas, was born in this township in the house where he now resides, February 21, 1823, and is a son of Baltzar and Sarah (Shutt) Kunkle, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His great-grandfather, Shutt, came from Germany over 100 years ago, and unloaded under a white oak tree in Lancaster County. His grandfather, Baltzar Kunkle, the first of the Kunkle family to come to this county, which was over 100 years ago, bought sixty-four acres of land where Daniel yet lives, and as soon as that was paid for, bought another farm of 142 acres that belonged to one Burkholder (these farms were both patented, and have been in the name of Kunkle for three generations); he lived on this farm until his death. His father Baltzar, was the next to get possession of this farm, and lived here until his death; he was a weaver by trade, and also carried on farming. At this time weaving was a well-paying occupation, and he could make \$2 to \$3 per day; he died July 8, 1853. Our subject was the next to take possession of this farm. He bought his grandfather's 142-acre farm, where his son George now lives. He was reared on the homestead, has always lived on it, and received his education in the subscription schools. He married, November 15, 1849, Elizabeth Heckman, and they are the parents of six children, five of whom are liv-

ing: Daniel W. (married to Candace Every), Cyrus M. (single), George M. (married to Anna Rosenberry), Michael G. (single) and Mary E. (single). Mr. Kunkle has held the office of supervisor for two years. He held it at the time of the starting of the Franklin furnace; the culverts were too light for heavy wagons, so he built a great many new ones; he has also been township auditor for one term. Mr. and Mrs. Kunkle are members of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Kunkle is one of the prominent men of Franklin County. Politically he has been a Democrat all his life, and cast his first vote in 1845 for James K. Polk.

JOSEPH MARTIN, farmer, P. O. Edenville, was born in Franklin County, Penn., May 14, 1841, and is a son of Joseph and Mary (Mishy) Martin, natives of Lancaster County, Penn., and of German descent. His grandfather, a farmer, lived and died in Lancaster County, where he was among the first settlers. Our subject's father was born in Lancaster County, and when about twenty-one years of age moved to Franklin County and located near Leitersburg, where he remained several years; moved to St. Thomas Township in 1845, and bought a farm along the North Mountain, built on it and lived there until his death, which occurred in July, 1874. Our subject was reared on a farm, and remained at home until he was eleven years of age. His mother being dead, he lived with Mr. Gelwicks for three years, and was then hired out on a farm until twenty-one years of age, when he married, and worked day-work in Hamilton Township three years. In the fall of 1864 he bought a small farm, where he now resides, and on which he built a small house. In this he lived until 1883, and then erected a large two-story frame house, beautifully located near the North Mountain, and its surroundings testify to Mr. Martin's intelligence and enterprise. He is now the owner of 123 acres of land. He started out in life a poor, helpless orphan, but by industry, honesty and integrity has acquired a competence, and can now boast of having as good a farm as joins the Mountain. In February, 1865, he enlisted in Company H, Ninety-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served five months, or to the close of the war. He marched under Capt. John S. Carpenter of New Jersey, from Chambersburg through to Danville, N. C., and back to Richmond and Washington, where he was mustered out, and he was discharged at Philadelphia. Mr. Martin married in November, 1861, Mary Shaffer, and six children were born to them: Levina, married to Jerry Kyle; Salome, married to James Williams; Mary E., Minnie, Ora I. and Abigail. Mr. and Mrs. Martin are members of the United Brethren Church, of which Mr. Martin is superintendent; also superintendent of the Sunday-school (union) in Hamilton Township, which is held at North-Hamilton Schoolhouse. He is a great worker in the good cause of Sunday-schools and churches, and much credit is due him for the manner in which he conducts the Sunday-schools.

MARTIN MILLER, ex-commissioner, St. Thomas, was born in Frederick County, Md., July 26, 1821, and is a son of Martin and Susanna (Snook) Miller, the former a native of Virginia, and the latter of Maryland. His father, who was a farmer, but followed wagoning in his younger days, moved to Maryland when quite young, and located in Frederick County, where he remained until his death; he participated in the war of 1812, and was wounded during his service; he died in 1862, aged eighty-five years. After his father's death, our subject and his brothers kept their mother until she died. She was the mother of thirteen children, nine sons and four daughters, and she lived to see them all grown up and married, except one who died when quite small. Martin, the fourth in the family, remained with his mother, giving her all of his earnings until he was twenty-five years old. He then worked out on a farm

for himself, and was hired out from a little boy up to 1860. He drove a huckster wagon for his brother in Maryland, Washington County, for four years, and saved a little money during that time. In 1860 he came to Franklin County, Penn., located in St. Thomas, and engaged in huckstering. When he first came here he boarded six months, then he rented five years. In 1866 he bought the property where he now resides, and where he has since been located, and also owns fifteen acres adjoining the town of St. Thomas. He bought a farm of 128 acres of land, but sold off sixty-eight acres, and now has sixty acres about a mile southeast of St. Thomas. He was engaged in huckstering from 1860 until 1883, when he sold out. In the fall of 1881 he was elected county commissioner on the Democratic ticket, and took his office in January, 1882. There were four men on the ticket, two Republicans and two Democrats; the highest three get the office, and Mr. Miller received the highest number of votes, which shows he is a very popular man, as the county is Republican in sentiment. He was married December 24, 1846, to Susanna R. Shull, a native of Maryland. They are the parents of six children: Milton H., Indiana F., George D., Frisby H., Martha A. and Susan E. Mr. and Mrs. Miller and family are members of the Reformed Church. Mr. Miller is one of the prominent and popular men of Franklin County, and has a host of friends. He is now leading a retired life.

ADAM PHEL, farmer, P. O. St. Thomas, was born in Dauphin County, Penn., January 13, 1826, and is a son of Abraham and Margaret (Weaner) Phiel, former a native of Pennsylvania, and latter of England. His grandfather, Jacob, came from Germany when young, and settled in Dauphin County, Penn., where he was among the early settlers. He bought a farm, on which he lived until his death. Our subject's father, Abraham, was born and reared in Dauphin County, but came to Franklin County in 1834 and settled on the tract that Adam now owns; built on it and there lived until his death in 1870. Our subject was reared on a farm and remained at home until twenty-six years of age, when he married and located on the same farm where he lived twelve years; then moved to where he now lives. He owns ninety acres on the tract where he resides and another farm of 134 acres in the same township. He was drafted into the service, but paid his commutation. He married, November 17, 1851, Catherine, daughter of John and Mary (Christman) Brandt. Mr. and Mrs. Phiel are the parents of ten children, five sons and five daughters: John, married to Alice Parker; Margaret, married to Samuel Kinkel; Mary, married to Jacob A. Bush; Sarah, married to Samuel A. Shields; Catherine, married to Grant Miller; Adam; Martin; Samuel; Hettie and Harry. The parents are members of the German Baptist Church. In 1858 Mr. Phiel was ordained a minister of his church and served in the pulpit until 1879, when he was ordained a bishop. Since he has been a minister of the church he has added largely to its membership. Mr. Phiel is one of the prominent men of Franklin County. He is an intelligent man and a lover of Christianity.

ROBERT W. RAMSEY, M. D., St. Thomas, one of the leading physicians of Franklin County, was born in Metal Township, this county, August 6, 1850, and is a son of John W. and Adeline (Keasey) Ramsey, natives of Pennsylvania, and of Scotch-Irish descent. His great-grandfather settled in this county in 1750, and our subject has now in his possession a will made out by him, dated October 4, 1812, which divided his property among his children. John W. Ramsey was a farmer, and died August 8, 1862, when Robert W. was only twelve years old. The latter remained with his mother until twenty-four years old. He graduated at Jefferson Medical College in 1874 and received a diploma in the allopathic department. In 1874 he moved to St. Thomas and

went into partnership with Dr. Vantries, who had been practicing at this point for forty years up to the time of his death. Our subject succeeded him in the practice, and has since been the only practicing physician in St. Thomas. He has a very large field to work. He was married April 5, 1877, to Carrie M., daughter of John M. and Harriet Vantries. Dr. Ramsey is a member of the I. O. O. F., Lodge No. 950, of St. Thomas. In politics he is a Republican. Dr. Ramsey is one of the prominent and leading physicians of Franklin County, and is widely known throughout the county. He was elected a delegate to the American Medical Association Convention held at St. Louis in January, 1886.

GEORGE W. SCHLICHTER, farmer, P. O. St. Thomas, was born in St. Thomas Township, this county, November 13, 1851, and is a son of Jacob T. and Mary (Mourers) Schlichter, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His grandfather, Thomas, was American born. Jacob T. is a tailor and miller and also carries on farming. He conducted the mill at Strasburg for several years, then went to St. Thomas and farmed a few years; thence to Letterkenny Township, where he bought a farm and resided thirty-three years, and owned two farms consisting of 269 acres; he sold one of these, still owning the other. When he was married, one horse and a wagon would have hauled all he owned; but by industry he has acquired quite a fortune, and is now living a retired life in Chambersburg, where he bought property in the spring of 1884. George W. was reared on a farm, and when only three months old was taken by his parents to Letterkenny Township, where he remained with them until he was twenty-seven years old. He then married and remained on the homestead about eight years. In 1883 he bought the farm where he now resides, and which consists of 106 acres of valuable land. He moved on it in the fall of 1885. October 8, 1878, he married Sadie E. Cormany, who bore him one child, Simon C. Mrs. Schlichter died in 1882, and November 18, 1884, our subject married Belle M. Gillan. Mr. and Mrs. Schlichter are members of the United Brethren Church. There were five children in Mr. Schlichter's father's family—three sons and two daughters, the latter both deceased. The sons are Rev. Hiram A., now presiding elder over the upper district of the United Brethren Church; Simon T. and George W. Mr. Schlichter is an active farmer and an enterprising and intelligent citizen.

PETER SMALL, farmer, miller and distiller, P. O. St. Thomas, was born in Guilford Township, Franklin Co., Penn., October 6, 1827, and is a son of John and Mary (Secret) Small, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German descent. His father, John, was a farmer, and followed that occupation until his death. Peter was reared on a farm, and remained with his parents until twenty-three years of age, when he married and bought the farm adjoining the one he now owns, where he resided until 1867. He then moved back to Guilford Township, adjoining his old home, and lived there eleven years. In 1878 he moved to where he now resides, where he owns thirty-nine acres, and has an interest in another farm adjoining. In 1878 he bought the grist-mill, saw-mill and distillery from Albertus Hicks, which he has since conducted, but the distillery is only operated once in a while. Mr. Small has been twice married, and is the father of six children: Charlotte, Minnie A., Lulu M., John A., David V. and Henry C. Mr. Small is one of the prominent men of Franklin County.

JACOB W. SMITH, farmer, P. O. St. Thomas, was born in Peters Township, Franklin Co., Penn., February 24, 1855, and is a son of Adam and Catherine (Fritz) Smith, natives of Franklin County, Penn., and of German descent. Adam Smith was formerly a farmer, but is now living a retired life in Loudon, aged about fifty-six years. He owns 180 acres of land and prop-

erty in Loudon. He was drafted into the service, and paid \$400 for a substitute. Our subject was reared on a farm, and remained at home until eighteen years of age, when he went to Ogle County, Ill., and farmed two years; then came back and remained one year; then went to Berrien County, Mich., where he farmed one year. While there he was married, September 5, 1878, to Anna M. Peck, daughter of Jacob Peck, and they are the parents of three children: Alna M., Charles C. and William E. In 1879 Mr. Smith moved to where he now lives on his father's farm, and cultivates eighty acres of land. He has one of the finest farms in St. Thomas Township. Mr. Smith is an intelligent citizen, and has a host of friends. He is a Democrat in politics.

JOHN H. STICKELL, coachmaker, Williamson, was born in St. Thomas, this county, May 16, 1851, a son of Samuel C. and Elizabeth (Zentmeyer) Stickell, and of German descent. His grandfather, Henry, lived near Marion until his death, at the age of eighty years; he was a carpenter by trade, which he followed all his life. Samuel C. (father of John H.) was born near Marion, where he lived until he was married, when he moved to St. Thomas. He learned the carpenter's trade when young, and followed it all his life. He enlisted in the nine months' service under Capt. Harmon, of Chambersburg, and at the expiration of his term of enlistment enlisted in Company D, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry, serving two years. He was wounded near Richmond, Va. He had eaten breakfast and lain down to rest, when a sharpshooter shot him through the left arm, the ball, going in at the elbow and coming out at the wrist and passing on, wounded another man also in the arm, the ball dropping out of his sleeve. Mr. Stickell was taken to the field hospital, then to City Point, New York City; thence home, where his wound became worse, and he lingered between life and death for some time. The doctor reported him fit to move, and he was ordered to report for duty at Philadelphia, but was obliged to stop at Little York, where he lingered again between life and death for some months. He finally recovered, however, and is now living at the age of sixty years with his son, John H. He was the father of eight children, seven of whom are living. John H. was reared in the vicinity of Upton, and learned the blacksmith's trade when he was but sixteen or seventeen years old, which he has since followed. He is a natural genius in wood work; can make almost anything that can be made of wood, but makes a specialty of coachmaking. He learned his trade near Upton, but moved to Cashtown in 1872, and remained there until 1876, when he came to Williamson, and here he has since resided. In the spring of 1880 he bought a lot and built a neat cottage on the place where he is now living. Mr. Stickell is one of the best workmen in Franklin County, and deserves credit for his enterprise and intelligence in business. He carries on coachmaking, and is also engaged in growing water cresses. He is a Republican in politics.

ADAM M. STROCK, farmer, P. O. Edenville, was born in Franklin County, Penn., September 21, 1844, and is a son of Adam and Elizabeth (Myers) Strock, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His father, a farmer, owns 116 acres near St. Thomas, which he rents, and is now living with his daughter, Lydia Croft, the wife of John Croft, Jr. Adam M. Strock was reared on a farm and remained with his parents until twenty-one years old, when he started out for himself and worked for his father two years; he then took shares, farming three years for the third of the crops, and seven years for the half. In the spring of 1880 he moved to where he now lives and bought eighty-one acres of land. He was married March 2, 1871, to Eliza, daughter of John and Clara (Swartz) Gelwicks, and they are the

parents of one child, Clara E. Mr. and Mrs. Strock are members of the Lutheran Church. He is a Democrat in politics, and is a substantial farmer of St. Thomas Township.

JOHN WALKER, farmer, P. O. Edenville, was born in St. Thomas Township, this county, April 18, 1824, and is a son of George and Jane (Weir) Walker, both natives of Pennsylvania and of Scotch-Irish descent. His grandfather, Robert, was born December 25, 1761, in Ireland. He landed at Philadelphia August 22, 1786; settled in what was then Hamilton Township, Cumberland County, now St. Thomas Township, Franklin County, in September of the same year, and bought a farm near Franklin Furnace, where he soon after commenced the erection of the first fulling-mill west of Carlisle. He died April 16, 1837, aged seventy-eight years. Mr. Walker has the first deed of the Wilson farm he now owns, dated in 1779, and which was scorched during the fire when his house was burned, making it almost unreadable. John Wilson paid the enormous sum of £9,000 for 212 acres of land in Continental money. When John Walker bought it he paid \$14,627.32 for 241 acres. George Walker, our subject's father, was a fuller by trade, but followed farming the most of his life. He owned the place where his father settled and lived most of his life; he died at the home of his son John, in Hamilton Township, June 13, 1868. Our subject was reared on a farm, and remained with his parents until twenty-three years of age, when he started in life for himself, and rented for several years. He rented a farm from the Wilsons twenty years; then bought it and remained until coming to the place where he now resides. He now owns 143 acres of land where he lives, and a small piece of timber land. He has been twice married; first, March 12, 1846, to Sarah, daughter of William Gillan. They were the parents of seven children: Samuel G., John E., Sarah J., Mary E., Martha, George and Margaret E. Mrs. Walker died November 30, 1869, and Mr. Walker next married, January 2, 1873, Sarah Shields, a native of Westmoreland County, Penn., and a daughter of John W. and Rebecca (Craig) Shields, of Scotch-Irish descent. By this marriage was born one son, Thomas W. Mr. and Mrs. Walker are members of the Central Presbyterian Church of Chambersburg. Mr. Walker owns one of the finest farms in St. Thomas Township, and is quite a prominent citizen of Franklin County. He holds a receipt for money paid, dated February 9, 1765: "Received of Joseph Armstrong £65 in full for 226 acres of land in Hamilton Township, Cumberland County, surveyed to his father by warrant June 15, 1752." Samuel Craig, great-grandfather of Mrs. Walker, and his three eldest sons all served in the Revolutionary war; Mr. Craig was commissary, and the duties of his office called him to Fort Ligonier, at which place he was taken prisoner by the Indians; on Chestnut Ridge his beautiful bay mare was found dead, perforated by eight bullets. Fragments of paper were found strewn along the path to indicate the direction the Indians took. All efforts of his family to ascertain his fate were unavailing. Some exchanged prisoners reported afterward that an old man who was a prisoner with them would have been exchanged at the same time if he had not been sick and unable to travel; he may possibly have been Mr. Craig. He resided in New Jersey and removed to Westmoreland County, Penn., in or about 1772. He purchased the beautiful tract of land owned by Thomas Burbridge, situated east of the Loyalhanna. Burbridge had bought the land from the Indians, and the price paid was a few quarts of whisky and some trinkets. He married Elizabeth McDonald, a Scotch lady, and nine children were born to them, of whom two died in infancy. Mrs. Craig and two of her children died of small-pox within the space of three days. Before



his removal to Westmoreland County Mr. Craig married an Irish lady, Jane Boyd, by whom he had six more children: Andrew, Joseph, William, Jane, Nancy and Rebecca.

JACOB B. WENTLING, farmer, P. O. Williamson, was born in Antrim Township, Franklin Co., Penn., October 30, 1840, and is a son of Jacob and Elizabeth (Beams) Wentling, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent, the former of whom, a farmer by occupation, is now living in this county. Our subject was reared on a farm, and remained with his parents until twenty-one years of age, when he hired out for three years. In 1861 he was drafted into Company I, Two Hundred and Eighth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served nine months. After the expiration of that time he returned home, remaining there one year. He then enlisted in Company B, Two Hundred and Fifty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served nine months. He was in the battles of Fort Steadman and Petersburg; was a faithful soldier and always served in the front line of battle. At the expiration of his time he returned home and rented for thirteen years. In 1881 he bought eighty-five acres of land where he now resides and which he still owns. He has been twice married: first in 1860 to Catherine Rotz, who bore him one child, now deceased. Mrs. Wentling died in 1861, and in 1865 Mr. Wentling married Mary Carman. They are the parents of thirteen children, seven of whom are living: Anna E., David B., Catherine, William, Samuel, Ann and Ida. Mr. and Mrs. Wentling are members of the River Brethren Church.

DAVID WISE, farmer, P. O. St. Thomas, was born in Peters Township, Franklin Co., Penn., August 23, 1850, and is a son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Lininger) Wise, both natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent. His grandfather, John, came from Lancaster County to Franklin County at an early day and located in Path Valley. His father, Samuel, was born in Lancaster County, but left there when quite young and located in Peters Township, near Loudon, where he is yet engaged in farming. John Wise's great-grandfather, John, came from Germany at an early day and settled in Lancaster County, where he remained until his death. He was an early settler of that county, coming there when the red man was yet to be seen. David Wise was reared on a farm and remained at home until twenty-three years of age, when he began life for himself and worked out two years. He then married, rented a farm from T. B. Kennedy and remained three years. He then moved to Guilford Township and rented from the same man for eight years, then bought a farm of ninety-one acres, known as the "Zent farm," where he remained one year; then sold out and bought a farm in the spring of 1886, where he now resides. It is well improved, with good buildings, etc., and is all under cultivation. He owns sixty-eight acres, but cultivates 128 acres, of which a part belongs to M. Miller. He married, September 6, 1874, Clara E. Hocken-smith, of Fulton County, Penn., and they are the parents of two children: William E. and Martha E. Mr. Wise is an intelligent and enterprising citizen of Franklin County. In politics he is a Republican.

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## SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP AND BOROUGH OF ORRSTOWN.

HARRY BRENNEMAN, dealer, P. O. Shippensburg, was born November 18, 1842, two and one-half miles east of Carlisle, a son of Elias Brenneman,

who came from Lancaster County, Penn., and was a son of Melchior and May (Baughman) Brenneman, and is still living. The latter came from Lebanon County, and is of German descent. Elias Brenneman married Mary Hertzler, and nine children were born to them. Harry, our subject, was educated in Cumberland County and reared on a farm. October 30, 1867, he married Miss Adeline, daughter of Henry and Eliza (Wolf) Shuman, and they have five children: Elsie A., Emma L., Flora Idella, Charley M. and Clara A. He farmed on the old Shuman place for some nine years; then came to Shippensburg and has since been dealing in stock, especially in horses, buying chiefly in Virginia and the West, keeping his stables in Shippensburg. The last eight years he has been auctioneering in Cumberland and Franklin Counties. Politically he is identified with the Republican party. Henry Shuman, a son of Henry Shuman, Sr., was born near Orrstown, this county; he was a farmer, and owned 150 acres of land, where he died, aged sixty-eight years, August 27, 1872. He married Barbara Martin, and after her death married Eliza Wolf (who survives him), a daughter of Leonard and Anna (Kimmel) Wolf. Our subject and wife are members of the Lutheran Church.

WILLIAM F. CRAMER, farmer, P. O. Orrstown, was born October 5, 1829, in Southampton Township, Franklin Co., Penn.; the family are of German origin. The grandfather, Peter Cramer, was a farmer in Cumberland County, Penn., where he died; his son, John Cramer, was born in Cumberland County, and married Rebecca Brown, who died at the age of eighty-seven years, the mother of three children: Peter, John and William F. Our subject was educated in this county, and has followed farming all his life, he owns a farm of 177 acres in Letterkenny Township, this county. He first married Harriet Wallace, who died at the age of thirty-three years. His present wife is Mary E. Wallace, a sister of his first wife and a daughter of James and Mary (Reynolds) Wallace. Mr. and Mrs. Cramer are members of the Lutheran Church. Politically he is a Democrat. He leads a retired life, though he farms a little on a tract of twenty-one acres near town.

SAMUEL HOOVER, farmer, P. O. Middle Spring, Cumberland County, was born December 4, 1827, in Cumberland County, Penn. His forefathers were Germans and settled in Pennsylvania. His great-grandfather, Christian Hoover, a native of Germany, came to this country in an early day; the names of his children are John, Martin, Christian, Peter Daniel and David; Catharine, married to Abraham Martin (moved to New York State), and Magdalene Kries, who lived and died in Pennsylvania. Our subject's grandfather, Martin Hoover, lived in Adams County, Penn., and married Mary Graybill of York County. In 1816 he came to Cumberland County, where he died on the homestead of a stroke of apoplexy, at the age of sixty-seven years; his widow died in 1854. They were the parents of eleven children: John, Christian, Joseph, David, Nancy, Fannie, Leah, Maria, Samuel, Joel and Benjamin. Of these, John came to Franklin County in 1829 and died in the spring of 1877. He was a good farmer, a member of the River Brethren denomination. Our subject's mother, *nee* Catherine Shullenberger, died in 1872 aged sixty-nine years. Their children were Samuel, Benjamin, Martin, Mary and Elizabeth. Our subject was educated in Lurgan Township, this county, and all his life has followed farming, at which he has been successful. He has two farms, one of 161 and the other of 147 acres. He married Miss Fanny, daughter of Jacob Brechbill, and a native of near Chambersburg, this county. By this union there are seven children: Aaron B., Noah, John M., Samuel S., Levi T., Henry J. and Mary C. (the wife of Samuel Wenger). Mr. and Mrs. Hoover are members of the River Brethren denomination, of which he was ordained a minister in 1880. Politically he is a Republican.

ROBERT CLARK JOHNSTON, farmer, P. O. Shippensburg, was born May 8, 1831, on a farm on the old Chambers road, where his father, Squire Johnston, then resided. His great-grandfather, John Johnston, came from Ireland, but was of Scotch descent, and settled in Southampton Township, Franklin Co., Penn., prior to the Revolution. He bought many hundred acres of land, became wealthy and married a Miss Edmundson, who died at the age of eighty-four years. Two of his sons fought in the Revolution, and one of them, John, was taken prisoner in a church in Philadelphia, and died probably of neglect or starvation. Another son, Benjamin, was born in this county, and died here at the age of seventy-four years. He farmed on the old homestead and married Jane Breckenridge, a daughter of John and Sarah (Culbertson) Breckenridge. The latter, who was one of the Culbertsons of "Culbertson's Row," died aged sixty-four years, the mother of the following named children: John, James, Robert, Joseph, Samuel, George, Margaret (married Adam Snoddy and died at the age of seventy-four years), Sally and Rebecca. George Johnston was an extensive farmer, and died in May, 1884, aged eighty-five years. He married Sarah, a daughter of Robert Clark; she died young, leaving the following named children: Elizabeth, Jane, Robert C. (our subject), Joseph, Rebecca and James. The Johnstons were members of Rocky and Middle Springs Presbyterian Church. George was a Democrat, and served as justice of the peace for many years; was appointed by the governor, but afterward elected by the people. Our subject was educated here and all his life has followed agricultural pursuits. He married Miss Martha, daughter of John Orr, of Orrstown, this county, a member of the pioneer Orr family, and their children are Jane, Lucy, Robert and Elizabeth. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston are members of the Presbyterian Church. Politically he is a Democrat.

GEORGE V. JOHNSTON, farmer, P. O. Shippensburg, was born March 9, 1835, in Southampton Township, this county, a son of John and Mary (Vance) Johnston. The grandfather, George Johnston, lived on the Harrisburg and Chambersburg pike, where he and his wife died, he at the age of sixty-two, and she aged sixty-five years. They were the parents of twelve children. The grandfather farmed on a large scale, having several hundred acres; he was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and politically an old line Whig. His son John settled where our subject now resides, and farmed, but lived the last fifteen years of his life in Shippensburg, where he died at the age of eighty years. He was a Republican and filled township and county offices, among which was that of county commissioner; he was a Presbyterian. His first wife was Mary, daughter of John and Margaret (McCulloch) Vance, residents of Falling Spring, near Chambersburg; she died at the age of forty-six the mother of five children: Margaret, Mary, Anna, George V. and John E. His second wife was Amanda Otis, who is yet living in Shippensburg. George V., our subject, was educated at the schools of his native county, and at Shippensburg Academy; he was a farmer in early life, and in 1858 went to Shippensburg where he engaged in the hardware business for five years. In 1878 he once more returned to the old place of 160 acres where he has since resided. He married in Shippensburg, Miss Abbey, a daughter of Dr. William Rankin, a pioneer of that place. Two children were born to them: William Rankin, born February 12, 1872, and John V. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston are Presbyterians. He is identified with the Republican party.

JAMES JOHNSTON, farmer, P. O. Shippensburg, was born in May 1849, on the old family homestead in Southampton Township, Franklin Co., Penn., a son of George and Sarah (Clark) Johnston. (For ancestral history see sketch

of R. C. Johnston.) He was educated in this county and has followed farming, and is now the owner of two fine farms, one containing 122 acres and the other 102 acres. He married Martha J., a daughter of Samuel E. and Mary (McFern) Baker, old settlers of Franklin County, and who now reside in Cumberland County, Penn. To Mr. and Mrs. Johnston were born the following named children: Albertha, George, Edward, Albert, Joseph, William, Arthur and Benjamin. Politically Mr. Johnston is a Democrat, as were also his ancestors.

SAMUEL KNISLEY, retired, Orrstown, was born March 8, 1826, in Cumberland County, Penn. The family were first represented in America by three brothers who came from Switzerland. The grandfather was born in York County, Penn.; his son, Jacob, married in Cumberland County, where he taught school and also engaged in milling. In 1828 Jacob came to Franklin County and farmed in Southampton Township; he died in Orrstown, in 1846, aged forty-seven years. He was an active member of the Church of God, a deacon; was also a member of the building committee who erected the church in Orrstown, and was one of the original trustees. He married Leah, daughter of Ephraim Bear. She is still living with our subject, and is now eighty years old. Her children were Samuel, Mary A., Catherine and Jacob B., who was killed in the late Rebellion at the battle of Chancellorsville. Our subject was educated in this county. In early life he followed farming, and at the age of fifteen learned the tailor's trade. In 1855 he entered mercantile business, which he followed for nearly thirty years. His first wife was Martha Strawbridge, and after her death he married Mrs. Laura H. Mountz, *nee* Bricker, of Cumberland County, Penn. Mr. Knisley is a member of the Church of God; was a member of the first Sabbath-school, which he assisted in organizing in August, 1846; has since been an officer or a teacher, and has been superintendent for many years. Politically he is a Republican; in 1871 he was elected to the office of county treasurer and served two terms to the satisfaction of all. He received a majority of thirty votes in his own township, which is strongly Democratic.

JACOB KOSER, retired, Shippensburg, was born November 17, 1827, in Southampton Township, this county. His ancestors were French Huguenots, who settled in Lancaster County, Penn., where the grandfather, Jacob, was born and there died. Jacob married a Miss Bittner, who bore him several children, and his son, Jacob, born in Lancaster County, came to Franklin County about 1806, settled in Southampton Township and carried on farming the latter part of his life; in early life he followed shoemaking many years; he married Elizabeth Plasterer, a native of Lancaster County, Penn., and died here at the age of seventy-three years; he died when nearly seventy years old. Of his ten children five are living: Mary, Samuel, Lydia, David and Jacob. The subject of this sketch was educated in his native county and followed agricultural pursuits until 1874, when he moved to near Shippensburg, and for the last year has lived in the city, superintending his farm. He married twice in Cumberland County. His first wife was Susan Cressler, who died shortly after marriage. His second marriage was with Elizabeth Wingert, a daughter of John and Catherine (Zimmerman) Wingert. Our subject has two children: John J. and Newton A. The former is a physician in the borough of Shippensburg, and the latter is in the drug business in California. Mr. Koser is a Republican in politics; also a member of the Church of God.

ALEXANDER W. KYNER, farmer, P. O. Shippensburg, was born January 16, 1825, on the Kyner homestead in this township. His grandfather, Conrad, came from Germany and settled in Culbertson's Row, where he lived

and died. He married a Miss Stumbach, and had a family of seven children. Of these, George lived in the Row in early life, married and moved to the Slate Hills, where he owned a farm, and bought 150 acres from Ben Reynolds, an old settler, and died at the age of ninety years. He was a Whig, and a member of the Lutheran Church, as was also his wife, *nee* Miss Nye, who died young, the mother of four children: Mary, Catherine, Margaret and John. His second wife was Mary Shields, a native of this county, and a daughter of John Shields, a native of Ireland, but of Scotch descent. She died in Shippenburg, aged eighty-five years, the mother of the following named children: Jane A. Marshall, Euphemia C. Duncan, Anna McCornic, Dr. David T. and Alexander W. Our subject was educated in the schools of his native county, and has followed farming all his life. He first married Elizabeth Fogelsonger, who died at the age of twenty-five years. His present wife is Elvira, a daughter of Joseph Reed of Adams County, Penn., and of an old pioneer family of Scotch-Irish descent. Their children are Elizabeth E., Euphemia C. and George A. Mrs. Kyner is a member of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Kyner is a Republican. He has about 400 acres of land which he has greatly improved. Mrs. Mary (Shields) Kyner was a member of the old Covenanter Church, as was also her mother, who was Jane Thompson of an old Scotch family, who settled near Scotland, Franklin County.

DR. A. K. LEBERKNIGHT, P. O. Orrstown, was born June 4, 1850, in Hamilton Township, this county, where his father still resides. His grandfather, Frederick Leberknight, who was of German descent, died in Maryland. His son Daniel, a farmer by occupation, father of our subject, came to Hamilton Township, Franklin Co., Penn., in an early day. He married Miss Susan Kuhn, who died in 1856 aged forty-six. Their children are Daniel, Frederick, John and Adam K.; of these, John died at the age of twenty-two years. The father married for his second wife Miss Elizabeth Holland, a native of this county, and who died in 1885. The children born to this union are James M.; Mrs. Martha Deck and Mrs. Susan Shuman. Our subject was reared and received his early education in his native county. He then read medicine with Dr. F. B. Leberknight of Newburg, Cumberland Co., Penn.; later he attended lectures at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, and graduated in the spring of 1878. He then spent one year at Newburg, after which he came to Orrstown, Franklin County, where he is now the only physician in the place, and has a lucrative practice. He first married Elizabeth Easton, who died at the age of twenty, the mother of one child, Adam Miller. His present wife is Alice R., daughter of Peter Keefer, and they have two children, Charles K., and Hattie L. Politically the Doctor is identified with the Democratic party. The family attend the services of the Lutheran Church.

JAMES LINN (deceased) was born July 30, 1820, on the old homestead of the pioneer Linn family, in Lurgan Township, this county. He was a son of William and Mary (Galbraith) Linn, was educated in Lurgan Township and at the age of nine years came to Southampton Township, this county, where he also attended school. He followed farming, was very successful, owning 284 acres of land, known as one of the best farms in the county; was a Democrat and served as supervisor, and also held other township offices. November 28, 1876, he married Miss Jennie E., a daughter of James and Margaret B. (Steele) Coffey, latter a native of Franklin County. Four children were born to this union: James McCarroll, William G. Floyd E. and Mary Bell. The Linn family were Presbyterians, and Mrs. Jennie Linn, subject's widow, is also a Presbyterian. Her husband's father and brother were elders of the Middle Spring Presbyterian Church. William Linn was one of the Baltimore defenders in the war of

1812. Mrs. Linn's four brothers are James, Samuel B., George W. and Gilson K. Coffey. Of these Samuel B. was educated in this county and learned the printer's trade at the office of the *Sentinel* in Shippensburg; later was editor of the *Clarion Democrat* of Clarion County, Penn., and now resides in Philadelphia.

JAMES M. MAIN, farmer, P. O. Shippensburg, was born October 13, 1836, in Cumberland County, Penn., where his father had lived several years. His ancestors were born in Scotland, but later removed to Ireland, whence the grandfather, Marshall Main, emigrated to America and settled in Southampton Township, this county, on the farm which is yet owned by his grandchildren. He bought from the Government 700 or 800 acres of land, which is now divided into four farms and owned by his grandchildren. He died at the age of sixty years, a member of the Presbyterian Church. He had four children, of whom William M. was born on the farm, followed agricultural pursuits, and married Sarah H., daughter of Obediah Patterson, of an old family. She died August 15, 1881, aged seventy-eight years, two months and nineteen days, the mother of three children: Ann Mary and Sarah H., both residing in Newville, and James M. The father was an elder in the United Presbyterian Church at Newville, Cumberland Co., Penn.; politically he is a Republican. He died in the house now occupied by our subject September 27, 1882, aged seventy-two years. Our subject was reared on the farm and educated at the schools of his native township and at Carlisle, Penn. After his school days he conducted a store, which his father had opened for him in Mainsville, where he had also erected several houses, the town being named for the family. He kept the store from June, 1866, until a month before his father's death, when he sold out and came to the farm where he now resides and where he has since remained. He married Anna M., a daughter of Thomas and Catherine (Ryan) Sibbet, the former a native of the North of Ireland, the latter of Cumberland County, Penn., a daughter of Timothy and Rachel (Williamson) Ryan, natives of Ireland. Mr. and Mrs. Main have three children living: William Thomas, Wilson L. and Harper P.; two died in infancy, and Sarah Roberta died at the age of ten years. Our subject and wife are members of the United Presbyterian Church. He is a Republican, owns 136 acres of land, and property in Mainsville; also some timber land on the mountain.

JAMES M. MAIN, farmer, P. O. Shippensburg, was born July 30, 1847, on the old homestead of the Main family in Southampton Township, Franklin Co., Penn. He is a son of Marshall Main, who was also born there, and died there May 4, 1868, aged fifty-four years. The latter was a farmer, and owned about 314 acres of land and also some timber land. He married Sarah N., daughter of Thomas Bell, of Cumberland County, Penn. She died here September 10, 1854, aged forty-five years, the mother of seven children: Mrs. Jane Mary Hayes, Thomas B. (who was killed in the army), William J., James M., Mrs. Sarah M. Fuller, John D. (near Newville, Cumberland County) and Robert K. (in Minnesota). The parents were members of the old seceders' church at Newville, Cumberland County. The father was a Democrat and a strong Union man. His son, Thomas B., was a captain, and served nearly through the whole of the war; enlisting at the age of eighteen, he was nearly three years in the Third New York Cavalry, and was killed in the service while captain of Company A. Our subject was reared on the farm and educated in Cumberland and Franklin Counties. He has followed farming all his life, and now owns 153 acres of land. He married Miss Ella R., daughter of Robert F. McCune, and their children are Sarah B., R. Marshall, Charles Oscar and Joseph S. Mr. and Mrs. Main are members of the Presbyterian Church. In politics he is a Democrat.

J. H. McCULLOCH, farmer, P. O. Middle Spring, Cumberland County, was born March 5, 1822, in Newton Township, Cumberland Co., Penn. The great-grandfather, James McCulloch, immigrated to America when a young man, and settled in Cumberland County, Penn. He was a farmer there, and the fourth generation now possesses the land he owned and improved, William R. McCulloch, a brother of our subject, now owning it. James McCulloch was a member of the Presbyterian Church; he had three sons and three daughters; James, John, William, Sarah, Jane, and Mrs. McCormick. Of these James was a thrifty farmer, a member of the United Presbyterian Church. He married Mary Henderson and both died on the homestead, their children were John, Thomas, William, James, Sarah, Eliza, Mary J. and Margaret. Of these John was born on the homestead and died there in 1866 aged seventy-three years. He was an elder in the United Presbyterian Church; married Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Clark, formerly the owner of the Linn property in Franklin County. She died near the homestead in Newton Township in 1845, aged forty-five, leaving six children: Robert, James H., Thomas, Mrs. Elizabeth Mickey, William R. and Charles. Of these James H. was educated in the log schoolhouses of his native county. In the spring of 1867 he came to Southampton Township, this county, and bought a farm of 145 acres from Adam Shoemaker, better known as the "old Montgomery farm," which is kept in a high state of cultivation. He first married Sarah Mickey, who died at the age of thirty-two years the mother of the following named children: John C., Thomas J. and Alexander S., all farmers. He next married Mrs. Mary Mateer, *nee* Kelso, and their children are Belle C., William M. and Mary E. (wife of D. S. Woodburn). Mr. and Mrs. McCulloch are members of the Presbyterian Church. Politically he is a Democrat.

DAVID L. POWDERS, retired, Orrstown, was born April 23, 1841, in Orrstown, Franklin Co., Penn. His grandfather, John Powders, came from Lancaster County, and settled in the southern part of the State, and while freighting, he disappeared, team and all, and was never again heard of. The family are of German extraction. John Powders, our subject's father, came to this county at the age of seven years, and remained with an old Dunkard minister until he was fifteen. He then returned to Cumberland County, where he learned his trade, and at the age of twenty-one came again to Franklin County. His wife, Mary, daughter of David Leshar, died here in August, 1881, aged sixty-seven years, the mother of six children, David L. and Lydia, wife of Joseph Karper, surviving. Our subject was educated here and in the agricultural College at Centre County, Penn. He taught school a number of terms. He also learned and followed the shoemaker's trade. He enlisted in the nine months' service in the fall of 1862, in Company D, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment. In the fall of 1864 he was appointed recruiting officer and assisted in forming Company F, Two Hundred and Seventh Pennsylvania Volunteers; was elected first lieutenant of the company and served until the close of the war. He assisted in the battles of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville and minor engagements, also in the capture of Fort Steadman, siege of Petersburg and others of less importance. After the war he returned to Orrstown and engaged in mercantile business; also was postmaster until 1874, when he removed to Sac County, Iowa, and farmed until the spring of 1884, when he returned to the old home. He received injuries in the service which caused him to lead a retired life, and for which he draws a pension from the Government. He married in the fall of 1865 Miss Mattie E., daughter of Jacob and Martha (Bowman) Bear, and they have three children. Mr. and Mrs. Powders are members of the Church of God. Politically he is a Democrat.

SIMON P. SHIELDS, farmer, P. O. Orrstown, was born May 20, 1824, in Letterkenny Township, this county. His great-grandfather, Arthur Shields, emigrated from Ireland and settled in York County, Penn., about 1730; his son, Thomas Shields, born in York County, Penn., came to Franklin County and settled in Amberson's Valley, where he died; he had several children, one of whom, Arthur, came to Letterkenny Township, where he farmed and also followed milling. He (Arthur) died in that township at the age of sixty-two years and eleven months. He married Catherine, daughter of Philip Shuman, and she died in Lurgan Township at the age of seventy-eight years the mother of the following named children: Catherine, Barbara A., Isabella, William, Simon P., Eliza, Maria and Andrew. Of these Simon P. was educated in this county, and in early life followed plastering for about fifteen years. He has since been engaged in farming and has a farm of 160 acres. He married Miss Susan, a daughter of Jacob Wise, of an old pioneer family. Their children now living are Jenetta, David H. and Joseph B. (the latter is in Kansas and David H. is on the farm in Lurgan Township, this county). Mr. and Mrs. Shields are members of the Lutheran Church. Politically he is a Democrat and has served as auditor, judge of election and member of the school board.

JOHN SHOAP, farmer, P. O. Shippensburg, was born November 30, 1819, in Cumberland County, Penn. His grandfather, Nicholas Shope (as the name was then spelled), a blacksmith, came from Germany and settled in this county. He was married, reared several children and died near Roxbury. His son, William Shope, who was a farmer, died in Cumberland County, when over ninety years of age. He married Nancy Gerrick, who also died there, the mother of the following named children: Maria, Betsey, Agnes, John, Martha, William and Ann. Of these, John Shoap, our subject, was reared on the farm and has followed agriculture all his life. In 1849 he married, and resided three years in Mifflin Township, Cumberland County; later came to Franklin County and farmed one year on the John Smith place. In the spring of 1854 he came to the farm of Dr. Rankin and carried it on for nineteen years. It was then sold to Mr. McClean, and Mr. Shoap still remains as a tenant. He proposes to relinquish farming the coming spring (of 1887) and remove to the borough of Shippensburg. His wife is Barbara A., daughter of Samuel Heberlig, of Cumberland County, Penn., and their children are Samuel H., Mary C., S. Ann, Hannah J., William John, David R., Emma E. and Edward. Mary C. married William Kitzmiller, and is now deceased. Mr. Shoap is identified with the Democratic party. The family attend the worship of the German Reformed Church.

HENDERSON G. SKILES, farmer, P. O. Shippensburg, was born January 25, 1825, in Newton Township, Cumberland Co., Penn. His grandparents were of Scotch-Irish descent, and lived in Lancaster County, where their son Davis was born, and married Miss Elizabeth Moore, of Perry County, Penn., who died at the home of her son, our subject, in this county, at the age of sixty-eight years. She had four children: Mrs. Margaret Cope, Henderson G., Mrs. Martha W. McPherson and D. W. Davis Skiles worked at his trade, blacksmithing, in Cumberland County, and finally came to Franklin County, where he followed farming and died at the age of fifty years. He and his wife were members of the Presbyterian Church, as were also their children. Politically he was a Democrat. Our subject was educated principally in Cumberland County and follows farming, now owning 105 acres, well improved. He married, in Shippensburg, Miss Martha A. Snodgrass, and their children are James W., married to Miss Jane Bard (they have four children: Libby M., Bruce H., Gurtty B. and Mary E.); Howard C., married to Miss Sarah Ranshaw



(they had four children: Henderson J., Estella F., Elnora M. and Lizzey C.), and Estella M., the wife of Gilson Coffey, of Dry Run. Politically Mr. Skiles is a Democrat. The family are connected with Middle Spring Church.

**WILLIAM B. SMITH**, farmer, Orrstown, was born October 27, 1833, near Strasburg, Franklin Co., Penn., and is a son of William L. Smith, who was born, reared and educated in Litchfield, Conn., and at the age of twenty, in company with four others, came to Pennsylvania. Here they engaged in the notion business and traveled all over the country. George Smith, the brother of William L., settled finally in Philadelphia. William L. settled at Mechanicsburg, Penn., and then came to this county, locating near Strasburg, where he married before he went to Mechanicsburg. In the fall of 1842 he settled in Orrstown, where he was a farmer and merchant. He and his wife were active members of the Presbyterian Church. Politically he was an old line Whig. He married Mary A. Bigler, a full cousin of Gov. Bigler, of Pennsylvania, and of John Bigler, governor of California. William L. Smith died in Orrstown, March 10, 1872, aged sixty-nine years. His widow still resides in Chambersburg, at the age of seventy-seven years. The following children were born to them: Mrs. Nancy J. Blair, deceased; William Bigler; Mrs. Ann E. Kinter, of Millerstown; Mrs. Miranda L. Means, of Middle Spring, Cumberland Co., Penn., and Mrs. Jennie E. Sharp, of Chambersburg, this county. William Bigler Smith, our subject, was educated principally in the schools of his native county. He was in mercantile business in Shippensburg, and two years after his father's death was engaged in the hardware business. He then came to Orrstown, and has since been engaged in farming. Here he married Miss Elizabeth, a daughter of Joseph Means, of Cumberland County, Penn., and of an old Irish family. Five children were born to this union: Minnie (wife of William Deardorff, of Chambersburg, this county), Anna, Joseph M., George L. and Jennie E. Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are members of the Presbyterian Church, of which he has been trustee for twelve years. Politically he is a Republican.

**WILLIAM S. ZEIGLER**, farmer, P. O. Middle Spring, Cumberland County, was born October 10, 1846, in Fannett Township, this county. His ancestors came from Germany. His grandfather, Michael Zeigler, lived near Shippensburg, Penn., where he farmed and resided several years; later he moved to Galesburg, Ill., where he died at the home of his son, Isaac Zeigler. He was a resident of Newville, Cumberland Co., Penn., several years before moving west to his son Isaac. His son Henry manipulated a pottery in Newville, Penn., until his death. His children were William, Isaac, Henry, Michael, Mrs. Susan Walters, Mrs. Mary A. Kegerreis and Mrs. Elizabeth Reboch. Isaac, Michael and William were tanners. Isaac was married in Path Valley, this county, where he followed his trade and lived until about 1856, when he went west and settled in Galesburg, Ill. Previously he traveled through different States and Territories. At Galesburg he associated with James Andrews, a former resident of Path Valley, and together they built up quite a trade in the hardware business; he was numbered among the leading citizens of that place. He died in the fall of 1871, aged fifty-one years. He was a member of the Baptist Church; politically a Republican. He married Mary A., daughter of Lawrence and Mary A. (Skinner) Hammond, old settlers of the valley. Lawrence Hammond was born in Spring Run in February, 1797; was married to Mary Skinner March 16, 1818; moved to Spring Run in April, 1818. There they lived together on the same farm continuously until his death which occurred April 6, 1883. He left to his children property amounting to over \$100,000. They were the parents of fifteen children, and

had sixty-four grandchildren, 118 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. His wife, Mary Hammond, has lived to nurse five generations. She is still living (December 4, 1886) with her daughter, Mrs. William A. Mackey, on the "old homestead." Lawrence and Mary Hammond, in the presence of many relatives, celebrated in 1868 and 1878, respectively, the fiftieth and sixtieth anniversary of their wedding. Mrs. Mary A. Zeigler died in 1854. Their children were William S., Mrs. Anna M. Griffith, of Galesburg, Ill., and Jennie Lind Zeigler, who died in Galesburg in the fall of 1868, aged eighteen years. Our subject was educated in this county, and farmed for his grandfather Hammond seventeen successive years, until the spring of 1884, in Path Valley. He then removed to Southampton Township, where he owns two farms and also two store properties in Galesburg, Ill. He first married Hattie Rhodes, who died March 24, 1871, in Path Valley, the mother of one child—Jennie Lind, who died March 24, 1870. His second wife, Rachel P. Hoch, is the mother of one girl—Anna M. Mr. Zeigler is a Democrat, as was also his grandfather, and has filled township offices in Path Valley.

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## WARREN TOWNSHIP.

JOSIAH M. GRIER, farmer, P. O. Sylvan, was born October 8, 1841, in Southampton Township, this county, a son of Josiah and Mary (McLean) Grier. Soon after the birth of our subject, Mr. Grier died, and in 1855 his widow married Jacob Byers; in 1861 they moved to Warren Township. November 28, 1864, Josiah M. enlisted in Company I, eighty-second Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and participated in the engagements in front of Petersburg, Sailor's Creek, as well as numerous others. At the battle of Sailor's Creek he was wounded, disabled for further duty, discharged and returned home. A year later he was so far recovered that he was able to work, and in the autumn of 1867 he married Martha E., daughter of Solomon and Susan (Stoner) Cook. (Mr. Cook was born and reared in this valley, and is one of the oldest men living in the neighborhood.) The young couple began their domestic life upon the farm where Mr. Grier now resides, and which he purchased in 1866. Here for eighteen years they lived, prospered and reared seven children: Mary M., Elsie N., Crawford C., Solomon M., Chauncey M., Calvin S. and Michael M. In 1884 the death of Mrs. Grier occurred, the first real sorrow that visited the household, and the first link broken in the family circle. Mr. Grier has served as assessor of the township and judge of election at different times. He is Republican by birth and education. He has lately added to the attractiveness of his property by erecting a handsome two-story cottage. His daughters keep house for him.

JOHN ZIMMERMAN, merchant, Sylvan. In 1800 Jacob Zimmerman came from near Creagerstown, Md., to Pennsylvania, and later married Martha, daughter of Frederick Smith, one of the early settlers of Bedford County. After marriage Jacob began domestic life on his father's farm, which he had previously purchased (the ancestral farm is now the property of Abraham Zimmerman). Later he purchased a farm adjoining Sylvan, on which was a mill built by David John; it was the first erected on Cove Creek and was used only for cheap feed; this was replaced by a grist-mill made of logs, which was, in 1838, torn down and a large three-story and basement stone-mill erected

by Jacob. He was an enterprising and energetic business man, and a prominent figure in the early history of the little village. He was the father of twelve children, five of whom are now living: Peter, married to Vina Brewer; John (our subject); Samuel, married to Eliza Kuhn (now deceased); Elizabeth, widow of Frederick Free, and Catherine, widow of George Graham. John Zimmerman was born March 14, 1814. He married Elizabeth Houck, who bore him thirteen children (eleven now living), and who died in 1865. The following are the names of the living children: Rev. William H., who married Ellen Minich (is a Methodist Episcopal minister in Kansas); John M., also married; Martha A., widow of Calvin McCullough; Margaretta, wife of W. Scott McCullough; Hiantha, wife of John Braguner; Georgiana, wife of John McCullough; Jeremiah D., Emmey Bell, wife of Edward Voorhees; Ellen, wife of J. Tolston; Carrie and Seth, unmarried, at home with their father. All except the last two named are in the Western States. In 1840 Mr. Zimmerman commenced mercantile business in Sylvan, and has continued without interruption to the present time. He has also been postmaster since 1844.

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## WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP AND BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO.

C. H. ALBERT, principal of the public schools, Waynesboro, was born in Snyder County, Penn., September 22, 1858, a son of P. S. and Hanna (Lupfer) Albert, and of German and English descent. His father was a farmer and his family consisted of five children, of whom C. H. is the eldest. He was reared by his parents on the farm, where his early education was obtained. He afterward attended the missionary institute and later the State normal school at Bloomsburg, where he graduated in 1879, and taught for three years; then he accepted a position as principal of the schools at Catawissa, where he remained two years. He accepted his present position in Waynesboro in 1883, and has but few equals as an instructor. He was united in marriage in 1881 with Anna K., daughter of George Bell, a native of Washington County, Md., of English origin. They have three children: Keller Bell, Mary Ellen and Charles L. Mr. and Mrs. Albert are members of the Lutheran Church, he being a teacher of the Bible class in the Sunday-school. Politically he is a Prohibitionist.

WILLIAM SMITH AMBERSON, dealer in grain and coal, Waynesboro, was born in Mercer County, Penn., November 11, 1816, son of Presley N. and Sarah (Cunningham) Amberson, natives of Pennsylvania and of English and Welsh descent, respectively. His ancestors were the first settlers of Amberson's Valley, Franklin Co., Penn. Our subject's grandfather, Amberson, enlisted from this county in the Revolutionary war, was a commissioned officer and served as ensign on Gen. Washington's staff. At the close of the war he resided in Pittsburgh, Penn., for a time, but subsequently removed to Mercer County, Penn. Presley N. Amberson (subject's father) was a tanner in early life, but in later years a farmer. W. S. Amberson, the eldest of six children, received his education in the common schools and at the academy in Mercer County, Penn. He remained on the farm with his parents until he was twenty-six years of age, when he engaged as clerk in a store for two years. He came to Waynesboro in 1840 and has since been in mercantile business. For thirty-two

years he was a partner of Peter Benedict in the dry goods business, but since 1883 he has dealt in coal and grain, and altogether has been very successful. He married, July 30, 1844, Rosanna Burns, and they had five children, three of whom are now living—one daughter and two sons. For several years Mr. Amberson has been president of the First National Bank of Waynesboro. Politically he is a Republican, and served two terms as county auditor of Franklin County; was on the school board; at present is a member of town council. Mr. Amberson is a member of the Presbyterian Church of which he has been elder for many years.

**JAMES B. AMBERSON**, physician, of Waynesboro, was born in Waynesboro, this county, May 14, 1845, and is a son of W. S. and Rosanna (Burns) Amberson, the former a native of Mercer County, Penn., and the latter of this county. His father was one of the oldest and most prominent merchants in Franklin County. Our subject, the eldest in a family of five children, three of whom are now living—two sons and one daughter—two daughters being deceased, was reared in Waynesboro, where he attended the public and private schools and the academy. The year 1860-61 was spent at Mercersburg Academy, then under the care of Rev. Loose, and in 1861 he entered Westminster College, New Wilmington, Lawrence Co., Penn., an irregular sophomore, and graduated at that college at its commencement, in 1865. He entered the office of Drs. Benjamin Frantz and I. N. Snively, then partners, as a student of medicine the same summer, and in the fall of 1865 entered the medical department of the University of Pennsylvania, and graduated from there in March, 1868. He commenced to practice his profession in Waynesboro, Penn., in 1868. In 1869 and until 1876 he carried on a drug business in connection with his profession. In the spring of 1877, and until the spring of 1880, he engaged in the practice of his profession exclusively in Walnut Bottom, Cumberland Co., Penn. By this time Waynesboro had begun to increase very rapidly, and in the spring of 1880 the Doctor returned to Waynesboro. After two years, in 1882, he went into partnership with Dr. A. H. Strickler, who was then in impaired health, and with him he has since been practicing. The Doctor was married December 1, 1873, to Mary K., daughter of David M. Good, a farmer and merchant of Swiss origin, and the children born to this union are Mary Eva, William Smith, Gurney Good and Ruth Deitrich. Dr. Amberson and wife are consistent members of the Presbyterian Church. In politics he is a Republican. He has served as city auditor of Waynesboro. He is a member of Waynesboro Academy of Medicine and of Franklin County Medical Society. The Doctor's professional skill and gentlemanly demeanor have procured for him a number of the affluent and influential families in Waynesboro and surrounding country. He is a diligent student, deeply attached to the profession of which he is an honorable member.

**E. E. AUGHINBAUGH**, jeweler, Waynesboro, was born in Carlisle, Cumberland Co., Penn., April 12, 1861. His parents were of German origin and natives of Cumberland County, Penn. His father was a shoemaker by trade, but in later life kept hotel and dealt in real estate; he is now steward of the State normal school at Shippensburg, Penn.; his family consisted of two children: A. A. (the elder, is a salesman in a wholesale house in Pittsburgh, Penn.) and E. E. Our subject attended the schools of his native county, and also the State normal at Shippensburg, Penn. At the age of seventeen he commenced learning the jeweler's trade in Harrisburg, Penn., and early in 1884 came to Waynesboro, this county, and embarked in business on his own account. Mr. Aughinbaugh has now one of the finest business houses in the place. His store, located on the square in the business center of the city, is

well lighted and admirably fitted up. His large and inviting stock consists of fine watches, clocks, jewelry, silver and plated ware, etc. Although a young man, and located in Waynesboro but a few years, he has already built up a good business, of which he may justly be proud.

HENRY BAER, retired farmer, P. O. Waynesboro, was born in York County, Penn., September 9, 1827, a son of Gabriel and Charlotte (Spangler) Baer, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German origin. The father was a cabinet-maker and carpenter, at which he continued to work until 1832, when he came to Franklin County and engaged in running a woolen-mill; he died in 1859; his widow is still living at the age of eighty-four years. Our subject is the second of ten children, and was five years old when his parents moved to this county, where he has since resided except one year (1852) spent in the West. He received a rudimentary education, and was engaged in agricultural pursuits and in his father's woolen-mill until 1856, when he commenced farming for himself. In 1852 he married Mary Ann Stoner (the name was originally spelled Steiner). Her ancestors were Germans and came to Pennsylvania in 1751, locating in Franklin County, where they were among the first settlers. Mr. and Mrs. Baer have had seven children, six of whom are living: Emma Louisa (wife of C. B. Newcomer), Samuel E. (resides in the West), Mary Alice, John Henry, Charlotte Myrtle, Susan Neomia. Angeneva is deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Baer are members of the German Baptist Church. In politics he is a Republican; is school director. He is the owner of 150 acres in Washington Township, but has retired from active farm life.

GEORGE J. BALSLEY, now of Waynesboro, Franklin Co., Penn., was born in Antrim Township, in said county. His parents, Henry Balsley and Catharine (Snider) Balsley, natives of Adams County, Penn., came to Franklin County in 1810 and resided in Hamilton Township for a number of years. From there he moved to near Greencastle, Antrim Township, and the family consisted of eight children: Henry, Jr., Margaret, Polly, John, Elizabeth, Sarah, Susan C. and George J. Balsley, all of whom are deceased, except Polly (now seventy-seven years old), Susan C. (sixty-five years) and George J. (fifty-nine years). Up to 1842 our subject worked on a farm, but finding it too laborious, he went to Mount Hope, a small place, to clerk in a store, remaining there until 1848. He then had a call from one of the most thriving stores in Waynesboro to clerk for George Besore, the leading merchant of that place, with whom he remained for three years, and became a partner of Mr. Josiah Besore for two years; then he engaged in the trade himself in the same town, and afterward took as a partner Mr. George Stover, until 1859, when he sold his interest to his partner, and became a candidate for county treasurer. In the summer of 1861 he received the nomination, and was elected by a majority of 1,061 votes; served as treasurer in 1862-63; was deputy treasurer in 1866-67; was deputy collector of internal revenue from 1869 to 1872, and resigning was offered the collectorship, but declined on account of the bond being too heavy for so small pay. He spent time and energy to complete the Baltimore & Cumberland Valley Railroad to Waynesboro, and has since been a director of said road, and secretary of the board. He spent considerable time in getting to Waynesboro the finest water-works the State can boast of, also the introduction of gas, all of which has proved a success. Mr. Balsley has, during the last seventeen years, been living on his farm, a short distance north of the town. He was named as a candidate for the House of Representatives in connection with twelve others; received the nomination, and, November 2, was elected by the highest vote on the legislative ticket, and he is now a member of the House for 1887-38.

DAVID BARKDOLL, retired farmer, P. O. Midvale, was born in Washington County, Md., January 17, 1817, a son of John (a farmer) and Christiana (Hevel) Barkdoll, natives of Maryland, and of German descent. They had a family of twelve children, eight of whom grew to maturity, and of these David is the youngest son. Our subject received his education in Washington Township, and chose the vocation of farming; also learned the tanner's trade, which he followed in connection with farming until 1851; then followed agricultural pursuits until 1878, when he retired from active labor but still resides on the farm. He has been remarkably successful, and is the owner of two fine farms of 269 acres of well improved land. He was united in marriage in 1844 with Catherine, daughter of Jacob (a farmer) and Catherine (Whippel) Summers, of English and German origin, who reared a family of six children, of which Mrs. Barkdoll is the second child. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Barkdoll are as follows: Elizabeth, wife of James Scott; Salena, wife of David Bachel; and Anna, wife of George Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Barkdoll are members of the Lutheran Church of which he has been elder and deacon. In politics he is a Democrat.

JASON BELL, Waynesboro, a member and director of the Geiser Manufacturing Company, and at present superintendent of agencies and collector, was born in Washington County, Md., May 1, 1841. His parents were George and Mary A. Bell, the former a farmer and a resident of Washington County, Md., the latter a native of Lehigh County, Penn., a daughter of Joseph Mickle. George Bell was a farmer, a son of Frederick Bell, who had thirteen children, all of whom except one grew to be men and women. His ancestors were German. Mr. and Mrs. George Bell were members of the Lutheran Church. They had nine children: Henry F., deceased, unmarried; Malinda, deceased wife of Daniel Snively, who died without living issue; Jason, subject; Joseph M., married Miss Catherine Oaks and resides in Franklin County; George M. D., a farmer, married Miss Charlotta Frantz, resides in White County, Ind.; John A., farmer, married Miss Mollie Middlekauff, resides in Washington County, Md.; Mary E., residing in Waynesboro; Rev. E. K. Bell, married Miss Jennie McNaull, is the pastor of the first English Lutheran Church of Cincinnati, Ohio; Anna K., wife of Prof. Albert, principal of the Waynesboro schools. The subject of this sketch worked at farming and attended the common schools of his district and Waynesboro High School until he was twenty-two years of age when he married Miss Helen E. Crebs, a native of Waynesboro, and a daughter of Joseph H. and Anna J. (Brotherton) Crebs, the former a native of Cumberland County, and the latter of Franklin County, Penn. Joseph H. Crebs was a cabinet-maker and undertaker in Waynesboro for a number of years. Mr. and Mrs. Jason Bell have two children: Carrie A., wife of B. F. Foreman, a merchant of Waynesboro; and Joseph C., at present a clerk in the store of Mr. Whitmore, Waynesboro. After his marriage Mr. Jason Bell took charge of the homestead farm for five years, when he came to Waynesboro and engaged in the manufacture of farm implements, and in building houses by contract; five years later he moved to Hagerstown, Md., acted as traveling salesman and solicitor for the Hagerstown Steam Engine & Machine Company, for three years, when he became identified with the Geiser Manufacturing Company. Mr. Bell is a man of more than ordinary ability, and has worked his way up at times under the most adverse and trying circumstances. He enjoys the confidence and respect of all as an honest upright gentleman, and ranks among our leading business men. He and his wife are members of the Lutheran Church. It is worthy of mention that the nine sons and daughters of George Bell, the father of Jason Bell, as well

as the thirteen children of his grandfather, Frederick Bell, were all consistent members of the Lutheran Church, and every one has been an upright and honorable citizen, and has enjoyed the confidence and respect of all.

JOSEPH M. BELL, farmer, Washington Township, is a descendant of one of the early settlers of Washington County, Md. Some time toward the close of the last century, Frederick Bell immigrated to that State from Germany and secured the title to a large tract of land adjoining the historic Antietam and Mason and Dixon's line. In the year 1797 he built the large stone farmhouse, still standing near the turnpike leading from Hagerstown to Waynesboro. In the massive thickness of its walls, its generous proportions and generally forbidding appearance, it embodies the architectural ideas of the projector rather than those commonly in vogue at that period. The proprietor was a man of liberal views, and although his sphere of influence was limited to the country, or perhaps to the immediate vicinity of his residence, his untiring activity in promoting public improvements was seldom ineffectual. He was successful as a farmer, and the fertility of the land originally included in his purchase proves the selection to have evinced his usual good judgment. He was a man of deep religious convictions, and to his practical ideas and earnest efforts may be attributed much of that religious activity which has characterized the community in which he lived. When as yet there was no church building at Leitersburg, Md., he publicly stated that he would give \$1,000 toward the erection of such a structure. This prompted the liberality of his neighbors, and in 1824 their project assumed tangible form. Sixty years later, when this church was re-modeled, his descendants memorialized his name in an appropriate manner by inscribing it upon a window in the new structure. Frederick Bell was born June 29, 1768, and died July 3, 1839. He was the father of a numerous family, and many of his descendants have immigrated to the Western States. George Bell, his third son in order of birth, and the father of our subject, succeeded to part of the ancestral homestead. He became an extensive landed proprietor, and operated Esther mills for a number of years. He inherited the religious principles of his father, and was an elder in the Leitersburg Lutheran Church for a long period. His family consisted of nine children, of whom the fourth in order of birth, Joseph M., was born October 12, 1843. He began life as a farmer in 1865, and has continued in this business twenty-one years. He lived first on land which had been reduced to cultivation by his grandfather, but in 1876 purchased a farm near Leitersburg, Md. He resided there until 1881, when he removed to his present residence. He has acquired a competency by judicious investments and careful management, and has always sustained an enviable reputation as a practical and progressive farmer. He was married March 7, 1865, to Kate B. (Oaks) Bell. The names of their children and birth of each are as follows: Ida M., January 5, 1866; Herbert C., January 14, 1868; Ernest E., May 31, 1870; George H., July 29, 1874; Keller J., April 6, 1879; Albert L., April 8, 1884. Mrs. Bell's father, Henry Oaks, and mother, Polly (Hess) Oaks, were members of families which are still numerous in this section. Henry Oakes was born September 19, 1819, at Mont Alto, this county, and died May 16, 1883. He was a son of a captain of militia in the war of 1812. Mr. Bell has taken considerable interest in local religious and educational matters. He has been an officer in the Leitersburg Lutheran Church for some years, and has exerted himself to educate his family. Ida M. Bell entered the Bloomsburg State Normal School in January, 1884, and graduated June 28, 1886. Herbert C. Bell entered the same institution at the same time, and graduated July 2, 1885. Both have subsequently been teachers, the former at Conyngham, Penn., the latter in

this township. Herbert C. Bell is now assisting in the preparation of histories of Columbia and Berks Counties, Penn.

**WILLIAM F. BENCHHOFF**, P. O. Blue Ridge Summit, proprietor of the "Montana Springs Summer Resort," located near the highest point in this county, was born on the farm where he now resides, September 4, 1826, a son of John and Sarah Ann (Miller) Benchhoff, the latter a daughter of Fritz Miller, and of German descent. Our subject's great grandfather was among the early settlers of Pennsylvania, and located in Johnstown. His maternal great-grandfather was a soldier in the Revolution. John Benchhoff, subject's father, a farmer by occupation, died October 26, 1874, in his ninety-fourth year. He was among the early settlers of this county and had a family of fourteen children, twelve of whom grew to maturity. Of this number William F. is the sixth. Our subject was reared on the farm, followed agricultural pursuits until 1876, and since then has been keeping a summer resort and speculating in real estate in company with Judge Kimmell, of Chambersburg. They bought the land where Blue Ridge Summit Station is situated, laid off a town, and are selling town lots. Financially Mr. Benchhoff has been successful. He owns the farm where he resides, also 100 acres of land in Adams County. He was married in 1846 to Mary A., daughter of Thomas Crawford, and of Irish descent. Mr. and Mrs. Benchhoff are parents of ten children, nine living, five of whom are married. During the war Mr. Benchhoff was appointed provost-marshal by Capt. Eyster, of Chambersburg, and discharged the duties of the office fearlessly and faithfully. He captured deserters and recovered much stolen Government property. His eldest son, Benjamin Franklin, was a soldier in the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and died soon after the battle of Fredericksburg from exposure. Mrs. Benchhoff is a member of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Benchhoff is a Republican in politics.

**L. F. BENCHOFF**, teacher, P. O. Rowzersville, was born in Adams County, Penn., January 13, 1851, a son of John and Elizabeth (Anderson) Benchoff, natives of Adams County, Penn.; former was a farmer and hotel-keeper, of English and German origin, latter of Scotch-English descent. They had twelve children, ten of whom grew to manhood and womanhood, L. F. being the third child. Our subject was reared on the farm, and attended the district schools and the State normal school at Lebanon, Ohio, where he graduated in 1874. He had taught before entering the normal school, and it was with the view of more thoroughly preparing himself for teaching that he took that course which has so eminently fitted him for the profession. In 1874 he accepted a position as teacher in the grammar school in Waynesboro; subsequently taught at Ringgold, Md., and in 1883 accepted the position of principal of the school at Rowzersville. He is the owner of a well improved farm of seventy-five acres. In 1875 he married Miss Martha B., daughter of William Johnston, and of German and Irish origin. Mr. and Mrs. Benchoff are parents of two children: Howard J. and Ross Edgar. The parents are members of the Reformed Church, of which Mr. Benchhoff has been deacon and Sabbath-school superintendent. In politics he is a Republican.

**PETER BENEDICT** (deceased) was born in Franklin County, Penn., in October, 1814. His father, Peter Benedict, was among the pioneer farmers of the county. Our subject was reared on the farm, receiving his education in the old-fashioned log schoolhouse. Early in life he learned the trade of a marble-cutter, and for several years followed that industry, but his main business was merchandising, which he successfully pursued for over thirty-two years, the most of the time being a partner of W. S. Amberson. In 1882 Mr. Benedict retired from active business, having succeeded in accumulating a



handsome fortune. He was united in marriage, in 1873, at Waynesboro with Kate M., daughter of William P. and Catharine E. (Shroder) Weagly and of German lineage. The fruit of this union was one child, F. W. Mr. Benedict in politics was a Republican. He was a member of the Lutheran Church, to which his widow also belongs. He died in 1883 lamented by all who knew him, leaving a large estate to his widow and only son.

REV. P. BERGSTRESSER, D. D., pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Waynesboro, is a native of Snyder County, Penn., born April 22, 1826; son of Peter and Elizabeth (Ulrich) Bergstresser, whose ancestors were among the earliest German emigrants to America, coming from the southern part of Germany. The date of their arrival, as copied from the colonial records (Book III, page 414) at Harrisburg, Penn., is 1731. His great-grandparents were the first representatives of their families in this country. John George Ulrich (maternal grandfather) was born in Berks County, Penn., and after serving all through the Revolutionary war settled at Selin's Grove, Penn. His paternal great-grandfather, John George Bergstresser (Bergstroser) had four sons, the youngest of whom, Philip, was born in America. The usual occupation of the family was farming. Our subject attended school in his native place, Selin's Grove, Penn., and early in life taught school. In 1849 he entered Pennsylvania College, Gettysburg, Penn., and was graduated in a regular classical course in the class of 1853, and in 1855 was graduated from the theological seminary at the same place. He was licensed by the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of east Pennsylvania in 1855 at Lebanon, Penn., and ordained by the same body in 1856 at Hughesville, Penn. He first engaged in missionary work in Tamaqua, Penn. His first regular charge was what was then called the Jersey Shore Charge, composed of churches in Nippenose Valley and near Jersey shore. Next he was appointed by the Susquehanna Conference to organize the Orangeville Charge in Columbia County, Penn., where he also founded the Orangeville Male and Female Academy in 1859, now in a prosperous condition. He then engaged in missionary work in Illinois and Michigan, where he remained eight years, during which time he established and built up several churches, among which may be mentioned a Lutheran Church at Fairview, Fulton Co., Ill.; one at White Pigeon, Mich., and another at Constantine, Mich. He was next called to Taneytown, Carroll Co., Md., where his efforts were crowned with success, and four hundred new members were added to the fold. In this pastorate two new church edifices were built during his ministry of seven years. He is also the author of numerous articles in the "Quarterly Review," published by the Lutheran Church, and of a work entitled "Vain Excuses Answered," which has an extensive circulation, now used in Sunday-schools, and published by the Lutheran board of publication, No. 42 North Ninth Street, Philadelphia, Penn. During two years, from the fall of 1874 to the spring of 1876, he served as professor of theology in Hartwick's Seminary, Otsego Co., N. Y. Besides attending to the duties of his own department in this institution he also gave instruction in the Greek and German languages in the classical department of the same institution, and preached sometimes once and twice on Sundays; but preferring pastoral work, and the seminary being financially weak, he accepted a call to the Waynesboro charge in 1876. In 1879 he received a challenge from Elder S. H. Bashor, of Ashland, Ohio, a minister in the Tunker Church, to discuss the following subjects: Baptism, the Lord's Supper and Feet-washing. This debate attracted the people for miles around Waynesboro, and the proceedings of each day were published throughout the United States, and in 1880 appeared in book form. Since this reverend gentleman has taken charge at Waynesboro large

numbers have been added to the church, and extensive improvements have been made to the church edifice at a cost of \$8,000 or \$9,000. Our subject was married May 20, 1856, to Martha Jane, daughter of Hon. John L. Fuller, of Gettysburg, Penn. Mr. and Mrs. Bergstresser's children now living are Edwin, a physician and dentist, a graduate of Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia; William, a merchant in Waynesboro; Charles, a machinist, noted also for his musical talent; John R., a salesman in Waynesboro, noted also for his fine bass voice and musical talent; Fuller, a student in the high school; and Adele, the only daughter living. All are members of the Lutheran Church. Our subject received the degree of D. D. from Pennsylvania College, his *alma mater*, in 1881. In politics our subject is a Republican.

**GEORGE BESORE.** The Besores, under the various names of Besore, Basore, Bashor, Bashore and Basehore, are found pretty frequently over the county of Franklin, especially in the townships of Washington, Letterkenny and Greene. The name varies greatly, but it may be taken with safety that all of the above, as well as other names deviating slightly in spelling from any of these, belong to the same stock—simply branches of the same tree. The pioneer of the race in America is believed to have been Daniel Besore, who came from Germany to this country among the early settlers. The stock is supposed to be German, but it is believed to be Huguenotic in origin, having settled in Germany during the persecution of the Huguenots in France. The same belief also holds that the original name was Le or La Bessier or Basseur. The ancestor finally located along Marsh Run, a few miles from the town of Waynesboro, in Washington Township. He left at least two sons: David and John, both of whom left large families. David, and likely his father Daniel before him, owned and lived on the farm lately occupied by Henry Besore (deceased), and now owned by Rev. Geo. B. Russell, D. D., a grandson of David. The sons and daughters of David were numerous, viz.: Daniel, John, Samuel, George, Jacob, Henry, Jeremiah, David, Josiah, Elizabeth (who married Geo. Uhler), Catharine (who married Christian Russell) and Mary (wife of Rev. Geo. W. Glessner, D. D.).

George Besore, the subject of this notice, was born on the said farm December 21, 1799, and died August 16, 1871, at the residence he so long occupied on the Diamond in Waynesboro. Early in life he became a merchant, which seems to have been a favorite occupation for this family, because Jacob, Jeremiah, Josiah, and others also engaged in it. George and Jacob were partners for some time, but, believing that marked success was not possible for the two in the same place, Jacob went to the city of Baltimore, engaged in the wholesale trade, and was on the high road to wealth and distinction as a merchant, when he was cut off by death at the early age of thirty-nine years. George continued merchandising in Waynesboro, built his residence and store-room, and met with more than the usual success for thirty years, and then retired because of broken health. Afterward he bought Hopewell flouring-mills, about three miles east of town, where he in connection with others carried on a large business as merchant millers with varying fortunes until ill health and age compelled him to abandon it also. He was married September 16, 1830, to Eliza Snively, one of the six daughters of Jacob Snively, of Antrim Township, one of the earliest families of the county. It is a mooted point now whether the first settlement was made by a Chambers or by a Snively. The widow still survives in reasonable health and strength, though considerably beyond the age of four score years. Clara and Alfred were their only children, of whom the latter died in infancy, and the former became the wife of Dr. A. H. Strickler. They with the mother continue to occupy the old Besore corner in Waynesboro.

George Besore was a man of mark in his neighborhood; he was known and appreciated throughout his county, and throughout the length and breadth of his denomination, or church, wherever it existed in this country. In him as a citizen, his people could and did feel an honest pride. His political opinions and partialities were decided and warm, but always poised with moderation and judgment. For him office had no charms, and from him scheming received no countenance. The writer cannot now recollect of any office held by him, though there were times when he was urged to enter upon that course. His greatest strength and influence was seen and felt in general business and in his church. For almost a lifetime he was regarded as a leading and most trustworthy business man, and for forty years he was one of the pillars of the congregation of the Reformed Church in Waynesboro. If not the first he was one of the original movers for Sunday-schools. He held the position of superintendent of the first Sunday-school in Waynesboro, from its commencement in 1830 up to his death, save an interval of perhaps a few years toward the last. He was earnest, active and liberal in the movements, which turned the current of opinion in his denomination toward a more liberal culture and education, and which resulted in the founding of Marshall College and the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church at Mercersburg, the mother institutions of that church in the United States. He served on the building committees, was treasurer of the seminary and one of its board, and also for many years a member of the trustees of the college at Mercersburg, and afterward at Lancaster. The Printing Establishment of the Church at Chambersburg leaned upon and found him a strong and unwavering friend in its darkest days. Much oftener than is usual was he sent as a delegate to the Classes, Synods and other ecclesiastical bodies of his church, and no laymen excelled him in force and influence in the debates and business of these assemblies. Although thus honored Mr. Besore scarcely received all that he deserved. The writer of these lines as boy and man, knew him long and well, as intimately as could be compatible with their disparity in age; and now, in looking back over the last forty years, he recalls with peculiar pleasure, in the life and character of his respected friend, such an utter absence of all weak and unseemly traits, and such a liberal presence of the strong, the urbane and the good, that the like of it is seldom seen in human life and experience. In making this man, nature took of goodly clay to fashion a goodly face and form, and vitalized and finished her work by breathing into it a spirit of nobility and truth, creating a gentleman. Grace lent her aid to nature's work, illumined the human tabernacle with light from Bethlehem's star, warmed it with love to God and fellow-man, and left nature's gentleman a Christian.

WILLIAM BLAIR, the well known editor of the *Village Record*, Waynesboro, was born in Franklin County, Penn., May 31, 1824, and has been a lifelong resident here. His parents, John and Sarah (Belle) Blair, were of Welsh and Scotch-Irish descent respectively, and the parents of nine children, of whom William was the sixth born. The father was an agriculturist, and our subject was reared on the farm, attending the district school. When seventeen years old he (William Blair) went to Hagerstown, Md., and here learned the trade of a printer. In 1847 he came to Waynesboro and assisted Dr. D. O. Blair to publish the *Village Record*, continuing with him until 1851, when our subject bought Dr. Blair out, and has since conducted the paper alone. Our subject was married in 1854 to Mary J., daughter of William Geer and of English descent. This union has been blessed with sixteen children, ten of whom are now living: Asburry G., Willie, Edwin O., Henry G. (are printers and work in the office here), Mary B., Charles, Stanley, Percy, Keith and Ma-

bel G. Mrs. Blair is a member of the Presbyterian Church. In politics Mr. Blair is a Republican.

F. S. BRENISHOLTS, dentist, Waynesboro, was born in Juniata County, Penn., February 13, 1839, son of Peter and Eliza (McConnell) Brenisholts, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German and English origin, former of whom was a farmer and stock dealer. Their family consisted of six children, five of whom grew to manhood and womanhood. Our subject, the third born, was reared on the farm in his native county, and received his schooling in the Juniata Academy. He first followed farming as an occupation. The Doctor, from his earliest years showed wonderful skill in working in wood, and without receiving the usual instructions became so expert as to command the highest prices for his work. During the war he was engaged in Washington on work for the Government for a time, and afterward went to Williamsport, Penn., where he worked three years in constructing spiral stairways, and one year later he carried on building and contracting in the same place. Then, in 1871, he commenced the study of dentistry with his brother, and has since devoted his entire attention to his chosen profession. He was united in marriage, in 1878, with Samantha, daughter of the late Dr. R. M. and Mary Ann (Peel) French, former of whom was born in Otsego County, N. Y., of Scotch-Irish extraction; the latter was born in Cumberland County, Penn., of English descent, and a relative of Sir Robert Peel of England. Dr. French attended the medical college at Philadelphia, and also at Baltimore; he was a successful physician, practicing his profession for many years in Pennsylvania, and in those early days his ride extended into several counties. Mrs. Brenisholts is a member of the Presbyterian Church. The Doctor is a member of the Methodist Church, of which he is trustee and steward, and assistant superintendent in the Sabbath-school. In politics he is a Democrat. He has served as a member of the town council, and at present is a director in the American Manufacturing Company, and president of the school board of Waynesboro. He is a member of the K. of P. of Williamsport, Penn., and of the Subordinate and Encampment of the I. O. O. F. The Doctor has been very successful in his practice.

COL. DAVID H. BROTHERTON, United States Army, Waynesboro, is the son of James Brotherton, Sr., and Helen (Hammett) Brotherton; the former of whom was of Scotch-Irish descent, graduated at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Penn., and was for many years a successful physician until blood poisoning, produced by the puncture of a needle, while conducting a post-mortem examination, cut him off in the prime of life from further active pursuit of a profession in which he had already gained an eminent position among the physicians of his native county. Our subject's eldest brother, James, also a prominent physician, practiced in Waynesboro until his death in 1864. His grandparents were James and Jane (Henry) Brotherton; the former native born, his father being a native of Donegal, Ireland; the latter born in Cookstown, County Tyrone, Ireland. The father of Dr. Brotherton, Sr., passed his life in agricultural pursuits in Antrim Township, this county. The subject of this sketch was born in Waynesboro, this county, June 24, 1831. After receiving such an education as the common and select schools of his native place afforded, he was in 1850 appointed a cadet at the United States Military Academy, West Point, N. Y., by the Hon. James X. McLanahan, then representing the district in Congress. Graduating in 1854, he was commissioned a brevet second lieutenant in the Fifth Regiment of Infantry, United States Army, and, in the autumn of the same year, joined his regiment at Ringgold Barracks, Texas, performing the ordinary garrison duties of an offi-

cer until February, 1855. He was then detached from his company for duty with a military reconnoissance for a route for the Southern Pacific Railroad across the Llano Estacado, or "Staked Plain." Rejoining his company in November, 1856, his regiment embarked for Florida, where the following winter he participated in an active campaign against the Seminole Indians. His next service was with the Utah expedition, under Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston. In May, 1860, the regiment was ordered to New Mexico, and the march was made directly through an unbroken country over several high ranges of mountains on the continent, and across the Green, Blue and Grand Rivers, and such were the obstacles encountered that a month's time was consumed in traversing the distance of 100 miles. It was not until August that the regiment arrived at Santa Fe. With scarcely any delay it was sent into the field for active service, and during the winter of 1860-61 was engaged in a campaign against the Navajo Indians, during which our subject took part in several scouts; and in two actions with these Indians, his conduct in one of which called forth favorable comment in the general orders from the headquarters of the army. From the conclusion of this campaign, in the spring of 1861, until September 25, when he received his promotion as captain, he performed the duties of adjutant of his regiment. The Texans having invaded the Territory in the early part of 1862, Col. Brotherton served with distinction in the several battles and skirmishes which took place with the invading army, and, for gallant and meritorious services in the battle of Val Verde, February 21, 1862, received the brevet of major. Soon after this he obtained command of his regiment, which he retained until 1866. He remained in New Mexico until September, 1867, when he was ordered with his company to Kansas. While *en route* he was, September 21, attacked by a band of hostile Indians (Cheyennes and Arapahoes) numbering several hundred, which he succeeded, after a fight lasting several hours, in driving off. Col. Brotherton then retraced his steps and rescued a large citizen train of wagons that was beleaguered, and which would, undoubtedly, but for his assistance, have fallen victims to the same band of Indians. His next tour of field duty was as guard and escort to the Indian commissioners, then *en route* to make a treaty with the confederate hostile tribes—Arapahoes, Cheyennes, Kiowas, Apaches and Comanches—at Medicine Lodge Creek. Upon the conclusion of this duty he returned to his station. The treaties then made with the Indians lasted but a short time, as we find him during the winter of 1868-69 again in the field, taking part in the campaign against them, they having recommenced hostilities. His regiment was next ordered for duty in the Northwest, on the breaking out of hostilities with the Sioux. During his service in Montana and Dakota he participated in the pursuit and capture of Chief Joseph and his band of hostile Nez Percés, at Milk River, Northwest Territory, near the British line. In 1879 he received his promotion as major of the Fifth Infantry; transferred the same year to the Seventh Infantry, and joined his new regiment at Fort Snelling, Minn., January, 1880. In July following he was ordered to the command of Fort Buford, Dak. Soon after his arrival he entered (under authority of his departmental commander) into negotiations with the hostile Indians across the British line, under Sitting Bull and various other noted chiefs, which terminated finally in the surrender of some 1,700 hostile Indians, with their arms and ponies, including Sitting Bull, who, on July 17, 1881, with the last remnant of his followers, surrendered to Col. Brotherton at Fort Buford. For the successful completion of this duty, Col. Brotherton was highly complimented in a special order issued by his department commander, in which it was stated that "to him was due the credit of suggesting the policy and course of action

which resulted in the capture of a large portion of the hostile Sioux during the winter, and in the final surrender of Sitting Bull, with almost the last remnant of his adherents. During all the negotiations and all the movements of troops which preceded the surrender, his services were invaluable, having brought to a final conclusion the war with the Sioux, which, commencing in 1876, endured almost to the present time" (1881). This great work, conducted as it was in a climate where the thermometer frequently registered fifty degrees below zero, and his constant exposure to all temperatures, though eminently successful, was such a tax on his vitality as to render it necessary that he should seek a warmer climate to recuperate his shattered health, and he therefore spent the following winter in Florida, hoping that he would regain his former strength and vigor. Partially recovering, a return to the rigorous climate, in which his regiment was serving, soon convinced him that the seeds of disease had not been eradicated. Col. Brotherton received his promotion as lieutenant-colonel of the Twenty-fifth Infantry July 3, 1883, but in April following, under the act of Congress retiring disabled officers, he was placed on the retired list of the army for "disability in line of duty." Col. Brotherton rendered the Government valuable service, and his record is an honorable and interesting one, though his field of action was on the frontier, where there was but small chance for military distinction.

C. H. BUHRMAN, merchant, P. O. Rowzersville, was born at Mount Zion, Frederick Co., Md., June 1, 1837, a son of Samuel and Mary (Gordon) Buhrman, also natives of Frederick County, Md., and of German origin. Samuel Buhrman was a farmer, also hotel-keeper and proprietor of Monterey Summer Resort for fifteen years. He died in 1861; his family consisted of three children, of whom C. H. is the eldest. Our subject was reared in Washington Township, this county, and attended the common schools, also the academy. His first occupation was that of farming, and subsequently he embarked in mercantile business, at which he continued three years, in Adams County. In 1871 he established a general store in Rowzersville, which he has continued since. He was married February 16, 1858, to Anna Maria, daughter of Peter Green. Her parents were natives of Frederick County, Md., and of German origin. Mr. and Mrs. Buhrman have five children now living: Harry R., Mary N., Emma, Samuel, Fannie Dean. Mrs. Buhrman died December 20, 1879, a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Buhrman is a Republican in politics.

HON. JAMES H. CLAYTON, Waynesboro, ex-member of the State Legislature from Franklin County, and whose portrait appears in this volume as one of the representative men of his county and State, was born in Waynesboro, February 14, 1828, the only son of a family of seven children. His parents were John and Sarah J. (Foster) Clayton, the former born in Franklin County, Penn., in 1796, and the latter in Ireland. John Clayton was a contractor and carpenter in early life and later a farmer; he died in 1848, aged fifty-two years. He was a man of more than ordinary ability. For a number of years he and Alexander Hamilton were engaged in the real estate business, and they were intimate friends and successful men. Our subject was but ten years of age when his father became an invalid, through exposure and overwork. He attended to his father's business until the latter's death, managing his father's farms and general real estate business, which was quite extensive. He obtained his education at the common and high schools of Waynesboro, and had a commercial training. He clerked at Mercersburg, Waynesboro, Philadelphia, Newville (Cumberland County), Pittsburgh, Winchester (Va.), and then returned to Waynesboro, where he has since been engaged in farming. He has

been elected to important offices of trust in his township and town, and later, was elected director of the poor of Franklin County, which office he held for three and a half years; was elected in 1883 a member of the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania to fill the unexpired term of the Hon. J. McDowell Sharpe, and, in 1884, was re-elected to the Legislature for a full term. Mr. Clayton was instrumental in the organization of the First National Bank of Waynesboro, and has been a director and secretary of the board of directors for this bank every since its establishment, twenty-two years, save one year. He has always taken an active interest in his town, and has laid out several streets, built and sold a number of houses, and sold over forty lots. He has been, and is still, an extensive stockholder in the Frick Manufacturing Company, serving as treasurer one year for the Geiser Company. He has been a member of the I. O. O. F. since he was twenty-one; has passed all the chairs and received all the honors that could be conferred upon him by this order. Mr. Clayton married December 11, 1860, Miss Sallie J. Miley, of Washington Township, this county, born October 9, 1841, near St. Thomas, Franklin Co., Penn., daughter of John G. Miley (a farmer) and Catherine (Wanner) Miley, the former a native of Franklin County, and the latter of Berks County, Penn. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton had nine children—five sons and four daughters—two sons and three daughters living: Charles Brotherton, who manages his father's farm, attending school; Sallie Phillips, attending private select school; Victor Virginus, attending school; Bessie Grace and Sudie May. Mrs. Clayton died November 11, 1878, a member of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Clayton has been an elder in the same church since 1868. His father was of English descent, and the family were old residents of Pennsylvania and Franklin County.

M. C. DETRICK, farmer, P. O. Waynesboro, was born in Waynesboro, this county, December 25, 1827, a son of George and Sarah (Cakoe) Detrick, of Scotch and English descent respectively. The former was a native of Maryland, the latter of Pennsylvania. George Detrick was a blacksmith by trade, in later life a farmer. His family consisted of six children. The eldest, David M., now deceased, was a successful farmer and business man; he left no heirs and willed his estate to the Detrick family on the death of his wife. He owned a fine farm in this township, which consisted of 250 acres of well improved land, where the widow now resides. Our subject, the second child, was reared on the farm and educated in his native place. His first work was in the woolen-mills, where he learned the trade and worked thirteen years. In 1855 he married Miss Martha S., daughter of John (a farmer) and Elsie (Barr) Funk, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German and English origin respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Detrick have one child now living, Alice K., wife of Harry Smith. Mrs. Detrick is a member of the Mennonite Church. In politics Mr. Detrick is a Republican. He owns the well improved farm where he now resides.

JOHN DOWNIN (deceased) was born in Franklin County, Penn., July 14, 1828, a son of John and Susan (Johnson) Downin. His paternal and maternal ancestors were among the early settlers of Franklin County, and of English descent. He was the third of seven children, was reared on the farm and acquired his early education in the district schools. He operated a distillery, was a successful business man and accumulated a goodly share of the things of this world. He was united in marriage in Washington Township, August 29, 1850, with Susan, daughter of John and Christiana (Hewel) Barkdoll, of German origin, and whose ancestors were among the early settlers of Maryland, near the Mason and Dixon line. John Barkdoll was a farmer by occupation and died in 1878. Mr. and Mrs. Downin were blessed with seven

children: Josiah, deceased; John A., farmer, married and residing in Washington Township, this county; Annie E., Christie A., wife of William O. Weagley; Florence V., Ella M. and Ida A. Mrs. Downin is a member of the Reformed Church. Mr. Downin departed this life November 7, 1875. In politics he was a Republican.

AMOS R. FRANTZ, farmer and stock raiser, P. O. Waynesboro, was born in Washington Township, this county, October 11, 1852, a son of John and Catherine (Ryder) Frantz, natives of Pennsylvania, and his paternal and maternal ancestors were among the early German settlers of the State. His grandfather, Rev. Christian Frantz, who came here in 1820, was the founder of the New Mennonite Church in Franklin County, and was a member of that denomination for many years. John Frantz, the father of our subject, and who was a successful farmer, died in 1877. He had a family of three children, of whom Amos R. is the second. Our subject grew to manhood on the farm where he now resides, attended the common and select schools at Waynesboro, and has made farming his business. He was married in 1875 to Ida Herr, daughter of Amos F. Herr, and of German origin, a member of the Reformed Mennonite Church. To Mr. and Mrs. Frantz have been born two children: G. H. and Anna H. The family have a beautiful home and are contented and happy. In politics Mr. Frantz is a Republican.

GEORGE FRICK, manufacturer, Waynesboro, was born in Lancaster County, Penn., November 25, 1826, son of Abraham and Catharine (Diffenbaugh) Frick, natives of Lancaster County and of German descent, the former of whom was a farmer all his life. Our subject, the fourth born in a family of six children, was reared on the farm, receiving his education in the common schools. Early in life he learned the trade of a millwright, and followed it as an occupation for a time. He then commenced to manufacture steam engines in Washington County, Md., and carried on business there for nine years, when in 1860 he moved to Waynesboro and continued to make steam engines and threshing machines, being among the first to engage in manufacturing in Franklin County, and from his small beginning has developed two large industries known as Frick & Co. and the Geiser Manufacturing Company. In 1873 Mr. Frick sold his interest to the firm of Frick & Co., but continued to manage the business for them. He was married in 1850 in Franklin County, Penn., to Miss Frederica, daughter of Frederick Openlender, and of German origin. To this union have been born six children: Abraham, a member of the firm of Frick & Co.; Ezra, also a member of the firm and its secretary; Amos, in the shops; Frederick, a draftsman for Frick & Co.; Franklin (deceased), and Annie, at home. Mr. and Mrs. Frick are members of the Mennonite Church.

A. O. FRICK, manufacturer, Waynesboro, was born in Ringgold, Washington Co., Md., June 16, 1852, eldest son living of George and Frederica (Openlender) Frick, who came to Waynesboro in 1860. (His father's sketch will be found elsewhere in this volume.) Our subject attended the schools of Waynesboro, and at the age of fourteen commenced to learn the trade of machinist. Although his father was the principal owner of the Waynesboro Steam Engine Works, he learned the trade by serving a regular apprenticeship; later he was foreman in the shops, then general foreman in the machine shops, and then draftsman and mechanical engineer. He has taken out eighteen patents, mostly on the machinery of the steam engine, and turns all patents over to the company. As he is now one of the members and also a director, he considers it is for his interest to do so. He is now frequently sent for by parties living at a distance to draw plans and drafts; he also makes many sales for the firm. He attends



all large mechanical exhibits, and shows the machinery of the Frick Company. In 1878 he married Miss Louisa Hatter, a daughter of Martin Hatter, of Baltimore, Md. She was of German origin, and died November 12, 1885. Mr. Frick is a member of the Republican party, of the Masonic fraternity and the I. O. O. F.

EZRA FRICK, secretary of the Frick Manufacturing Company, Waynesboro, was born January 12, 1856, in Washington County, Md., within three miles of Waynesboro. His parents, George and Frederica (Openlender) Frick, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German descent, had a family of eight children, five of whom are now living. Our subject, the fourth born, acquired his education in the common schools and in the high school of Waynesboro. At seventeen he commenced the trade of machinist, and after working at it faithfully for three years and getting familiar with all its details, he was called to do office work, and for two years was shipping clerk for the Frick Manufacturing Company; then appointed assistant secretary and in 1882 was elected secretary, which position he still holds. He is prompt, diligent and extremely careful in business. Our subject was united in marriage February 26, 1885, with Kate, daughter of Samuel Mehafeey of Chambersburg, Penn., and of Scotch origin. This union has been blessed with one child, Frederica. Mrs. Frick is a member of the Presbyterian Church. In politics Mr. Frick is a Republican. He is a member of the K. of P.

AARON FUNK (deceased) was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., April 29, 1835, a son of John (a farmer) and Nancy (Shank) Funk, latter a native of Maryland. His grandfather's name was Henry Funk, and his ancestors were among the early German settlers of Pennsylvania. John and Nancy Funk were parents of twelve children, eleven of whom grew to maturity, and of these Aaron was the second. The early years of our subject were spent with his parents on the farm, and he acquired his education at the district school. From his youth up he was engaged in agricultural pursuits and owned at his death a fine farm of 200 acres in Washington Township, where he resided. He was married December 11, 1856, to Elizabeth, daughter of John Frick and of German descent, and to this union were born eight children: Anna, wife of John R. Frantz; Ida, wife of Charles Hasler; Alice, wife of S. P. Hostetter; John, Christian, Amos, Gertrude and Maud. Mr. Funk died September 4, 1886. He had been judge of elections, supervisor and school director, and took an interest in the affairs of his township. Politically he was a Republican. Mrs. Funk is a member of the new Mennonite Church.

HENRY FUNK, retired farmer, and proprietor of the Fairview Farm and Rolling Mills, P. O. Waynesboro, was born in Lancaster, Penn., March 10, 1828. His parents were Henry and Catherine (Kitzmiller) Funk, the latter a native of Lancaster County, Penn. The father was an old-time wagoner and teamster in the days of the "Conestoga wagon," and later followed milling; he died in 1876. Our subject, the fifth in a family of eleven children, received a limited education and spent the most of his life in Cumberland County, Penn., where he was engaged in agricultural pursuits and dealing in stock. In 1883 he came to Franklin County, purchased the Fairview farm and mill, put rollers in the latter, and placed it in position to do first-class work. Owing to ill health, Mr. Funk has retired from active business life, and his property is managed by his son. In 1852 our subject married Miss Elizabeth, daughter of Charles and Susan (Kurtz) Garver, of German origin, and to them were born the following named children: Kate, now the wife of Christian Reddig; Charles M., and Susan, wife of John Ranley. Mr. and Mrs. Funk are members of the German Baptist Church. Politically he is a Republican, and has

served as school director. Their only son, Charles M., who is now operating the mill alone, and farm, was born in Cumberland County, Penn., December 26, 1855. He received a fair education, and has been engaged principally in agricultural pursuits. In 1881 he opened a grocery store in Waynesboro, which he conducted two years, then sold out and took charge of the Fairview farm and mill, which he still operates. He was married in 1880 to Anna Belle, daughter of David Zullinger of German origin, and to this union two children have been born: Ida Blanche and Charles Roy. Mr. Charles M. Funk is of a mechanical turn, and while he has never served a regular apprenticeship, conducts the mill successfully, being a practical miller.

MARTIN S. FUNK, farmer and stock grower, P. O. Waynesboro, was born in Franklin County, Penn., September 8, 1845, a son of Jacob S. and Catherine (Shelley) Funk, natives of Pennsylvania and of German descent, members of the River Brethren Church. His father, a farmer and miller by occupation, died in Washington Township, this county, in 1850, where he had resided most of his life. They had a family of fifteen children, of whom Martin S. is the youngest. Eleven children are now living. Our subject was reared on the farm where he now resides in Washington Township, received his education in the common schools and chose the vocation of farming. The home farm consists of 200 acres, of which he has full charge. He was married in December, 1865, to Elizabeth, daughter of George W. Sarbaugh, and of German origin. Four children were born to their union, three now living: Minnie B., Lillian M. and Cora C. Mrs. Funk is a member of the Reformed Church. Mr. Funk votes the Republican ticket. His paternal and maternal ancestors were early German settlers of Pennsylvania.

PETER GEISER, retired manufacturer, Waynesboro, was born in Washington County, Md., March 26, 1826; son of John and Mary (Singer) Geiser, natives of Franklin County, Penn., of German origin, living on their own farm where they reared twelve children. Our subject, the seventh born, attended the common schools. In his early boyhood he was mechanically disposed, attending to the building and repair work on his father's farm, in the meantime devoting considerable time to the study of mechanics. While on the farm he invented a grain separator for which he soon after obtained patents, and to-day the Geiser separator is widely and favorably known. After experimenting with it and proving it a success, Mr. Geiser, in company with a brother, commenced to manufacture the machine, and from this small beginning has developed a large manufacturing company. The laborious, tedious, and disagreeable work of threshing grain early attracted his attention, and he applied his efforts assiduously to the problem of improving the crude methods then in vogue, with a measure of success seldom attained by those who are too often known as "visionary theorists." His first experiments in the construction of a grain separator were made in 1850, when he demonstrated to his satisfaction the feasibility of removing the grain from the chaff and straw at the same operation by properly adjusted machinery. He secured a patent on this appliance in 1852, when the possibilities of the invention first dawned upon his mind. A second patent was obtained in 1855, the additional feature of a winnowing machine having been developed in the meantime. In the following year the first three machines were sold; and from this insignificant beginning the subsequent industrial development of Waynesboro is directly traceable. It has been truthfully said of modern civilized society that the most disinterested benefactors are invariably least appreciated, either by the sincere gratitude or substantial remuneration that should reward their efforts. An inference so plainly apparent need not be indicated. The

residence of our subject, which stands on an elevated place and commands a good view of the surrounding country, is a neat and substantial three-story brick structure, one of the most desirable in the county. Mr. Geiser was united in marriage, April 20, 1855, with Mary, daughter of David and Elizabeth Hoover, and of German and Swiss origin. They have eleven well-to-do children, mostly grown up, in whom they have good prospects and are more than recompensed for their financial misfortunes. The family attend the services of the Lutheran Church. Mr. Geiser is an independent thinker, neutral in politics, though greatly predisposed to regenerative reform and advancement, as manifested in his literary production, extracts of which we here give in his own quaint style:

One of the present day evils seems to be that broad-minded benefactors are run down by narrow-minded victimizers. The worthy producer financially is at the mercy of the unworthy realizer—like the horse that earns the oats but can not get them. The late Josh Billings said that "every man is entitled to a living, provided he earns it." but he has not said how he is to get what he is entitled to. This condition of things seems bad and really contrary to what it ought to be—the reverse ought to be the rule and really the available law. The worthy benefactor ought generally to be run up and forward, pecuniarily, while his unworthy victimizer ought occasionally, for his own benefit, to be run down and backward.

O. W. GOOD, Waynesboro. It is supposed that the ancestry of Mr. Good came from North Switzerland close to the German line, to this country, and settled in an early day in Lancaster County, Penn. From the best and most authentic information that can be gathered, three brothers by the name of Guth (German) settled in the above named county, and while one of the three remained there, the other two moved farther west, about the year 1740, into the province of Maryland close to the line disputed between Lord Baltimore and William Penn, now known as "Mason and Dixon's line." These localities are now best known as Washington and Garrett Counties, Md. Christian Guth settled at Leitersburg, Washington Co., Md.; the other brother at Oakland, Garrett Co., Md.; the latter, however, belongs to the original family of Goods (or Guths), while Christian Good's family, only, enter into this particular sketch. Christian Good and his wife, Barbara, have their burial places marked by two rough marble tombstones, standing over three feet high, in the old family burying-ground, two miles east of Leitersburg, Md., upon a part of the farm known as the "Steven Martin place." It is something rather remarkable that tombstones of this size should mark their burial place, while other stones of that date are generally very small. Christian Guth reared a family named as follows: Christian, Jr., Peter, Abraham, Jacob, John, David, Elizabeth, Nancy and Barbara.

JACOB S. GOOD, the father of O. W., and whose portrait appears elsewhere in this volume, is a direct descendant of Christian Good, and was born on the farm where he now resides December 9, 1819. He is a son of Christian Good, Jr., and Elizabeth (Stover) Good, the former a native of Maryland, the latter of Pennsylvania and of Scotch-Irish descent. The house where he resides was one of the first built in the township, and one room in it has been the birth-place of three generations. The cellar, which is still one of the best to be found in the country, was built with all of what were supposed to be only modern improvements. Jacob S. was educated at the old-fashioned subscription schools, and later began farming, which he has since followed and has been successful. He is the owner of two fine farms consisting of 350 acres of well improved land. In 1845 he married Maria, daughter of John Funk. Her parents were of German origin and were born November 8, 1783, in Washington County, Md., and July 18, 1785 in Franklin County, Penn., respectively.

Christian Good, Jr., was born March 25, 1786, and his wife July 6, 1787; raised a family of eight children named as follows: David M., Henry, Jacob S., Daniel F., Christian, Christian, Sarah and Mary—five boys and three girls. Jacob S. is a Republican in politics; was elected county commissioner in 1859 and served three years through the most exciting time of the war. His family consists of two sons, O. W. and Jacob F.

O. W. GOOD was born in Midvale, Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., October 27, 1848. He received his education in his native county, and followed farming several years on the farm which has been in possession of the family for over three-quarters of a century. In 1876 he embarked in his present business, distilling. He has lately erected the handsome three-story brick hotel on Main Street, in Waynesboro. Mr. Good is a Republican and was nominated for the State Legislature, but was defeated by the Hon. John McDowell Sharpe. In 1879 he married Miss Anna B., daughter of Stephen G. Martin and Anna (Funk) Martin, the latter of German origin. Mrs. Good is the mother of one child, Robert Elder.

JACOB F. GOOD (brother of O. W.), merchant, railroad and express agent at Midvale, this county, where, on the old homestead he was born January 31, 1852, was reared on the farm, attended the common schools, the institute in Waynesboro, and the State normal school at Millersville, Penn. He farmed until 1880 when he embarked in and created his present business and place of business, now known as "Midvale." In 1875 he married Mary K., eldest daughter of Michael Miller, Esq., of Hagerstown, Md., and they have one child, J. Omar. Mrs. Good is of German descent and a member of the Brethren Church. Politically Mr. Good is a Republican.

JOHN B. HAMILTON, farmer, Waynesboro, was born in Waynesboro, Franklin County, Penn., March 14, 1832; son of Alexander and Jane (Besore) Hamilton, the former a native of Chester County, Penn., of German descent—the latter born in Franklin County, Penn., of English lineage. In 1817 Alexander Hamilton walked from Chester County to Waynesboro, this county, carrying all his earthly possessions in a handkerchief; being a wagon-maker by trade, he immediately set to work, and soon had all he could do. He built himself a shop where he carried on business here for many years, and by industry, economy and judiciously investing his money in real estate, succeeded in accumulating a fair share of this world's goods. He was twice nominated for the State Legislature but was defeated. He died in 1874 at the advanced age of eighty-two years. Of his family of twelve children nine grew to manhood and womanhood. Our subject, the sixth born, grew to maturity in his native town, where he attended school. He there studied portrait painting and followed the profession for several years, but farming has been the main business of his life, and he still superintends his farm of 136 acres in Washington Township. He was married at Waynesboro in 1865 to Mary R. Clayton, sister of Hon. James H. Clayton. This union was blessed with one child, Alexander, now learning the jeweler's trade. Mr. Hamilton lost the partner of his life by death in 1872. In politics our subject is a Democrat. He is among the most prominent Masons in Franklin County, having attained the thirty-second degree.

WILLIAM HAMMETT, Waynesboro, was born in Washington County, Md., August 23, 1804; son of David and Anna (Funk) Hammett, natives of Maryland and of English and German origin, former of whom, a farmer by occupation, came to this county in 1808. Our subject, the third in a family of five children, received his education in the subscription school in the old log school-house which is still standing within the corporation of Waynesboro. His life

has been one of industry, for in his youth he commenced to clerk in a store in Waynesboro, kept by Messrs. Bitinger & Resser (who were among the first merchants here), where he remained a few years, and preferring mercantile life embarked in business for himself, keeping a general store in Waynesboro. His health failing he embarked in the iron business, and was employed as superintendent of the Caledonia Iron Works for over twenty years, and for the last twelve years had entire charge of the business. When Mr. Hammett took charge the company was deeply in debt, but after he took hold the business prospered. He always made it a rule not to employ a man who drank intoxicating liquors, and would discharge any one who became intoxicated while in his employ, and he attributes his success largely to this one rule. After quitting the iron business he was employed as assistant ticket agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Pittsburgh, Penn. Then for a time was superintendent of a coal mine at Plymouth, Penn., but since 1867 has lived a retired life in Waynesboro. He is a Republican in politics. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, in which he has been elder and trustee for many years. Mr. Hammett was made a Master Mason in 1825 and is still a member in good standing, being probably the oldest Mason living in the county.

J. C. HESS, of the firm of Lidy & Hess, manufacturers of hosiery, Waynesboro, was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., August 8, 1859, a son of Israel and Lavina (Crouse) Hess—former a native of Franklin County, Penn., of German origin; latter a native of Maryland of English origin. Israel Hess has followed farming principally through life and now resides in Waynesboro. J. C. Hess, the youngest of four children, two of whom are now living, was reared on the farm, attended the schools of Waynesboro, and worked two years at the wagon-maker's trade. He then commenced the boiler-maker's trade with Frick & Co., at which he worked eight years; then spent three years at butchering in Waynesboro. In 1885 he bought a half interest in his present business; this firm now employs from forty to fifty people. He was united in marriage in 1879 to Lida, daughter of William Albert and of German origin. Mr. Hess is a Republican in politics; is a member of the K. of P., in which he has passed all the chairs, and was representative to the Grand Lodge; he is also a member of the I. O. O. F., also of the encampment, his lodge being the "Widows' Friend," No. 219.

SAMUEL HOEFLICH, retired merchant, Waynesboro, was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., December 21, 1831; son of William and Susan (Royer) Hoeflich, who were born and married in this county, the former of whom, a shoemaker by occupation, was born in 1800 and died in 1885. Our subject's ancestors on both sides, were of German origin and early settlers in Pennsylvania. Samuel Hoeflich, the oldest of seven children, acquired his education in the country schools of Washington Township. At the age of sixteen he obtained a position in a dry goods store at Waynesboro, soon arose to prominence as a clerk, and for several years was considered the leading salesman here. In 1862 he was drafted, and enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and when the company was organized he was appointed orderly sergeant. When the regimental officers were elected, the captain of Company E was made lieutenant-colonel, and our subject was appointed second lieutenant, in which capacity he served for ten months. Returning home he continued in his former employment, clerking, and subsequently embarked in business for himself at Waynesboro. In 1864 he and Joseph Price (who was in the same business) combined their stores and did business under style of Price & Hoeflich. This firm carried on a successful business for many

years, during which time they both invested largely in stock of the Frick Manufacturing Company, which has proven a successful investment. Mr. Price finally sold his interest in the store to Mr. D. M. Good, making the firm Hoeflich & Good, who continued the business for several years, when he sold out his interest (in 1881), since when has not been engaged in any active business. Our subject married January 10, 1865, Maria, daughter of William Vandrau and of German origin. Mr. and Mrs. Hoeflich are members of the Reformed Church at Waynesboro, of which he has been deacon and elder. For several years he has been a director in the First National Bank at Waynesboro. He has ever been a public-spirited, enterprising man, and took an active interest in getting the railroad here. He was one of the principal movers to have the water-works established at Waynesboro. In politics he is a Republican. The family attended the services of St. Paul's Reformed Church.

J. R. HOEFLICH, agent of water and gas-works, Waynesboro, was born in Franklin County, Penn., February 3, 1840; a son of William and Susan (Royer) Hoeflich, natives of this county and of German descent, former of whom was a manufacturer of boots and shoes in early life, but later devoted himself to farming. Our subject, the fifth in a family of seven children, was reared near Waynesboro, in Washington Township, and attended school in the borough. His first vacation was clerking and he was thus employed for thirteen years (three years of the time in Pittsburgh) but since 1878 he has devoted the larger part of his time to the insurance business and at present he is general fire and life insurance agent, his office being in the water company's department on East Main Street. His aim is to represent none but the first-class Companies such as the "Phoenix of London," "Phoenix of Brooklyn," "Connecticut," "National of Hartford" "Fire Association of Philadelphia" and "The Mutual Life of New York." In 1884 Mr. Hoeflich was appointed agent of the water and gas-works in Waynesboro. He was married in 1869 to Mary Catharine, daughter of Jacob B. Resser and of Scotch-Irish origin. The children born to this union are Luella, Mary R., Nettie H., Ruby Motter. Charles Edwin. Mr. and Mrs. Hoeflich are members of St. Paul's Reformed Church in Waynesboro, of which he has been deacon since 1874, and has ever taken an active interest in the Sabbath-school, serving as secretary and librarian. He has served as one of the school board in Waynesboro. In politics our subject is a Republican. He is a member of the G. A. R. and has been sergeant-major and adjutant of the post. During the late war of the Rebellion he enlisted, in 1862, in Company E, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, serving his term of enlistment (nine months) as a non-commissioned officer. He re-enlisted in 1865, in Company D, Ninety-ninth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served until the close of the war.

DANIEL HOOVER, president of the Geiser Manufacturing Company, Waynesboro, was born in Washington County, Md., October 19, 1833; son of David H. and Elizabeth (Zentmyer) Hoover, the former born 1796, in Frederick County Md., the latter in 1803 in Washington County Md., near the Mason and Dixon line, at the foot of South Mountain, where her father, David Zentmyer, was engaged for many years in tanning. Their early ancestors were natives of Switzerland. Our subject, the fifth in a family of eleven children, received his education in the country schools, being reared on the farm, and at the age of twenty-two he left the parental roof and started out in life for himself. "The Geiser separator" was at that time in its infancy. Its inventor, Peter Geiser, married Mary Hoover (sister of our

subject), so he took an interest in the new machine and bought one of the first that was sold, it having been built at Smithsburg, Md., by William Frankinberry. Mr. Hoover took the machine with him to Middletown, Md., and engaged in threshing during the season of 1856. After that he followed different pursuits, sometimes working on the farm, then traveling in the interest of the Geiser machine (as agent), and again following threshing until 1866, when he became a member of the firm of Geiser, Price & Co., and took his old position as traveling salesman for the firm. In January, 1868, he bought one-half of J. F. Oller's interest in the firm and in January, 1869, they secured a charter. Since then he has been occupied in various important positions in the company, and in 1884 was elected its president, which position he still fills. He was united in marriage February 8, 1866, with Elizabeth, daughter of John and Catharine (Knave) Newcomer, of German origin. Her father was a farmer. Of the children born to this union four are now living: Virtue E., Ira N., Percy D., Roy J. D. Mr. and Mrs. Hoover are members of the Lutheran Church, of which he is an elder. Politically our subject is a Republican. He has served as a member of the town council.

DANIEL JOHNSTON, brickmaker, Waynesboro, was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., August 22, 1834, a son of John and Sarah (Hartman) Johnston, the former a native of Pennsylvania, the latter of Maryland, and of German and Irish descent respectively. John Johnston was a brickmaker, a trade he followed for many years in this township, but now lives, retired from active life, in a neat little cottage in the suburbs of Waynesboro. His family consisted of seven children, four of whom still survive, Daniel being the eldest. Our subject was reared in Washington Township, and has resided in Waynesboro since he was eight years old. He attended the common schools, learned the brickmakers trade, and subsequently that of milling; but not liking the latter, returned to his former business of brickmaking, which he has made the principal business of his life and in which he has been successful. He manufactured all the brick for the Geiser manufacturing shops, also a large number for the Frick & Co., shops. When he first commenced this business he made the brick by hand but he has kept pace with the times and is now supplied with all the modern improvements in machinery for the manufacture of brick, and which have cost him over \$1,000. He has built some of the handsome residences in Waynesboro, one of which he owns and occupies with his family. In 1855 he married Catharine, daughter of George Barnhart, of English origin. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston were the parents of the following named children: Mary, wife of Daniel Koons of Pittsburgh, Penn.; H. V., wife of Walter McGee; Bettie, wife of Charles Bowen; Minnie Kate, wife of William Kefager, and William H. Mrs. Johnston died in 1866 and in 1868 Mr. Johnston married Mary Bowman, a daughter of David Bowman, of English origin. By this union there were the following named children: John F., Alice May, Missouri, Daniel V., (deceased), Nettie, Grover Cleveland and Adda Grace. Mr. and Mrs. Johnston are members of the Lutheran Church. He is a Democrat; has served as constable and member of the town council.

FRANKLIN FRICK LANDIS was born near Neffsville, Lancaster Co., Penn., February 25, 1845, a son of Benjamin N. and Lydia P. (Frick) Landis, and a grandson of Abraham Landis, who was for many years (up to his death) a minister in the Reformed Mennonite Church, lived near Lancaster City, Penn., all of his life, and died in the early part of 1860 in his eighty-second year. Our subject is also a grandson of Jacob Frick, of near Neffsville, Lancaster Co., Penn., still living and enjoying good health, now past eighty-five years of age, and uncle of George Frick, the well known manufacturer of Waynesboro, Penn.

Our subject's ancestors originally came from Switzerland, though nearly two centuries have passed since they first settled in America. In or about 1847, Franklin Frick Landis, who was the elder of two children (at that time), came to Franklin County, Penn., with his parents, who settled on a small farm to which belonged a small saw and grist-mill, driven by the Antietam Creek. This property is about three miles south of Waynesboro, Penn. The father was a carpenter, and being of an inventive turn of mind had made a number of improvements in the mill. He also added to the property a small sash and door factory, the machinery of which was nearly all his own make, but in the midst of his prospects he was, in the fall of 1855, stricken down by typhoid fever, and after a lingering illness of about three months, died, leaving his family in rather moderate circumstances, his widow, with seven children (the youngest was born after the father's death), being compelled to go to her people and give some of the children to others to raise. Our subject, the elder, who fell to an uncle's care, was early inured to labor, and his educational advantages were limited to what could be obtained in the common schools during the winter months, having to work on the farm the balance of the year. This sort of life continued until he was seventeen, when, having convinced all of his dislike to farming, he was allowed to follow his own inclinations, and in April, 1862, he entered a small machine shop at Mount Joy, Penn. There he applied himself assiduously to his trade, and at the expiration of three years left the smoky shop with a more thorough knowledge of his ignorance, and the outlines (in a rather rude or crude way) of a very useful trade or profession. He next went to Lancaster City, Penn., where he obtained a good position in a locomotive shop (at that time known as the Norris Locomotive Works), at a fair salary, and remained with the same firm until their works closed and he was thrown out of employment at a time he could ill afford to be idle, for his mother had moved to Lancaster and, with his assistance, was trying to get part of her family together. Our subject then proposed to follow Horace Greeley's advice to "go west," but was dissuaded by his mother, who thought that sooner or later there would be a wide scope for his mechanical ingenuity in the East. Soon after this, while our subject was talking to Mr. Jacob Stouffer, of Lancaster City (who did a good business as a patent solicitor), in a discouraged way about obtaining work, a client of Mr. Stouffer stepped into his office, having a crude model of an invention. Mr. Stouffer told him he must have a complete model of his invention, and turning to Mr. Landis said he had some trouble in getting good models built, and if he could make models he could give him comparatively steady employment. With bright prospects our subject started a small shop in a room of about 12x14 feet, spending most of his earnings for tools, etc. and in a short time was at work making models, repairing sewing machines, locks, engraving door-plates, putting up door-bells, etc., doing a good business in a small way for nearly two years. He subsequently took a younger brother into partnership. They soon began manufacturing steam engines and did general machine work, continuing until 1872, when they sold out. Our subject then filled a salaried position as master mechanic at the same business for four years and a half. In 1876 he and another brother embarked in a business of manufacturing portable frame engines. The mechanical part of the business was a success but the financial part was a failure, and in the fall of 1878 they were obliged to make an assignment for the purpose of placing all their creditors on an equality, the sudden crash being caused by a business firm failing who had bought the bulk of their products that year. Francis Hershey, of Mount Joy, Penn. (brother-in-law of our subject), bought the bulk of the tools, fixtures, finished and unfinished materials, and afterward the prop-



erty. Through his kind assistance the Landises were enabled to start the works and ultimately to pay all indebtedness, which at that time was \$8,000 to \$10,000. The Geiser Manufacturing Company at that time contemplating the manufacture of a portable steam engine in connection with their grain-thresher business, concluded, in the fall of 1879, to try to make some arrangement to get the Landis engine to build. The company then offered Mr. Landis (our subject) a position on a salary in their works, and to enter into a contract with him to pay him a royalty on all engines they built with his improvements. This offer was accepted, and our subject has since been employed as their mechanical engineer. He has constantly been improving the company's machinery and has many valuable patents, among which may be mentioned a traction engine or road locomotive and a steam plow. Mr. Landis has built himself a residence in Waynesboro which is equipped with every modern convenience and is one of the most complete in the town. He was united in marriage in 1869 with Elizabeth Hershey, a native of Lancaster County, Penn., and daughter of Rev. Samuel Hershey, a Mennonite minister, who died February 27, 1885, in his eighty-first year; his ancestors came from Switzerland, but for four generations have lived in America. Eight children were born to this union: Ida May, Benjamin F., Mary H., Lizzie H., Anna E., Adria, Frank H. and Mark H., of whom only four are living. Benjamin F. died in his seventh year: Mary H., in her eighth year; Adria, when but an infant, and Frank H. in his fifteenth month. Mr. and Mrs. Landis are members of the Reformed Mennonite Church.

DANIEL S. LESHER, retired farmer, P. O. Waynesboro, was born on the farm where he now resides, May 3, 1839, a son of John and Mary (Sollenberger) Leshner, natives of Pennsylvania and of German origin. The father followed farming all his life, and died in 1881. His family consisted of three children, Daniel S. being the second. Our subject was educated in the school of his neighborhood, and followed agriculture, but at present is living retired from active life, on his well improved farm of 160 acres. His paternal and maternal ancestors were among the early German settlers of Pennsylvania, and generally followed farming. His great-great-grandfather, Henry Leshner, emigrated from Shaffhausen, near Zweibrücken at Ebersten Hoff, Switzerland, to the American colonies at the age of sixteen, with fifty-three other families, on the ship "James Goodwill," David Crockett, captain, from Rotterdam, and landed at Philadelphia, Penn., on September 27, 1727. In 1807 our subject's grandfather, Rev. Christian Leshner, settled in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., and in 1808 purchased the farm on which our subject now lives. He was a minister of the River Brethren denomination, preached many years in this State and in Ohio, and died in 1856.

JACOB S. LESHER, farmer, P. O. Waynesboro, was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., October 18, 1842, a son of John and Mary (Sollenberger) Leshner. His paternal and maternal ancestors were among the early German settlers of Pennsylvania. His great-great-grandfather, Henry Leshner, the progenitor of the Leshner family, with about 200 others, emigrated from Shaffhausen, Switzerland, to the American colonies in the ship "James Goodwill," David Crockett being captain, and landed at Philadelphia September 27, 1727, and subsequently moved to Lancaster County, near Manheim, where he pursued the vocation of farming. Our subject's grandfather, Rev. Christian Leshner, moved from Lancaster County to this township in 1807, and a wooden plow brought along and used by him is now in possession of our subject, who regards it as a relic. He has also in his possession, a German Bible, in a perfect state of preservation, published at Zurich, in

1538, and brought from Switzerland by his grandfather's ancestors, and which has since been in possession of the family. Our subject, who is the youngest of two children, spent his early years on the farm with his parents, and his education was acquired at the common schools. Being of a very ingenious turn of mind he took up the business of watchmaking, which he has followed from his boyhood. He has in his possession a wooden watch made by hand by himself, which weighs two ounces, and which keeps regular time. Mr. Leshar has taken several extended trips to the Western States and Territories, during which time he was engaged in collecting and preserving rare specimens of birds, animals, Indian relics, etc. His museum is considered the largest and most valuable private collection of stuffed animals and birds and relics in the county. The farm where he now resides consists of 130 acres of fine land located on the Hagerstown and Waynesboro pike, near Waynesboro, whither he removed in 1883, since which time he has superintended the farm and followed watchmaking. In 1882 Mr. Leshar married Lizzie A., daughter of Daniel Hollinger, and of German origin; to this union two children have been born: Vierda May and Daniel H. Mr. Leshar is a Republican and is serving as school director.

G. FRANK LIDY of the firm of Lidy & Hess, manufacturers of hosiery, Waynesboro, was born in Quincy Township, this county, January 18, 1843, son of George and Susannah (Feids) Lidy, natives of Franklin County, Penn., and of German and English origin. His father (a tanner by trade) and his mother both died in the year 1872. They were the parents of two sons, Samuel J. and G. Frank. The boys grew to manhood in this county, attending the common schools and learning the machinist's trade, which Samuel J. still follows, at Pittsburgh, Penn. Our subject learned his trade of George Frick, with whom he worked in all seven years. He enlisted in 1863 in the Twenty-first Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry, and was honorably discharged in 1864 at expiration of his term of service; he then re-enlisted in the Seventeenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and served as bugler in both regiments. He was discharged at the close of the war, and though wounded lost no limbs. Returning home Mr. Lidy entered the employ of Mr. Frick, his former instructor, and was with him until the Frick company was established. He made wood work, also studied and became a good draftsman, and it was he who drew up the plan for the shops of Frick & Co., and superintended the work, he being the chief architect and builder. In 1879 our subject embarked in business on his own account, in company with Samuel J. Lecron, in the manufacture of doors, sash and blinds, and it was then that he contracted to build the shops of the company. In 1884 the present business was established, and the firm have been doing well here, employing fifty people when running a full set of burrs. Mr. Lidy was married in 1864 to Elizabeth Dickle, of German origin, and of the five children born to them four are now living: Bertie, Mary, Rose and Isaac Henry. Mrs. Lidy is a member of the Reformed Church. Our subject is a Republican politically; a member of the K. of P., and adjutant of Captain Walker Post, No. 287, G. A. R.

WILLIAM LOGUE, retired farmer, P. O. Waynesboro, was born in Washington County, Md., September 10, 1824, a son of William and Martha (Walker) Logue, natives of Scotland and Ireland, respectively. They were married in Ireland, and soon after came to America and settled in Maryland. Their family consisted of five children, of whom William is the third. Our subject was reared on the farm and educated in the district school. His father dying in debt, William worked by the month to pay off this indebtedness, and to support his mother and the younger children, which he continued to do for

eight years. In 1844 he came to Franklin County, Penn., and engaged in farming, which has been his principal business. He has also dealt largely in horses, and lately sold one of his farms for \$16,000. In 1851 he married Christine Snowberger, daughter of David Snowberger. Mr. and Mrs. Logue are members of the Reformed Church, in which he has been a deacon. In politics he is a Democrat. While a resident of Quincy Township, this county, he served as assessor and a member of the election board. He is a self-made man, having acquired all that he has by his own industry and perseverance.

MICHAEL LOOKABAUGH, farmer and proprietor of the Pen Mar Club House, P. O. Rowzersville, was born in this county on the farm where he now resides, May 1, 1836, a son of John and Elizabeth (Miller) Lookabaugh, latter of Irish parentage. His father was born in Adams County, Penn., of German descent, and lived to the advanced age of eighty-nine years; he was a strong temperance man, using neither whisky nor tobacco; he was twice married, and became the father of twelve children. Michael, his first child by the second wife, received a rudimentary education, and from his youth up has been engaged in agricultural pursuits, buying and selling horses, etc., and has made money by good investments. The club house pays him \$100 per month rent; it is 70x24 feet, and was built in 1880. In 1857 Mr. Lookabaugh married Rebecca Flannig, a daughter of Frederick Flannig, and of German and Irish origin. Of the ten children born to this union seven are now living, the eldest being married. Mr. Lookabaugh is a Republican. He has served as constable and tax collector for nine successive years.

DAVID BOWLES MARTIN, editor and proprietor of the *Gazette* and job office, and hardware merchant, Waynesboro, was born in Franklin County, Penn., May 22, 1827, son of Nicholas and Elenora (Bowles) Martin, natives of Washington County, Md., and of English and German origin, former of whom was a farmer and miller by occupation. Our subject, the youngest of two children born to his parents, was reared in this county; received his education in Marshall College, in Franklin County, and then followed his father's occupation until 1873, when he embarked in the hardware business. He was married in 1853 to Mary A., daughter of Capt. John Cushwa, and of French and German origin, and their children are John C., a partner with his father in business; N. B., an attorney; Rose, wife of Prof. M. M. Garver; Minnie, widow of John Lowe; Jessie, wife of James B. Fisher, editor by profession. Mr. and Mrs. Martin are members of the Reformed Church, of which he is elder. He is a Republican in politics.

N. BRUCE MARTIN, attorney and editor, Waynesboro, was born at Welsh Run, Franklin Co., Penn., March 15, 1854, a son of D. B. Martin, of Waynesboro (see sketch). He grew to manhood in Franklin County, and received his education at Mercersburg College, where he graduated in the regular classical course in 1874. He then took up the study of law in the office of Col. George W. Brewer, of Chambersburg, Penn., and was admitted to practice in the courts of Franklin County in 1878. The first three years he practiced his profession in Chambersburg, but in 1882 came to Waynesboro, and bought a one-half interest in the *Keystone Gazette*. He conducts the editorial department of this journal in connection with his law practice, his office being located near the *Gazette* building. April 30, 1884, he married Miss Catherine Cushwa, a daughter of Victor and Mary A. (Kreigh) Cushwa, former of French and German origin, latter of English and Irish descent. To Mr. and Mrs. Martin two children were born: Joseph B. (deceased) and F. Gerald. The parents are members of the Catholic Church. Mr. Martin is a Republican. He served three years as secretary and attorney for the directors of the poor of Franklin

County, and has for several years filled the office of solicitor for the borough of Waynesboro. As a writer and composer he has but few equals in this county.

ABRAHAM MICKLEY, farmer and stock grower, P. O. Waynesboro, was born in Washington County, Md., near the Mason and Dixon line, September 26, 1834. His parents, Daniel and Elizabeth (Zettle) Mickley, were natives of Adams County, Penn. His father was born December 8, 1795, served in the war of 1812; was a farmer and settled here in 1828, near the line, where he remained until he retired in 1861, when he removed to Waynesboro. His family consisted of twelve children, all of whom grew to maturity and of whom our subject is the eighth. The earliest years of our subject were spent on the farm with his parents and in attending the country schools, and subsequently he attended Franklin and Marshall College, where he remained one year, since which time he has been engaged in agricultural pursuits. His brother, John, was a Union soldier in the Seventeenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, and was killed in a skirmish in Virginia. His eldest brother, Peter, was killed by lightning. Abraham was married in 1861 to Elizabeth, daughter of George and Mary Ann (Winters) Stephey, natives of Washington County, Md., and of German origin. To this union the following named children were born: Harvey, who graduated at Franklin and Marshall College June 18, 1886; Emma, Daniel and Nora Grace. Mr. and Mrs. Mickley are members of the Reformed Church. He is a Republican in politics; takes an active interest in school affairs and has served as school director of the township.

DAVID MILLER, P. O. Blue Ridge Summit, proprietor of the "Clermont Summer Resort," was born April 17, 1826, in Lebanon County, Penn., his parents, David and Sarah (Frenslar) Miller, were also natives of Lebanon County, and his paternal and maternal ancestors were among the early German settlers of Pennsylvania. His father, who died in 1870, a farmer by occupation, had a family of eight children, of whom David is the fourth. The earliest education of our subject was received from his parents on the farm, but later he attended the college at Mercersburg and Lancaster County College. He is a Republican in politics, but has never held any county office. He owns 150 acres of land and the "Clermont Summer Resort," which is numbered among the handsome places of Pennsylvania.

D. R. MILLER, farmer, P. O. Waynesboro, is descended from an early German settler of Pennsylvania, and was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., May 21, 1836. His parents, John and Eve (Carbaugh) Miller, were also natives of Washington Township, and both were descended from German ancestry. The great-grandfather of our subject, Henry Miller, served all through the Revolutionary war, and took up a large tract of land in Washington Township, Franklin County, the deed of which is still in possession of the family, bearing date of 1786; this land has since continued in the possession of the family, and has passed from one generation to another. D. R. Miller, the youngest of three children, was reared on the farm and educated in the schools of his native township. He chose farming as his occupation, and owns 341 acres of land, well improved. In 1859 he married Anna, daughter of David Shank, a prominent farmer. Mrs. Miller is of German origin, and has borne her husband six children: Morris Edgar, Walter E. K., Anna, David S., John F. and Margie A. Mr. and Mrs. Miller are members of the Reformed Church, of which he has been deacon and Sabbath-school librarian for years. He is a Democrat in politics. While the grange was in existence he was an active member of that organization.

JOHN J. MILLER, merchant, Waynesboro, was born in Newton Town-

ship, Cumberland Co., Penn., November 17, 1843, a son of Jacob and Catherine (Diven) Miller, former of Swiss descent, latter of German-Irish origin. His father followed tanning for many years in Cumberland County, Penn.; his family consisted of eight children, one of whom, William H., a Union soldier, was taken prisoner at the battle of Winchester, and died while in prison. Our subject was reared in Newton Township, Cumberland Co., and received his education in the common schools. When he reached his majority he embarked in business for himself at Oakville, where he continued for six years; then in 1873 came to Waynesboro, and embarked in his present business, dealing in hats, caps, boots and shoes, on the northeast corner of the square. He aims to have one price on his goods and, therefore, treats all alike, which brings to his store many of the best citizens of Waynesboro and vicinity. He was married in 1872 to Mary, daughter of Jacob Holsinger, and of German origin, a member of the German Baptist Church. In politics Mr. Miller is a Republican. He is a successful business man.

REV. ISAAC M. MOTTER, pastor of St. Paul's Reformed Church, Waynesboro, was born in Emmitsburg, Md., January 19, 1852, a son of Lewis and Alice (Rudissell) Motter, natives of Maryland and of German origin. The father is a farmer, living at Emmitsburg, Md. Our subject is the fifth in a family of eight children. His early education was obtained in schools of the Emmitsburg, and subsequently he attended Mercersburg College, where he graduated in 1873; then entered the theological seminary, and graduated in 1876. In the same year he was ordained, and installed over the charge of his present church in Waynesboro. He was married in 1879 to Ada S., daughter of Samuel and Kunkel, and of German origin. She is the mother of four children: Lewis, Guy, John C. and Lida.

T. S. NEVIN, proprietor of confectionery, bakery and grocery store, Waynesboro, was born March 21, 1841, in Franklin County, Penn., of Scotch-Irish origin. His paternal and maternal ancestors were early settlers of Pennsylvania. His father, A. G. Nevin, was a railroad contractor in early life and postmaster at Waynesboro from 1864 to 1866, and again from 1868 to 1875; he died in 1875. He was united in marriage with Matilda Ripple, who bore him eight children, seven of whom lived to be men and women. Our subject, the second born, has spent the most of his life in his native town, and here attended school. His first business occupation was working in a dairy at his uncle's, in Baltimore, Md., where he remained for seven years, the last two as proprietor of the business. In 1865 he engaged in the wholesale flour and grain business at 203 North Street, Baltimore, Md. In 1869 he associated with him Jos. H. Allen, of Baltimore, the firm name being Nevin & Allen, and they were the pioneers in Baltimore's large grain trade, having brought to Baltimore the first corn from west of the Mississippi for export. In 1871 our subject went to Kansas and dealt in stock. He returned to Baltimore in 1875 and clerked in a flour and grain commission house until 1877, when he came to Waynesboro and embarked in his present business. He is energetic, industrious and well deserving of the liberal patronage he has received since coming here. He states that he handles goods on a small margin, and that his motto, "quick sales and small profits," will insure success and keep away all stale goods. Mr. Nevin was married in 1877, to Mary A. Hodnette, a native of Philadelphia, Penn., and of German origin, and their children are Bruce E., Edith A., Mary Lee, Julia R. and William G. Mr. and Mrs. Nevin are members of the Methodist Church in which he is steward and trustee. He takes an active interest in the Sabbath-school as teacher and has served as superintendent

of the Waynesboro Methodist Episcopal Sabbath-school. In politics he is a Republican. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity.

SAMUEL NICODEMUS, retired farmer, P. O. Zullinger, was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., March 25, 1825, a son of John and Margaret (Potter) Nicodemus, natives of Pennsylvania, and of German origin, the former of whom, a farmer and distiller by occupation, died in 1828. His family consisted of nine children, Samuel being the youngest. The early education of our subject was received in the common schools, and from his youth up he has been engaged in agricultural pursuits. He now owns 210 acres of well improved land. In 1847 he married Catherine, daughter of John Lechron, of Waynesboro, and of German origin. Mr. and Mrs. Nicodemus are parents of the following named children: John, owner of a fine fruit farm; D. O. and A. L., farmers; Arminta, wife of Franklin Miller, and Dora, wife of H. Marshall. Mr. and Mrs. Nicodemus are members of the Reformed Church, in which he has been elder and deacon. In politics he is a Democrat, and has held most of the township offices.

JACOB F. OLLER, bishop of the German Baptist Church and assistant treasurer of the Geiser Manufacturing Company, Waynesboro, was born in Washington Township, this county, January 18, 1825, son of Joseph and Rebecca (Stoner) Oller, natives of Maryland and Franklin County, Penn., respectively, and of German origin. Joseph Oller was a mechanic in early life, and worked at his trade, but in later years followed farming. Our subject, the third born in a family of eight children, received his education in the district schools, remaining on the farm with his parents until twenty years of age when, for a time, he taught school in winter and worked on the farm in the summer. He subsequently clerked in a dry goods store and then embarked in business in company with John Philips, conducting a general store in Waynesboro for two years, when they sold out, and Mr. Oller returned to the scenes of his childhood, where he followed farming for ten years with more than average success. He then left the farm and kept a general store in Quincy Township, this county, for two years. In 1866, when the Geiser, Price & Co. manufactory was established, he became one of the partners in the firm, which has since merged into the Geiser Manufacturing Company, and Mr. Oller has filled every office from president down (when they first started he did all the office work), and it is from his own choice that he is now only assistant treasurer. Our subject was married July 20, 1848, to Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob and Susan (Hullinger) Bonebreake, and of German origin. The children born to this union are Joseph J., treasurer of the Geiser Manufacturing Company; Rebecca, wife of C. C. Stull; Susan, wife of Joseph E. Roher; Jesse R.; Anna, wife of Silas E. Dubbal; May and John B. Our subject has long been a member of the German Baptist Church, serving as minister thirty-one years and receiving his ordination as bishop in 1883.

WILLIAM TELL OMWAKE, attorney, Waynesboro, was born in Antrim Township, this county, May 23, 1856, son of Henry and Eveline (Beaver) Omwake, also natives of Franklin County, and of German descent. His father in early life was a teacher, but in later years retired from his profession and bought a farm near Greencastle, this county, where he now resides. Our subject, the second born in a family of nine children, was reared on the farm and his earliest education was acquired in the country school, but he subsequently attended a private school at Greencastle, this county, and Ursinus College in Montgomery County, Penn. He followed the early avocation of his father for a few years: read law in Chambersburg, Penn., in the office of ex-Judge F. M. Kimmell; was admitted to the bar in 1881 and in 1882 commenced the practice

of his chosen profession in Waynesboro, in the office with L. W. Detrick, who died the same year, since when Mr. Omwake has been alone and has been very successful. He was admitted to practice law in the supreme courts in 1886. He is an active member of the German Reformed Church in which he is a deacon. Politically he is a Democrat.

JOHN PHILIPS, cashier of the First National Bank of Waynesboro, Penn., was born February 17, 1821. His maternal grandfather, John Eichelberger, a native of Frederick County, Md., was a Revolutionary soldier, and fought bravely at the battles of Bunker Hill, Lexington, and throughout the war, distinguishing himself in many of the conflicts of that eventful period. He married Mary Leonard, a daughter of Michael Leonard, a native of Germany, and who settled in Reading, Penn. They had six children, their daughter Mary marrying Thomas Philips, July 25, 1811, near Frederick City, Md. Thomas Philips was a native of Virginia; his father, Thomas Philips, was an Englishman, who settled in Virginia, and died near Leesburg, leaving three young children—Thomas, Israel and Elizabeth—to the care of their widowed mother. Thomas Philips, the father of John, was engaged in the milling business in Washington County, Md., during the greater portion of his life, dying February 19, 1844, in the fifty-sixth year of his age, at Hagerstown, Md. Thomas and Mary Philips had six children: Thomas, a doctor; William and Samuel, clergymen; Israel, a miller; two daughters, both dying in infancy; and John, our subject, who was the only child born in this State and county. Educated privately in Washington County, Md., he received, at an early age, his business training, in Shepherdstown, Va. Thence he removed to his home in Hagerstown, Md. In 1845 he located in Waynesboro, Penn., and was here engaged in mercantile pursuits until 1856, when he became chief factor in the organization of the savings bank, out of which grew the First National Bank of Waynesboro, in 1863, since which period he has been the cashier. Under his conservative management, the bank has paid regular semi-annual dividends of over nine per cent per annum, clear of all taxes (since its organization), which, in the aggregate, amount to more than double its capital; and its stock has maintained a premium of over thirty per cent for the last fifteen, or more, years. His familiarity with commercial and banking law peculiarly fitted him for the judicious management of the bank, and as a safe advisory member of the several manufacturing corporations, of which boards he is a member. Few banks and corporations, if any, have been so free from litigation as those with which he has been connected in the management. About the year 1872 he interested himself in the establishment of manufactories, and was chiefly instrumental in the organization of the three large manufacturing companies, viz.: The Geiser Company, American Manufacturing Company, and the present Frick Steam Engine and Boiler Works, the latter of which he was president of from its organization, in 1873, until March, 1886. He is a director of the American Manufacturing Company since its organization, in 1882. Mr. Philips is the patentee of the self regulating windmill, having obtained his patent in 1855. The same year, it took first prize in the State fair of Indiana. He married Susan, second daughter of John Clayton, of Waynesboro, Penn., and sister of the Hon. J. H. Clayton, whose sketch appears elsewhere. They have a son and daughter now living, Clayton and Grace, the former of whom holds a clerical position as an assistant to his father in the bank. Mr. Philips and his wife have been connected with the Presbyterian Church since 1846, and for a number of years Mr. Philips has held the position of treasurer of the trustees.

JOSEPH PRICE, president of the First National Bank, Waynesboro, was

born on a farm two miles north of Waynesboro, in Quincy Township, this county. His parents, Jacob and Susan (Emmert) Price, were natives of Pennsylvania and Maryland respectively, and of German origin. The Prices were among the early settlers of Pennsylvania, our subject's grandfather, Jacob Price, being born in this State in 1765; he was an early settler of this county and died in his seventy-fifth year. Joseph Price, the second born in a family of eight children, was reared on the farm which was settled by his grandfather in 1786, and which is still in possession of the family. Joseph Price remained on the farm with his parents until he was eighteen years old, and his education was acquired in a country school and Lititz, Lancaster Co., Penn., where he attended school one year, 1849-50. From January, 1851, to April, 1853, he was engaged in the drug business at Boonsboro, Md., but in the latter year he removed to Waynesboro, this county, where he was actively engaged in the dry goods business alone until 1864; from then he had a partner (firm being Price & Hoeflich) until 1879, when he sold out to D. M. Good. Since the establishment of Frick Manufacturing Company in 1873, Mr. Price has been a stockholder and director in the concern. In 1873 he was elected president of the First National Bank of Waynesboro, in which capacity he still serves. He is a Republican in politics. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and since 1873 has served as elder; he takes an active interest in the Sabbath-school, of which he is now superintendent. He is treasurer of the Baltimore & Cumberland Valley Railroad, and contributed both time and money toward getting the railroad to this point.

WILLIAM A. PRICE, barber, Waynesboro, was born in that place March 4, 1837, son of George and Lydia (Hoover) Price, both of German origin—former, by trade a shoemaker, born in Frederick County, Md., latter born in Waynesboro. Our subject, the seventh in a family of twelve children, six of whom are still living, attended the schools of Waynesboro and chose the barber's trade, at which he has since worked in different places, but most of the time in Waynesboro where he has been actively engaged in business since 1865. He was married in 1856 to Martha Ann Forney, daughter of Marks Forney and of German origin. Mr. and Mrs. Price are members of the Reformed Church. In politics he is a Democrat. He enlisted in 1861 in Company A, Second Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served three months; later he enlisted in the Eleventh Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry, and was first duty sergeant of Company D. He served in all four years, three months and fourteen days.

S. B. RINEHART, president of Frick Manufacturing Company, Waynesboro, was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., January 5, 1839, son of Samuel and Catharine (Bonebrake) Rinehart, of German origin. The former was born in Virginia May 12, 1811; the latter in Pennsylvania June 13, 1807; they were married March 31, 1831. Our subject's grandfather, Lewis Rinehart, moved from Virginia to Franklin County, Penn., in 1828, settling on a farm one mile east of Waynesboro. Samuel Rinehart was educated in the common schools of Virginia, and was a farmer by occupation; his wife was a daughter of Conrad Bonebrake; their union was blessed with eight children: John, Susan, Mary, Samuel B., Lewis, Henry, Daniel and Catharine, all now living but Lewis, who died February 9, 1877. Samuel B. Rinehart was reared on the farm in this township and attended the district school and the Waynesboro and Millersville Normal School. He followed farming until twenty years of age, and then for five years divided his time between teaching and farming (teaching in winters). In 1865 he embarked in the hardware business at Waynesboro, which he continued for several years, meeting with



marked success. (During his business life here he had several partners.) In 1883 he sold his interest in the hardware business, went west and spent some time in Kansas, where he met many relatives whom he had never seen before. In the same year (1883) he was appointed agent for Frick Manufacturing Company, and served in this capacity until 1886, when he was elected president of the company. He was united in marriage September 29, 1868, in Washington County, Md., with Lizzie, daughter of Rev. Joseph F. Rohrer. Her parents were natives of Maryland, of German origin, and members of the German Baptist Church of which Mrs. Rinehart is also a member. Mr. and Mrs. Rinehart have three children now living: Elmer, Rohrer, Archie-Vard. In politics our subject is a Republican.

HENRY RINEHART, farmer, P. O. Waynesboro, was born January 2, 1844, on the farm where he now resides and which he owns, a son of Samuel (a farmer) and Catherine (Bonebrake) Rinehart, natives of Pennsylvania and of German origin (see sketch of S. B. Rinehart). They had a family of eight children, of which our subject is the sixth. Henry Rinehart was reared on the farm, and attended the common schools. All his life he has been engaged in agricultural pursuits, and now owns the well improved farm of ninety acres where he resides. His success in life is largely due to his industry and perseverance. He was married in 1868 to Elizabeth, daughter of Benjamin and Barbara (Burger) Garver. She is a native of Maryland, and of English descent. Two children have blessed this union, Harvey B. and Ira G. In politics Mr. Rinehart is a Republican.

DANIEL D. RINEHART, farmer, P. O. Waynesboro, was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., April 13, 1847, a son of Samuel and Catherine (Bonebrake) Rinehart, the former a farmer, born in Virginia; the latter a native of Pennsylvania, of English and German origin, respectively. They had a family of eight children, Daniel D. being next to the youngest. Our subject was reared on the farm where he now resides, owned by heirs of Samuel Rinehart, and was educated at the district school. Since youth he has been engaged in agricultural pursuits, in which he has met with success. In 1880 he married C. S. Stouffer, a daughter of Abraham Stouffer, and of German origin. Mr. and Mrs. Rinehart have two children: Leslie S. and Katie-May. Mr. and Mrs. Rinehart are members of the German Baptist Church; politically he is a Republican.

PETER ROUZER, Rowzersville, was born in Frederick County, Md., June 29, 1837, a son of Martin (a farmer and tanner) and Rosanna (Gernand) Rouzer, natives of Frederick County, Md., and of English and German origin, the former of whom died in 1847. They reared a family of seven children, Peter being the third. Our subject was reared on the farm, and attended the common schools. He first embarked in the huckstering business, which he has since followed, also farming to some extent, and is the owner of a farm and some mountain land. He put up the first building on the mountain where Pen Mar now stands. This building was a warehouse, and was erected by him and Reuben Shover after the railroad was built. In order to secure a site for the warehouse, Mr. Rouzer proceeded to pile away the brush, and while thus employed was asked by some hunters what he intended doing; when he told them that he was going to build a warehouse, they remarked, "You are crazy," and passed on; but the enterprise proved a success. At this point the railway company have a station, and it is a shipping point for charcoal, in the burning of which Mr. Rouzer is also engaged. Our subject is a Republican in politics, and has held most of the offices in Washington Township; has been for twenty-six years a member of the I. O. O. F. In 1859 he married Mary J. Hawk, of

German origin, and they have the following named children: Charles, a telegraph operator, station agent, merchant and farmer; Emma, wife of John W. Hess, an engineer; Clara; Katie; Rosa and Carrie. Mrs. Rouzer is a member of the Lutheran Church. The village of Rowzersville takes its name from our subject.

JACOB F. RYDER, manufacturer of the portable furnace and washer, Waynesboro, was born in Franklin County, Penn., February 26, 1854, a son of Benjamin L. and Anna (Frick) Ryder; the former a native of Franklin County, Penn., the latter of Washington County, Md.; they were of German and Scotch origin. Benjamin L. Ryder was a horticulturist, the inventor of several patents; was also a physician, having graduated in the State of New York. He practiced in the city of Philadelphia, and subsequently moved to Chambersburg, this county, where he still resides. His family consisted of four sons and two daughters; our subject, the second son, received his education at the common schools, and at the age of fifteen took charge of his father's fruit farm, which he managed with success; he also did much to improve the thoroughbred stock of this part of the country, and raised the finest breed of chickens, of which he is justly proud. In 1878 he embarked in the manufacturing business, and for several years was superintendent of the American manufactory at Waynesboro, and in 1886 entered his present business. He is the owner of a neat, substantial residence, where he now resides. In 1880 he married Alice B., daughter of Stephen G. Martin; she is a native of Maryland, and of Irish and German origin; they have one child, Benjamin. Mr. Ryder is a Republican in politics.

DAVID C. SHANK, coal merchant, Waynesboro, was born November 4, 1848, in Franklin County, Penn., son of David and Susan (Carbaugh) Shank, also natives of this county. Our subject's paternal and maternal ancestors, who were farmers, were among the early pioneers of Pennsylvania, and of German origin. His father is a wealthy influential retired farmer, now residing on a farm in Washington Township, this county. Of the six children born to David and Susan Shank, five are now living. David C., the only son, was reared on the farm, attending the schools of Washington Township. He wisely chose farming as his occupation, and followed agriculture with success until 1882, when he sold out his stock and came to Waynesboro; here for two years and a half he was employed by Frick & Co., and attended fairs and other public shows, exhibiting their machinery. He subsequently embarked in his present business; he is obliging to customers, has a goodly share of the patronage of Waynesboro, and has been financially successful. He is owner of a neat, substantial residence and of a well improved farm, comprising 147 acres of land in Washington Township. Mr. Shank was married in 1869 to Miss Estella Lecron, of French descent, daughter of Hon. Simon Lecron, a farmer. This union has been blessed with four children: Arminta May, Warren Lessly Lecron, Simon Clyde and D. C., an infant. Mrs. Shank is a member of the German Reformed Church. In politics Mr. Shank is a Republican. He served as school director while residing in Washington Township.

DR. GEORGE G. SHIVELY, druggist, Waynesboro, was born in Fairfield, Adams Co., Penn., March 20, 1854; son of Peter and Elizabeth J. (Gelbach) Shively, also natives of that county, and of German descent, the former of whom has made hotel-keeping his principal business, and has conducted a hotel in Fairfield for over thirty years. Our subject, the youngest in a family of three children, grew to manhood in Fairfield, attending school in his native village and also Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Penn. He subsequently studied medicine, graduating from Jefferson Medical College,

Philadelphia, in 1877. After practicing his profession four years in Carlisle, the county seat of Cumberland County, Penn., he came to Waynesboro, since when he has devoted himself to the drug business. The Doctor was married in 1881 to Jennie M., daughter of Bartram and Martha (Strickler) Shaffer, of German and Scotch-Irish origin. The children born to this union are Lillie, George B. and Elizabeth J. Mr. and Mrs. Shively are members of the Lutheran Church. He is a member of the I. O. O. F.

DANIEL SHOCKEY, of Waynesboro, whose portrait appears in this work, was born on the old homestead farm in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., March 10, 1847. He is a son of Christian and Mary (Young) Shockey, who were born and raised in Washington County, Md., just across the line from Franklin County, Penn., not far from Waynesboro, Penn. They were members of the German Baptist Church, and had eleven children, three sons and four daughters of whom lived to be men and women, viz.: John (deceased), unmarried; Sarah, unmarried, resides at the old homestead farm; Mary (deceased wife of Luther Speilman); Julia (deceased), unmarried; Jonas, a farmer, married; Daniel, our subject; Jennie, married to B. F. Foreman. Daniel Shockey assisted his father on the farm, attending the district school during winter months, until eighteen years of age. He was married February 14, 1871, to Miss Catherine Rinehart, who was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., and a daughter of Samuel and Catherine (Bonebrake) Rinehart. After their marriage Mr. Shockey engaged in farming. In January, 1879, he took a contract to furnish all the lumber and timber between Edgemont, Md., and Shippensburg, Penn., for the Baltimore & Cumberland Valley Railroad, purchased a new steam saw-mill, and filled this contract in addition to running his farm. In 1882 he removed to Waynesboro, where he built up his present business, that of manufacturing all kinds of hard and soft wood to order; also built, on the corner of Franklin and Second Streets, his handsome residence. Mr. and Mrs. Shockey are members of the German Baptist Church. They have two daughters: Virtie May and Elva K., aged, respectively, twelve and six years. Mr. Shockey is a man of more than ordinary ability and energy. He has, in addition to his mill, a farm of 230 acres, nearly all improved, and he pays considerable attention to the raising of fine fruit. The history of Mr. Shockey's ancestry is indefinite, except that they have lived in the immediate vicinity for a long period of time, tracing back more than a hundred years, often possessing large tracts of valuable real estate, in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., and Washington County, Md., along the Mason & Dixon line, and scarcely ever during this long period of years did any other business than agriculture. Farming was the height of their ambition, and nothing could give them the same satisfaction as that of cultivating and owning more land than their neighbors, often combining their mite to accomplish the purchasing of certain tracts of real estate that was desired. Let it be said they usually were successful.

JONAS SHOCKEY, farmer and stock raiser, P. O. Rowzersville, was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., August 22, 1842, a son of Christian (a farmer) and Mary (Young) Shockey. His paternal and maternal ancestors were among the early German settlers of Franklin County. Of the large family of Christian and Mary Shockey only four are now living, of whom Jonas is the third. Our subject obtained his education in Washington Township and wisely chose the calling of his father, that of farming, for his life work. He has been successful and now owns 120 acres of well improved land. He has been twice married; first, in 1869, to Susan Bonebrake, a daughter of Henry Bonebrake, a farmer and a descendant of an early German family. Mrs.

Shockey died in 1870, the mother of one child, Anna, also deceased. Twelve years after the death of his first wife Mr. Shockey married Miss Anna A., daughter of David Prior, also of German origin. Politically Mr. Shockey is a Republican.

**SAMUEL SHOCKEY**, farmer and stock grower, P. O. Waynesboro, was born on the farm where he now resides, November 23, 1846; a son of Isaac and Sarah (Burns) Shockey, natives of Pennsylvania and of English origin, the former a farmer. In a family of ten children Samuel is the fifth, and nine grew to maturity. Our subject was reared on the farm, educated at the schools of the neighborhood, and has since been engaged in farming, in which he has been successful. He resides on the pike, three miles northeast of Waynesboro. Mr. Shockey was married in 1870 to Martha, daughter of Henry Henicle, a mechanic of French origin. Mr. and Mrs. Shockey have two children, Sudie Alice and Harry Ward. In politics he is a Republican.

**REUBEN SHOVER**, railroad and shipping agent for the Geiser Manufacturing Company, of Waynesboro, was born in Adams County, Penn., September 29, 1832, a son of Jacob and Nancy (Harbaugh) Shover, former of whom, a farmer, was born in Indiana in 1799, of French descent, latter of German descent. Their family consisted of eight children, of whom Reuben is the youngest who grew to manhood. Subject's mother and one sister and one brother died within eighteen months. After their death the father kept the family together from 1834 to 1851, when the last one had married and left him; he then wisely concluded that it was not well for man to be alone, and married again. He was for many years elder of the Reformed Church, and died in 1872 in Waynesboro, where he had resided from 1856. Reuben was reared on the farm in Adams County, where he also attended the common schools, and followed the vocation of farming. From 1856 until 1875 he was employed by the Western Maryland Railroad and its branches. In 1871 he erected a warehouse where Pen Mar stands, and with a partner carried on business for several years. The erection of a warehouse there was the means of building up Pen Mar, the great summer resort now so widely known. In 1875 Mr. Shover moved from the farm to Pen Mar, and in 1881 removed to Waynesboro, where he has been in the employ of the Geiser Manufacturing Company. In the fall of 1855 he was married to Mary A., daughter of Samuel Faulders, of Washington County, Md., and their children are William C., an engineer on the Cumberland Valley Railroad; Ira I., also a railroad engineer, with headquarters at Dayton, Ohio; John C. (deceased), was a telegraph operator. Mrs. Shover is a member of the Disciples Church. Mr. Shover has been a member of the Reformed Church since he was seventeen years old. He is a Democrat in politics, takes an active interest in education and was school director when he lived in Adams County. He is a member of the town council; has been a member of the I. O. O. F., and since 1866 has been a member of the encampment.

**ISAAC N. SNIVELY**, M. D., Waynesboro, is one of the lineal descendants of John Jacob Schnebele (the name being afterward changed to Snively), who emigrated from Switzerland to Lancaster County (in the then province of Pennsylvania.) About the year 1707, he was naturalized in Philadelphia, October 14, 1729, in the third year of the reign of King George II, and died at the age of eighty-four years. This John Jacob Schnebele was twice married and had two children by his first wife: Jacob, born in 1694, died August 24, 1766, and Christian, born August 15, 1731, died March 16, 1795, in his sixty-fifth year. His second marriage, which took place about 1761, was with Miss Margaret Washabaugh, who bore him eight children. His second child by this union, John

Snively (grandfather of our subject) was born February 25, 1766, married a Miss Anna Hege, October 24, 1794, and died in July, 1844, in his seventy-ninth year; his widow died August 17, 1852, in her seventy-seventh year. She was one of the descendants of Hans Hagg<sup>7</sup>, who emigrated from Switzerland with his family to the American colonies with his brother-in-law, Hans Leaman, and his family, and others in the ship "James Goodwill," of which David Crocket, of Rotterdam, was captain. They landed at Philadelphia, Penn., September 29, 1727, and from there went to Rapho Township, Lancaster Co., Penn., settling near Manheim. Hans Haggy had a son, John, who was married to Elizabeth Pealman and lived near Bridgeport, this county; and their third child, who was born in 1751, and died May 13, 1815, married Maria Stouffer, who bore him four children, the eldest Anna Hege (originally spelled Haggy) being our subject's grandmother on his father's side. John Snively (subject's father) was born near Greencastle, Franklin Co., Penn., January 12, 1799, on the ancestral homestead, which was a portion of the original tract patented by John Jacob Snively in the days of the Penns, and has been handed down from father to son for over a century and a half. He (John Snively) was married to Miss Catharine, daughter of the late Jacob Keefer, from near Marion, this county, and who had moved here from Lancaster County, where Mrs. Snively was born August 22, 1802. John Snively died March 4, 1853, in his fifty-fifth year, and his widow followed him September 30, 1854. They were the parents of one daughter and six sons, of whom four sons are living: John K., a farmer; Dr. Isaac N., Dr. Samuel K., of Maryland; Dr. Andrew J. Our subject was born near Jackson Hall, this county, February 23, 1839, and there spent his early life on his father's farm, assisting in the various farm duties during the summer months and attending the public schools during winters. At the age of fourteen, being left an orphan, he started out in quest of employment. Arriving in Chambersburg, he entered the store of Hutz & Son, acting as salesman with his cousin, John P. Keefer, who very kindly gave him access to his fine library. He soon acquired a fondness for books which disqualified him for the duties of a clerkship, and he withdrew to enter the Fayetteville Academy, then under the supervision of the Rev. Mr. Kennedy. From here he returned to Chambersburg and attended the private classical school of that noted teacher, the late Thomas J. Harris, where for a time he also acted as assistant. He afterward taught in the public schools and took an active part in the Franklin County Teachers' Association. In 1857 he graduated at Duff's Commercial College at Pittsburgh, Penn. In 1858, while teaching the Mt. Vernon School, near Waynesboro, Penn., he commenced the study of anatomy with Dr. Benjamin Frantz. In the spring of 1859 he became a pupil of the late Dr. John C. Richards, of Chambersburg, and graduated from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Penn., in 1863. In the same year, when the Confederate Army invaded Pennsylvania, the Doctor went to Harrisburg, and after passing the required examination before the State medical board, was commissioned by the governor of Pennsylvania as assistant surgeon, his commission bearing date June 20, 1863. He was assigned by Dr. King, surgeon-general of Pennsylvania, to do duty at Camp Curtin. He became acting surgeon of the Twentieth Pennsylvania Regiment, Col. William B. Thomas commanding. He allowed himself to be mustered out of service with his regiment, and returned to Chambersburg, where he associated himself in the practice of his profession with his late preceptor, Dr. J. C. Richards. Besides their regular practice they had charge of the Town Hall Hospital. September 8, 1863, the surgeon-general of Pennsylvania sent him a commission assigning him to the One Hundred and Fifty-fifth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer

Infantry, then encamped at Beverly Ford, Va., Maj. Ewing commanding. He declined this, as well as a lucrative appointment on the Pacific coast in a marine hospital, preferring to continue in the practice with Dr. Richards. December 24, 1863, he was married to Miss Alice B., daughter of the late Abraham Barr, Esq., of near Waynesboro, Penn. They moved on the Smith property on Main Street and there, July 30, 1864, they lost their all by the burning of the town by rebels. The Doctor was away at the time, and his young wife barely escaped from the flames of their burning dwelling. Left destitute, the Doctor was not discouraged, but in less than a week was found on duty in the United States General Army Hospital at Beverly, N. J. He continued here until the war was about closing, when he resigned to take the place of Dr. James Brotherton, Jr., of Waynesboro (who had lately died), and here our subject has enjoyed a lucrative practice. He was one of the founders of the present medical society of Franklin County, and of which he was president in 1874. He took an active interest in getting the railroads to Waynesboro, and was elected president of the Baltimore & Cumberland Valley Railroad in 1882, still holding this office. The Doctor has been successful, turning his attention largely to surgery, and he has but few superiors in that branch of his profession in Pennsylvania. He makes the eye a specialty, and through his professional knowledge has been able, by performing delicate operations, to restore perfect sight where his patient has been blind for several years. He is a permanent member of the American Medical Association, and a permanent member of the Pennsylvania State Medical Association. The Doctor and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church. He is a Republican in politics. He is a member of the I. O. O. F., and also of the G. A. R., Capt. Jno. E. Walker Post, No. 287, of which he has been surgeon for a number of years.

WILLIAM H. SNYDER, a member of the firm of Frick & Co., Waynesboro, and master mechanic, was born in Franklin County, Penn., April 10, 1843. His parents, Jacob and Susan (Miller) Snyder, were also natives of Franklin County, and his paternal and maternal ancestors were among the early German settlers of Pennsylvania. His father, a farmer by occupation, died in 1878; a member of the German Reformed Church, in which he held all the offices. His mother is still living aged seventy-three years, also a member of the German Reformed Church. Our subject is the youngest in a family of five children, four of whom still survive. He spent his early life on the farm with his parents, but preferring to be a mechanic, entered the shop of George Frick, where he served a regular apprenticeship, on the completion of which he went to Altoona, Penn., and for some years was employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He then returned to Waynesboro, and in 1873 became a member of the firm of Frick & Co., of which he is one of the directors. He has been master mechanic in the shops since 1873. His residence, which he erected in 1881, is among the best in the county. He was married in 1876 to Belle, daughter of James and Martha (Gordon) Mayhugh, of Scotch-Irish descent and natives of this county. Mrs. Snyder's grandfather, Hans Gordon, built the first house in the village of Waynesboro; it was located near where Dr. Snively's drug store now stands. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder have been blessed with two children: Anna B. and Hazel D. Mrs. Snyder is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

GEORGE W. STEPHEY, farmer and stock grower, P. O. Rowzersville, was born in Franklin County, Penn., October 18, 1829, son of George (a farmer) and Anna Maria (Winters) Stephey, natives of Washington County, Md. They had a family of seven children, all of whom grew to maturity, of

whom George W. is the third. The early years of our subject were spent on the farm with his parents and in attending the district schools. In early life he worked in the saw-mill and on the farm with his father; later worked in the agricultural shop, then learned the carpenter's trade which he followed ten years; has since followed farming, and is the owner of a well improved farm. He was married in 1853 to Elizabeth, daughter of Daniel Mickley. Mr. Mickley was born in 1795; served in the war of 1812; was a farmer, and still resides in Waynesboro. Mrs. Stephey's mother's maiden name was Elizabeth Zettle, and she was a native of Adams County, Penn. Mr. Stephey has three children now living: Daniel, married and residing in Waynesboro, employed in the Geiser shops; Mary, at home, and Oscar, a molder by trade. Mrs. Stephey died in 1865 a member of the Reformed Church; Mr. Stephey of the Lutheran Church, of which he was a deacon and also a teacher in the Sabbath-school. He takes an active interest in all that pertains to the welfare of the church and Sunday-school.

JOHN N. STICKELL, merchant, Waynesboro, was born in Greencastle, Penn., September 3, 1855, a son of Joseph and Rachel (Earheart) Stickell, natives of Franklin County, Penn., of German origin, the former of whom was a coachmaker, and carried on the business for many years in Greencastle, where he died in 1885. His family consisted of three children. Our subject was reared in Greencastle, where he acquired his education and learned coachmaking of his father. In 1879 he came to Waynesboro and worked in the Frick shops one year. In 1881 he embarked in the cigar and tobacco trade, and in 1883 established his present business—dealing in groceries and queensware—in which he has been very successful. He is a member of St. Paul's Reformed Church, and takes an active interest in the Sabbath-school. He is a Republican in politics.

ABRAHAM H. STRICKLER, M. D., Waynesboro, is the youngest of four sons of Joseph Strickler, who was intermarried with Mary Snively. His grandfather, Henry Strickler, came from York County, Penn., near the Lancaster County line, at Columbia, in 1807, and settled near Greencastle. He was of German-Swiss descent. Mary Snively, the Doctor's mother, was an only daughter of Peter Snively, a descendant of John Jacob Schnebele, who emigrated to this country from Switzerland in 1714, and settled also near Greencastle. Dr. Abraham H. Strickler, the subject of this sketch, was born in Antrim Township, this county. He graduated at the College of New Jersey, Princeton, class of 1863, receiving the degrees of A. B. and A. M. He then studied medicine in the office of Dr. William Grubb, of Greencastle, and subsequently attended Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York, where he graduated in medicine in 1866. He commenced the practice of his profession at Mercersburg, this county, where he remained five years. In 1871 he located in Waynesboro, where he has ever since been successfully engaged in active practice. During the war of the Rebellion he served as cadet in the medical department of the Union Army, and while yet an undergraduate in medicine, he performed the duties of assistant surgeon in Lincoln Hospital, Washington, D. C. He was married in 1870 to Miss Clara Anna Besore, only daughter of George Besore, of Waynesboro, whose biography and portrait are found elsewhere in this volume. The Doctor and wife have two children: Harry Clark and Belle. They are members of the Reformed Church, in which he has been elder for eight years. He takes an active part in education, and in the public affairs of the town. He is a member of the public school board; a member of the executive board of Frick Company, and president of American Manufacturing Company, of Waynesboro. In politics he is a Republican.

W. W. TEACH, proprietor of the "National Hotel," Waynesboro, was born in Franklin County, Penn., May 5, 1848, son of John and Mary (Bandrow) Teach, natives of Pennsylvania and of German origin, the former of whom followed farming all his life. Our subject is the second in a family of ten children, eight of whom were boys, all growing to maturity. In early life he learned the blacksmith's trade, which he followed in Washington County, Md., until 1876, since when he has been engaged in the hotel business. In 1883 he sold his hotel in Leitersburg, Md., came to Waynesboro, and has since been here engaged in the same line of business. His hotel is the largest and best furnished in Waynesboro, and has the best accommodations. Mr. Teach was married in Maryland November 1, 1871, to Helen, daughter of John Sprankel, and of English descent. Mr. and Mrs. Teach have seven children: Lottie, Clifford, Gracie, Bessie, Emma, Lee and Laura. Mr. Teach is a member of the I. O. R. M., of the order of Mechanics, also of the K. of P. and G. A. R. He was a member of Cole's cavalry, Company G, during the late war, and was discharged at the close of service.

J. F. THOMPSON, D. D. S., Waynesboro, was born in Ringgold, Md., February 27, 1854, a son of Archibald and Mary (Shoemaker) Thompson, former of whom was a native of New Jersey, of English-Irish origin; latter of Pennsylvania, of German origin. Archibald Thompson followed coachmaking in Washington County, Md. His family consisted of eleven children, all of whom are now living, J. F. being the eighth. Our subject received his education in Washington County, Md.; studied dentistry and graduated in dental surgery in Philadelphia, in 1884. He then practiced dentistry for two years in New York; came to Waynesboro in 1886, and established his present business. In politics he is a Republican.

DANIEL TRITLE, director of Frick Manufacturing Company, Waynesboro, was born in this county February 14, 1823, son of Philip and Martha (Haggy) Tritle, also natives of Franklin County, and of German and Swiss origin. They were parents of thirteen children, all of whom attained maturity. Our subject, the fifth born, was reared on his father's farm, receiving his early education in a country school. He followed farming until 1854, when he came to Waynesboro, and embarked in the hardware business in company with John Philips. In 1857 they sold out, and Daniel Tritle clerked for William Brotherton for several years. From 1862 to 1864 he was in the butchering business; then he farmed for a time. From 1870 to 1875 he clerked for S. B. Rinehart, in the hardware business, and from 1875 to 1878 he was a partner with S. B. Rinehart in same line of business. Since 1878 he has been connected with Frick Company in which he is now a director. He is also a director of the First National Bank of Waynesboro. In 1864 our subject was united in marriage with Elizabeth A., daughter of George Jacobs, of German origin. Mrs. Tritle died October 7, 1885. The children born to this union now living are Alice Belle, George and Emma. The family are all members of the Lutheran Church, of which Mr. Tritle is an elder. In politics he is a Republican. He has served as school director.

JOHN WALTER, retired, Waynesboro, was born in Franklin County, Penn., June 22, 1808, son of John and Margaret (Harbaugh) Walter, natives of York County, Penn., and whose ancestors were among the early German settlers of Pennsylvania. His father, who was a farmer and miller, died in 1814. Our subject, next to the youngest in a family of five children (one brother was a member of the State Legislature), was reared in Washington Township, this county, where he attended school. Early in life he learned the wagon-maker's trade, and carried on business for several years. He then



bought the patent on the revolving hay rake, and made money by the purchase. He subsequently, in company with Gen. Burns, invented a sausage cutter, which they patented, Mr. Walter going to Washington, D. C., for this purpose during Andrew Jackson's administration. Their invention proved a success and they made money. Our subject next, for several years, engaged in various businesses, but finally embarked in the manufacture of marble tombstones, purchasing the marble works here, now owned and operated by his son, Mr. Walter having retired from active business in 1861. Our subject was married, in 1831 to Catharine, daughter of Jacob Besore, and of German origin. Their children are as follows: Harry, who conducts the marble works here; Susan, a widow; Julia, wife of John Newcomer of Illinois; Mary M., wife of David Newcomer of Illinois; Luther, a farmer; Joseph, a merchant in Waynesboro. Mr. John Walter has always taken an active interest in the Sabbath-school, and has served many years as its superintendent.

JOSEPH WALTER, merchant, Waynesboro, was born in Washington Township, Franklin Co., Penn., September 25, 1846; son of John and Catherine (Besore) Walter. Our subject's education was acquired while he was living on the farm with his parents. When but twelve years of age he commenced to clerk in a dry goods store at Waynesboro, and continued in this capacity for several years, but finally started in business in a country store at Five Forks, and also did huxtering for three years, becoming successful financially. He next came to Waynesboro, and in 1872 established the present grocery and queensware business in company with his brother-in-law, H. G. Bonebrake, the firm name being Bonebrake & Walter. His partner, Mr. Bonebrake, was a brave soldier in Company G, Seventeenth Pennsylvania Cavalry, of which he was orderly sergeant; then promoted to second lieutenant, and finally to first lieutenant for gallant conduct. He captured the colors of a Tennessee regiment at the battle of Five Forks, for which he received a medal struck in his honor, and he holds the letter from Congress setting forth the above facts. Our subject is a Republican in politics, and has served two terms as burgess of Waynesboro. He is a member of the I. O. R. M. and of the I. O. O. F.

C. L. WALTER, farmer, P. O. box 152, Waynesboro, was born March 5, 1844, a son of John and Catherine (Besore) Walter, natives of Pennsylvania and of German origin. The father has followed farming and various other pursuits, but is now living a retired life in Waynesboro. Our subject, fourth in a family of six children, was reared on the farm and educated in the common schools. He learned the stone-cutter's trade in Waynesboro, and worked in the marble works at that place at present owned by his brother, but at that time the property of his father. Our subject commenced farming in 1878, and now owns a fine farm of 132 acres situated on the Hagerstown and Waynesboro Turnpike near Waynesboro. He keeps first-class stock and Jersey cattle. In 1862 he enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served as a non-commissioned officer until the expiration of his term of service (nine months). He participated in the battle of Fredericksburg. In 1869 he married Amanda G., daughter of Henry W. Funk, and of German descent. To Mr. and Mrs. Walter has been born one child, Meta. The parents are members of the Lutheran Church. In politics he is a Republican. In 1883 Mr. Walter's fine barn and contents were destroyed by fire, causing a loss of about \$2,500. He has since erected a new and substantial structure.

E. W. WASHABAUGH, tobacco manufacturer, Main Street, Waynesboro, was born in Winchester, Va., eldest of the four children of William and Nancy (Harper) Washabaugh, natives of Chambersburg, Penn., and of Ger-

man and English origin. His father was a brewer and farmer, and followed that occupation in Virginia for several years. When E. W. Washabaugh was five years old he came with his parents to Chambersburg, where they spent the remainder of their lives. Our subject's education was obtained in the schools of Chambersburg, and there he served a regular apprenticeship at the tobacco business. The firm for whom he worked moved their business to Indiana County, Penn., and he continued with them there from 1847 to 1852, engaged most of the time at journey work. When he left them he came to Waynesboro and worked for Charles T. Weagley for about four years. Mr. Washabaugh did a wholesale business for several years, but at present his manufacturing is limited to the home trade, which is of itself a good proof that he is doing good and efficient work. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity. Our subject was married October 28, 1856, to Sue C. Adams, of Waynesboro, Penn.

**HON. GEORGE W. WELSH**, attorney at law, Waynesboro, was born in Waynesboro, this county, July 19, 1833, son of Jacob R. and Margaret (Reilly) Welsh, the latter a native of the county and of Irish and Scotch and Welsh lineage; they are still residents of Waynesboro, where the father, now in his seventy eighth year (a hatter by trade), carried on business for many years. Our subject is the eldest in a family of eight children, six of whom are now living. He was reared in his native borough, and there attended school. He studied law in the office of J. McDowell Sharpe and his uncle, Wilson Reilly, at Chambersburg, Penn., and was admitted to the bar October 29, 1856. He first practiced in Fulton County, but was there only one year when he returned to Chambersburg, Penn. At the breaking out of the war of the Rebellion he enlisted in Company B. Second Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, for three months, and was elected second lieutenant. He re-enlisted in Company A, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, for nine months, and was elected second lieutenant, subsequently promoted first lieutenant, and at the expiration of his term of service he received an honorable discharge. He has always voted the Democratic ticket. He was elected prothonotary of Franklin County in 1869, serving three years, and in 1873 was elected to the Legislature of the State of Pennsylvania. At the close of the session Mr. Welsh continued his practice in Chambersburg until 1876, when he returned to his native town, where he has since continued in active practice. The Welsh family are of English origin, having moved from England to Germany at an early date, but for several generations were residents of Germany. Our subject's great-great-grandfather came from that country to America in 1732, and settled in York County, Penn. His son Henry, great-grandfather of our subject, was a lieutenant in the Revolutionary war. In 1779 he (Henry Welsh) was tax collector of the Heidelberg District, York County, Penn., and our subject has his receipt (still in a good state of preservation) which calls for £500. George W. Welsh was united in marriage in 1874 with Anna Allison, of Scotch-Irish origin, and their children are Margaret and Charles.

**PHILIP R. WELSH**, dentist, Waynesboro, was born in Waynesboro, this county, September 6, 1844, son of Jacob R. and Margaret (Reilly) Welsh: the former, a native of Adams County, Penn., is of Pennsylvania Dutch extraction; the latter, born in Franklin County, Penn., is of Irish origin. Jacob R. Welsh was a hatter by trade, and carried on business for several years at Waynesboro, where he still resides. The family consisted of eight children, six now living. Philip R., the third born, received his schooling in Waynesboro. His first work was done in the service of his country. He enlisted, in 1862, in Company A, One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Pennsylvania Volunteer

Infantry, for nine months, but remained ten months. In 1864 he re-enlisted, this time in Company L, Twenty-first Pennsylvania Cavalry, and was second sergeant when honorably discharged at the close of the war. He participated in several engagements, among which may be named Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Cold Harbor, and in all the subsequent battles up to the time of the surrender of Gen. Lee in 1865, and he was present when that general handed his sword to Gen. Grant. At the close of the war he returned to Waynesboro, but in the same year went to Springfield, Ill., where he studied dentistry and also dental surgery. He entered the practice of his chosen profession in 1866. In 1881 he returned to Waynesboro and established his office on Main Street, where he attends strictly to business, and is much attached to his profession. Our subject was united in marriage in 1884 with May Reamer, of German origin, born in Pennsylvania, daughter of J. F. Reamer, of Williamsport, Penn., who was for many years a prominent school-teacher. Mrs. Welsh is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In politics Dr. Welsh is a Democrat. He is a member of the G. A. R., and has been adjutant and quartermaster of the post at Waynesboro. He is also a member of the K. of P. and R. A.

BENJAMIN F. WELTY, distiller, miller and farmer, P. O. Waynesboro, was born in Washington County, Md., August 11, 1848, son of Samuel and Sarah (Good) Welty, natives of Franklin County, Penn., and of German origin. Our subject, who is the eldest in a family of three children, after receiving such an education as the schools of the time afforded, engaged in farming, distilling and milling, which he still follows, and by industry and energy has been successful. Mr. Welty manufactures a brand of whisky "Welty whisky," which has been handed down from one generation to another since 1798, and for medicinal purposes his rye and malt whiskies can not be excelled. In 1874, he was united in marriage with Cora D. Martin, daughter of S. G. Martin of Washington County, Md., and of German origin. Mr. and Mrs. Welty are the parents of six children: John, Elsie May, David M., Samuel Chester, Katie D. and Adia. In politics Mr. Welty is a Republican, and has served as school director, judge of elections, auditor and assessor. The family attend the services of the German Baptist Church.

SIMON WIENER, clothier, P. O. Waynesboro, was born in Germany, October 1, 1849, son of Hyman and Amelia (Salomon) Wiener, natives of Prussia, Germany. His father, also a merchant, died in Germany. His family consisted of five children. Simon received his education in the common schools of Germany; came to America in 1866, and the first year clerked in Kentucky; afterward went to Indiana, where he clerked for a year; thence moved to Illinois, where he spent a year peddling, working on a farm and clerking in a hardware store in Chicago. Then his mother with the remaining four children, whom Simon had preceded, coming to America, on their way from New York to Chicago, met with a serious railroad accident at Sunbury, Penn., which detained them there for a long time. Simon then left Chicago and went to Sunbury to join his mother and remainder of the family. After those injured by the accident had recuperated, they did not have sufficient means left to proceed any farther, and made their home at Danville, Penn., where Simon clerked until 1873, when a friend of his started him in the clothing business in Lykens, Dauphin Co., Penn., where he remained one year and then moved to Tower City, Schuylkill County, where he associated with him in business his brother Albert. In 1879 they left Tower City and came to Waynesboro. Simon subsequently sold out his interest to his brother and went to Shippensburg, Cumberland County, where he engaged in business until 1882, and then he returned to Waynesboro. He next embarked in his present business, as

dealer in clothing, hats, caps, boots, shoes, trunks and gentlemen's furnishing goods, and carries an extensive stock for a town the size of Waynesboro. Our subject was united in marriage, in 1881, with Rosa, daughter of Salomon Rosenblatt. Her parents were Hessians. This union has been blessed with two children: Clara and Hannie. In politics Mr. Wiener is a Republican, but has never held office. He took an active part in the organization of George Washington Lodge, K. of P., and was elected its first presiding officer. He is also a member of the Masonic fraternity, and B. B. The family attend the services of the Hebrew Church.

J. R. WOLFERSBERGER, retired, Waynesboro, was born in Washington County, Md., September 12, 1836, son of Joseph and Mary Ann (Dibert) Wolfersberger, also natives of Maryland and of German and Irish origin. Joseph Wolfersberger was a merchant in early life, but in later years retired to the farm; he was twice married, his family consisting of eight children, of whom J. R. is the eldest by second wife. Our subject was reared in Washington County, Md., attended the public schools and early in life learned the miller's trade which he followed for six years. In 1862 he quit the business and took a contract to carry the United States mail. He followed this occupation until 1865, when he was drafted into Company D, Ninety-ninth Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, and served until the close of the war. On his return home he again obtained the mail contract and carried the mail matter of several routes, and passengers, until 1882. By judiciously investing his money in property he has become one of the largest real estate owners in Waynesboro, and his residence, a three-story brick building, is one of the finest in the county. He is also owner of the well known "Central House," a commodious stone structure, part of which was built in 1812, and which he remodeled, making it a three-story valuable hotel building. Our subject has had to make his own way in the world unassisted, and has been financially successful. He was married in 1862 to Anna Bowden, who died in 1875. He was again married in 1876, this time to Anna L., daughter of Henry W. Funk, and of German origin. To this union has been born one child, Harry F. Mr. and Mrs. Wolfersberger are consistent members of the Reformed Church. In politics he is a Republican. He is a member of the G. A. R., the only organization he has ever joined excepting the church.

ISAAC E. YOST, merchant, Waynesboro, was born in Cumberland County, Penn., seven miles north of Harrisburg, December 19, 1859, a son of Michael and Mary (Kenedy) Yost, natives of Cumberland County and of German and English origin. His father, who was a farmer and dealer in real estate, died in 1875; his family consisted of four children, of whom Isaac E. is the third. The early education of our subject was received from his parents on the farm; later he took a commercial course at the commercial college, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and graduated in 1880. He was a clerk in a dry goods store for several years before he attended college, chiefly in Cumberland County, Penn., but also clerked two years in Hagerstown, Md. In 1880 he embarked in mercantile trade at Middlesburg, Penn., where he remained three years; then came to Waynesboro and established his present business, dealing in hats, caps, boots and shoes; he is also engaged in the merchant tailoring, which line has steadily increased, as he endeavors to keep first-class goods and workmen. He was married February 11, 1885, to Minnie D. Claire, daughter of Rev. J. W. Claire of Washington County, Md. Mrs. Yost is of English origin; her mother's maiden name was Susan L. Linch, a sister of Judge Linch of Frederick County, Md. Mr. Yost is a Republican in politics; a member of the I. O. O. F. of the State Line Lodge, No. 914.

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